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DIG INTO READING! SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS HERE

This year's Summer Reading Program is bigger and better than ever, and we're excited to get the whole family involved. Come play our interactive board games designed to challenge children, teens, and adults to read, read, read!

We're offering an "I Dig Reading" t-shirt to every child who completes the program and a prize for every teen who finishes, as well as the chance to be entered into a drawing for the grand prizes. Patrons may register online beginning May 28, making participation even easier this year. You may also drop by the Library to register in person, beginning June 1.

YOUR SWING BRINGS BLING

The first-ever Library Links Golf Classic will support the Library's Better Building, Better Service project. Set for Saturday, June 14 at Finkbine Golf Course in Iowa City, the event kicks off with lunch at 11:30 a.m. Shotgun is at 1 p.m. sharp.

As our community's center for lifelong learning, ICPL remains the busiest public library in Iowa because of the continued support of our patrons and local businesses. Fundraising events like Library Links help us to continue to offer the best building, the best collection, online resources 24-7, Art-to-Go, fun educational programs for all ages, and answers to every question. Better Building, Better Service improvements include a Children's Technology Center, renovated Teen Space, central magazine reading room, 24-7 online magazine access, and more personalized service for you.

Register at icpl.org/support or contact Patty McCarthy, Development Director, Patty-McCarthy@icpl.org, or 319.356.5249 with questions.



Teen Summer Reading Program

The Teen Summer Reading Program—themed “Groundbreaking Reads”—begins June 1st and continues through July 31. Participants can sign up online this year and either print their Summer Activity Log or pick one up at any public service desk. After reading and completing activities, participants should return their Summer Activity Log to the Reference Desk to receive a prize and be entered into the grand prize drawing for a Kindle Fire.

We have a variety of exciting teen programs planned for June and July on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Featured programs include a hilarious GIFs workshop, totally crazy duct tape crafts, a screening of the movie *Beautiful Creatures*, and our Anime & Manga Club. To top it off, we'll have a Lock-in Finale Party on Friday, July 26 from 8-11 p.m.

There are a lot of entertainment options competing for your attention. We know reading—especially during the summer—usually doesn't rank high on the list. But summer reading provides serious benefits. Research shows those students who make time for leisure reading almost every day have higher average reading scores than those who rarely or never read for fun. Also, reading for pleasure during the summer fortifies reading skills. Here are some tips and ideas to help you keep reading over the break:

Find the right book!
Sometimes it's hard to find a good book. The Library has a database called “Novelist Plus” that makes it a breeze. Novelist Plus offers lists and recommendations for just about anything. Ask the Help Desk or Reference Desk staff for a demonstration.

Try something new
Do you read a lot of fantasy or fiction? Try a nonfiction or mystery book. You might find something different that really grips you.

Books with Movies

Did you enjoy watching *Warm Bodies* or *Beautiful Creatures*? Check out the books they're based on. You just might like the book more than the movie.

Share or blog

Write a review or share your thoughts about what you're reading on Facebook or Goodreads. Or email your review to the Library at teens@icpl.org, and we'll post it on the Teen Blog.

eReading

Do you love technology? Try an eBook! Also, the Library has Kindles that can be checked out! Pick one up and start eReading now.

Summer Reading Program

Finally, sign up for the Summer Reading Program! There are prizes to be won, and all you have to do is read or listen to books.

What's better than that?

TEEN PROGRAMS

- June 4, 2 p.m. Crazy Duct Tape Crafts!
- June 7, 2 p.m. Boardgamery
- June 11, 4 p.m. GIF Workshop
- June 14, 4 p.m. Anime & Manga Club
- June 18, 2 p.m. Bookmarking the Best
- June 21, 2 p.m. Guys Read Book Club: Grades 5-8
- June 25, 2 p.m. Movie - *Beautiful Creatures*
- June 28, 2 p.m. Upcycled Accessories
- July 9, 4 p.m. Minecraft Meet-up
- July 12, 2 p.m. Junk Jewelry
- July 16, 2 p.m. Meet & Read
- July 18, 4 p.m. Anime & Manga Club
- July 21, 2 p.m. Guys Read Book Club: Grades 5-8
- July 26, 8 p.m. Lock-in Finale Party!

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Summer Reading Grows Your Child's Mind!

Learning to read doesn't happen by osmosis. It is taught over time and built upon through stages. Summer reading is an important part of the process! Summer reading provides an opportunity for children to read for entertainment in a relaxed setting. Reading over the summer directly impacts children's cognitive skills, increases their vocabulary, and helps to motivate them. Denise Rehmke, Library Coordinator for the Iowa City Community School District, notes, "We encourage all families to make time for reading year-round, but particularly in the summer, so that children stay in the habit of reading, increasing literacy, fostering the love of reading, and keeping them on track for better academic performance when they return to school in August."

Participating in the Library's summer reading program, *Dig into Reading*, is an excellent way to help your elementary school child practice reading skills over

the summer and prevent the "summer slide," or the loss of skills over summer break. Superintendent Stephen Murley recommends it: "The Iowa City Community School District supports the Iowa City Public Library's summer reading program and encourages all students to keep reading this summer."

Dig into Reading, is a flexible game designed for preschoolers through 6th graders. It combines reading and activity suggestions, along with three prize levels to provide extra motivation. Children who finish *Dig into Reading* win a t-shirt and get entered into a grand prize drawing for a Kindle Fire!

Even babies and toddlers are developing language and literacy skills, and *Dig with Me*, the summer reading game for our youngest patrons features activities parents can do with their little ones to build literacy skills. *Dig with Me* also

includes suggestions for reading aloud together. Everyone who finishes wins a free board book and will be entered into a grand prize drawing.

Keep your child engaged in learning by signing up the whole family for summer reading. For the first time at the Library, registration will be available online! You can register at www.icpl.org, beginning May 28. The program runs from June 1 through July 31.

We appreciate these sponsors, who make our summer reading program possible!

ICPL Friends Foundation, Bennigan's, Blank Park Zoo, Buffalo Wild Wings, Iowa Children's Museum, Iowa City Landscaping & Garden Center, Iowa City Parks & Recreation, McDonald's, Noodles & Company, Preucil School of Music, Sweet Feet Yoga, and Westdale Bowling Center.



2013 Summer Reading Program Events

FAMILY FUN All ages

Children's Day! **Sat., June 8, 10-3 p.m.**, City Plaza Ped Mall.
Celebrate the Iowa Arts Festival's 30th Anniversary at this annual children's festival.

Music!C Presents! **Sun., June 16, 2 p.m.**, Mtg. Room A.
Hear *Goodnight Moon*, *Pecos Bill*, and *Ferdinand the Bull* in a whole new way.

The Cinderella Files, **Sat., July 13, 10:30 a.m.**, Mtg. Room A.
MADCAP Puppets presents: What would happen if Cinderella's fairy godmother went on vacation?

Dan Wardell's Reading Road Trip, **Thurs., July 25, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.**, Mtg. Room A.

FOR PRESCHOOLERS Ages 3, 4, & 5

Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., Mtg. Room A

June 6 *Can You Dig It? Archaeology Fun!*

June 13 *Bob the Builder DUPLO Blocks with Dan Daly*

June 20 *Digging Dinosaurs with paleontologist Carolyn Richard*

June 27 *The Music of Dino O'Dell*

July 11 *Critter Capers with Brad Freidhof of Kent Park*

July 18 *The Music of Adam Hartig*

FOR SCHOOL-AGE KIDS Ages 5-12

Thursdays, 2 p.m., Mtg. Room A

June 6 *A World of Dance, City Ballet of IA & Smitha Khullar*

June 13 *Water Carnival with the Iowa City Fire Department*

June 20 *Digging Dinosaurs with paleontologist Carolyn Richard*

June 27 *Reptile Wrangling with Torben Platt of Witty Kitties*

July 11 *Mad Science with the Hawk-Eyes on Science*

July 18 *Night at the Museum Party*

July 25 *Creations with a Twist with balloon master Daniel Poe*

Wii Gaming on **Wednesdays, 2-4 p.m.**, Storytime Room
R.E.A.D. Read to a Dog! Therapy Dogs of Johnson County.

Sundays, June 2 & July 7, 2-4 p.m., Storytime Room

TWEEN PROGRAMS Ages 10, 11, & 12

Mondays, 2 p.m., Mtg. Room A

June 10 *Sneak Peek of Shrek*. Get a preview of City Circle's production of *Shrek: The Musical*, starring local teen singers and actors. Then watch *Shrek*, the movie.

June 17 *Tweens on TV: Be a star!* You'll have 60 seconds to tell the world about a book you love.

June 24 *Sign Language for Tweens*. Learn about American Sign Language and practice some simple signs.

July 1 *Cool Crafts with Casey*. Repurpose recycled materials to create new things. All materials provided.

July 8 *Scott's Gardening Basics*. Try your hand at organic gardening, composting, growing your own food, and saving the earth.

July 15 *The Art of Illustration*. Come draw with published book illustrators Claudia McGehee and Jennifer Black Reinhardt. Art supplies provided.

July 22 *Yoga for Tweens*. Fun*Focus*Flexibility: Strengthen your body, relieve stress, and have a ton of fun.

STORYTIMES

Book Babies **Fridays, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.**

An active, participatory program for our youngest patrons, intended to stimulate language development.

Toddler Times **Mondays and Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.**

An interactive storytime for toddlers, filled with bounces, rhymes, stories, and songs.

Stories in the Park (**June 5-July 26**)

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m., Willow Creek Park

Fridays, 10:30 a.m., Mercer Park

Stories in the sunshine for preschoolers, in cooperation with the Iowa City Parks & Recreation Department.

Sensory Storytimes

First Saturday of the month, 1:30 p.m., Storytime Room

June 1, July 6, August 3

Designed for children with autism spectrum disorders, sensory integration issues, or other developmental disabilities, along with their friends and siblings.

Find a complete schedule at
www.icpl.org/srp



Don't Miss Children's Day!
SATURDAY, JUNE 8 • 10-3 • PED MALL

Better Building, Better Service Continues

This summer the Library will begin phase two of our Better Building, Better Service improvements. Phase one concluded with significant changes to the adult areas on the first floor. This summer, the focus shifts to the second floor, and shortly after school starts work will begin in the Children's Room.



The second floor will be home to a new space for teens, located in the area which used to house the magazine collection. Walls will be erected to provide a space where teens can mingle and collaborate on projects without disturbing other Library patrons. A range of technologies will be available in the area, including computer stations where teens can create their own music or videos, as well as a gaming center. The Young Adult Fiction collection, moved during phase one of the remodeling, will be adjacent to the teen space.

A new Reference Desk will be located near the teen area and the public access computers, and the New Nonfiction collection will occupy the space where the old desk used to be. Improved areas for public and Library displays will be incorporated into the design. A self-check station will be added on the second floor. Dovetailing with the start of school, work will begin on changes in the Children's Room, which include new furniture and seating at computers; replacement of carpet in the play areas; and the installation of new technologies to explore. The Children's Room service desk will move closer to collections and the areas where people need assistance.

Look for Library signage to get an upgrade as we install digital signage on both floors, including an interactive building directory that will display Library and community information. A digital sign near the lobby meeting rooms will display room schedules, and a sign in the Children's Room will share information of interest to families.

The two-year Better Building, Better Service project is funded by the City of Iowa City and the Iowa City Public Library Friends Foundation.

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CRAFTERS & SHOPPERS ALERT!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 7, 2013, for the second annual Arts & Crafts Bazaar at ICPL! The inaugural fundraiser was a huge success thanks to the many talented Library friends who donated more than 1,100 creative items to sell to benefit the Library. More than \$5,000 was raised for the Better Building, Better Service remodeling project.

PRE-LOADED KINDLES READY FOR CHECKOUT

Interested in the latest mystery by Ian Rankin? Need to catch up on the Song of Ice and Fire series before the next season of Game of Thrones? As always, you can find these titles on the shelf at ICPL, but you can also check out one of our preloaded eReaders. The Library offers 14 Kindles loaded with popular books for adults, teens, and children. The devices—which are the size of a magazine and lighter than a paperback—are available for three weeks at a time. And since each one comes preloaded with a stack of virtual books, there's no need to download or connect to the Internet; you are ready to read as soon as you check one out. For more information, stop by the Help Desk on the first floor. If you would prefer to read on your own device, check out our eBook collection at overdrive.icpl.org.

WIRELESS PRINTING @ ICPL

Library patrons may now print from their laptop or mobile device using the public pay-4-print system. The process is simple: Attach the document to print to an email message and send it to mprint@icpl.org (black & white printer) or colorprint@icpl.org (color printer). Currently only documents that can be opened by Microsoft Word or Adobe Reader are supported.

GET TO KNOW YOUR LOCAL & FAMILY HISTORY

Join the Library in celebrating Local History Month during Irving B. Weber Days. Weber left behind a wealth of material that covers the history of Iowa City. In over 800 articles for the *Press-Citizen*, he wrote on just about everything Iowa City: growing up here, sledding parties, even the best place to get penny candy.

Check out the *Historical Stories About Iowa City* books, which compile these articles first published in the *Press-Citizen*, or watch one of his video tours of the area that are part of the Irving Weber's Iowa City series, available as a downloadable video and on DVD. There are plenty of other books that cover the history of Iowa City as well. Wander down to 977.7655 (second floor) to find items about neighborhoods and nearby areas, past residents with interesting stories and lives, important events and developments, and historical homes and architecture. We've also got some great events lined up for Weber Days. Join us on May 21, when Colleen Theisen from the UI Special Collections & University Archives brings her conservation expertise to the Library to talk about preserving family mementos.

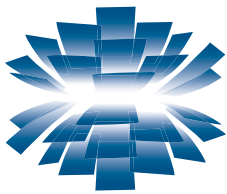
Find a complete Weber Days schedule at www.icpl.org/weber

We will again seek donations of your handmade treasures. Check the Library's website for details in late summer. Start knitting, weaving, painting, sewing, and creating now! Find inspiration and instructions in the Library's collection of arts and crafts books and videos. To help shoppers carry their one-of-a-kind finds, the incredibly popular special edition "Weapons of Mass Creation" tote bags will also return for sale during the Bazaar.



Anne Mangano
Collection Services Coordinator

The Library is pleased to announce Anne Mangano as our new Collection Services Coordinator. Anne began working in her new position at the beginning of this year, taking over from Barb Black, who retired. Anne has been on the Library staff since 2008, working as a reference librarian, cataloger, and collection development specialist. She has a Master's Degree in Library Science from Simmons College. As head of Collection Services, Anne oversees selection, acquisitions, cataloging, processing and withdrawing of library materials in all formats. Last year the Library spent \$709,000 on library materials.



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