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The Edith Wheeler Memorial Library
Celebrates:
The Monroe Summer Reading Program 2010



Register for the reading club at our summer reading
kick off program **"CHALK IT UP 2"** on
Saturday, June 19! See inside for more details!

A Very Special Thanks to...
The Friends of the Edith Wheeler Memorial Library
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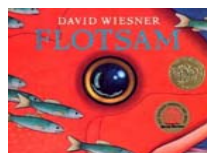
Summer Reading Guidelines

- Preschoolers and children through Grade 6 in the fall may register for the kids program. Participants who will be in **grade 7 in the fall** are encouraged to join our teen program! If you can't read, someone may read to you. Receive your summer reading starter kit complete with reading log, bookmark, brochure, and other goodies when you register on or after June 19, 2010.
- Keep track of how many minutes you are reading and the title of what you are reading. Check off a box for every 15 minutes that you read. Kids who will be in **grade 6 in the fall**, are asked to count the number of pages read too.
- Visit the library each week and bring your reading log. For every hour of reading, you get a prize and a raffle ticket. **You may collect up to 8 prizes total!** After that, collect a raffle ticket for every hour that you read. Each week we will be holding a raffle for a prize. You may use the tickets you collect to enter any raffle you like.
- Keep reading! The program continues until August 24 and we will have a raffle at the end of each week through August 6. Raffle dates are Fridays: June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, and August 6. Winners will be notified by phone.
- **BONUS PRIZE!** Everyone who **turns in a reading log to the library on or before August 24** receives a **FREE PASS** to the **SHELTON SPORTS CENTER!** Wow!
- The library will be returning all the logs to the schools-so be sure to put the name of the school that you'll be attending and the grade you will be in, **in the fall**, on your log.

We're especially excited about....

Our summer writing contest for grades K-6 ! Inspired by the 2007 Caldecott winning book *Flootsam*, by David Wiesner.

Come to the library to see our display and enter the Creative writing contest. Need help getting your Creative juices flowing? See page 2 for writers workshops! Contest ends August 6. All entries must be submitted on or before August 6, 2010!



Lego Design Contest: Make A Splash!

Wednesday, August 4 at 6:30 PM

Utilizing the theme of water, build something fantastic out of Legos. Bring your creation to the library to be judged. You **must** use your own Legos and you **must** be able to carry your design in and out of the building on your own. Be creative – no kits, or use of Technic Legos or Power Functions! Ideas to get your brain moving: boats, water vehicles, water creatures are all welcome submissions! Prizes will be awarded in each of three age categories: 3-6, 7-10, and 11-13. **Please register in one of the three age groups ahead of time. Please arrive on time. Judging will start promptly at 6:45 PM!!!**

Beach Party Movie Matinee: *Surf's Up*

Thursday, August 5 at 2:00 PM

Family Show, PG, 85 Minutes

Bring a beach towel or beach chair with you for this fun take on Movie Matinee. Enjoy *Surf's Up*. Bring your own snacks. A fun way to beat the heat and enjoy a movie for FREE! Movie Summary: A documentary crew takes the audiences behind the scenes at the annual Penguin World Surfing Championship and talks to the newest star Cody Maverick. He starts off as a cocky rookie but soon discovers that a true winner isn't always the one who comes in first. **No Registration Necessary.**

Robert Rogers Puppets Present: Rainbow Fish

Friday, August 6 at 3:00 PM

Family Show for approx. ages 4 and up (This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Library)

Inspired by the award winning books by Marcus Pfister, this original adventure gives a new dimension to Rainbow Fish and all other sea creatures, especially when they are brought to life as a cast of colorful marionettes. An innocent game of "hide and seek" accidentally draws Rainbow Fish into a stiff current that leads to a new and mysterious territory. The strange-looking inhabitants who at first seem threatening, turn out to make very good friends and teach Rainbow Fish some valuable lessons. **FREE Tickets will be available at the Children's Desk 30 minutes before the start of the show.**

City Winds: Handel's Water Music

Monday, August 9 at 2:00 PM

For kids ages 3-10 and a parent or caregiver.

Expose yourself to classical music! This awesome program includes meeting the instruments of the orchestra, getting to conduct the musicians, learning to move to different tempos, a short art project and the chance to try your hand at the violin. City Winds has 50 violins-so every kid who registers for this program will have the chance to use their own violin! **Wow! Registration Required, Limited Capacity.**



End of Summer Reading Picnic and Magic Show with Danny Magic

Wednesday, August 11 at 6:00 PM

Family Event outside the Library, in the backyard.

Come to the library at 6:00 PM with your picnic dinner. We'll provide Italian Ice from Rita's for dessert! Enjoy the performance of Danny Magic to follow at 6:30 PM! His fast paced, hilarious and mind-boggling magic is guaranteed to please everyone in the family. We are excited to have him, and to celebrate a great summer of reading! If it rains, this program moves inside the library to our community room. *Please note that our community room does have a LIMITED CAPACITY. Thank You.*



Bach 2 Rock: Sound Waves

Monday, July 19 at 6:30 PM

Family show – geared for ages 5 and up

Water waves aren't the only type of waves. What about sound waves? You've never seen anything like this before-so don't miss it! Caryn Lin is a classically trained violinist who's made it her mission to inspire and turn kids on to music. Watch Caryn develop a brand new song right in front of your eyes, using her amped up violin, a variety of sound effects, pedals and percussion instruments! The audience will even participate in making a song. Entertaining, exhilarating, amazing and breath taking-the audience will be mesmerized. (This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Library) **FREE Tickets will be available at the Children's Desk 30 minutes before the start of the show.**

Beach Party Movie Matinee: Finding Nemo

Thursday, July 22 at 2:00 PM

Family Show, Rated G, 100 minutes

Bring a beach towel or beach chair with you for this fun take on Movie Matinee. Enjoy Finding Nemo. Bring your own snacks. A fun way to beat the heat and enjoy a movie for FREE! Movie Summary: When the defiant Nemo takes off from his dad and gets captured by a tropical fish seeker he finds himself stuck in a fishbowl in a dentist's office. Marlin and his well meaning, but wacky, friend Dory embark on an epic journey to find his son. **No Registration necessary.**

Catch the Wave!

Monday, July 26 at 2:00 PM

Family Show - geared for ages 4 and up (This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Library)

Join professional mime, Robert Rivest, as he makes his return to Monroe! This hilarious show is full of audience participation and laugh out-loud interactive pieces. Catch the wave is a series of mime and comic stories about swimming, surfing, sailing and all around summer fun. **FREE Tickets will be available at the Children's Desk 30 minutes before the start of the show.**

H2O Olympics: Parents vs. Kids

Tuesday, July 27 at 1:00 PM

Kids approx. ages 9-12 and an adult or caregiver

Children and adults will enjoy learning the science behind the behavior of water. Try your hand at the Balance Beam, the Pole Vault, and the Backstroke using water as your teammate. Program includes material to practice before you compete and then follows up with the importance of water and its behavior in the environment. **Registration Required.**

Incredible Journey

Thursday, July 29 at 2:00 PM

Approx. Ages 7-11

Travel through the water cycle through an interactive game that brings water to life. Children will follow their own travels through condensation, precipitation and evaporation to see where their travels take them. Then using our watery words and thoughts, generate poems and Mad Libs to share with others. **Registration Required.**

Kid Pirates with Captain Papillion

Monday, August 2 at 6:30 PM

Family show -geared for ages 4 and up

Treasure be found herein, matey! Captain Papillion will entertain and teach you about keeping the kid's pirate code. Enjoy songs of pirating, rollicking revelry for rascally rogues, and learn about the unplundering of the good earth and sea. A musical show for all ages about positive pirating. Come dressed up as pirates yourselves mates! **FREE Tickets will be available at the Children's Desk 30 minutes before the start of the show.**

Prize Recap

- **1 prize** and **1 raffle ticket** for every hour that you read or are read to. You can earn up to **8 prizes total** for hourly reading. **After you collect 8 prizes**, continue to receive **raffle tickets** for every hour that you read.
- Read all summer! Don't stop. Fill up a log? Ask for another.
- Submit your log to us by **August 24** and collect your final **BONUS PRIZE**. Only people who hand in their log to the public library on or before August 24 can get this prize.
- All school age children who turn in a reading log will receive credit from their school too! The schools and the library are working together this year! HOORAY!



ALL AGES

Chalk It Up "2" ! Summer Reading Kick-Off

Saturday, June 19 : 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

(chalking from 10AM-3PM/judging starts 3PM) (rain date Friday, June 25)

Join the library staff and the Friends of the Library as we kick off summer reading in the right direction. We'll have activities all day long including: performers, balloon animals, face painting and more! Bring a lawn chair, picnic blanket, or whatever you need to be comfortable. Bring a picnic lunch if you like! Decorate your slab with sidewalk chalk in the theme of **"Make A Splash"**. Judging of the slabs starts at 3:00 PM. Winners announced at 4:00 PM. **First come, first served on the slabs-but don't worry we have plenty!**

Bring Your Own Chalk



Special Summer Programs 2010



Writers Workshops

These programs run in conjunction with our summer writing contest. For various ages and dates, please see class description. **Registration Required.**

- **My First Story** Grades K-1 and an adult **Tuesday, June 29 10:30-11:30AM**
Learn about stories and how they are put together. Work with an adult to start building your story. Story booklets will be supplied.
- **Building a Story** Grades 2-3 **Tuesday, July 6 2:00-3:00 PM**
Work with each other to learn to brainstorm. Start putting your own ideas down on paper. Student writing folders will be supplied to each participant.
- **Background and Brainstorming** Grades 4-6 **Wednesday, July 7 10:30-11:30 PM**
Learn about the book *FLOTSAM*, by David Wiesner. Get the background you need to help you start your story. Start brainstorming using various activities with other kids in the group. Student writing folders will be supplied to each participant.
- **First Drafts** Grades 4-6 **Tuesday, July 13 2:00-3:00 PM**
Let's start putting it together. You brainstormed and outlined, now let's get this story on paper. Start writing your first draft. Computers will be reserved for kids who wish to type.
- **Revising and Editing** Grades 4-6 **Thursday, July 15 10:30-11:30AM**
Work together in pairs to help each other revise and edit. A mini-lesson on punctuation and grammar is included, along with group activities.

After Noon Water Games Fridays: June 25, July 2, 23, & 30 2:00-3:00 PM

Approx. Ages 6-11

Join us as we offer up some relief from the heat in the back yard of the library. Various water games will be played including: water balloons, water relays, and water tag. New games each week. Be prepared to get wet! Bring a towel and change of clothes. If it is too cool for water games, or if it's raining, come on in and we'll do a craft! **No Registration Necessary.**

Beach Party Movie Matinee: *Flushed Away* Monday, June 28 at 2:00 PM

Family Show-Rated PG, 90 Minutes

Bring a beach towel or beach chair with you for this fun take on Movie Matinee. Enjoy *Flushed Away*. Bring your own snacks. A fun way to beat the heat and enjoy a movie for FREE! **Movie Summary:** In this animated feature, a pampered British rat named Roddy is flushed into the London sewers when he tries to rid the house of unwanted (and unwashed!) guest Sid. Used to the good life, Roddy must make it on his own in the sewer world of Ratropolis run by the villainous Toad who has it in for all rodents. **No Registration Necessary.**

Lost on Book Island Survivor Game Wednesday, June 30 at 2:00 PM

Approx. Ages 9-11

You're LOST...STRANDED...on BOOK ISLAND. Do you have what it takes to get you and your team to safety? Participants will be broken into teams and work together using their skills to perform first aid, collect food, build a raft, find hidden treasure, and leave the Island. The *entire* library is the playing field. Collect fish bucks along the way. Use your fish bucks at the end of the game in an auction for prizes. May the best team win!

Registration Required.

ArtSmart: Watercolor Wonders *(This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Library)*

Join Kathy Vincent of ArtSmart as she leads art programs for various ages. See below.

Registration Required.

- **Swimmy Grades K-1 Wednesday, July 7 2:00 PM**
Learn about the art of printmaking in this wonderful watercolor workshop based on the book, *Swimmy*, by Leo Lionni. Participants will use a variety of materials to create an underwater scene. Final touches of sequins and eyes give the piece a special touch.
- **Bubble Boxes Ages 3-5 with a parent or caregiver Wednesday, July 14 10:30 AM**
A program for our youngest patrons and a parent or caregiver. Using watercolors, brushes, straws and other materials, participants will make watercolor bubbles on their workspace. Creative, imaginative and interactive. A great activity to share with someone special.
- **Deep Blue Sea Grades 2-3 Wednesday, July 21 10:30 AM**
An exploration into underwater themed art. Using graphic design papers, illustration board, adhesive, brushes, and scissors, participants will be inspired by the art of Matisse and create cut paper collage pieces with an ocean theme.
- **Fanciful Fish Grades 4-6 Wednesday, July 28 10:30 AM**
The art of block print making is arriving at EWML this summer! Create a fantastic fish print utilizing rubber print blocks, carving tools, printing inks, printing papers, and other materials. An informative and interesting session about an art form that takes patience and welcomes creativity.

Glue it and Go: Costumes for Kids

Thursday, July 8 at 10:30 AM

Family Program for grades K-adult

Learn from the master of costume making, Holly Cleeland, author of the book: *Glue it and Go, Costumes for Kids*. Holly will be here to show you how to use old household junk to make AMAZING costumes for your next dress up event. We are VERY lucky to be hosting Holly; she has been featured on Rachel Ray and The View! Don't miss this exciting program in which she teaches you the basics and creates 3 costumes right in front of you. Three lucky participants will get to take home those very creations. **Registration Required.**

Make a Hawaiian Splash

Friday, July 9 at 3:00 PM

Family Show-All Ages

Did you know that Hawaiian Dance actually tells a story? It's true. Hawaiians used dance to keep their oral tradition alive over many years. Join Tiare Kahana as she leads you on a tropical island journey. Learn about Hawaiian culture, history & Polynesian dance as you "make a splash" throughout the islands with stories, songs, and dances about fishing, surfing, picking seashells, canoeing and even taking a bath! An interactive program for the whole family. **FREE Tickets will be available at the children's desk 30 minutes before the show.**

Mystic Aquarium Programs for Kids

Various ages and dates, please see class description.

Registration Required.

- **Hermit Crab Hideaway: Ages 3-6 Monday, July 12 1:00- 1:45 PM**

Hermit crabs are fascinating creatures. Because they live in a shell, they are never far from home. But sometimes moving to a new bigger shell can be an adventure! Using the story, *A House for Hermit Crab*, by Eric Carle along with props and a costume, students discover how hermit crabs camouflage themselves, while decorating a shell with sea anemones, sea stars, lantern fish and more! This program includes a live invertebrate touch and learn tank!

- **Explore the Long Island Sound: Grades 1-3 Monday, July 12 2:00-2:45 PM**

The classroom becomes the setting for students to learn about the beautiful rocky shores of the Long Island Sound and to investigate the native plants and animals that live there. Learn how difficult it is for animals to live in this harsh environment and the adaptations they have developed for rocky shore survival. This program includes a live invertebrate touch and learn tank!

Lynn Lewis: Make a Splash!

Tuesday, July 13 at 10:30 AM

Family Show geared for ages 3-8

Join Lynn as she sings summer songs with a water theme! Get moving and grooving, jumping and jiving. Perfect for our preschool and kindergarten crowd! **FREE Tickets will be available at children's desk 30 minutes before the show.**

Around the Pond

Friday, July 16 at 2:00 PM

Ages 4-8

Many animals live near or in water. What can you find, when you visit a water habitat? Enjoy a selection of stories for the young to help them learn about what to find living in the water. Samples of pond water will be investigated to see the diversity of life that is not always big, but still very important. Presented by the Kellogg Environmental Center. **Registration Required.**