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People, Places, & Ideas

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Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. — 8 p.m.
Friday: 10 am — 5pm
Saturday: 10 am — 3 pm

Summer Library Program

The 2021 Summer Library Program celebrated how “Reading Colors Your World” and offered a mix of in-person activities with crafts, story times, and performances that could be watched online. Miss Holly took her story time on the road, inviting families to join her at Auld Park.



No summer program is complete without Rick Eugene’s magic show which was held outdoors this year.



Jay and Leslie’s Laughing Matters closed out the summer with their “Nifty Tricks & Colorful Stories” juggling performance on August 3.



We want to thank everyone who helped make this year’s program a success!

MOBA 101: Museum of Bad Art

The library hosted the Museum of Bad Art on June 3, making the recording available for anyone who could not attend in-person in the weeks following. All ages were challenged to create their own “bad art” with a kit provided by the library. Several pet and self-portraits were conceived, as well as other fun creations. Each entry received an award and was displayed during June and July.



Book Bash

The library received a grant from Early Childhood of Iowa (Jasper, Marion, & Powesheik) to host early literacy activities for families with children ages 0-5 on Saturday, July 31. Crafts, stories, a music room, and other activities revolved around the book *The Ants Go Marching* by Priscilla Burris. Each child received a copy of the book and an “ants on a log” snack to take home.



New Library Website & Resource

In August, the library launched a new website provided through the State Library of Iowa. The new website will be easier to navigate and continue to provide both library and community resources. Check out the calendar for upcoming events.

You will notice a new resource for both library staff and patrons when you visit the website. Niche Academy is an online learning tool providing tutorials on a variety of resources and skills.

Check out both here:
www.knoxville.lib.ia.us



Staff Training

On Tuesday, August 31, staff will take part in training led by Elgin Library Director Lisa Leuck. Lisa is a John C. Maxwell certified leadership coach and owner of Read to Lead LLC. This training will provide insight into ways to utilize communication and teamwork to achieve goals and success for both the individual and organization. By focusing on self-care, this seminar will help staff navigate change in a positive way and help them determine their style of leadership at the same time.

