

Family

Library Link

Summer reading program to begin

By staff
Pioneer Memorial Library

Catch the Reading Bug is the theme for the 2008 Summer Reading Program open to children, preschool age through eighth grade, to encourage reading for pleasure during the summer and to retain reading skills.

The program is divided into three distinct offerings: Weekly Storytimes, Special Events and Library ANT-ics (Reading Challenge Game). “We hope that the variety of our offerings will meet the interests of youngsters and the busy schedules of their families,” said Judy Kleinsorge, Children’s Librarian.

Weekly Storytimes will begin meeting Tuesday, June 10. Little Buggers for Preschoolers (ages 3-5 years) will meet on Tuesdays, 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. and toddlers (ages 18 mos. - 3 years) will meet on Wednesdays, 10:15 to 10:35 a.m.

Youngsters who will be in grades first through fifth next fall are invited to come to the library two times each week. Flyswatters will meet on Tuesday afternoons and Flutterbys will meet on Wednesday afternoons. Both sessions meet from 3:15 to 4 p.m.

Hip Hop and the Beatles for those entering the sixth through eighth grades next fall will meet on Thursday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. Prize drawings will be held at the end of the summer in each of the sessions. Sign up for the sessions is not required and children are encouraged to come when and as often as they can.

Two special PJs and Bedtime Tales will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 19, “June Bugs,” and July 10, “Bed Bugs.” Children are invited to wear their pajamas to these sessions. The special events hosted by the

library in conjunction with the Summer Reading Program are The Bug Juice Jamboree with Thad Beach, who will perform on guitar, harmonica, juice harp, and delight the audience with his “Band in a Bucket.”

The show is at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, June 5 in the library basement. Come settle in around the campfire at Camp Bugaboo for hilarious original participatory songs, traditional singalongs, and more.

The Butterfly Pavilion of Westminster, Colo. will present Summer Safari: Live Bugs at 1 p.m., Thursday, June 19. Starting the Fourth of July weekend off with a bang, Bongo Barry of Healthy Sounds from Overland Park will be on stage in the library parking lot Thursday, July 3. Bring your lawn chair or blankets and settle on the lawn east of the library for an interactive program entitled Buggies with a Beat.

Barry will explore insects through music and lots of fun activities starting at 8 p.m. Youngsters will be able to sign up for Library ANT-ics (Reading Challenge Game) beginning June 5. They will receive age appropriate game cards in which they are challenged to complete a variety of objectives for prizes. This year a party will be held on July 24 for youngsters in grades first through eighth who achieve a “black out” on their game cards.

For questions, call 460-4470. All programs are free of charge.

You might make a note the library is switching to their summer hours after Memorial Day weekend. From May 27 to Labor Day weekend, the library hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m.

Lawn care includes fire safety tips

By Heloise
Hints from Heloise

Dear Readers: Now that the grass is growing, flowers are blooming and trees are budding, it’s time to begin mowing the lawn and caring for the flower beds and garden to keep everything manicured. Many of us use gasoline-powered lawn equipment and sometimes keep gasoline on hand. This highly flammable fuel is a part of our everyday lives, so here are some important fire-safety hints for storing gasoline:

- Gasoline can become unstable if it’s stored in your power equipment for more than a month, so try buying only what you need and use it up.
- Gas should be stored in a well-ventilated area like a garage or shed — never in the basement or inside your house.
- Keep it away from children and pets, and downslope from your water well, if you have one.

• Also, store and transport gas only in plastic or metal containers made for that purpose.

• Always use a spout, so that the gas will not spill when pouring.

• When refilling your gas-powered equipment, allow it to cool down before refueling.

— Heloise

Travel hint

Dear Heloise: When traveling by air, you cannot bring bottled water from home to drink on the plane. So, I put an empty water bottle in my carry-on and fill it after I’ve been through security. It saves me from having to buy expensive bottled water at the airport.

— Jennie Lea, Poway, Calif.

Open house

Dear Heloise: If you are hosting an open house (showing your home for sale — Heloise), keep in mind that there will be people attending whom you are not on close, friendly terms with.

To make your open house more worry-free, first install a lock on a storage-area door, and put your

jewelry box and other small, attractive or valuable items that would easily fit in a pocket in it.

— Dick E., San Diego

Handy shower cap

Dear Heloise: When painting in tight spaces, I invariably get paint in my hair. I’ve found the complimentary, disposable shower caps from hotels to be a good covering. When the project is finished, I just throw the cap away. My hairstyle is intact and paint-free.

— Ellen Kelly, Farmington, Conn.

Some assembly required

Dear Heloise: When I’m assembling an item that arrives with “some assembly required,” such as a grill, furniture or toys, I use cupcake tins to organize and keep track of the small parts.

— Barbara Schoeberl, Silver Spring, Md.

A tablespoon of butter

Dear Heloise: I cut a stick of butter into 1-tablespoon measures and store in the fridge. When a tablespoon of butter is needed for a recipe, I can quickly get one.

—Victoria Ellis, Columbia, S.C.

Pets in the Summertime

Dear Readers: It’s time to print important information about pets and the summer heat. During summer weather, when you head out to shop, don’t leave your pet in the car while you are shopping.

A parked car becomes an oven within minutes — even parked in the shade and with the windows opened a few inches. For example, if it is 85 degrees outside, the inside of your car can reach 102 degrees in less than 10 minutes.

Think how hot it would get even if you left your pet in the car for just a short time. There are too many cases where animals have died after being locked in a car on a hot day. Would you want to sit in a car without ventilation for even a few minutes in stifling heat?


When the temperature soars, leave your pet at home with a supply of fresh drinking water.

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The Family of Grace Oren would like to thank Citizens Medical Center, Dr. Slavens, Andy Rose, and the staff at Colby Care Center for the loving and concerned care they gave Grace during her sickness.

A heartfelt thanks to so many for their prayers, memorial donations, food, flowers, cards, and friends who comforted us during this difficult walk.

A special thanks to Pastor Derek of the Christian Church, Hoxie, for his visits and the beautiful message at the service. Bill Patmon and Twyla Richardson for providing the music. Also a big thank you to the ladies who prepared and served the meal.

Thanks to David at Mickey-Leopold funeral Home, Hoxie, for his guidance and caring spirit during this time.

All your acts of kindness are so greatly appreciated.

Don & Jean and family
Jerry & Judy and family
Larry & Mary Lee and family

Nursing Home Week

May 11 - 17

Colby Care Center

Wednesday - 14th

Down on the Farm

Farm Days, farm animals visits, bring in your favorite stuffed farm animal, wear farm/western clothing and come join us for square dancing at 7 pm.

Thursday - 15th

Team Logo Day and Bad Hair, Hat Day

wear your favorite team logo shirt and hat.

Friday - 16th

PJ Day - Slumber Party

Wear your favorite pjs, bring the kids and sleeping bag for movie, snacks and a Wii tournament after the movie, starting at 7 pm.

Saturday - 17th

Pancake Day

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