

Check Out A Good DVD Lately?

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Many a cold February evening is spent curled up with a warm blanket and a good book. But let's face it; in our modern society of gizmos, gadgets, and sound bites, we've come to enjoy the pre-recorded word as well as the written. Many will spend some of these cold February nights curled up with a warm blanket and a good movie, and yes, your Chippewa River District Library has those too.

If you haven't browsed through our DVD collections yet, please do so. In the Children's Area there are shelves of Children's DVD's that will entertain, educate, and may even get you a few minutes of peace and quiet. Take home *Wall-E*, *Space Chimps*, or *Chronicles of Narnia*, all recent additions to our Children's DVD collection. If peace and quiet aren't exactly what you're searching for, you can take home *Dora the Explorer Singing Sensation*, another new addition to the Children's DVD collection. All children's DVD's can be checked out for a week with no fee.

In the adult area of the library you'll also find a vast assortment of Comedy's, Romance, Action, Mystery, Documentary, even Horror DVD's all for Mom and Dad. We asked the staff to share some of their favorites and recommendations. Joyanne recommends *Fun with Dick and Jane*. Jim Carey and Tea Lione do a great job of poking fun at excessive lifestyles and what it means to lose everything. Joyanne said her favorite part comes during the credits. Watch it and you'll see why. Courtney recommends *Devil's Playground*. She says it's a good film for people who are interested in trying out documentaries, but don't want anything too dry. It's interesting and entertaining at the same time. Monica loves *The Band Wagon* with Fred Astaire, Cyd Charisse, and Nanette Fabray. Filmed in 1953, the dance scenes that combine Fred's fast feet with Cyd's elegant ballet are as fresh and amazing as ever. Songs like "Shine on Your Shoes" and the classic "That's Entertainment" will leave you tapping your toes and skipping down hallways long after the show is over. If you enjoy musicals and haven't seen this, you are

in for a treat! LeeAnn enjoyed *Sahara*. It's a good action, comedy, and love story all packed into one. Matthew McConaughey and Steve Zahn work very well together. LeeAnn says *Sahara* is an all around great movie everyone in your family will like. Judy recommends *Sweet Home Alabama* for three reasons: 1) it's a fluffy romantic comedy, guaranteed to make you forget the economic crisis for 108 minutes, 2) Reese Witherspoon and Josh Lucas share a fun onscreen chemistry, and 3) Candace Bergen, Mary Kay Place and Jean Smart play their various mother characters to perfection. (And a bonus reason to watch: Patrick Dempsey!). Susan recommends *Mamma Mia*. The movie tells the story of a young woman trying to learn the identity of her father and is told through the lyrics of ABBA songs. It's uplifting and a lot of fun to watch. Heather recommends *Kit Kittredge – An American Girl*. Heather says it's a quality film that the entire family can enjoy, even boys. Once the movie's over, further adventures of Kit and her friends can be found on the book shelves at your library.

Did you miss your favorite shows when they were on? Would you like to catch up on seasons past with no commercial interruptions? Alice recommends the TV series *House, M.D.*. . Tinna said you can't rent the original *Star Trek* TV series' around here anywhere, but we have them at the library. Sue Ellen recommends AMC's series *Mad Men*. She says it's as good as all the critic's say it is.

Whatever DVD you looking for to help warm a cold February night, make sure you take a look for it at your Chippewa River District Library. Children's DVD's are available for checkout for free, while all others are available for a week for only \$1. Stop in and browse our DVD collections, or search online at www.crdl.org and see why everyone's saying "I Love My Library".