Summer Reading Family Party at Eureka Lake

The library held its second annual summer reading family party at Eureka Lake on July 19. Over 170 people attended the event and enjoyed inflatable gyms, music, a craft activity, and root beer floats. The library would like to thank Eureka IGA, David’s Harp musical group, Anytime Party Rentals, and the Friends of the Eureka Public Library District for their support of the summer reading party.
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Adult/Teen Summer Reading Winners

The Eureka Public Library had a great adult and young adult summer reading program this year. Jill Niemi, Kristi Wilson, and Stephanie Brown were the drawing winners. Each received a Fire HD 8 tablet. Eric Coben, Jr. and Melissa Hoekstra were the winners of the Reading Takes You Everywhere puzzle challenge. They won a special commemorative coin. Weekly puzzle drawing winners were Olivia Blunier, Barb Zimmerman, Marty Mosbach, Melinda Hartter, Eric Coben, and Kylie Davis. They won $5 Eureka Business Association gift checks. A huge thank you to everyone who participated!!

Summer reading grand prize winners (left to right): Stephanie Brown, Jill Niemi, Kristi Wilson, Melissa Hoekstra, and Eric Coben.

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The Kids & Grandkids Are Going Back To School—Time for New Books!

**FICTION**
- F Abbott – *Give Me Your Hand*
- F Atkins – *The Sinners*
- F Bell – *Somebody’s Daughter*
- F Belle – *Three Days Missing*
- F Bradford – *Portrait of a Sister*
- F Brown – *The Lost Family*
- F Burton – *Social Creature*
- F Clark – *The Amish Quilter*
- F Coble – *The House at Saltwater Point*
- F Crandall – *The Myth of Perpetual Summer*
- F Cromer – *Summer Magic (Local Author)*
- F Delaney – *Believe Me*
- F Delinsky – *Before and Again*
- F Dimitri – *The Book of Hidden Things*
- F Dylan – *Deadly Proof*
- F Fisher – *Minding the Light*
- F French – *Day of the Dead*
- F Giffin – *All We Ever Wanted*
- F Groff – *Florida*
- F Healey – *Whistle in the Dark*
- F Heng – *Suicide Club, a novel about living*
- F Hilderbrand – *Barefoot*
- F Hogan – *The Wisdom of Sally Red Shoes*
- F Jackson – *Liar, Liar*
- F Johansen – *Double Blind*
- F Klehfoth – *All These Beautiful Strangers*
- F Larson – *Return to Devotion (Local Author)*
- F Lindsey – *Marry Me by Sundown*
- F Macomber – *Cottage by the Sea*
- F Mallery – *When We Found Home*
- F Markert – *What Blooms from Dust*
- F Martin – *The Mutual UFO Network*
- F Mason – *The Best of Intentions*
- F Palmer – *Unbridled*
- F Pearson – *How Hard Can It Be?*
- F Peterson – *In Dreams Forgotten*
- F Pettrey – *Dead Drift*
- F Sands – *The Highlander’s Promise*
- F Silva – *The Other Woman*
- F Steel – *The Good Fight*
- F Wiggs – *Between You & Me*
- F Wright – *The Reckoning at Gossamer Pond*

**MYSTERY**
- M Atherton – *Aunt Dimity & the King’s Ransom*
- M Berenson – *Ruff Justice*
- M Castillo – *A Gathering of Secrets*
- M Maitland – *Slaughter Park*
- M Rosenfelt – *Rescued*
- M Sefton – *Dyeing Up Loose Ends*

**NONFICTION**
- 327.7304 BAI – *Three Days in Moscow*
- 643 SID – *Outdoor Kitchens*
- 690 THO – *Making Things Right*
- 248.3 SHE – *Praying God’s Promises*
- 363.6 CLA – *The Poisoned City*
- 364.106 PER – *The Good Mothers*
- 641.7 ONE – *Smoke Like a Pit Master*
- 687 SUR – *DIY T-shirt*
- 745.5 HED – *Creating with Concrete and Mosaic*
- 745.5 VAN – *Crafting with Mason Jars*
- 745.592 MAL – *Socks Appeal*
- 745.6 AVE – *DIY Hand Lettering*
- 745.5924 MAL – *Socks Appeal*
- 746 CAR – *Fa la la la Felt*
- 746.42 SAK – *DIY Wrap Bracelets*
- 746.46 SLO – *Learn to Bead with Pat Sloan*
- 920.0092 WOO – *Uncensored*
- 940.54 VIN – *Indianapolis*
- 973.932 RHO – *The World As It Is*
- 973.933 SPI – *The Briefing*

**DVD**
- DVD 3717 D – *Deadwood: Season 3*
- DVD 3753 C – *Chicago P.D.: Season 4*
- DVD 3754 - 3759 N – *NCIS: Seasons 1 - 6*
- DVD 3761 I – *It*
- DVD 3762 T – *T. Perry’s Madea’s Family Reunion*
- DVD 3769 Q – *A Quiet Place*
- DVD 3770 J – *Just Like Heaven*
- DVD 3771 E – ER: Season 3
- DVD 3773 B – *Bruce Almighty*
- DVD 3774 G – *Goodfellas*

**CHILDREN’S BLU-RAY**
- B-R 458 T CH – *Tinkerbell*

To see ALL of the new books and audio CDs: visit the library’s website at www.eurekapl.org
News From The Children’s Library

Reading Took Us Everywhere!

Thanks to all the readers who did such a great job reading this summer and to the parents and other adults who got them to the library to check out books, bring in book logs and attend activities. A total of 285 readers completed all six weeks of the reading program and read 16,580 books! Also thanks to our many partners in the community and area who provided coupons and other rewards for kids who met their weekly reading goals. We also had the best guest readers anywhere and our program presenters were excellent, too!

Library Little Stars
For kids ages 18 to 35 months and their parents
Reading & activities during September including 2 Family Story Times.

Register by September 1 and pick up a Little Stars activity card to complete.

Back to Books Grant
The library recently received a “Back to Books Grant” from the Illinois State Library for nonfiction books (informational text) to add to our collection. Nonfiction just keeps getting better, so there are some wonderful new books available for all reading levels. Be sure to check out the displays of these special books.

Found in the children’s library during summer reading: a blue iPhone. Will require passcode to access. Stop at the adult circulation desk to claim.
Reading Takes You Everywhere

Here’s a sample of just some of the new books in the children’s library!

**Picture Books:**
*The Library Book,* Tom Chapin  
*Click, Clack, Quack to School!*, Doreen Cronin  
*I’m Not Taking a Bath*, Laura Gehl (Peep and Egg)  
*Zora’s Zucchini*, Katherine Pryor

**Fiction:**
*Sunny Side Up*, Jennifer L. Holm  
*Lost in the Jungle*, Bill Nye (Jack and the Geniuses)  
*Lost in the Amazon: A Battle for Survival in the Heart of the Rainforest*, Tod Olson  
*Dog Man*, Dav Pilkey

**Easy Readers:**
*Hot Rod Hamster Meets His Match*, Cynthia Lord  
*Arctic Fox*, Katie Marsico  
*JoJo and Daddy Bake a Cake*, Jane O’Connor (Fancy Nancy)

**Non-Fiction:**
*The First Amendment: Freedom of Speech and Religion*, John Micklos  
*How Many Guinea Pigs Can Fit On a Plane?: Answers to Your Most Clever Math Questions*, Laura Overdeck  
*Super Shark Encyclopedia: And Other Creatures of the Deep*, Derek Harvey

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**August Adult Programs**

**Monday, August 6, 4:30—6 pm, Master Gardener Plant Clinic** Bring your gardening questions, landscape problems, and unidentified plant and insect samples to the Eureka Public Library and get free information and advice from University of Illinois Extension Woodford County Master Gardeners.

**Tuesday, August 7, 9 am—12 pm, Knitting Guild** Knitting fans are invited to join the Heart of Illinois Knitting Guild to learn new techniques, get help with a project, and meet new friends. For the August program, participants should bring their knitted knockers and other donation projects. For more information, contact Sue Wilkins at 309-275-5777.

**Tuesdays, August 7 and 21, 5:30—8 pm, Sit and Stitch** Join fellow knitters, crocheters, needleworkers, and crafters for this informal gathering. We enjoy each other’s company as we work on our own projects and help each other with pattern ideas and projects gone awry! The group will gather starting at 5:30 pm at the library on the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays each month. Not able to make it at 5:30? Feel free to stop by anytime between 5:30 and 8 pm.
August Adult Programs (continued)

Thursday, August 9 and Friday, August 10, 9 am—1 pm, AARP Driver’s Safety Program An AARP driving instructor will be at the library to teach a driver safety refresher course especially designed for drivers age 50 and over. Since 1979, the course has helped over 14 million drivers learn proven safety strategies and tips for how to adapt one’s driving to compensate for physical and cognitive changes that may come with aging. After taking the two-day course, you may even be eligible for a discount on your car insurance. Class fee is $15 for AARP members and $20 for non-members. Space is limited, call the library to register.

Monday, August 13, 10 am, 3 M Mystery Book Club Join the 3 M Mystery Book Club to help solve crimes of mystery, mayhem, and murder! The 3 M Mystery Book Club meets the second Monday of each month to discuss their favorite authors, what they are currently reading, and different themes and authors within the mystery and suspense genres. For the August meeting, participants will be discussing summer-themed mysteries and thrillers.

Monday, August 13, 6:30 pm, Make & Take Cards Night Join instructor Debi Smith for a fun night of paper crafting at the library. You will make two to three different types of cards and take your creations home at the end of the evening. Class fee is $2. Register by calling the library by August 10.

Tuesday, August 14, 5:30—8 pm, Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers Do you enjoy rug hooking or other fiber arts? Join the Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers group at the library for some quality craft time the second Tuesday of each month. Open to the public, you can drop in anytime and work on your own project in the company of fellow fiber enthusiasts. For more information, call Linda deFreese at 309-830-2626.

Thursday, August 16, 6:30 pm, Writer’s Circle Have you thought about becoming an author, would like to write down your family’s stories, or simply love to express yourself through writing? Join this informal writer’s group to share your ideas and writings. Members offer positive support, feedback when requested, and incentive to keep writing. This group meets on the third Thursday evening each month.

Monday, August 20, 6:30 pm, Credit: Understanding Your Credit Score and Report Credit is a multilayered topic. It is a struggle for many of us to understand some of the terms associated with credit and the effects of using credit. This free workshop, presented by University of Illinois Extension Consumer Economics Educator Camaya Wallace Bechard, focuses on understanding the difference between a credit score and a credit report. It also examines some of the key components that lenders consider, and it focuses on the benefits and challenges of credit. To register, contact the library by August 17. If you have any questions about this workshop, please contact Bechard at cawb17@illinois.edu or (309) 663-8306.

Thursday, August 23, 10 am, Book Chat Love to read? Stop by the library to share your love for reading with like-minded others. Library staff will share what’s new on the shelves and what’s being published the next month. Participants will share what they’ve been reading recently and help advise the library on new selections based on a review of the latest LibraryReads list. Join this informal, fun group of book lovers and help select new releases.

Tuesday, August 28, 6:30 pm, Summer & Fall Seasonal Care for the Home Landscape Every season there are things that need to be done in our home landscapes and gardens. Our lawns, trees & shrubs, flowers and vegetable gardens need to be taken care of to keep them looking and producing their best. This class will offer tips and advise for basic maintenance June through November. For more information and to register, call the library by August 27. This program is presented by the Woodford County University of Illinois Extension Master Gardener Program. If you need reasonable accommodation to participate, contact the U of I Extension office at 309-467-3789.