Notes from the Director

Rain, rain, go away, come again another day! I love this time of year, rain and all. I look forward to the time that the naked trees get that "fuzzy" look and the leaves start to come. I love to watch the way the outside of the library changes.

All winter long, everything is bleak and dead. Then, when the spring rains come, we start seeing the green grass come back and hear the sounds of Leonard mowing. For a time, things look a little raggedy while the lawn and plants are struggling to take off and survive, but then we plant the flowers. Overnight the library changes. It's magic. It shows in our garden.



Last Saturday was planting day, the day we slough off the winter and come out in our spring glory. Many years ago, Dorothy Stowe designed our flower gardens. She took time, planned it out, chose the best plants and the best colors. Years later, we are still using her design: red geraniums, white dusty miller, yellow marigolds, and blue salvia. Now and then the staff talk about maybe changing something, but we've always come back to Dorothy's design. Why mess with perfection?

This year is special for the library because several of the Galion students at the Pioneer Career and Technology Center are coming to do the planting for us. They get extra credit for the project, and the library benefits from their studies.

Don't forget to check out the herb garden either. It's located right next to our side parking lot and has a variety of different herbs. Make sure you stop and smell the rosemary and thyme. Show the children how soft the lamb's ear is. To anyone who cooks, our herb garden is a beautiful thing. Our own Cyndi Strader, a cook and gardener, with a passion for herbs, tends our herb garden.

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BETWEEN THE STACKS NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2010

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The Galion Public Library is pleased to introduce our new staff members.



Chris Lambert is our new part-time librarian in the children's area. Chris will also be assuming duties in the adult circulation area.



Jake Lyon is our new parttime shelver in the children's area. Jake is very familiar with the library and was a frequent visitor before becoming a shelver.

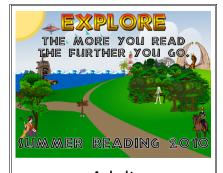


Tammy Patterson is a new part-time librarian in the children's area. Tammy has also taken over the Books on Wheels program. Tammy was a volunteer shelver before being hired.

Book Discussion

Meet 6:30pm on the first Thursday each month in the Community Room. Everyone is welcome to come and join the lively conversation.

Also, don't miss our informal book chats the last Friday of the month at 10am at the library. Discuss books you've read and learn about new ones.



Adult Summer Reading starts June 1st.

Come join the fun of the GPL Summer Reading Program and win prizes!

CHILDREN'S

AHOY READERS

Our Summer Reading Performers are a Real Treasure!

Wednesday, June 9th, 1-3 pm

Make a Splash Day

Bring a towel because you might get a little wet.

Wednesday, June 16th @ 1 & 7 pm

Chip Righter Music for the Whole Family

Wednesday, June 23rd @ 1 & 7 pm

Great Big Faces With Paul Merklein

Wednesday, June 30th @ 1 & 7 pm

Magician Jason Abbott

Thursday, July 1st @ 1 & 7 pm

Magician Tess Shimako "Splash Into Reading"

Wednesday, July 14th @ 1 & 7 pm

World of Difference Theater Presents "Papa Dieux's Well"

A Folk Tale from Haiti. Audience members learn about Haiti & become part of the show.

It's wet & wild in THE WATER WORKS!

For kids in grades 3-6, 4-5:30 pm, June 14th, 21st, 28th, July 12th, 19th, & 26th.

On six Monday afternoons this summer we'll have craft, science experiments, books & activities "drenched" in fun. Sign up for one or all sessions. Limit 20. Registration starts June 1st.





MAKE A SPLASH @ YOUR LIBRARY **CHILDREN'S SUMMER 2010 READING CLUB**

The 2010 Summer Reading Program is open to young people in preschool through grade 6. Join us for reading, programs, prizes & story times.

REGISTRATION BEGAN JUNE 1ST **HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS:**

- Pick up a Summer Reading Log & a summer Reading bag @ the Galion Public Library
- Check out books to read @ home & use the reading log to keep track of your TIME spent reading books.or the NUMBER of books read.
- Books & magazines should come from the Galion Public Library & be at the child's age appropriate reading level.
- Beginning readers can have books read to them

TEENS



Jim Kleefeid Presents

Tales From Beyond

June 10th, 6:30 pm

A personal experience in the Strange & Unusual! Teens will see strange artifacts. Tales from Beyond is an exciting trip into experiencing the unknown! Registration Required.



Board Games Nights

6:30 - 8:15

June 3,: July 8, 22: Aug 5,19



June 24th, 6:30 - 8:15 pm **Night of the Olympians**

Meet Percy Jackson. Percy is not a normal teenager. The Lightning Thief should join us for trivia & games of Olympic proportions, Registration Required



July 15th, 6:30 - 8:15 pm **HOT & COLD CRAFTS**

If you can't go to the beach this summer, we'll bring the beach to you. Registration Required.

Saturday, August 7th **Summer Reading Grand Finale!**

All teens who register & turn in tickets for two books are invited to a POOL PARTY AT HEISE PARK POOL. Registration Required.

Catch the Reading Wave

GPL offers two preschool story sessions to fit your family's needs: Family Time, Tuesday evenings at 6:30, and Toddler/Preschool Time, Wednesday mornings at 10:30.





Galion Public Library Teen Summer Reading

June 1st - July 31st

Read Books & Win Prize

Here's How

- 1. Teens going into grades 7-12 in the fall can sign up now and start reading materials from the library.
- 2. For every item read, fill out a rating form and turn it in for our weekly prize drawing. Two winners will be chosen each week for \$10 gift cards.
- 3. All entries from the Summer Reading Program will be placed in the Grand Prize Drawing for a \$50.00 gift card for Barnes & Noble.
- 4. BONUS: Teens who come to our Summer Reading Programs will be able to enter Bonus Tickets in weekly drawings