

YSRT News

YSRT will be offering two winter workshops this year. One in the Salt Lake area and one in the St. George area. Dates and locations will be available soon.

Please let us know who you might like to see present and what you would like to learn about!

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Kids Programming Idea

Thank-O-Rama Party

Here is a fun and very inexpensive pre-school activity idea from Melody Ashley and Allison Madsen who work at the South Jordan Library. It's a thank you opportunity based on the Mo Willems book, *The Thank You Book*. Here's what they did:

Program Outline

Opener: [Clap your Hands - They Might be Giants](#)

Video: [Mo's Thank You Clip](#)

Introduce *Elephant and Piggy Like Reading Book Series*

Song: [One from the Left - Jim Gill](#)

Story: *Thank You Book* (or other Gerald and Piggy)



Spinning the Thank-o-Rama wheel.
Who will she thank?

Activities

[Gerald and Piggy Paper Bag Puppets](#)
[Thank you signs](#)
[Thank-o-rama spinner](#)
[Coloring Table](#)
[Photo Op display](#)
[Smarties Certificates](#)



South Jordan Library Director, Vern Waters, shares in the fun at the Thank-O-Rama Party.

Teen Programming Idea

Retro Game Day Open House

A teen activity for 200 kids for less than \$50?
That's what Sarah Hall of the Hurricane Library did.
Here's how she did it:

Asked people to donate their old gaming systems and games.

Made trophies out of scratched CDs, hot glue, spray paint, and donated controllers that didn't work.

Scheduled "Super Mario Cart" and "Street fighter II" tournaments intermittently throughout the activity.

Opened up the games between tournaments for free play.

Showed gamer movies, and YouTube videos on a big screen for participants to watch while waiting for their turn to play.

Spent \$50 on snacks.



Golden Controller Trophy

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