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## Murray Library December 2021 Newsletter

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December 2021

Regular Hours:  
Mon.-Thurs., 8:00am-11:00pm  
Fri., 8:00am-5:00pm  
Sat., 10:00am-6:00pm  
Sun., 2:00pm-11:00pm

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What's New at the Library?

# Murray Library



## Director's Corner



### Live Clue 2021:

Mr. Green,  
in the Graphic Novels  
Room, with the rope!  
Thank you to all who  
helped make this a  
smashing success!



**Did you know you can TAG resources in Primo?  
Try it out by using the steps in the provided [handout](#)  
and let us know what you think.**

Primo  
tip...

Reference librarians can be reached by chat, phone, and email as well as in person.  
Visit our [Ask a Librarian](#) page for more information.

**It's the most wonderful time of  
the year! Come choose a  
Christmas movie at Murray!**

Home Alone / directed by Chris Columbus.  
PN1995.9.C55 H64 2015

Mrs. Miracle / directed by Michael M. Scott.  
PN1995.9.C5113 M77 2010

Dog Named Christmas / directed by Peter  
Werner.  
PN1995.9.C5113 D64 2009

Midnight Clear / directed by Dallas Jenkins.  
PN1995.9.C5113 M536 2007

Christmas Story / directed by Bob Clark.  
PN1995.9.C5113 C4755 2006

Joyeux Noël = Merry Christmas  
PN1995.9.F67 J69 2006

Elf / directed by Jon Favreau.  
PN1995.9.C5113 E54 2004

It's a Wonderful Life / produced and directed  
by Frank Capra.  
PN1997.C376 I87 2001

Miracle on 34th Street / directed by George  
Seaton.  
PN1995.9.C5113 M57 1999

***Holiday films are available on  
streaming through Swank:***

<https://digitalcampus.swankmp.net/admin/messiah335541/dashboard>:

Check out a few --

- ❖ Home for the Holidays
- ❖ Last Christmas 2019
- ❖ Muppet Christmas Carol 1992
- ❖ White Christmas 1954
- ❖ Scrooged 1988



**The Gift of Music**

The Library will be hosting live Christmas music thanks to the Messiah University String Quintet directed by Artist-in-Residence Ya-Ting Chang. Amid the hectic pace of Christmastime, allow yourself this lovely half hour of beautiful music. Christmas cookies provided!

Performance will be held in the library near the café.

Please join us, if your schedule allows:

String Quintet: **Thursday, December 9, 4:00-4:30 PM**

**EXAM CRAM: EXTENDED LIBRARY HOURS**

The library will be open late for finals! Look for fun and de-stressing activities throughout the library, including puzzles, lego-building, coloring pages, thank you notes, hula hoops, and free, late-night snacks.



**Sunday, December 12:**

2 PM to 1 AM

**Monday, December 13:**

8 AM to 1 AM

**Tuesday, December 14:**

8 AM to 12 AM

**Ancestry.com (library edition)**

As the holiday season approaches, you might be curious about your family's history and the branches of your family tree. Murray Library has access to **Ancestry.com (Library Edition)**. By using the link provided here, your Messiah University login information gets you **on- and off-campus access** to census, immigration, marriage, and military records, plus user-submitted family trees.

Please note that this library edition of Ancestry is slightly different than a personal, paid Ancestry subscription. Also, check out our **genealogy research guide** for other FREE online resources to help you get started. Family history can be a great conversation starter at the holidays!





## CrafTea: December 3 from 3-6pm

Join us for tea and scones as we create crafts from book pages. This event is free and no prior crafting experience is necessary.



## Nativity Display

Stop by the library to visit the nativity display highlighting crèches from around the world.



Bethlehem

### Reminder! Don't be Overdue

**For Students:** All Library and Interlibrary Loan items must be returned before you leave campus or by December 16. The library's dropbox is open 24/7 for returns. Avoid fees on your account.

**For Employees:** Please return materials on or before their due date. If you're still using the item(s), please renew them. Renewals can be made by calling the circulation department (x3860), visiting the circulation desk, or [renewing items online through Primo](#), if the renewal request is initiated before the item's due date. To renew online, users must sign into their library account.

Book Title: *A Child's Christmas in Wales*

Author: Dylan Thomas

Illustrator: Chris Raschka

Year of Publication: 2004

Part of Murray Library's Engle Collection



*Notes:* When Chris Raschka creates a picture book, he starts with a very clear understanding of his audience: children. "I consider them to be very much the same as adults," he says. "Which is to say that I consider myself to be very much the same now.... I don't feel that the me of thirty years ago is much different from the me of today.... This view of my childhood definitely influences my work." *School Library Journal* observed that his "simple lines and squiggles of color suggest a child's own drawings, but this is the art of a masterful hand." Raschka grew up in suburban Chicago, painting and playing musical instruments. Initially planning to become a zoologist, he got a degree in biology before shifting his plans toward attending medical school. But art was never far from his mind, and the day he was to start medical classes, he decided to instead pursue a painting career. He worked illustrating a law journal and drawing political cartoons before moving to New York and starting to illustrate children's books. He has since illustrated more than 60 of them, including *Yo! Yes?* in 1994, for which he received a Caldecott Honor, and *The Hello, Goodbye Window* in 2005, which garnered a Caldecott Medal and a host of other awards.

### SWANK Film of the month: Captain Marvel

<https://digitalcampus.swankmp.net/messiah335541/watch/E9115C264244AB29?referrer=direct>

"A female pilot gains superpowers after a freak accident and uses them to help save the world alongside another superpower wielder."