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Create one-of-a-kind art: Assorted coloring pages will be available as well as colored pencils. If you would like your art turned into a set of notecards, please leave it, along with your name and phone number, with a staff member. You will be notified when your cards are ready for pick-up.

Putnam, 105 N. Center St.

9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 7: Books and Brunch, Food, Books, and Friends Magnolia, 112 N. Chicago St.

Tuesday, Dec. 10: Christmas Garland. For

children during library hours.

Saturday, Dec. 21: Chocolate Covered Spoons. For children during library hours.

McNabb, 322 W. Main St.

Saturday, Dec. 7: Make-N-Take Ornament, for all ages. Doughnuts will be available **9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 21:** Helping children last minute wrapping for family. Bring in gifts, the library will provide paper and assistance.

Winter Crafts: During December, January and February, the community is invited to stop by the McNabb Library to make thematic crafts. The craft for December is a snowy wreath.

Design a bookmark at the library. Stop by during open hours to pick up a "Design a Bookmark" form. After you complete your design, drop the form back off at the library and staff will scan it and print your designed bookmarks for library visitors.

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Standard, 128 First St.

12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5: OSF King Care-A-Van. The OSF King Care-A-Van is a mobile health center, operated by OSF HealthCare, that has been serving communities within Bureau, Henry, La Salle and Putnam counties since spring 2019. Aimed at serving primarily rural residents, the OSF King Care-a-Van works with employers, churches, schools and community organizations to connect individuals - who might otherwise be unable to access care - to area

health resources.

12:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12: A Novel-ist's Christmas Carol: The Life of Charles Dickens. Bring the magic of "A Christmas Carol" alive. During the holiday season, one can make the choice to either embrace the holiday spirit of kindness and giving or to say "bah humbug" and be what others call a "Scrooge." The greedy Ebenezer Scrooge and the kindhearted Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim, all provide life lessons during the holiday season. These lessons originated in the novella, "A Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens, has been passed down for generations. Dickens has been said by many to be one of the greatest writers of the Victorian Era. In addition to "A Christmas Carol," Travel through time on a theatrical journey with the Ghost of Christmas Past, portrayed by historical presenter Michelle Gibbons.

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