

The Summer Times

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Summer 2009

Important Dates:

- Summer Reading registration begins June 15
- Summer Reading runs June 15—August 8
- Science in the Summer registration period: May 1-31

Summer Reading 2009

Be Creative @ Your Library is this year's statewide summer reading theme and the Lower Merion Library System is ready to help you express yourself!

We offer Summer Reading Programs for all ages. **Registration starts June 15. The program runs June 15—August 8, 2009.**

We are using E*vanced Solutions software for the second year. Participants can log in online to record their reading times and write

reviews. We will offer three different programs each targeting a different age group.



Why should your children join? Research has shown that children who spend part of their summer reading are more likely to main-

tain their reading skills when they return to school in the fall. Preschool experiences with books yield later school success.

Going on a trip? Don't forget to stock up on audio books and Playaways; they will make the trip seem short and stop the "are we there yet" cries so often heard.

For more information call your local library or check out the LMLS website at www.lmls.org.

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Summer Reading Programs

Preschool Read-To-Me

The "I've Got Rhythm" Read-To-Me Club has been created to encourage everyone to read to their preschoolers daily. The children will fill in a paintbrush for every new book someone (parents, siblings, caregivers, grandparents, and friends) reads to them. When they bring in their logs or enter time online they are entered into a drawing for a prize. Children will receive a stamp or sticker for every 20 minutes of reading.

Elementary Independent Readers

The Be Creative @ Your Library program is for children finishing first through fifth grades. The emphasis for this club is the length of time children spend reading rather than the amount of books they read. Every child who reads at least an hour each week will enter his/her name in our weekly drawing for a special prize. Prizes will be awarded to all participants.

Young Adults

The theme of the YA program is Express Yourself @ Your Library. YAs who track and record their times online will be automatically entered into a weekly drawing for food, comics, books and other great prizes. YAs who record their times by coming into the library will place them in a box and will also be notified of their prizes. Many outstanding programs will be held for young adults this summer at the various libraries.

Look for program information for Science in the Summer and the Main Line Art Center on Page 4

Ardmore Library Events

Ms. Val's Summer Story Time (Memorial Day to Labor Day)

Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m.*

Outside, weather permitting

- **June 11** – Watermelon Day
- **June 18** – Father's Day—Bring yogurt container with lid to make a present
- **June 25** – Tie Dye Day—Bring shirts, hats, etc., to tie dye
- **July 2** – America's Birthday—Wear red, white or blue
- **July 9** – **no regular story time; 6:30 p.m. – Bedtime Story Time**—Wear pjs, bring blankets
- **July 16** – Vive La France: Bastille Day
- **July 23** – Let's make edible Bugs!
- **July 30** – Waterplay—Come ready to get wet
- **Aug 6** – Take me out to the ball-game—Wear a sports team shirt

- **Aug 13** – Stuffed animal day—Bring your favorite teddy
- **Aug 20** – Learn about Ramadan and try interesting new snacks
- **Aug 28** – Treasure Hunt—Bring a box to decorate

* No afternoon story time in summer.

ARDMORE LIBRARY

Movies at Ardmore

Saturdays @ 10:30 am

- **June 20**—Disney Love Bug Marathon (Rated G)
- **July 18**—Jonas Brothers: The Concert Experience (Rated G)
- **August 15**—Title To Be Announced

OTHER EVENTS:

"Let's Make Music" Summer Reading Opening Party

Wednesday, June 17 @ 6 pm

Come make a musical instrument!

"Recycled" Art

Tuesday, July 7 @ 4 pm

Create a masterpiece using recycled materials.

Knitting/Crocheting Workshop

Tuesday, July 21 @ 4 pm

Learn to knit or crochet simple items.

Sing Along Dance Party

Tuesday, August 4 @ 4 pm

Summer Reading Closing Party

Wednesday, August 19 @ 6 pm

Come make a puppet & put on a play!

Bala Cynwyd Library Events

Music with Ms. Judy

Fridays @ 10:30 am

June 19th-August 14th

Fridays are a great day to come to the library for a rocking good time. Ms. Judy will perform pre-school music for eight weeks! No registration required, just your dancing shoes.

Global Tots

Monday, June 15 @ 2 pm

Join us as we kick off summer reading with Roberta Halpern and her global rhythms program. Geared for 2 to 5 year olds, this program incorporates world music and encourages our young friends to move. A great workout for caregivers and kids! Dress comfortably! Register in the junior room.

Pajama Story Time with Sally Curly

Monday, June 22 @ 7 pm

Come in your pajamas and be entertained by this talented storyteller. For pre-school. Register in the junior room.

Magic Camp

Thursday, July 9 @ 6 pm

Magician Sam Sandler teaches about the art of magic. With more than a few tricks up his sleeve, participants will come away with some tricks of their own. For ages 8 and up. Space is limited. Register in the junior room.

Magic of Reading Magic Show

Thursday, July 9 @ 7:15 pm

Join us for this wonderful family event. Magician Sam Sandler will perform for

ages 5 - 95! Register in the junior room.

Pajama Story Time with Sally Curly

Monday, July 20 @ 7 pm

Wear your pajamas! Appropriate for pre-school. Register in the junior room.

Forgotten Friend Sanctuary

Thursday, July 30 @ 7pm

Forgotten Friend Reptile Sanctuary is a nonprofit reptile rescue and education organization. Meet and learn about these wonderful animals. Register in the junior room. Ages 5 and older.

Pajama Story Time with Sally Curly

Monday, August 3 @ 7 pm

Come in your pajamas! Appropriate for pre-school. Register in the junior room.

Belmont Hills Library Events

An Old Dog Teaches Kids New Tricks

Saturday, June 6 @ 1 pm

Best-selling author Judith Kristen and her dog Henley present a program based on the book *My Name is Henley: My Life and Times as a Rescued Dog*.

Sam Gets a Clue at the Library

Tuesday, July 14 @ 10:30 am

Rick Waterhouse will entertain with interactive songs, puppets, guitar and rhythm instruments. All ages.

The Hilarious Magic of Sam Sandler

Saturday, August 1 @ 1 pm

All Ages.

BELMONT HILLS LIBRARY

Babysitting Course

Thursdays, 7:00—8:30 pm

August 6, 13, 20, 27 & Sept 3

You must attend all sessions to be certified at the end. Ages 11 to 14.

Gladwyne Library Events

All Events will be held on the 3rd floor of the Gladwyne Library.

Toddler Story Time
Mondays at 10:30 am

Global Tots

Monday, June 15 @ 10:30 am

Join Roberta Halpern as she leads us through a creative dance/movement musical journey around the world. Ages 2-4. Call to register.

Family Game Night
Tuesday, June 23 @ 7 pm

Come out and join us for a night of fun. We'll have games and snacks for all ages. Call to register.

Nutrition Fun with Emma Fogt
Tuesdays @ 4 pm

June 30, July 7, 21 & 28

Join Emma, a registered dietitian, as

she presents a series of nutrition programs filled with games, puppets and crafts. What better way to change the habits of your picky eater than through fun filled activities? Ages 3-6 and siblings. Call to register.

There will also be occasional crafts in the children's room so stop in and see what's going on!

Ludington Library Events

Alex's Lemonade

Saturday, June 13th 10 am—3 pm

Children asking about our summer reading club while checking out books will receive a delicious Alex's Lemonade.

Not So Typical Campsite Story

Wednesday, June 17 @ 7 pm

Kick off Summer Reading as Don Dougherty presents his amazing story. Fun for the whole family! Register in the junior room.

Liquid or Solid? Science Program

Monday, July 13 @ 7 pm

Simply Science is a hands-on, interactive science program for kids in kindergarten through grade 4. Children participate in fun, age appropriate science experiments while learning basic scientific principles. They will love making their own super stretchy putty and CO₂

balloons to observe states of matter and the effects of force. Space is limited. Register in the junior room.

Stained Glass Sun Catchers

Wednesday, July 22 @ 4 pm

Join Miss Gail as children create and decorate their own sun catchers.

Stuffed Animal Story Time

Thursday, July 23 @ 4 pm

Bring your favorite toy or stuffed animal to a special story time and tell us about it. Stories and songs with Laurent, the master storyteller.

Pirate Fun

Monday, August 10 @ 7 pm

Join us in the meeting room for an evening of fun and laughter as Don Dougherty returns for an exciting pirate adventure to close our Summer Reading

Club. Register in the junior room.

Flow Circus Juggling Act

Thursday, August 13 @ 4 pm

Lots of fun for the whole family! Register in the junior room.

Flow Circus Juggling Workshop

Thursday, August 13 @ 7 pm

Flow Circus will host a workshop for anyone between the ages 12 and 18 to teach juggling acts. Register in the junior room or call for more details.

Get Creative @ Your Library Crafts

Mondays, August 17 & 24 @ 4 pm

Bring your creativity...we'll supply the rest!

Family Game Night

Monday, August 24 @ 7 pm

All ages. Register in the junior room.

Penn Wynne Library Events

Toddler Story Time
Mondays & Wednesdays @ 11 am

Preschool Story Time
Thursdays @ 4 pm

Pajama Story Time with Miss Kate
Monday, June 22 @ 7 pm

For pre-schoolers and everyone else who likes a good story or two!

Calligraphy Workshop
Wednesday, June 24 @ 4 pm

Learn classic calligraphy technique with expert Meg Kennedy Pastor. Supplies will be provided to create your own masterpiece. Ages 10 to adult.

Music & Stories with Jeff Brown
Monday, July 13 @ 7 pm

Come and get a move on with music, movement and stories!

Bead Bracelet Craft
Wednesday, July 15 @ 4 pm

Create your own bead bracelet. Ages 6 and older. Sign up is required.

Pajama Story Time with Miss Kate
Monday, July 20 @ 7 pm

For pre-schoolers—put your jammies on and toddle over.

Stephen Kent, The Storykid is back!

Monday, July 27 @ 7 pm

Local professional storyteller/actor Stephen Kent has mixed up a new batch of tantalizing tales. Stephen works in the historic area of Philadelphia in the summer regaling visitors with colorful lore. He is one of the youngest (& best) guides they have ever had. Ages 4-10.

Pajama Story Time with Miss Kate
Monday, August 3 @ 7 pm

Annual Best of Penn Wynne Pet Show
Saturday, August 8 @ 10:30 am

Weather permitting. Friendly creatures of all types are invited to our show. Animals must be leashed or contained.



Lower Merion Library System

Ardmore Library

108 Ardmore Avenue
Ardmore, PA 19003
610-642-5187

Bala Cynwyd Library

131 Old Lancaster Road
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004
610-664-1196

Belmont Hills Library

120 Mary Watersford Road
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004
610-664-8427

Gladwyne Library

362 Righters Mill Road
Gladwyne, PA 19035
610-642-3957

Ludington Library

5 South Bryn Mawr Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010
610-525-1776

Penn Wynne Library

130 Overbrook Parkway
Wynnewood, PA 19096
610-642-7844

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Science in the Summer

Sponsored by GlaxoSmithKline

Thanks to the generosity of GlaxoSmithKline, five Lower Merion libraries will be hosting a Chemistry program this summer. Registration will be on a first come-first served basis.

Each group is limited to 15 children and will meet for 45 minute

sessions on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the given week. Level 1 is for students entering grades 2-3, and Level 2 is for students entering grades 4-6.

Registration Period:
May 1 – 31, 2009

<i>Date</i>	<i>Level & Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
June 29- July 2	Mornings Level 1: 10:00—10:45 a.m. Level 2: 11:15—12:00 noon	Belmont Hills & Penn Wynne Libraries
	Afternoons Level 1: 2:00—2:45 p.m. Level 2: 3:15—4:00 p.m.	Ardmore Library
July 6-9	Afternoons Level 1: 2:00—2:45 p.m. Level 2: 3:15—4:00 p.m.	Ludington Library
July 13-16	Afternoons Level 1: 2:00—2:45 p.m. Level 2: 3:15—4:00 p.m.	Bala Cynwyd Library

Main Line Art Center Programs at LMLS

The Main Line Art Center will be conducting programs at some of the Lower Merion Library System libraries. Attendance will be limited at these wonderful programs so check with the library for registration information.

Bala Cynwyd

June 23, July 28, & August 11 at 4 pm

Join us as we make Rain Sticks, Wish Scrolls or come and learn how to design a Pop-Up Card. Registration is required. Children must be 8 or older.

Gladwyne

June 16 & July 14 at 4 pm

“Be Creative @ Your Library” by

making Pop-Up Cards or Recycled Sculptures! Ages 5-8. Space is limited to 15. Call to register. *Programs will be held on the 3rd floor of the library.*

Ludington

June 24 & August 5 at 4 pm

Join us for an origami class or to make Pop-Up Cards. Ages 5-8. Space is limited. Register in the Junior Room.

Penn Wynne

July 8, 22, & 29 at 4 pm

Come learn the basics of origami, or create your own accordion book or stained glass sun catcher. Ages 6 and older. Sign up is required.