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Knoxville Public Library



Library Hours
M-Th: 10a.m.- 8p.m.
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Sat: 10a.m.- 3p.m.

Summer 2024

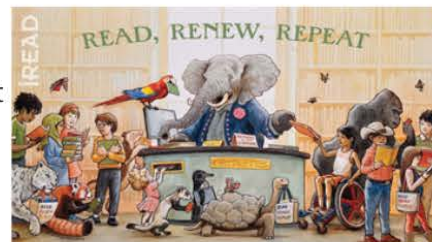
Summer!

*“One benefit of Summer was that each day we had more light to ready by.”
~ Jeannette Walls, The Glass Castle*

Summer Reading Program

iREAD 2024: “Read, Renew, Repeat makes for a wonderfully diversified summer reading program that encourages reading as a restorative method of self-improvement and self-preservation.”

The Summer Reading Program is in full swing at the library! Children and adults have picked up their reading logs and making reading a fun part of their summer. The library is also offering many programs for the community. So far there has been a visit from an Insect Zoo from Iowa State University, as well as a very creative and interactive workshop on how to make comic books. Upcoming events include more Story Times with Miss Holly, crafts and a day planned for STEM activities. There are events scheduled for families and informative programs for adults. Lawyers for Libraries will be hosting a program on Thursday, June 27th at 5:30pm that will focus on the powers and limitations of a last will and testament, the basics of probate, information on how court costs are calculated and an overview of how trusts work and when it may be helpful to use one.



Also don't forget about monthly events like Book Club, International Film Fan Club & Trivia night.

Check the calendar, website and facebook for upcoming events.

Story Walk

There is a new story posted for the summer months along the story walk. (The Story Walk is located behind the Knoxville Hospital leading to the Butterfly Garden.)



Program

**Thursday, July 11
6:30pm-7:30pm
Weiler Room**



OPEN BOOK
Read any good people lately?

Dixie's Garden

The park's progress is coming along nicely. Concrete has been poured and we will start to see the railings by the sidewalks and then picnic benches and a memorial bench will be added soon. The reading garden will be a nice feature in the park, along with trees, prairie grass and other plantings that will beautify the area. We are very excited for this area to be completed for the library and the community to enjoy!

“Imagine a library full of stories - not written in books, but told through the lessons learned by people with real-life experiences. Books are people. They are our neighbors from diverse backgrounds who are willing to share their personal experiences and defining moments. Readers are people like you who are interested in hearing stories that inspire joy, awe, wonder, and disbelief. The conversations that follow will leave you feeling even more like you belong within your community.”

More information is available at www.cultureall.org.

This event is provided with support from Humanities Iowa.

*Isabella
& Mackenzie*



We extend our congratulations to Isabella Fitch and Mackenzie Karr, two members of our library staff, on their high school graduation. We are grateful that these two young ladies will be staying with us over the summer before embarking on their college journey in the fall.





Adult Book Club

Book Club meets every second Monday of the month and new members are always welcome.

This month's book is:

'Poverty, By America'
by Matthew Desmond



Past Book Club Books:

- March: 'Half Broke Horses' by Jeannette Walls
- April: 'The Berry Pickers' by Amanda Peters
- May: 'Lessons in Chemistry' by Bonnie Garmus
- June: 'The Girl with the Louding Voice' by Abi Dare'

Teen Book Club

The Teen Book Club meets every other month and more teenage readers are encouraged to join!

The next book will be *Dry* by Neil Schusterman and can be picked up at the library. The book club will meet on Thursday, June 20th at 3:00pm.

Past Book Club Books:

- March: 'Into the Light' by Mark Oshiro
- May: 'Promise Boys' by Nick Brooks



Gifts & Memorials

In Memory of:

- Jerry Ayers
- Frances Joan Jones
- Melvin Larsen
- Maurine McCorkle
- Andrew Meyers
- William "Bill" Miller
- Lylia Nichols

In honor of
Joni Ryan's retirement

Donations:

- Laura Kendrick
- Mary Lane
- Larry Scott



Holiday Hours

Wednesday, July 3rd: Closing at 5:00pm
Thursday, July 4th: Closed

Happy Independence Day!



Adult DIY

There was a lot of creativity happening during the Adult DIY classes!

Past Adult DIY Projects:

- April: Newspaper Baskets
- May: Silhouette Votive Lights

Adult DIY will return in September.



Local Artist



Ly-Lee Konopasek is the latest artist to have her artwork on display in the library. Ly-Lee is from Humeston, Iowa who loves the outdoors which is prevalent in a lot of her pieces. She mainly works with acrylic on linen, but is learning new techniques with color pencils; she also enjoys working with charcoal and

graphite. Most of Ly-Lee's artwork is derived from her own photographs. You will find her artwork in the display case and hanging near the non-fiction section of the library.



Adult Services Librarian

Cari Meissner has taken on the role as the new Adult Services Librarian. Cari has worked at the library for a year and a half, where she primarily worked at the front desk and assisted patrons. She will now set up programs geared towards adults, such as trivia night, scheduling speakers and setting up workshops. We look forward to see what great things Cari has planned for the library!

"Everything good, everything magical happens between the months of June & August."

~ Jenny Tan, "The Summer I Turned Pretty"