

June 2022 Newsletter

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LOCATION

102 West Third
Street
Phone: 815-625-
1370

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Tuesday

9 AM-8 PM

Wednesday-Friday

9 AM-5 PM

Saturday

9 AM-1 PM

Curbside Pickup

Monday-Friday

9 AM - 4 PM

Programs at a glance:

Hands on Home: Sat, June 4, 10AM—Noon

Dungeons & Dragons: Mondays 3:30-7:30 PM

Teen Game Night: Tue, June 14, 5:30-7:30 PM

See inside for Summer Reading Programs!

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Hello
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Children's Department

Summer Reading Program 2022



Who: Everyone!

What: Summer Reading Program 2022

When: June 6 - July 30

Where: Sterling Public Library

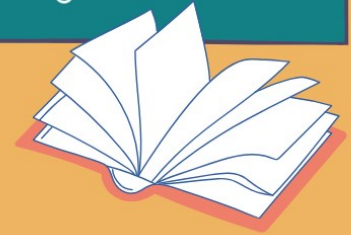
Why: To encourage a love of reading and learning all year-long

How to Sign Up

Participants can sign up online or in person at the library. Participants can sign up starting on Monday, May 23rd, but tracking starts on June 6.

To sign up online, go to the library's website at sterlingpubliclibrary.org and scroll down until you see the logo to the right.

From there, you can click on "Register" or "Login."



Read Beyond The Beaten Path



The theme this year for Summer Reading is "Read Beyond the Beaten Path." We hope you will use this as a chance to learn about new topics, read new genres of books, read new formats of books like graphic novels and wordless picture books and try new things!



Summer Reading 2022 Programs & Events

Recurring Summer Programs in June

The age ranges for these programs are not strict, so please contact the library if you have any questions about attending a program. Participants do not need to have registered for the Summer Reading Program to attend any programs. Themes and activities for each week are on the program calendar on our website.

Programs are every Monday and Tuesday in June:

Preschool: Monday 10-10:45am

Kindergarten-2nd grade: Tuesday 10-10:45am

3rd-5th grade: Tuesday 2-2:45pm

Summer Reading: 6th-8th Grade

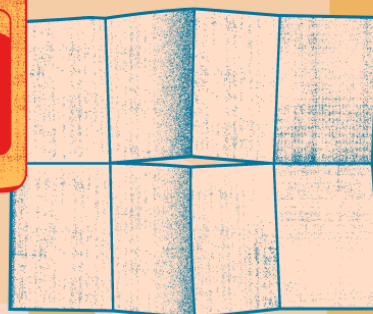
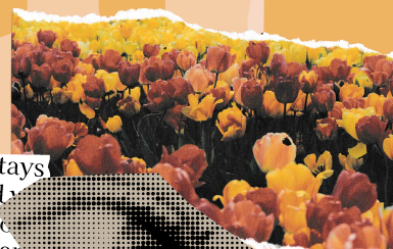
Tuesday, June 7 at 4-5:30pm

We will explore different drawing and collaging techniques, look at examples, and have free time to practice our new skills. All materials are provided, but participants can bring materials they would like to work with.

Tuesday, June 21 at 4-5:30pm

Sixth through eighth graders are invited to learn what a zine is, how to make one, and why they are the coolest. We will look at examples of other artists' zines, learn how to make zines, and have time to create our own.

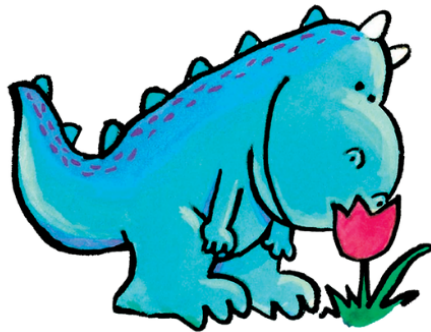
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Summer Reading Program 2022 Kick-Off Event on June 11!

10-11am - Planting Flowers with Whiteside County Master Gardeners

Come join Whiteside County Master Gardeners and plant flowers for the amphitheater outside of the children's area. Learn why flowers are important and what they need to survive. Come ready to play in the dirt!



11:30am-12pm - Pride Month Storytime with PFLAG Sauk Valley

Celebrate Pride Month at the library with picture book stories and crafts! This storytime will be led by PFLAG Sauk Valley, and it is open to children and families of all ages.



PFLAG Sauk Valley is a local chapter of PFLAG National. Their mission is to promote advocacy, educate and support the LGBTQ+ community, their allies, and their families. Please visit their website at pflagsaukvalley.org for more information.



All day on June 11 we will have Indoor Library Mini-Golf and a scavenger hunt set up in the children's department. The scavenger hunt will be set up until the end of the Summer Reading Program.

More Children's Programs

June 18 at 10am - Local Author Storytime with Judy Schmidt

Join us for storytime to listen to stories written by local author Judy Schmidt. She will be reading her two children's books, "No Pets Allowed" and "Let's Go 'Round in the Alpha-Bug Town". There will also be a craft at the end of storytime, and her books will be available for purchase.

Judy Schmidt has been writing stories since she was a child. When she became an adult, she wrote for Sauk Valley News, Freeport Journal Standard, Rockford Register Star, and more. She has written two picture books and is currently working on two chapter books for kids ages 10 to 14, called "Halfway Home" and "The Kane Kids First Great Adventure," as well as a series of short stories for adults called "Eerie Encounters".



June 25 - Intro to Theatre Workshops

Come learn about the basics of theatre in a fun and energetic environment! Participants will be led through a variety of drama games, acting and movement exercises, and hands-on creative activities to aid them in learning about the basics of theatre, performing, and building self-confidence.

4th-5th grade: 10-11am 6th-8th grade: 11:30-12:30pm

*Registration is not required for this event, but there is a cap at 30 students per workshop. If you would like to register to save your spot you can call the library at 815-625-7037 or stop by the children's desk.





Read Beyond the Beaten Path

Adult/Young Adult

Summer Reading Program

Open to Patrons 6th grade through adult

June 6 – July 30

Try out some of our
resources or services that
you haven't tried before!

Pick up a bingo card at the Adult Desk. Pick out books to fit the bingo squares. For each square you complete, you may put your name in for the weekly prize drawings.

When you get your first bingo (horizontal, vertical or diagonal) you will get a bingo prize.

Teen Game Night



Teens 6th – 12th
grade are invited
for a night
of games, snacks,
and discussion.



Tuesday, June 14,
5:30–7:30 pm at the
Sterling Public Library
in the conference room



**KICK OFF YOUR GARDENING SEASON MAKING A
HAND SCRUB, BUG SPRAY, GARDEN STONE MARKER,
SEED TAPE AND SEED STARTER. \$5 FEE FOR ALL**

Saturday, June 4

Drop-in workshop

10:00 a.m.– NOON

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Presented by Whiteside County Master Gardeners

\$5 Supply Fee payable at the door

For more information contact Mary Nelson | 815-632-3611



An Evening with Chef Kwame Onwuachi

Wednesday, June 15 at 7 p.m.
CST | Zoom



A James-Beard award-winning chef, Onwuachi opened five restaurants before turning thirty. He was a 2015 Top Chef contestant and can currently be seen judging Food Network's Chopped. In 2021, Onwuachi became the youngest Executive Producer at Food & Wine magazine. He will present on his exciting career in food, as chronicled in his bestselling memoir, *Notes from a Young Black Chef*.

An Evening with Michelle Zauner

Wednesday, June 30 at 7 p.m.
CST | Zoom



Michelle Zauner, the indie rock star of Japanese Breakfast, discusses her music career and her bestselling book *Crying in H Mart*. Her memoir about growing up Korean American, losing her mother, and forging her own identity was a New York Times notable book of the year.

In conversation with Jessica Hopper, Chicago based music critic, producer, and author.

Find the links to register for these free programs on our website —>

If you can't attend at the time,
register and they will send you a link to watch later.



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Let's Feed our Children

FREE MEALS FOR KIDS & TEENS



The Sterling Public Library will again be a site for Let's Feed our Children. Free lunches will be available for pickup on the north side of the library from 12-12:30pm each Wednesday from June 1 through August 10. No paperwork or registration required.

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