



Discover Your Library!



St. Charles Public Library News & Program Guide

May – August 2009

Reading Choices for Kids!

Beginning Reader Books by Reading Level

You know the books – the ones by the blue dragon, sometimes called the red dot books – the beginning to read books – the books under the JR READER sign. Finding a book on your reading level just got easier! Look at the lists on our web site and just click on the reading level you want and a list will appear. Then you have the fun of selecting the books you want to read. Booklists range from 1.0 through 3.9 – that is Beginning of First Grade through Third Grade ninth month. Now finding reader books by reading level is just a click away.

You've Got to Read This!

Everyone loves to read good books and your Library will soon have the best way to find good reads fast. Coming your way, just in time for *Read on the Wild Side* summer reading book clubs, will be our book review database – **You've Got to Read This!** Filled with almost 1,000 book reviews, the database will help you find books by subject, book award nominees or winners, and even by grade level. **You've Got to Read This!** will soon be your newest online best friend. Watch the web site for the grand unveiling in May.



TumbleBooks: e-books for e-kids



TumbleBook Library is an online collection of books ideal for readers of all ages and abilities. There are animated, talking picture books, read-along titles, classics, and full length, unabridged, streaming audio books. Just click through the various titles for a fun and unique online way to experience books in English, French, or Spanish. Have fun playing the Tumble Puzzles and Tumble Games. You even may search the site in English, French, or Spanish. Everything is available at the Library and on your home computer – just log on, select from the collection, and start listening. Have a tumbling good time!

Good Reads for Kids

How do you find the right book? At Your Library... is the answer and the Youth Services "ASK ME" staff know how to put the right book in your hands. Good Reads for kids is what we have for you: from infants to preschoolers and students from kindergarten through eighth grade. Picture books, chapter books, biographies, and more are waiting for you.

There are many different ways to find the right book at the right time. We invite you to explore the new and expanded features available on the web site described above and also to stop by the ASK ME Desk to chat with us – we love to talk about books and are always delighted to assist you.

Discover Your Library's resources at www.stcharleslibrary.org. Mouse over YOUTH on the toolbar and scroll down to GOOD READS – you will be just a click away from lots of good books. Happy Reading!



Meeting Room Named in Honor of Norman Huntley

Library Board President Norm Huntley has seen the Library and its

services grow and grow. In fact, he has been at the helm for the past 40 years to guide the Library in its development from a small library lending 138,000 books to 20,350 residents to a multifaceted information center serving 55,000 people, with an annual circulation of 1,500,000 items and 2,500,000 hits on its web site.

To express their deep appreciation of Norm's dedication to improving and maintaining the quality of the Library, the Library Board will name the main meeting room the "Norman C. Huntley Meeting Room." Mr. Huntley, who won his first library election on April 15, 1969, was just re-elected to a six year term on April 7.

Please join the Library Board and Staff to honor Norm at an open house from 1-2 p.m. on Sunday, April 19 during National Library Week.

And Also on Sunday, April 19...

Following the open house, stay to hear WBBM TV Chicago Crime Reporter, John "Bulldog" Drummond, share his experiences from his 40 plus-year career. The program will begin at 2 p.m. in the Carnegie Community Room.

Library Foundation to Sponsor Estate Planning Breakfast

Creating Your Own Legacy is the theme of the breakfast program that the St. Charles Public Library Foundation will hold at the Library on Thursday, May 7, from 8–9 a.m. Local financial experts will comment and answer questions on estate planning, with a focus on the Library Foundation's endowment fund. If you would like to attend the breakfast, please contact Ginni Tsipas at 630-584-0076, ext. 230, or vtsipas@stcharleslibrary.org.



From the Director...

These days, we all are stretching dollars by making the best use of what we have. The Library is no exception. Our Space Utilization Task Force developed recommendations for how to get the most out of the Library's existing space while keeping it as patron-, staff-, and book-friendly as possible. The Library Board has approved several of the proposed changes, including:

- A more efficient Readers Services desk and New Book display unit, which were donated by the Friends of the Library and The Kara Foundation.
- Adding shelves to existing stacks to maximize our capacity throughout the building so our collections can continue to grow to meet increasing demand and need.
- Changes in the way we manage and organize our books and audiovisual materials that will allow us to maintain high quality collections within the existing walls. Volunteer Christian Boissonnas conducted an analysis of our collection and provided the statistics upon which our decisions are based.
- Withdrawing more duplicate copies and less used items, such as older fiction, videotapes, and books on cassette.
- Improvements to the circulation desk and directional signs to make them more people-friendly.
- Returning the Young Adult study room on the mezzanine to general public use.
- Reorganization of the Young Adult collection, and allocation of more shelf space to it so it can grow and be easier to use.
- Addition of two more workstations to the Technology Center, and three more (stand-up) Express Stations to the Info Commons area.

Save This Issue!

Discover Your Library is published three times per year and will be available only in your mailbox or online through the Library's web site.

What the Staff is Reading



The School of Essential Ingredients by Erica Bauermeister

It is about cooking, but there are no recipes in this charming novel about a Monday night cooking class. Chef Lillian is a successful restaurateur who would like to help others enjoy food and cooking as she does. As they cook, we learn their stories, all revealed through the experience of food.

The Brass Verdict by Michael Connelly

This second novel about criminal attorney Mickey Haller finds Mickey in an extraordinary situation. Fellow attorney Jerry Vincent has been murdered and Mickey has literally inherited Vincent's case load. One of the cases involves a high profile film exec and promises to be both lucrative and challenging.

The Inheritance of Loss by Kiran Desai

At the foothills of the Himalayas a retired judge, his orphaned granddaughter, and their cook live in a once-grand home that is now in decay. Their lives are increasingly disrupted by political upheaval. At the same time, the cook's son strives desperately to pursue the American Dream in New York City. Told with humor and respect for the diverse (and sometimes crazy) characters.

Lush Life by Richard Price

Three young men are returning from a night of partying in New York City's Lower East Side when they are robbed. One of them is shot to death. This novel is about how the murder effects the people it has touched – from shooter to police, and from the unjustly accused to a father struggling with grief.

The Tender Bar: A Memoir by J.R. Moehringer

Journalist J.R. Moehringer recalls his childhood in and connection to Publicans, the local tavern in his home town of Manhasset, New York. J.R.'s father was a disc jockey who abandoned the family. J.R. knew him as "the voice" on the radio. His single mother struggled to raise him. In his free time, J.R. found solace in the neighborhood tavern. It was not the solace of alcohol, but rather that of male companionship, male role models, and the camaraderie of community.

Welcome, Clubs & Organizations

The Library supports local service clubs and organizations. We will provide speakers who can talk about the Library's services and plans for the future. We also can develop customized reading lists, demonstrate electronic resources, and talk about books/topics of interest to your organization.

Meeting rooms that accommodate groups of 12 to 115 are available by reservation. Small study/conference rooms that seat 4 to 10 people are available on a drop-in, no-reservation basis.

A display case in the main lobby is available for you to tell your group's story to the community.

For more information about these services, please contact Merilee Curtis at 630-584-0076, ext. 240, or mlcurtis@stcharleslibrary.org. To reserve a room, contact Ginni Tsipas at 630-584-0076, ext. 230 or vtsipas@stcharleslibrary.org

New Career?

Wondering what it would be like to be an electrician or a hot air balloon pilot? Need to brush up on your interviewing skills or wonder if changing careers is right for you?

Ferguson's Career Guidance Center can help you answer these questions and more. Use this Premium Search Database to discover information about 3,300 jobs in more than 94 industries. There also are online videos on topics like interviewing, changing careers, and job hunting strategies. Whether you're looking for your first job, exploring a related career, or wondering about opportunities in a completely different field, Ferguson's Career Guidance Center can help.

More than 20 specialized business and legal databases are available for researchers, investors, and small business owners. A librarian would be happy to help you explore these sources and learn to use them effectively. Just ask us.

Programs for Adults



New Visions: Help for Adults with New Vision Loss

Learn about New Visions at a free program that will help you adjust to vision loss.

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

In the Meeting Room

April 30

Where Did I Put it?

May 7

Staying Informed and Entertained

May 14

Magnifiers and More

May 21

Making Life More Livable



Heritage Center Book Discussions at the Library

Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

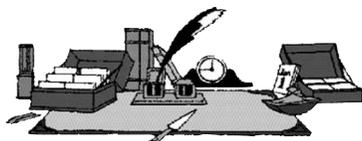
In the Carnegie Room

May 5

Devil in the White City by Erik Larson
(364.1523 LAR)

July 7

The Cowboy and His Elephant: The Story of a Remarkable Friendship by Malcolm MacPherson (599.674 MAC)



St. Charles Writers Group

Saturdays at 9:15 a.m.

In the Meeting Room

Moderator Richard Holinger leads the group that is designed for both fledgling and experienced writers. Each workshop begins with a short presentation or a group discussion and follows with critiques of each other's work. Workshops are for those 18 or older. Questions? Please contact Merilee Curtis at 630-584-0076 ext. 240.

May 9

Join a discussion of *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien.

May 23

Writing and publishing in your golden years.

June 13

How to come up with great titles.

June 27

Expand your imagination with free writing exercises.

July 11 in the Carnegie Room

Bulking up your characters' emotions.

July 25

Bad brilliance: Bring a sample of "great" literature you think stinks.

August 8

How to energize your tired scenes.

August 22

The public is invited to join the group for a reading of their work.



2nd Tuesday Book Discussions

The Library offers two book discussion groups:

**Mornings—10 a.m. & Evenings—7 p.m.
In the Bisbee Conference Room**

May 12

- Morning ~ **The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down: A Hmong Child, Her American Doctors, and the Collision of Two Cultures** by Anne Fadiman (306.461 FAD)
- Evening ~ **A Guest in My Own Country: A Hungarian Life** by György Konrad (894.51133 KON)

June 9

- Morning ~ **A Mercy** by Toni Morrison
- Evening ~ **American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House** by Jon Meacham (B JACKSON)

July 14

- Morning ~ **August: Osage County** Tracy Letts (812.6 LET) and **Desire Under the Elms** Eugene O'Neill (*Plays of Eugene O'Neill* 812.52 ONE)
- Evening ~ **A Mercy** by Toni Morrison

August 11

- Morning ~ **The Visible World** by Mark Slouka
- Evening ~ **Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations** Georgina Howell (B BELL)

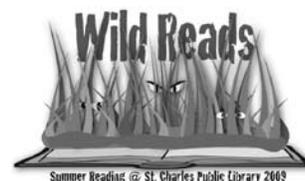
Great Decisions Series

The Great Decisions Series, sponsored by Batavia, Geneva, and St. Charles Public Libraries, is intended to stimulate a discussion of foreign policy issues. Participants must pick up, or request, a copy of the Great Decisions guide at the Adult Information Services Desk before the discussion. Additional discussions will take place in the fall.

Wednesday, May 20

7 p.m. at Geneva Public Library
(127 James St.)

Global Food Crisis



Wild Reads @ Your Library

Adults are encouraged to "read wildly" during the 2009 Adult Summer Reading Program! Pick up a book log any time beginning Wednesday, May 27 to keep track of titles as you finish them. Weekly log-ins begin on Wednesday, June 17 and end Wednesday, August 5. Remember that downloadable books or audio books checked out from the St. Charles Public Library can be counted as well as books!

Wild Prizes!

- Log-in completed titles once a week and be entered into weekly drawings.
- Earn prizes upon completion of 5 and 10 titles.
- Enter weekly trivia contests for chances at additional drawings.

Wild Wednesdays! Please note that for Summer Reading, each "week" starts on Wednesday and ends on the following Tuesday.

Stop by the Readers Services Desk for more information.

Friends of the Library

The Friends are a group interested in advancing the services of the Library. They support programs to supplement the Library's budget.

Salad Supper

Monday, June 15 from 6–7:30 p.m.

In the Meeting Room

Come and enjoy a salad supper and learn more about the Friends group.



Adult Programs & Computer Classes



T'n'T

Designed for 20- and 30-somethings, this series of programs provides networking and learning opportunities in a fun, social environment.

Concert in the Park, St. Charles

Thursday, June 18

Join us as we enjoy a free Thursday evening concert featuring the group *Spoken Four* in St. Charles' own Lincoln Park. Concert begins at 7 p.m.

River Walk History Crawl

Wednesday, August 19

It's time for another guided tour of local history! Learn fascinating new stories to share with friends and family as we walk along the Fox River from Mt. St. Mary Park to the St. Charles Municipal Building. We'll begin at 6:30 p.m. near the tennis courts in Mt. St. Mary Park.

Check the TnT page on the Library web site or **join our email list** to receive additional details about these and other upcoming TnT events.

In Cooperation With the St. Charles Park District...

The Many-Legs Brigade: Insects, Etc. in the Garden

**Wednesday, July 15 at 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
In the Meeting Room**

As you go about your work in the garden, many six-legged, as well as eight-legged species are hard at work too. Some are helpful to you and your plants, some may seem harmful, but they've all got important jobs to do. Learn about many common arthropods (insects, etc.) and the roles they play in your garden and our environment. Presented by Pam Otto, Manager of Nature Programs and Interpretive Services for the St. Charles Park District.

Building a Better Book Club

**Wednesday, July 29 from 1-2:30 p.m.
Adult Activity Center at the
Pottawatomie Community Center**

Jean Langlais, Outreach Services Manager, will talk about the Library's book club resources.

Computer Classes

Note:

- Computer classes in the Technology Center are only open to St. Charles Library cardholders.
- A \$10 refundable cash deposit is required at the time of registration at the Adult Information Services Desk.
- Registration opens on the third Sunday of each month for the next month's classes and closes when the classes are filled.
- Class size is limited to 10 people.
- Class cancellations will be posted in the Library and on our web site.

Introduction to MS Windows

Saturdays, May 2, 9, & 16

9:15-10:45 a.m.

Tuesdays, May 5, 12, & 19

10-11:30 a.m.

Tuesdays, June 2, 9, & 16

5:30-7 p.m.

This orientation is ideal for those who have had little exposure to computers. There will be an overview of parts of the computer and terminology including: desktop, menus, mouse instruction, scrolling, clicking, keying (typing), and saving. Class is three 1½-hour sessions.

Completion of the above class is a prerequisite for all other computer classes.

Introduction to MS Word 2007

Thursdays, May 7 & 14

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Mondays, June 22 & 29

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Learn about these word processing features: document creation, editing, formatting, printing, saving, lists, tables, and headers and footers. Create great looking professional letters and envelopes. Class is two 2-hour sessions.

Introduction to MS Excel Level 1

Wednesdays, May 20 & 27

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Learn how to create useful spreadsheets with Microsoft Excel. Save time and effort for home and work calculations of any type. Topics include: workbook creation, editing, formulas and functions, formatting, printing, and saving. Class is two 2-hour sessions.

Digital Camera Photo Editing

Friday, May 29

10 a.m.-Noon

Topics include transferring photos to your computer, editing, printing, and saving using CDs. Class is one 2-hour session.

eBay Buying

Thursday, June 4

10 a.m.-Noon

Learn how to set up an eBay buyer/seller account, how to find items to buy, how to bid on items, pay for your new items, and other practical tips. Class is one 2-hour session.

eBay Selling

Thursday, June 11

10 a.m.-Noon

Learn how to list items for sale, accept payments, and other practical tips to being a successful seller. Class is one 2-hour session.

Introduction to eBay online, MS Windows, and Introduction to the Internet (or good working knowledge thereof) are prerequisites for the eBay classes.



All classes are brief overviews and orientation to commonly used software and Internet technology.



Student Art Show

July 1-31

Artwork by students in grades K-12 who attend schools in CUSD #303 will be on display.

The community is invited to an Open House honoring all of the student artists on Saturday, July 11 from 2-3 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Refreshments will be served.

Programs for High School Students

For High School Students



Free Comic Book Day Saturday, May 2

Comics, provided by Graham Crackers Comics, 610 Randall Rd., St. Charles, will be available at the Adult Information Services and Youth Services ASK ME desks.

ACT Practice Exam

Saturday, May 16

9:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

In the Meeting Room

Conquer those pretest jitters early and improve your scores by taking a practice ACT exam at the Library. Kaplan instructors will return your personalized results. College is right around the corner! Sign up today at the Information Services Desk.



Read on the Wild Side 2009 Summer Reading Program

Registration begins
Wednesday, May 27.

Lots of great prizes, T-shirts, Cougar tickets, & Borders gift certificates. Stop by the Readers Services or Adult Information Services desks for more information.

Exam Cram Spring 2009

Wed. and Thurs., June 3 & 4

5–10 p.m. in the Meeting Room

Open late. Stop by, study, bring a friend, bring two. Pizza at 7 p.m. Snacks and drinks all night. Reference help available. WiFi for your laptop. (Food provided by the Friends of the Library.)

Search Party

Tuesday,
August 11

1–2 p.m.

In the Meeting Room

For the Freshman Class of 2009

If you are entering high school you will want to join the Search Party for an interactive demo of the Library's online research databases. Learn how these online resources can make your homework or research paper easier. Q & A and great giveaways. Sign up at the Adult Information Services Desk.



Youth Programs

You may register NOW for April & May Programs! Summer registration begins Saturday, June 6.

Book Character Visits

For Families

Sunday, April 26 at 1 p.m. –

Winnie the Pooh

Friday, May 22 at 1 p.m. –

Little Nut Brown Hare

Friday, June 26 at 1 p.m. – Arthur

Friday July 24 at 11 a.m. – Clifford



Come for a visit with your favorite book characters. Remember to bring your camera. In partnership with Barnes & Noble of Geneva.

Families outside the Library District: Register two weeks before.

Stories At The Nature Center

Infant–5 years with Parent/Caregiver

Fridays, 10:30–11 a.m.

May 8 OR May 29 OR July 10 OR

July 24 OR August 21 OR August 28

Walk down the path to the Nature Center at Tekakwitha Woods for stories. After the program, explore the Nature Center, walk the trails, and enjoy nature at its best. Cosponsored with the Kane County Forest Preserve. Maps available at the ASK ME Desk and on our web site. To accommodate as many families as possible, a family may register for only one of the six dates.

Families outside the Library District: Register with the Forest Preserve at 847-741-8350, ext. 10.



Storyteller Elizabeth Ellis

Sunday, May 17

2–2:30 p.m. Especially for ages 3-6 with an Adult

3–4 p.m. For Students, Grades K-12 and Adults

Elizabeth Ellis tells stories that expand the imagination and enchant listeners. She blends wit and wisdom as she brings each character to life, holding her audience spellbound in her joyful and powerful stories. Two very special performances, customized to the audience, will speak to your heart through folk tales and personal experience stories.

St. Charles Library cardholders may register grandchildren and/or grandparents that reside outside the St. Charles Library District for this special event. Families outside the Library District: \$2 per person. Register beginning May 4.

Kids Corner

Grades 1 & 2

Monday, 4:15–5 p.m.

May 18 ~ *Around the World in Folktales*

An afternoon story romp with storytelling, books, and of course, lots of surprises.



Book Magic

Kindergartners

Tuesday, 4:15–5 p.m.

May 19 ~ *How Do We Get There?*

Explore literature through books, storytelling, poetry, songs, and more.



Family Story Time

Infant–Grade 1 with Parent

7–7:45 p.m.

Tuesday, May 19 ~ *May Flowers*

Tuesday, June 30 ~ *In the Jungle*

Wednesday, July 29 ~

Bugs Everywhere!

An evening of stories and more for families with young children. Come dressed in your favorite pajamas and bring along your blanket or a stuffed toy.



Youth Services – Story Times & Programs

Multi-Age Story Time

Infant-Age 5 with Parent/Caregiver



Tuesdays, 9:30–10 a.m.

June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, & August 4 & 11

Wednesdays, 9:30–10 a.m. OR 10:30–11 a.m.

June 17 & 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, & August 5 & 12

Storytellers will present stories and songs that will tickle, delight, and amuse. Children and adults attend together. Meeting Room door by the ASK ME Desk opens 5 minutes before program begins. Open attendance: Show your St. Charles Library card at the door. Attend Multi-Age each week.



Infant with Parent/Caregiver

Tuesdays, 9:30–10 a.m.
July 7, 14, 21, & 28

One Year Old with Parent/Caregiver

Tuesdays, 10:30–11 a.m.
July 7, 14, 21, & 28

These early childhood programs encourage the adult to participate with the child by serving as a role model, leading the child's hands through a fingerplay's motion, or showing him/her how to bend and stretch. Siblings may attend. An adult may bring up to two children. Ask about accommodations for twins or triplets.



Stories with The Friends

Sponsored by the Junior Friends
Infant–5 years with Parent/Caregiver
10:30–10:45 a.m.

Mondays, June 22 & July 6
Fridays, July 17 & July 31

Drop in for stories presented by our student storytellers in the Helen Gale Story Room. Children and adults attend together. Open attendance: an announcement will be made for seating 5-minutes before the stories begin.

Babysitter Training

Ages 11-15

Friday, June 12 OR Monday, June 15
OR Thursday, July 16
9:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

Become a Red Cross certified babysitter in one day. Training will cover all aspects of babysitter responsibilities, including first aid and emergency actions. To receive certification, students must attend all day and successfully pass all observable skills. Questions regarding the training may be directed to the Fox Valley Red Cross at 630-443-8844.

Students outside the Library District: Register beginning 6/11 for June and 7/2 for July.

Registration Requirements:

In-person registration only

- A \$10 cash deposit is required to register or to add your name to the waiting list.
- Cancellations must be made by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10 for 6/12; by Noon on Friday, June 12 for 6/15; or by 3 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14 for 7/16. Late cancellations or no-shows will result in loss of deposit.
- Upon completion of the class, deposits will be returned. In the event that a student on the waiting list is not called to attend, the deposit will be mailed.
- A completed application form, including student and parent signatures, is due at registration. Forms are available at the ASK ME Desk and online.

Space limited to 10 students. A waiting list of up to five applicants will be accepted per training session. All applicants will be contacted after the cancellation deadline regarding registration status.



Weekly Gaming

Students finishing Grades 3-8
3–4:30 p.m. for all dates below

Tuesdays: June 16, 23, & 30

Wednesdays: July 8 & 15

Thursdays: July 23, 30, & August 6

Fast-paced fun! Drop in to play video games on the big screen. A game will be ready for you each week. You may bring your own E to E10+ rated games. We have Wii remotes or bring your own. Show your St. Charles Library card at the door. Polish your gaming skills for Tournaments in July & August. See Gaming Tournaments (page 7) for details.

Used
BOOK SALE

Children's Used Book Sale: Everything for Kids

Sponsored by the Junior Friends
of the Library
Friday, June 19
10 a.m.–2 p.m.
In the Meeting Room



Traveling Naturalist: Wild Creatures in Your Backyard

Ages 4-5 & Grades K-2 attend with an Adult

Wednesday, June 24
1:30–2:30 p.m.

Learn secrets about the creatures that lurk in your backyard: frogs, snakes, butterflies, and more. Hands-on opportunities will be presented by the Traveling Naturalists from the Kane County Forest Preserve, Tekakwitha Woods Nature Center.



Traveling World of Reptiles

Students finishing Grades K-8 /
Grades K & 1 attend with an Adult

Thursday, June 25
10:30–11:45 a.m. OR 1:30–2:45 p.m.
OR 3:30–4:45 p.m.

They slither and crawl and are often feared, but reptiles are fascinating. Dave DiNaso returns with his reptiles for a unique hands-on experience with a python, an iguana, an alligator, and other species. See Hoffmann's Animal Show (page 8) for a program especially for children age six and younger.

Monthly Movie Nights

Students finishing Grades 4-8

Fridays, June 26, July 24, & August 7
4:30–7:30 p.m.

Watch recent releases on the big screen. Titles will be posted at the ASK ME Desk. Pizza, pop, and popcorn will be served.



Youth Services - Programs

Concert: Dave Rudolf

For Families

Monday, June 29
9:30–10:15 a.m. OR
11–11:45 a.m.

Sing along to some great tunes about animals, jungles, birds, and fish. Dave's songs are just plain fun! Recordings will be available for sale following the performances.



The Ocean Adventure

Thursday, July 2

Undersea explorers, Wayne and Karen Brown, return to share their real-life expeditions. Discover the riches of the ocean through photography, specimens, and storytelling. See Hoffmann's Animal Show (page 8) for a program especially for children age six and younger.

Caribbean Sea

10:30–11:15 a.m.
Ages 4 & 5 and Grades K & 1
attend with an Adult
Students finishing Grades 2-8

Great White Shark Expedition

1:30–2:30 p.m.
Students finishing Grades K-8
Grades K & 1 attend with an Adult



Concert: Rick Kelley

For Families

Thursday, July 9
9:30–10:15 a.m. OR 11–11:45 a.m.



Rick's original songs will have you tapping your toes and clapping your hands as you have all the fun you can on a Thursday! Recordings will be available for sale following the performances.

Karen G. Russell Memorial Student Lecture Series

In memory of Karen G. Russell, the William Russell family has established a lecture series for students. Karen's many passions included reading, art, history, and gardening. This lecture series will enable the Library to bring her passions to the students of our community. Each February and July, Chicago area experts, artists, authors, and others will introduce students to their art, craft, or profession by providing an interactive experience.

Music, Magic, & Memories

Students finishing Grades K-5
Thursday, July 16
10–11:30 a.m.

Musician Steve Keefe will perform with ukulele, banjo and with a variety of instruments, as well as talk about and demonstrate the instruments. This interactive lecture will also include an opportunity for students to play various instruments and perform as a group. Middle and high school students, as well as adults, also may attend.



Gaming Tournaments

Friday, July 17 and Tuesday, August 18



9:30–11:30 a.m. Students finishing Grades 3-8
Mario Kart (Rated E)

2–4 p.m. Students finishing Grades 6-8
Super Smash Bros Brawl (Rated T)

Calling all Nintendo Wii gamers!



Get in on the tournament where the biggest stars, Mario, Link, Pikachu, Solid Snake, Sonic the Hedgehog and others will be on the big screen. How do your gaming skills match up with others? We have Wii remotes and wheels or bring your own. All participants must agree to Tournament Rules. General information and rules will be posted online beginning Saturday, June 6.

Concert: Gaia

For Families

Monday, July 20
9:30–10:15 a.m. OR 11–11:45 a.m.

Gaia's catchy songs and bopping music will have everyone dancing along. Get ready for some amazing musical fun. Recordings will be available for sale following the performances.



Melikin Puppets: Aesop's Favorite Fables II

Ages 2-5 and Grades K & 1 attend with an Adult plus Grades 2-5

Thursday, July 30
9:30–10:15 a.m.

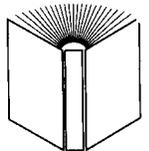
Five of Aesop's famous fables will be featured including "The Tortoise & the Hare," with Barney and Ten Speed in an exciting rematch of their famous race. You will giggle with delight as the fables unfold with life-size hand and rod puppets.

Melikin Puppets: Rumpelstiltskin

Students finishing Grades K-8 / Grades K & 1 attend with an Adult

Thursday, July 30
11–11:45 a.m.

The mysterious classic Grimm tale comes alive with special effects that include a spinning wheel that actually spins straw into gold!



Readathon

Students finishing Grades 3-12

Monday, August 3
1:30–4:30 p.m.

Grab your favorite cushion, tote a stack of books, and settle in for an afternoon of silent reading. Lemonade and cookies will be provided. A drawing will be held for books. Members of Book Clubs II, III, & GTGR will receive credit for 2 books. You MUST attend for the entire 3 hours. Program does not include Read-With-Me, Book Club I, or pre-school children.

Youth Services – Programs & Book Discussions

It's a Jungle Out There

Students finishing Grades K-8

Monday, August 10

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Join an imaginary safari adventure as we explore caves, scale trees, and swim oceans to discover animals. Your safari guide will introduce live animals throughout the adventure.



Hoffmann's Animal Show

For Families – especially children ages 6 and younger

Thursday, August 13

10–10:30 a.m. OR 11:15–11:45 a.m.

A very special show customized for young children, ages 6 and younger, to see, learn about, and touch animals.



Please check our web site at www.stcharleslibrary.org for the latest program information.

Events are occasionally added after the newsletter is mailed.

Sculpture in the Park – FREE!

Open Dawn to Dusk

May to September

Mt. St. Mary Park

Public Reception –

Saturday, June 20 from

9–11 a.m.

A must see experience! People of

all ages are welcome

to enjoy this magnificent

free exhibition of original

and unique sculptures that

raise the awareness of the

sculptural arts, beautiful parks,

and historic downtown

St. Charles.

www.st-charlesparks.org

Let's Talk Books!

Student Book Discussion Groups

Read the book and have fun talking about it with other kids. Register for discussions at your grade level for the books you want to discuss. Copies of these books will be available at the ASK ME Desk. Meet in the Conference Room off the main lobby. During the summer, you may bring a sack lunch and lemonade will be provided. Registration is limited to 14 students per group per date. Sponsored by the St. Charles Optimist Club.



Book Capers – Thursday at 4:15 p.m. – Grades 2 & 3

May 21: **My Father's Dragon** by Ruth Stiles Gannett

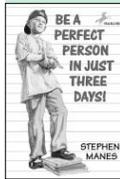
Elmer runs away with an old alley cat to rescue Boris, a flying baby dragon being held captive on a faraway island. Armed with two dozen pink lollipops, rubber bands, chewing gum, and a fine-toothed comb, Elmer is able to get past the wild animals guarding Boris on Wild Island.



Book Capers – Mondays at Noon – Completed Grades 2 & 3

July 6: **Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days** by Stephen Manes

Tired of problems with his sister, his parents, and classmates, Milo finds a book at the library, which promises to make him perfect in three days. Milo wants to be perfect, but who ever heard of wearing a stalk of broccoli around your neck for twenty-four hours?



August 3: **Best Enemies Again** by Katherine Leverich

Felicity Doll does her best to ruin Priscilla's life. She steals Priscilla's lemonade stand idea and makes sure Ms. Cook makes her Priscilla's study buddy so she can torture her. Though Felicity's tricks seem to get the best of Priscilla at every turn, Priscilla's final victory is sweet.



Scene Stealers – Thursday at 4:15 p.m. – Grades 4-8

May 28: **Richest Kids in Town** by Peg Kehret

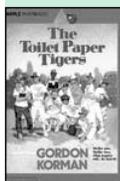
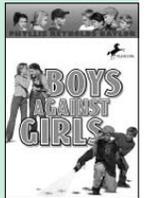
New to town and homesick for his old life, fourth-grader Peter teams up with a classmate to earn money for a trip to his old town. Their money-making schemes, however, have some very unexpected results.



Scene Stealers – Wednesdays at Noon – Completed Grades 4-5

July 8: **Boys Against Girls** by Phyllis Naylor

Abaguchie mania! Caroline Malloy shivers in anticipation when her on-again, off-again enemy Wally Hatford tells her that a strange animal known as the abaguchie has been spotted in their area. You won't be able to keep up with all the tricks and traps the boys and girls plan for each other in this hilarious story!



August 5: **Toilet Paper Tigers** by Gordon Korman

Corey never dreamed Little League could be so humiliating. Their team sponsor is a bathroom tissue company and their coach knows absolutely nothing about baseball. Things just get worse when the coach's obnoxious grand-daughter takes over as coach. It looks to Corey like the Tigers are about to become the laughing-stock of the league!

Youth Services – Middle School Programs

The following events are exclusively for students who have completed Grades 6-8. Remember to register.

Middle School Photography Contest

July 2009

Click! Have you taken any great photos that others have just got to see? Enter them into our photography contest. Entry form with the official rules will be available beginning Saturday, June 6 at the ASK ME Desk or print one from our web site. Framed photos up to 8 ½ x 11 inches will be accepted July 1–10 and will be displayed in the Library during July. Award announcements will be made at a reception held on Friday, July 24 at 4 p.m. View the photos at the Library and vote for your favorite from July 15 through 4 p.m. on July 19. A student's St. Charles Library card is required to enter.

View Point – Book Discussions

Thursdays

Noon–12:45 p.m.

Read the book and have fun talking about it with other kids. Copies of these books will be available at the ASK ME Desk. Meet in the Conference Room off the main lobby. Bring a sack lunch. Lemonade will be provided.

July 9: A Small White Scar by K.A. Nuzum

Fifteen-year-old Will Bennon leaves his family and begins life as a cowboy, but his mentally challenged twin brother follows him and joins the journey.

August 6: Readers Choice

At this meeting we will talk about books you've been reading. Bring at least two books you would recommend.

Gaming Tournaments

Friday, July 17 and Tuesday, August 18

2–4 p.m. Students finishing Grades 6–8 Super Smash Bros Brawl (Rated T)

Calling all Nintendo Wii gamers! Get in on the tournament where the biggest stars, Mario, Link, Pikachu, Solid Snake, Sonic the Hedgehog and others will be on the big screen. How do your gaming skills match up with others? We have Wii remotes and wheels or bring your own. All participants must agree to Tournament Rules. General information and rules will be posted online beginning Saturday, June 6.

Readathon

Wednesday, July 22

1:30–4:30 p.m.

Only 14 days until the Book Club ends. So, grab your favorite cushion, tote a stack of books, and settle in for an afternoon of silent reading. Lemonade and cookies will be served. A drawing will be held for books. Members of GTGR will receive credit for 2 books. You MUST attend for the entire 3 hours.

Gaming Overnight Lock-In

Friday, July 31 – Saturday, August 1

7:30 p.m.–7:30 a.m.

MEAL FEE: \$5 per person

Only in-person registration accepted. Parental signature required with payment of meal fee.

Another fast-paced overnight event filled with games: video, computer, and board. There will be Wii games, Dance Dance Revolution, and RuneScape. Bring your own Wii remote or use ours. Pizza, pop, snacks, ice cream, and a light breakfast will be served. Register with a friend. **Minimum of 30 students registered by Thursday, July 23 will be necessary to hold program. Deadline to register is noon on Thursday, July 30.**

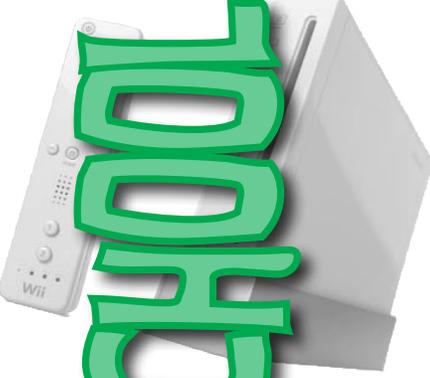
Students outside the Library District: \$10 per person. Register beginning 7/17.

Readers Theater

Tuesday, August 11

2–4 p.m.

Select one of our scripts, rehearse, and then perform (read) on stage in the Carnegie Community Room.



EVENTS

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Summer Book Club Fun!

READ on the WILD SIDE!

Book Club Options

Which one will be the best fit? What type of books do you enjoy reading?
 Register beginning Wednesday, May 27
 Registration ends on Friday, July 17

- Rock 'n' Read:** An early literacy experience for infants, one, and two year olds that includes activities with a parent, as well as reading aloud.
- Read-With-Me:** For ages 3 through children just learning to read. Parent-child interaction allows the child to be read to or to have assistance with reading.
- Book Club I:** For independent readers. Select books from the JE Picture Book, JR Reader, and J Fiction and J Nonfiction collections.
- Book Club II:** For readers who enjoy chapter books from the J & JH Fiction, JB Biography, and J Nonfiction collections.
- Book Club III:** For readers seeking variety. The RATS (**Read Around The Stacks**) challenge leads readers to different types and genres of books, with lots of choices.
- GTGR*:** For readers finishing Grades 6-12. Read books and enter weekly drawings. (***Got to Go Read**)

Book Club requirements and details are listed on member booklogs.

Reading Rewards

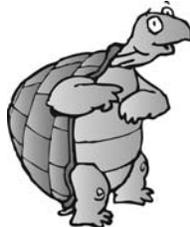
Your Library provides book clubs and programs to encourage and promote the joy of reading. Book Club goals are to create enjoyable reading experiences beyond the books at home and to provide reading fun so students return to school ready to learn. Achieving these goals will be exciting. We invite parents to be our partners in **Read on the Wild Side!**

- **READ.** Seeing parents read is one of the most powerful examples a young person can have. If you show that reading is an important pleasure for you, chances are that your child will also view reading that way. Join the Adult Book Club.
- **Visit the Library often.** Encourage your children to discover the fun of choosing books.
- **Demonstrate the value you place on reading** by developing rewards, in conjunction with the Library's rewards, to provide the motivation your daughter/son needs to read enthusiastically throughout the summer.

Book Clubs are for EVERYONE!

We welcome students with special needs and invite parents to talk with us so that we may customize the book club levels for your son or daughter.

- Infants, preschoolers, and elementary students register in Youth Services.
- Middle school students register in either Youth Services or Adult Services.
- High school students and adults register in Adult Services.



You Deserve It! A Thank You for Parents May 27 - August 5

The Youth Services staff wishes to recognize and say THANK YOU to parents for emphasizing reading and encouraging children to be lifelong readers. Every time you come to Youth Services, fill out an entry form at the ASK ME Desk for the weekly drawing for a **Read on the Wild Side** bag.

Hidden Book June 10 - August 19

Somewhere on the shelves in Youth Services a special book will be hidden three times a day: morning, afternoon, and evening. You'll know the book – it has the **Read on the Wild Side** logo on it. HINT: a sample book will be on display at the ASK ME Desk.

PASSPORT Program

Available here beginning June 6

The Passport program is offered by the Library in cooperation with the Kane County Forest Preserve District, Preservation Partners, and the Kane/DuPage Regional Museum Association. The program is designed to introduce families to nature centers and museums in Kane and DuPage Counties. Details in the Passport.



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Parent Programs & Registration Procedures

Welcome to Kindergarten

Students entering Kindergarten & Parent
Wednesday, August 19

10–11:30 a.m. OR 1:30–3 p.m.

It's all about kindergarten and what to expect when school starts. Stories, songs, and creative activities will get your child ready for that first day. Bring your students St. Charles Library card or apply for one that day. Please make other arrangements for siblings.



Every Child Ready To Read Workshop

Especially for Parents, Grandparents, Preschool Educators, and Child Care Providers

Adults Only

Thursday, August 20

7–8:30 p.m.

Register by Monday, August 17

This early literacy workshop will help you make the best use of the time you spend reading and interacting with children, from infants through age five. You will learn what you can do to help your child develop early literacy skills. The workshop will demonstrate skills and techniques to develop the six pre-reading skills in your child, as well as offer suggestions for age-appropriate books and resources, and provide easy ways to include these skills in your daily activities. Childcare is not provided. Workshop will be offered again in November.



Adults outside the Library District: Register for \$5 per person beginning Aug. 6.

Home School Workshop

Adults*

Thursday, August 27

10–11 a.m.

Open Forum 11–11:30 a.m.

Register by Monday, August 24

An overview of the services and resources the Library provides for families that home school: online resources, Internet access, Live Homework Help, research strategies, literature programs, and more. An open forum will provide an opportunity to network with other parents.

*Supervised activities for children will be available from 10-11 a.m. Register everyone who will be attending.

Registration & Attendance Procedures

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Child or student must be the correct age or grade to be registered in a program. Each eligible person attending a program must be registered. Registration is on a first come basis and continues until all openings have been filled. Drop-in seating may be available for programs.

Families living outside the Library District may register for certain programs by paying a fee. Fee based registrations are accepted only in person at the ASK ME Desk in Youth Services. Check program listings for registration details.

Programs will begin and end promptly. Meeting Room/Story Room doors will open 10 minutes before the program is scheduled. Seating for registered participants will be guaranteed until 5 minutes before the scheduled start time. Drop-in seating will begin 3 minutes before the program starts. *Late admittance is limited.*

Please call the ASK ME Desk at 630-584-9390 when you are unable to attend a program for which you are registered.

For your child's safety, a parent or adult must accompany all children seven (7) years of age and under while in the Library. Please review the "Keeping Safe in the Library" brochure with your child/children.

Requests for special accommodations must be made 48 hours in advance of a Library program. If assistance is needed in using the Library, please inform a Library Assistant at the Circulation Desk on the main level.

Registration forms are available in Youth Services at the ASK ME Desk and on the web site at www.stcharleslibrary.org. ASK ME Staff will be glad to assist you in person or by phone at 630-584-9390.

Saturday, June 6 – In-person and online program registration begins
Tuesday, June 23 – Telephone program registration begins

Three Ways to Register for Programs

A St. Charles Library card is required for most Youth Services programs.

IN PERSON – Register everyone in your family with one Library card and a completed registration form at the ASK ME Desk.

ONLINE – Register members of your family with each person's individual Library card via the Library's web site.

TELEPHONE – Register everyone in your family with one Library card by calling the ASK ME Staff at 630-584-9390.

Mark Your Calendar for Fall Registration: Saturday, September 12

To apply for or renew library cards: two pieces of identification, one with name and current address, are required of the adult applying for a personal card or cards for their children under 18. Please check the expiration date on your Library card to be sure it is current. Staff will be glad to assist you at the Circulation Desk on the main level.

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Hours:

Monday–Thursday	9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m.–8 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Sunday*	Noon–5 p.m.
(*June–Labor Day	1–4 p.m.)

Closings: 6 p.m. Friday, May 1 •
Monday, May 25 • Saturday, July 4

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Library Board Meetings:

Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
In the Bisbee Conference Room
May 13, June 10, & July 8
(No August meeting)
Meetings are open to the public.

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Save This Issue!

Discover Your Library is published three times per year and will be available only in your mailbox or online through the Library's web site.

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"Reading is a vacation you can take
every day."
– Bob Greene

Good Books for Kids

Savvy by Ingrid Law

In the Beaumont family, 13th birthdays reveal a person's "savvy" or magical ability. Mibs is eagerly awaiting hers when her father is injured just before her birthday and her mother rushes off to be with him. Convinced that her savvy will help her father get better, Mibs embarks on a journey with her brothers, the local preacher's kids, and a bus full of pink bibles. (JH LAW)



STORM: The Infinity Code by E.L. Young

If you liked the Alex Rider series, try this one. In London, the teenaged geniuses of STORM, a secret organization dedicated to eliminating the world's misery through science and technology, uncover plans for a deadly weapon. The race is on to find and dismantle it. (JH YOUNG)

Obi, Gerbil on the Loose! by M.C. Delaney

Obi the gerbil must fend for herself in a dangerous household, consisting of a dog, three cats, a parrot, and a mouse hidden in the attic, when the Armstrongs go on vacation and instructions for taking care of Obi get lost. (J DELANEY)

Women in Charge by Leslie Dinaberg

Did you know that Pepsi's CEO is a woman (Indra Nooyi)? Or that eBay is run by a woman (Meg Whitman)? This book gives information on well known and not so well-known women in charge of businesses and governments. After reading this book you, too, will be amazed that it has only been 88 years since women have been able to vote in America. (J 305.4209 DIN)

One Brown Bunny by Marion Dane Bauer

Little Bunny goes out one day to "find a friend who'd like to play." Although discouraged at first, as he heads home, he is surprised by what he finds. (JE BAUER)

Aaaarrgghh! Spider! by Lydia Monks

Spider wants to be a family pet. She goes about showing a family that she is better than any other animal. She is a great dancer..."Aaaarrgghh! Spider! Out you go!" She is clean... "Aaaarrgghh! Spider! Out you go!" It doesn't seem she can do anything right! Then, the family notices the beautiful, sparkly webs she makes. Maybe they can live as one family. Then again, maybe not... (JE MONKS)



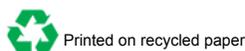
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YOUTH SERVICES: Summer Program Registration

In Person & Online begins on Saturday, June 6

By Telephone begins Tuesday, June 23

Youth Services programs are offered for children and students through Grade 8 residing in the St. Charles Library District. A child's, student's, or parent's St. Charles Library card is required.

- Child or student must be the correct age or correct grade to be registered for a program. Each eligible person attending a program must be registered due to room capacity and safety procedures.
- IN PERSON REGISTRATION – Register everyone in your family with one Library card and this completed registration form at the ASK ME Desk.
- ONLINE – Register members of your family with **each person's individual Library card** via the Library web site www.stcharleslibrary.org

Family Last Name _____ Telephone () _____

Library Card Number _____ Program confirmation & reminders via email _____

Does anyone in your family require special accommodations (sign language interpreter, etc)? Yes No

Adult: _____

Child (infant-age 5) Name _____ Age _____ Birth date _____

Child (infant-age 5) Name _____ Age _____ Birth date _____

Child (infant-age 5) Name _____ Age _____ Birth date _____

Please list grade completed.

Student (Gr. K-8) Name _____ Gr. _____ Student (Gr. K-8) Name _____ Gr. _____

Student (Gr. K-8) Name _____ Gr. _____ Student (Gr. K-8) Name _____ Gr. _____

For all programs, grade refers to grade finished

Babysitter Training for ages 11-15 from 9:30-5. Application & Deposit required. Fri. 6/12 OR Mon. 6/15 OR Thurs. 7/16					
Traveling Naturalist for ages 4-5 & Gr. K-2 with Adult on Wed., 6/24 at 1:30 <i>Write name of each participant</i>					
<i>Child</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>	
Traveling World of Reptiles for Gr. K-8 on Thurs., 6/25 <i>Select time</i> 10:30 OR 1:30 OR 3:30					
<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>	<i>Adult</i>
Book Character Visits <i>Write name of each participant</i>					
on Fri., 6/26 at 1 with Arthur					
on Fri., 7/24 at 11 with Clifford					
Monthly Movie Nights for Gr. 4-8 from 4:30-7:30 on Fri., <i>Select date</i> 6/26, 7/24, 8/7 <i>Student Student</i>					
Family Story Time at 7 <i>Write name of each participant for each date</i>					
In the Jungle		Tues., 6/30			
Bugs Everywhere!		Wed., 7/29			
Concert: Dave Rudolf for Family on Mon., 6/29 <i>Select time</i> 9:30 OR 11:00					
<i>Write name of each participant</i>					
Ocean Adventure on Thurs., 7/2 <i>Write name of each participant</i> <i>Select program / time</i>					
Caribbean Sea for ages 4 & 5 and K & Gr. 1 w/adult		<i>Child</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>	
and Gr. 2-8 at 10:30		<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>	
Great White Shark for K & Gr. 1 w/adult		<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>	
and Gr. 2-8 at 1:30		<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>	
Story Time: <i>Write name of each participant</i>					
Infant–11 months		Tues., July 7-28 at 9:30		<i>Child</i>	<i>Adult</i> <i>Sibling</i>
One Year Old		Tues., July 7-28 at 10:30		<i>Child</i>	<i>Adult</i> <i>Sibling</i>
Concert: Rick Kelley for Family on Thurs., 7/9 <i>Select time</i> 9:30 OR 11:00					
<i>Write name of each participant</i>					
Stories at Nature Center on Fridays at 10:30 <i>Select one date</i> 7/10 OR 7/24 OR 8/21 OR 8/28					
<i>Write name of each participant</i>					

For all programs, grade refers to grade finished

Russell Lecture Series: Music, Magic, & Memories					
for K-5 on Thurs., 7/16 at 10	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>
Gaming Tournaments <i>Select date / time</i>					
for Gr. 3-8 on Fri., 7/17 from 9:30-11:30	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>
for Gr. 3-8 on Tues., 8/18 from 9:30-11:30	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>
for Gr. 6-8 on Fri., 7/17 from 2-4	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>
for Gr. 6-8 on Tues., 8/18 from 2-4	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Student</i>
Let's Talk Books at noon	Book Capers for Gr. 2 & 3	Circle	7/6	8/3	<i>Student</i>
	Scene Stealers for Gr. 4 & 5	Circle	7/8	8/5	<i>Student</i>
	Viewpoint for Gr. 6-8	Circle	7/9	8/6	<i>Student</i>
Concert: Gaia for Family on Mon., 7/20	9:30 OR 11				<i>Select time</i>
<i>Write name of each participant</i>					
Melikin Puppets for ages 2-5 & K & Gr.1 w/Adult and Gr. 2-5 on Thurs., 7/30 at 9:30 Aesop's Favorite Fables II					
<i>Write name of each participant</i>					
Melikin Puppets for K & Gr.1 w/Adult and Gr. 2-8 on Thurs., 7/30 at 11 Rumpelstiltskin					
<i>Write name of each participant</i> <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i> <i>Adult</i>					
Readathon for Gr. 3-12 on Mon., 8/3 from 1:30-4:30 <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
It's a Jungle Out There for Gr. K-8 on Mon., 8/10 at 1:30 <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i> <i>Adult</i>					
Hoffmann's Animal Show for ages 6 and younger on Thurs., 8/13 <i>Select time</i>					
<i>from 10-10:30</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>
<i>from 11:15-11:45</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Child</i>	<i>Student</i>	<i>Adult</i>
Welcome to Kindergarten for student w/parent on Wed., 8/19 <i>Select time</i> 10 OR 1:30					
<i>Student</i> <i>Adult</i>					
Every Child Ready to Read Workshop for Adults on Thurs., 8/20 at 7 <i>Register by 8/17</i>					
Homeschool Workshop on Thurs., 8/27 at 10 <i>Register by 8/24</i>					
<i>Write name of each participant</i>					
Middle School Events for students finishing Gr. 6-8. <i>Circle date and write name of each participant</i>					
Middle School Photography contest – July - see web site for details					
View Point on Thurs., 7/9 at noon – A Small white Scar <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
8/6 at noon – Readers Choice <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
Gaming Tournaments on Fri., 7/17 and Tues., 8/18 from 2-4 <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
Readathon on Wed., 7/22 from 1:30-4:30 <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
Readers Theater on Tues., 8/11 from 2-4 <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
Gaming Overnight Lock-In: Fri., 7/31 from 7:30 pm to 7:30 am on Sat., 8/1 <i>Student</i> <i>Student</i>					
<i>Permission form, including parent signature, must be completed IN PERSON.</i> Meal Fee \$5: Cash Check#					
Remember these drop-in programs					
Weekly Gaming for Gr. 3-8 from 3-4:30 – dates on web site and in Discover Your Library.					
Multi-Age Story Time on Tuesdays at 9:30 and Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 from June 16 – August 12.					
Stories with the Friends at 10:30-10:45 on Mondays, June 22 & July 6 and Fridays, July 17 & 31.					
<i>Show your St. Charles Library card at the door.</i>					
Imagination Student Art Show in the Huntley Meeting Room during July. <i>Open House</i> on Sat., July 11 at 2 pm.					

Programs will begin and end promptly. Meeting Room/Story Room doors will open 10 minutes before the program is scheduled. Seating for registered participants will be guaranteed until 5 minutes before the scheduled start time. Drop-in seating will begin 3 minutes before the program starts. Late admittance is limited.

Remember to call the ASK ME Desk at 630-584-9390 when you are unable to attend a program for which you are registered.



Children's Used Book Sale: Everything for Kids! Sponsored by the Junior Friends of the Library.
Friday, June 19, 10 am – 2 pm, in the Huntley Meeting Room.