

A World of Information

Read on the Wild Side!



2009 Summer Reading Clubs May 26 – August 10

Join one of our "Read on the Wild Side" Summer Reading Clubs. There is a reading club for every age level: Adult, Young Adult, and Youth. Participants just need to read books in order to earn prizes. To join, register for the club at the library's Circulation Desk starting May 26. Prize pick-up begins June 8. A valid library card is required in order to participate.

Coupon prizes are subject to change due to availability.

Youth Clubs

(entering 1st grade or younger)

Prize Level 1: Read or Listen to 10 books - Jungle sticker, wild animal notepad, and coupons for a free kids meal from Rainforest Café, a free cookie from Buona Beef, and a free kiddie cone from Delia's.

Prize Level 2: Read or Listen to 20 books - Safari sipper cup, jungle animal finger puppet, and coupons for a free junior shake from Steak 'n Shake, a free ice cream cone from McDonald's and a free Slurpee from 7-Eleven.

Prize Level 3+: For every additional 10 books read or listened to - earn chance at prize drawing.

(entering grades 2 - 4)

Prize Level 1: Read 8 books - Jungle tattoo, pencil, and coupons for a free kids meal from Rainforest Café, a free cookie from Buona Beef, and a free kiddie cone from Delia's.

Prize Level 2: Read 16 books - Morphing bookmark, jungle animal pencil case, and coupons for a free junior shake from Steak 'n Shake, free fries or hamburger from McDonald's and a free Slurpee from 7-Eleven.

Prize Level 3+: For every additional 8 books read - earn chance at prize drawing.

(entering grades 5 - 6)

Prize Level 1: Read 5 books - Paw print magnet, jungle pencil, and coupons for a free kids meal from Rainforest Café, a free cookie from Buona Beef, and a free kiddie cone from Delia's.

Prize Level 2: Read 10 books - Boomerang, animal print notebook, and coupons for a free junior shake from Steak 'n Shake, free fries or hamburger from McDonald's and a free Slurpee from 7-Eleven.

Prize Level 3+: For every additional 5 books read - earn chance at prize drawing.



Young Adult Club

(entering grade 7 and above)

Prize Level 1: Read 3 books - bumper sticker, and coupons for a free Big Mac from McDonald's, free cookie from Buona Beef, free kiddie cone from Delia's, free Slurpee from 7-Eleven, and free 30 minutes at Game Works in Schaumburg.

Prize Level 2: Read 6 books - dog tag, and coupons for a free junior shake from Steak 'n Shake, free fries from McDonald's, and a free movie from Classic Cinemas.

Level 3+: For every additional 3 books read - earn chance at prize drawing.

Adult Club

(18 years or older)

Participation in the Adult Summer Reading Club requires that you reach a goal determined by the number of books read. A participation gift will be given and once you reach your goal, you will have the opportunity to qualify for our monthly and grand prize drawings.



@ @ Your Library

Thank You Itasca!

The Itasca Community Library Board of Trustees and Staff would like to say thank you to all the Itasca residents who participated in the library survey that was put out to the residents in February and March. The survey results will help us to put together a strategic plan for the library's future. At the time that this newsletter goes to print some of the resident suggestions will already be in place!

Look for these new and improved services:

- More evening computer classes
- New DVD loan period of 3 days (changed from the 1 week loan period)
- A New Youth DVD collection on display
- Stools placed in the public washrooms so that children can reach the sink
- A Tutor Board that includes names of local people who offer tutoring services to children

Please know that we are always looking to improve our services, so never hesitate to tell us your thoughts and offer your suggestions!
Thank you.

Library Quilts

The library is thrilled to have received, on loan, from the Itasca Historical Society, a beautiful quilt that showcases the historical building landmarks in Itasca. This quilt is hanging on the south wall on the mezzanine level of the library.

The library is also thrilled to have on display in the west meeting room a storybook quilt that the Quilter's Guild made and presented to the library in 1995. This quilt used to hang in the main library but has now been framed and is hanging in the west meeting room for everyone to enjoy.

Lastly, the library would like to thank the Quilter's Guild for the beautiful quilt that they presented to the library for the youth room. The Quilter's Guild meets at the library on the third Wednesday of the month.



Itasca Historical Society Archive Collection



The Itasca Historical Society and the library have been working in cooperation to move the Itasca archive collection from the Depot Museum and into the library. Once the entire collection is moved, the library will begin the process of putting the collection in order. The Historical Society and library would like to thank the Village of Itasca for purchasing the shelving that was necessary to make this project happen. Along with that, we would also like to thank the Itasca Park District for their help in moving the collection to the library.

The Historical Society continues to need help from the community with the development of the Itasca photo collection. While the existing collection is excellent, it does have gaps and needs to grow. If you have any photos that you feel would benefit the collection, please bring them to the library for donation, or copies can be made and original photos will be promptly returned. We thank you for helping with this very worthwhile project.

Food and School Supplies for Fines

Monday, July 20 - Friday, July 31



Help the Itasca Food Pantry while erasing your library fines. Along with non-perishable food items, the Food Pantry is in need of school supplies for children of all ages. For every item you donate a dollar will be removed from your fines (up to \$15.00).

Adult Services

Computer Classes

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

By the end of the class, you will be able to:

- Enter data
- Edit one or more cells
- Create a formula

Session 1:

Friday, June 19 and Friday, June 26 at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Session 2: NOTE: Date and Time Change

Monday, July 6 at 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 18 at 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint

By the end of the class, you will be able to:

- Start PowerPoint
- Work with layouts, text, and slides
- Use different views and printing options
- Add background color or patterns

Session 1:

Friday, August 7 and Friday, August 14 at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Session 2:

Friday, August 21 and Friday, August 28 at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

A separate registration is required for each session.

Space is limited!

To register, call (630) 773-1699 or register online at www.itascalibrary.org



Wednesday Afternoon @ the Movies

2nd Wednesday of the
Month, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Do you like a good mystery?
Join us for our Wednesday
Afternoon @ the Movies to watch
some of the classics.

Wednesday, June 10
Murder on the Orient Express

Wednesday, July 8
The Maltese Falcon

Wednesday, August 12
Rear Window

Conversational English Volunteers

If you can read, write, and speak English, share your skills to help a non-English speaking resident of our community become self-sufficient and independent. You do not need a second language or any teaching experience—only a willingness to dedicate your time. If you are someone whose native language is not English and you would like to brush up on your English speaking skills, contact Tuki Sathaye at (630) 773-1699 or e-mail tsathaye@itasca.lib.il.us.

Adult Services

ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Discussion Groups

Get more out of the books you read! Join our lively and interesting discussions. Books will be available one month prior to the discussion.

Morning

10:30 a.m. on the 4th Wednesday of the month

Wednesday, June 24

The Lace Reader

by Brunonia Barry

Wednesday, July 22

The Year of Living Biblically

by A. J. Jacobs

Wednesday, August 26

Pope Joan

by Donna Woolfolk Cross



Flower, Vegetable, and Herb Container Gardening

Wednesday, June 10, 7:00 p.m.

Sandy Perakis of Platt Hill Nursery will be discussing and demonstrating how container gardens can be beautiful and edible! Come find out what plants can be partnered together in containers for an eye-appealing design that will last all summer and provide fresh herbs and vegetables for your family. See what is new and exciting in container gardening. Min. 10/Max. 50



Go Wiild @ the Library! (Grandparents and children entering Gr. 4 - 6)

Saturday, June 13, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Calling all grandparents and grandchildren, come get Wiild with us at the Library! Together you can learn, enjoy, and get crazy playing the Nintendo Wii. Board games and snacks will also be available. Registration is required.



The Friends of the Itasca Library Pizza Night

Sunday, June 7, 12:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Home Run Inn Pizza on Lake Street is having a pizza night to benefit the Library. Bring in a flyer on Sunday, June 7, and a portion of your bill will be donated to the Friends of the Library. Flyers are available at the Circulation Desk – please pick one up next time you are in the library.



Beaded Summer Jewelry

Tuesday, June 16, 7:00 p.m.

Nancy McCully will teach you how to put together a beaded necklace and bracelet using crystal pearl beads and glass flowers. Different kits will be available for \$10.00 a piece. Each kit will make at least one necklace and bracelet. Samples will be on display at the Circulation Desk. Payment is due the night of the program. Min. 5/Max. 15

Adult Services

ADULT PROGRAMS

National Safety Month

The library is celebrating National Safety Month in June with two programs sponsored by Itasca's National Safety Council.

National Safety Council's own Vice President of Research, Communication & Advocacy, John Ulczycki, will be speaking on the topic of teen driving at the following two programs:



Safe Driving: What Parents and Teens Should Know

Thursday, June 4, 7:00 p.m.

This program will explore how parents and teens can work together to make the right driving decisions and keep young drivers safe. Traffic crashes are the number-one cause of teen fatalities – an estimated 38 percent of all teen deaths occur from crashes. Inexperience, speeding, cell phone use/texting and alcohol are some of the leading factors that can heighten young drivers' risks.

Min. 6 / Max. 75

Just Drive!

Thursday, June 25, 7:00 p.m.

This program will help people understand the difference between various forms of distractions while driving (such as eating in a car along with talking to a passenger or listening to the radio) and why cell phone use, including texting, is our nation's leading distracted driving danger.

Min. 6 / Max. 75

Both programs are for all ages and registration is required.

Grilling and Barbeque Cooking With Andrew Comens

Thursday, June 18, 7:00 p.m.



Come sample new and tasty grilling recipes just in time for Father's Day and Fourth of July picnics. Mr. Comens will discuss marinades and grilling techniques. You will have a chance to sample chicken teriyaki, Thai spicy beef, and citrus shrimp prepared fresh on an electric grill. Register early, space is limited. Min. 10/Max. 30

Beginning Knitting

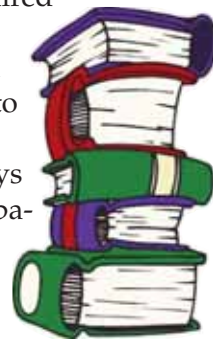
Mondays, July 20, July 27 and August 3, 7:00 p.m.

Come learn the basics of knitting in this three-part class. Our instructor will get you started with the basic elements of knitting in the first class, including yarn choices and needle sizes, casting on and casting off. The second and third classes will focus on practicing the basic stitches, learning decorative stitches, and how to read basic patterns. You will be given instruction on how to make easy projects including hats, scarves, dishcloths and small blankets. Yarn and needles will be provided at the first class and will be yours to keep. Open to anyone age 16 and older. There is a \$5.00 non-refundable materials fee due when you register. Sign up early, space is limited. Max. 12



Summer Reading Club *Read on the Wild Side!*

Join the Summer Reading Club for Adults to win some fabulous prizes. To participate, you must be 18 years or older and have an Itasca library card. The program runs from May 26th to August 10th, 2009. You will receive a participation gift when you sign up. A minimum goal of 3 books is required to reach your goal. Qualify to win big with our monthly drawings, and when you reach your goal, enter your name to qualify for our Grand Prize drawings. Unabridged audio books and Playaways will be counted. Magazines and newspapers will not. All material must be checked out from our library. The more you read, the better your chances of winning one of our fabulous prizes. To make it fair for all, only one prize per patron will be awarded.



Youth Services

FAMILY PROGRAMS

NEW IN YOUTH SERVICES

Family Movie Night

Join us for family movies on the library's big screen. We will provide popcorn, but feel free to bring other drinks or snacks. There will be a drawing for door prizes. No registration is required.



Wednesday, June 24 @ 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (rated PG)

Wednesday, July 22 @ 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
The Wild (rated G)

Drop-In Jungle Crafts

Thursdays, June 11, 25 and
July 9, 23 @ 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Celebrate the wild days of summer by making a fun craft! Stop by the Youth Department on these dates to create a jungle craft. A different craft will be available at each session. No registration is required



Lil' Critters

Saturday, July 18 @ 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Come check out this exciting and educational live animal show presented by Lil' Critters from Schaumburg. You'll have the opportunity to see some common and not-so-common animals up close and learn more about them. Tarantulas, snakes, lizards, tortoises, as well as some warm and fuzzy creatures are sure to delight everyone! Registration is required.



Just Press Play!

Have you checked out a Playaway yet? A Playaway is a self-contained MP3 player with an audio book loaded on it. You just need to plug in your own headphones and enjoy listening to the book! We have a variety of titles including current releases and classics such as Charlotte's Web, The Wizard of Oz, Inkheart, and Eragon. Look for new titles to be added to the collection over the next few months.

If you're looking for other ways to enjoy an audio book this summer, we also have chapter books on CD and kits for the younger kids that include a book and audio CD together. Please ask at the Youth Help Desk, and we'll be happy to show you where any of these collections are located.

Book-A-Trip Travel Kits

Going away on vacation? The Youth Services Department will put together a travel packet for your child containing activity sheets and reading materials based on your child's reading interests and vacation location. This service is for Itasca card holders only and requires at least two weeks notice. For more information or to fill out a "Book-A-Trip" travel kit form, stop by the Youth Help Desk.

Where's Zoe the Zebra?

Each day of the summer reading club (Tuesday, May 26 - Monday, August 10) Zoe the Zebra will be hidden somewhere in the Youth Services department. Be the first to find her each day and win a prize! You can find more details about this contest at the Youth Help Desk beginning Tuesday, May 26.



Youth Services

Storytimes

Drop-In Monthly Infant Storytime

(geared to ages 6 - 18 months)
Thursdays, June 11, July 9,
and August 13 @ 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Drop-In ToddlerTime

(geared to ages 18 months - 3 years)
Wednesdays, June 10, 17, 24 and
July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Drop-In Preschool Storytime

(geared to ages 3 - 6 years)
Fridays, June 12, 19, 26 and
July 10, 17, 24, 31 @ 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.
(There is no storytime on July 3.)



Wiggly Safari

(geared to ages 2 - 5)
Monday, June 15 @ 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Join the Wiggles as they meet the Crocodile Hunter and the animals of Australia. We will share stories, songs, and a craft related to the Wiggles and Australian animals. Registration is required. Geared to ages 2-5, but all ages are welcome.



Rumble in the Jungle

(geared to ages 3 - 6)
Monday, July 20 @ 10:00 - 10:45 a.m.
Swing on into the library, and join us for an adventurous jungle storytime! We'll explore the jungle with stories, rhymes, crafts and a snack. Registration is required. Geared to ages 3-6, but younger children are welcome with an adult.



Get Crazy With Curious George!

(geared to ages 3 - 6)
Friday, August 7 @ 10:00 - 10:45 a.m.



Come have fun with your favorite mischievous little monkey, Curious George! We will share stories, songs, crafts and a snack related to George and his friends. Registration is required. Geared to ages 3-6, but all ages are welcome.

Book Buddies

(geared to ages 3 - 6)
Mondays, June 22, 29 and
July 6, 13, 20, 27 @ 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Have your child paired up with a teen buddy for a weekly story-sharing time. During their time together, your child's buddy will read to them, listen to your child read, or both! Registration is required, and a commitment to attend each of the sessions is recommended. Geared to ages 3-6, but any child over 6 is welcome to participate too.



Youth Services

For School-Aged Children

Super Safari Party

(Entering Grades K - 2)

Monday, June 8 @ 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Kick off our Summer Reading Club with a Super Safari Party! Put on your safari hat and grab your binoculars as we share safari stories, games, a craft and more. Registration is required.



Go Wiild @ the Library!

(Entering Grades 4 - 6 and Grandparents)

Saturday, June 13 @ 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Calling all grandparents and grandchildren, come get Wiild with us at the library! Together you can learn, enjoy, and get crazy playing the Nintendo Wii! Board games and snacks will also be available. Registration is required.



Wild About...

(Entering Grades K - 2)

Each month, we'll learn about a different wild animal. Join us for stories, crafts, games, or other activities related to that animal. A separate registration is required for each session.



Wild About... Tigers
Wednesday, June 17
@ 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Wild About... Monkeys
Wednesday, July 8
@ 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.



Wild About... Zebras
Wednesday, August 5
@ 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Jungle Poetry Power!

(Entering Grades 1 - 3)

Tuesday, July 14 @ 10:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Take an exciting journey into the wild world of poetry. We'll make a poetry pocket, write our own safari-themed rhymes, and have a snack or two along the way! Registration is required.

Extreme Animal Extravaganza

(Entering Grades 3 - 6)

Tuesday, July 21 @ 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

You won't find lions, tigers, or bears at this program! We'll introduce you to some of the most extreme wild animals on the planet including the smallest, largest, most dangerous, and one with the longest tongue. Enjoy games, crafts, and snacks related to these animals. Registration is required.



Jungle Cleaner Creations

(Entering Grades 3 - 6)

Thursday, August 6 @ 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Come check out the cool jungle animals you can create with pipe cleaners! We'll be making a monkey, giraffe, and a chameleon while munching on some safari snacks. Registration is required.



Boppin' Bugs Bash!

(Entering Grades K - 2)

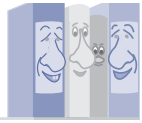
Monday, August 10 @ 1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

Creepy, crawly and tons of fun! Come join us as we celebrate all the wonderful things about bugs! We'll enjoy a crawly craft, along with some bug-tastic activities and snacks. Registration is required.



Youth Services

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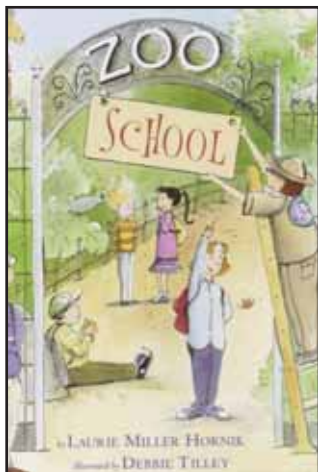
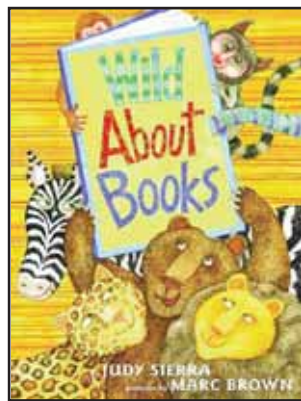


Children's Book Discussions

Children's book discussions are offered monthly for various ages. Books will be discussed along with games, crafts, or other activities related to each book. Books are available at the Circulation Desk one month prior to the discussion. A separate registration for each book discussion is required. Program meets from 3:00 – 3:45 p.m.

Friday, June 19
(Entering Grades 1 - 3)

Wild About Books
by Judy Sierra



Monday, July 20
(Entering Grades 3 - 5)

Zoo School
by Laurie Miller
Hornik

Junior Page Program

(Entering Grades 7 - 12)

Do you want to get a head start on your community service requirement for Peacock, or are you just looking for a fun place to volunteer this summer? Students entering grades 7-12 may volunteer to work up to 6 hours in the Youth Department this summer as part of the Junior Page program. There are two five-week summer sessions with a **mandatory training class**. Registration is required.

Summer Session 1:

June 15 – July 18;

Training Class on Tuesday, June 9 @ 7:00 p.m.

Summer Session 2:

July 20 – August 22;

Training Class on Tuesday, July 14 @ 7:00 p.m.

Book Buddies

(Entering Grades 7 - 12)

If you like working with children and have a love of reading, Book Buddies would be just the program for you this summer! After a mandatory training session, you will be paired up with a younger buddy to read with on a weekly basis. Like the Junior Page Program, these hours can be used as your community service requirement for Peacock. Registration is required, and a commitment to attend each of the weekly sessions is necessary.

Training Class:

Monday, June 15 @ 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Weekly Sessions:

Mondays, June 22, 29

and July 6, 13, 20, 27 @ 1:00 - 1:30 p.m.



Youth Services

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

Bead Wild!

(Entering Grades 7 - 12)

Wednesday, June 17 @ 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Grab a friend (or two) and join us for an hour of crazy crafting! We'll be making a beaded animal print choker, munching on snacks and having fun. Don't miss out! Registration is required.

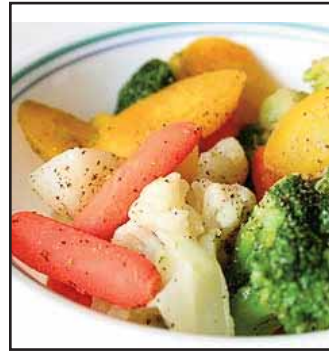


Love 'em, Don't Eat 'em

(Entering Grades 7 - 12)

Thursday, July 30 @ 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Have you ever thought about being a vegetarian? Or are you already a vegetarian and want to try some new vegetarian foods? In honor of our animal-themed Summer Reading Club, explore what it means to eat a meat-free diet. We'll taste test meat substitutes, create a vegetarian dish, and learn more about the nutritional requirements of a vegetarian teen from Registered Dietitian Susan McCloskey. Registration is required.



Rock 'n Wild

(Entering Grades 7 - 12)

Tuesday, July 7 @ 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Teens are invited to come to the library for an afternoon of Rock Band fun. A variety of board games and cards will also be on hand, and we'll provide a pizza lunch. Registration is required.



Locker Pockets

(Entering Grades 6 - 8)

Wednesday, August 12 @ 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

School starts soon; don't get caught with a boring locker! Come on in and create your very own locker pocket; materials and snacks will be provided. Registration is required.



Congratulations

for many years of loyal and dedicated library service!

25 Years



Nancy McCabe
Technical Services
Department Head

20 Years



Betsy Adamowski
Library Director

10 Years



Donna Reynertson
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Department Head



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