

Charleston Carnegie Public Library

SUMMER READ  
ADVENTURE  
— BEGINS AT —  
YOUR LIBRARY™

JUNE 1 - JULY 31



collaborative  
summer library program™

# Adventure Begins at Your Library!

Welcome to Summer Read!

Entries accepted June 1-July 31, 2024

All ages are welcome and encouraged to participate!

## What is it?

A weekly reading program. Read 2 hours or more each week to earn a weekly prize and chances to win our grand prizes!

## How do I join?

No registration or Library card required. Submit your reading that you have completed online at [www.charlestonlibrary.org](http://www.charlestonlibrary.org).

Please ask staff for any help with submissions.

All Entries must be entered by 11:59pm, Wednesday, July 31st.

Grand prizes will be drawn on Friday, August 2nd.

*All winners will be called and notified.*

Prizes must be picked up by Friday, August 16th.

**WHY SHOULD YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER READ?**

**SUMMER SLIDE CAN HAPPEN!!**

**CHILDREN WHO DON'T READ DURING THE SUMMER CAN LOSE UP TO 2 MONTHS OF LEARNING BY THE TIME THEY RETURN TO SCHOOL!**

**HELP PREVENT SUMMER SLIDE!**

**HAVE YOUR CHILD READ AT LEAST 20 MINUTES EVERY DAY!**

# For All Ages



## Mini Golf in the Library

Saturday, June 1—Sunday, June 9

All ages, children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Start at the KidSpace Desk

Help us kick off Summer Read with Mini Golf in the Library! Bring your family and friends for this fun activity throughout the week!

Holes will be designed and set up by library staff.



## Read to a Therapy Dog

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

Saturday, June 15—registration open June 10-14

Saturday, July 20—registration open July 15-19

10:30am-11:30am

Rotary Room

All Ages

Practice your reading skills by cuddling up with a good book and reading aloud to a fully trained and certified therapy dog. The volunteer animals are licensed therapy dogs and are accompanied by their owners for the program. Readers can bring a book from home or choose one from the library. Parents/caregivers must be present for the duration of the session.

Please call 217-345-4913 or drop by to register for a 15 minute time slot.



## Summer Cinemas @ the Library

Throughout June 1-July 31

Make sure to pick up our *Summer Cinemas Movie Guide* to find out all of the great movies we are showing during Summer Read! From Treasure Hunt Thursdays to Magical Sunday Matinees, we have something for everyone!

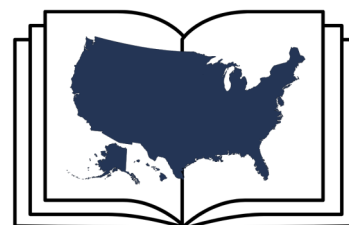
## 50 States Reading Challenge

All ages

Booklets can be found at the KidSpace and Information Desks

Take your summer reading across the country with this challenge! Try to read a book set in all 50 states this summer. Pick up a booklet in KidSpace or at the Information Desk and start reading, then cross off or color in the state where your book took place. Not sure where to start? Check out our list of books for all ages next to our booklets. No library card needed.

## 50 STATES READING CHALLENGE



# For Kids

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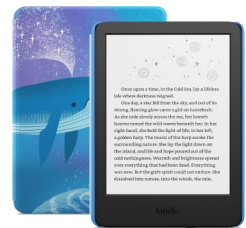
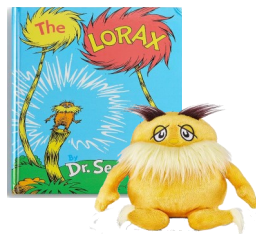
**July 21-31** Free Book or Book Sale coupon!



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Grand Prizes for Babies: Lorax Plush & Book or Very Hungry Caterpillar Plush & Book

Grand Prizes for Ages 3-12: Lorax Plush & Book, 790 piece LEGO set, or 2022 Kindle for Kids



## Story Time at the Park

Fridays, May 31—June 28

10:30am

Kiwanis Park Amphitheater (corner of Division and Jackson Streets)

WEATHER PERMITTING

Ages 3-5 with an adult

Join Chris at Kiwanis Park Amphitheater and help him answer the world's most important questions. Questions like: What is the best bat? Can grandparents? and Tacos??? With the aid of books, songs, and crafts, can we find the answers to these burning questions?!?!



## Summer Take & Make

June 1—July 31

Ages 3-12

One craft per child, while supplies last.

Take & Make will feature a variety of seasonal crafts! Crafts will vary through the summer. Supplies you may or may not need at home: safety scissors, glue, and crayons/colored pencils/markers, but other embellishments may be used as desired. Parental supervision is advised. Instructions are included.



# For Kids

## Trash or Treasure? *Presented by Douglas-Hart Nature Center*

Wednesday, June 5

10:30am

Rotary Room

Ages 3-12, under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Learn how to save the Earth and take "reduce, reuse, recycle" to a new level with fun activities and creative ways to repurpose what seems like trash into treasure.

This educational and entertaining experience includes a craft and a live animal!



## Books & Babies

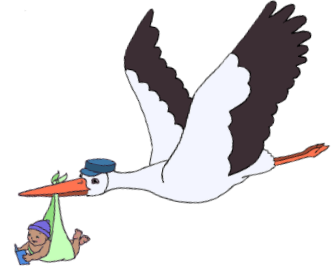
Thursdays, June 6-July 18 *(Closed July 4)*

10:30am

Rotary Room

Ages 0-36 mos. with an adult

Books & Babies features stories, bouncing rhymes, finger-plays, songs, socialization, and other interactive early literacy fun!



## Garbage to Garden *Presented by Douglas-Hart Nature Center*

Tuesday, June 11

2:00pm

Rotary Room

Ages 3-12, under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Apple cores, banana peels and carrot tops, oh, my! Learn how to turn spoil into soil and the importance of soil health during this composting program. This educational and entertaining experience includes a craft and a live animal!



## Don't Disappear *Presented by Douglas-Hart Nature Center*

Monday, June 17

10:30am

Rotary Room

Ages 3-12, under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Learn about endangered and extinct animals, the importance of biodiversity, and what you can do to help Earth's creatures before they disappear. This educational and entertaining experience includes a craft and a live animal!



## Taylor Swift Friendship Bracelet Making

Tuesday, July 9th

3:00pm-5:00pm

Rotary Room

Kids & Teens

It's been a long time coming! Join us for an afternoon of Taylor Swift music, crafts, and fun. Make a friendship bracelet to keep or trade with your friends. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. All supplies will be provided.



# June 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>All Ages (All) Kids (K) Teens (T) Young Adults (YA) Adults (A)</p>	 <p><b>ADVENTURE</b> — BEGINS AT — <b>YOUR LIBRARY™</b></p>				<p>May 31 Story Time at the Park (K) 10:30am</p>	<p>1 Summer Read Starts! Mini Golf (All) Take &amp; Make (K) 6/1-7/31 Take &amp; Make (A) 6/1-6/30</p>
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<p>Mini Golf (All) Onward (All) 1:30pm</p>	<p>Mini Golf (All)</p>	<p>Mini Golf (All) Young Adult Buttons (YA) 4:00pm</p>	<p>Mini Golf (All) Trash or Treasure? (K) 10:30am</p>	<p>Mini Golf (All) Books &amp; Babies (K) 10:30am Uncharted (All) 1:30pm</p>	<p>Mini Golf (All) Story Time at the Park (K) 10:30am</p>	<p>Mini Golf (All)</p>
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<p>Aladdin (All) 1:30pm</p>	<p>Don't Disappear (K) 10:30am</p>		<p>LIBRARY CLOSED </p>	<p>Warbler Ridge Tour (A) 9:00am Books &amp; Babies (K) 10:30am</p>	<p>Story Time at the Park (K) 10:30am</p>	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
<p>Trolls Band Together (All) 1:30pm</p>	<p>Book Club Meet Up (A) 4:00pm A Simple Favor (All) 1:30pm</p>			<p>Books &amp; Babies (K) 10:30am Indian Jones &amp; the Temple of Doom (All) 1:30pm</p>	<p>Story Time at the Park (K) 10:30am</p>	
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<p>Raya (All) 1:30pm</p>						

# July 2024

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<p>All Ages (All) Kids (K) Teens (T) Young Adults (YA) Adults (A)</p>	<p>1 <b>Take &amp; Make (A)</b> 7/1-7/31  <i>Knives Out (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>2  Young Adult Buttons (YA) 4:00pm</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 <b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>  </p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7 <i>Rise of the Guardians (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Taylor Swift Friendship Bracelet Making (K&amp;T) 3:00pm  Teen Buttons (T) 4:00pm</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 <b>Books &amp; Babies (K)</b> 10:30am  <i>O Brother, Where Art Thou? (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14 <i>Chronicles of Narnia (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>15 <i>Grand Budapest Hotel (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>16 Taylor Swift Friendship Bracelet Making (YA&amp;A) 3:00pm</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 <b>Books &amp; Babies (K)</b> 10:30am</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 <b>Read to a Therapy Dog (All)</b> 10:30am</p>
<p>21  <i>Brave (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 <b>Bird Walk at Lake Charleston (A)</b> 8:30am</p>	<p>25  <i>National Treasure (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 <i>How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World (All)</i> 1:30pm</p>	<p>29 <b>Bee House 101 (A)</b> 3:30pm</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31  End of Summer Read!</p>			

# For Teens

Teens 12-18, 7th–12th grade, the more you read the more entries into the Grand Prize Drawing you earn!  
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## Grand Prize: 2 \$50 Visa Gift Cards



## Teen Buttons

Tuesday, June 11

Tuesday, July 9

4:00pm-5:00pm

In the Zone

For Middle & High Schoolers

Design and create your own buttons to wear & share!

Keep it clean, keep it kind!

## Young Adult Buttons

Tuesday, June 4

Tuesday, July 2

4:00pm-5:00pm

At the adult computers on the top floor (1B).

Young Adults, EIU, and LLC students are invited to create custom buttons.

Limit of 2 buttons per student. Keep it clean, keep it kind!



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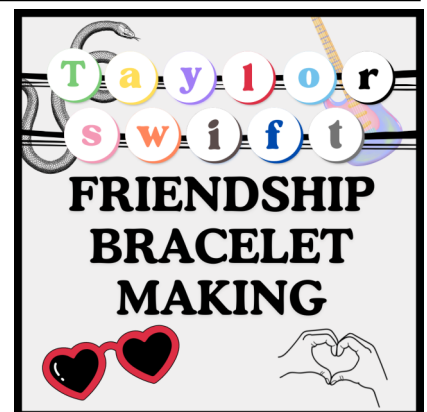
Tuesday, July 9

3:00pm-5:00pm

Rotary Room

Teens

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# For Adults

Every 2 hours or more of reading each week earns you an entry in the Grand Prize Drawing!

**But wait! There's more!**

**For each week you read 2 or more hours you may pick out 1 free book!**

*Book cart found at the Information Desk.*

## Grand Prizes for Adults:

- \$100 gift card to Firefly Grill + \$25 gas card
  - \$100 Airbnb gift card + \$25 gas card
- 4 tickets to the Missouri Botanical Garden + \$25 gas card

firefly grill



## Take & Make Crafts

1 per person, while supplies last. Pickup near the Information Desk.

June 1-30 Hot Air Balloon

July 1-31 Jellyfish

Enjoy a fun craft that you pick up here and make at home!

All supplies and instructions are provided.



## Mini Wonderland in a Jar

Wednesday, June 12

3:00pm

Rotary Room

Who doesn't love a miniature world? Join us for this fun craft where you make your own woodsy wonderland in a jar as a decoration piece! All supplies (including mini mushrooms!) will be provided.

*\*Please note, this is not a terrarium and there will be no live plants.*



## Warbler Ridge Tour

Thursday, June 20

9:00am

17161 Daileyville Road, Charleston IL 61920

(Red shack is near trail-head and Preserve access.)

Lat: 39.436676 Long: -88.144113

Join us for a tour of Warbler Ridge, guided by a

representative of Grand Prairie Friends. Warbler Ridge is a 1059-acre area which is a compilation of preserves owned and managed by Grand Prairie Friends. Come and learn about this extensive forested corridor running along the Embarras River for more than eight miles from Charleston to Fox Ridge State Park.



**GRAND  
PRAIRIE  
FRIENDS**

*Dress for the weather and walking/ hiking shoes are recommended.*

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# For Adults

## Book Club Meet Up

Monday, June 24

4:00pm

Rotary Room A

Join us for another fun Book Club Meet Up! For this "chapter" of the book club, we are asking that you come prepared to chat about something you've read that has to do with adventure (to go along with our Summer Read theme!). From Clive Cussler to a Rand McNally Road Atlas...share some of your grand adventure readings! Join us for a lively discussion!



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Tuesday, July 16

3:00pm-5:00pm

Rotary Room

Young Adults & Adults

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## Bird Walk at Lake Charleston

Wednesday, July 24

8:30am-10:00am

Lake Charleston & Lake View Trails - Route 130 south out of town, turn left at Bypass Road. *We will meet at the first parking lot past the red barn at the entrance.*

Join us for a Bird Walk at Lake Charleston with avid birder Ron Bradley. We can expect birds like Canada Goose, Wood Duck, Mallard, Mourning Dove, Killdeer, Double-crested Cormorant, Great Blue Heron, Red-bellied Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Eastern Phoebe, Great Crested Flycatcher, Eastern Kingbird, Baltimore Oriole, Common Grackle, and Bald Eagle (possibly). Bring binoculars if you have them! *Dress for the weather and walking shoes are recommended (not flip flops, sandals, etc.).*

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## Bee House 101

Monday, July 29

3:30pm

Rotary Room

Did you know bees and other animals are responsible for the pollination of more than 60% of flowering plants, including 95 crops in the U.S. that are pollinated by honey bees alone? Join us for a presentation from Master Gardener, Pat Conner, on the importance of bee houses and how to make one for solitary bees! All materials will be provided, and each attendee will have their own bee house to set up in their yard. Help us save the bees!



**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**

**Registration open July 15-26. Please call 217-345-4913 to register.**

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# Food Drive for the Food Pantry

*Did you know that 26.7% of Charleston residents live in poverty? And did you also know that in CUSD #1, 48.9% of low income students are eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunches?  
-Statistics gathered from Census.gov and charleston.k12.il.us*



**June 1—July 31, 2024**

**ALL FOOD WILL BE DONATED TO THE  
CHARLESTON AREA CHURCHES FOOD PANTRY.**

**Accepted items: unexpired & unopened**

- \*Tuna
- \*Ravioli
- \*Pork and Beans
- \*Peanut Butter
- \*Canned Carrots/Mixed Veggies
- \*Tomato Juice
- \*Canned Fruit
- \*Canned Green Beans
- \*Macaroni and Cheese
- \*Toilet Paper
- \*Canned Corn
- \*Canned Peas
- \*Instant Potatoes
- \*Canned Soup
- \*Crackers
- \*Cereal/Oatmeal
- \*Canned Evaporated Milk
- \*Pasta Sauce
- \*Pasta
- \*Baking Soda

**Fresh garden fruits and vegetables are also welcome!**

**Refrigerated items such as milk and butter will gladly be accepted!**

*The Library has an available fridge to store fresh items until we deliver to the Food Pantry.*

**Thank you for helping reduce  
hunger in our community!**

*The Charleston Food Pantry would also gladly accept direct monetary  
donations anytime that can be mailed to:*

*Charleston Food pantry  
P.O. Box 411 Charleston Il 61920*

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