



News from
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Coladipietro: Kids + Summer Reading = Free Prizes & Fun

Looking for a summer activity to motivate your child to read, if yes, then join your local library's Summer Reading Program.

Bloomingtondale – State Representative Franco Coladipietro (R-Bloomingtondale) along with local library directors are today encouraging parents with school aged children to join their library's summer reading program. Free and open to residents residing in that library district, individuals have access to unlimited books and exciting programs which help to stimulate the mind, increase reading comprehension and ultimately help their academic success.

"The Bloomingtondale Public Library like all libraries in the area looks forward to our Summer Reading Program. We all get a big kick out of working with the hundreds of kids, teens and adults who participate in our reading program and the fun activities we plan around it," said Tim Jarzemsky, Director - Bloomingtondale Public Library.

Coladipietro noted that there are numerous benefits to summer reading for children including maintaining reading comprehension levels achieved at the end of a school year. In one study, it was shown that students reading as few as six books during the summer can maintain their current reading level. By increasing the amount to 10 to 20 books, students could potentially improve their reading comprehension skills.

"Libraries are the hidden gems of our towns. They provide an integral role in maintaining and improving the skills that our children learn while in school. As a father of two small children, reading is an important part of raising my kids and I am hopeful that all parents would take advantage of this program," said Rep. Coladipietro. "Teachers do a fantastic job of teaching our kids and unfortunately some of those precious skills are lost over the summer. It would be a great benefit to our teachers if their students read over the summer, ensuring that teachers could start on new lessons in the fall instead of going over previous skills lost over the summer."

All Summer Reading Programs are open and free to the residents who reside in that town. Information for the Summer Reading Programs includes:

Bloomingtondale Public Library – "Read on the Wild Side"

Director - Tim Jarzemsky

Dates: June 8th – August 1st

Requirements: Infants – 6th grade

Prizes: Wide variety of prizes based on hours of reading completion
For additional information, call (630) 529-3120 or visit the library's website at <http://www.mybpl.org/bpl/>

Carol Stream Public Library – “Read on the Wild Side”

Director - Ann Kennedy

Dates: June 8th – August 15th

Requirements: Infants - adults (individuals are grouped based on ages)

Prizes: Weekly drawings for assorted prizes and a grand prize drawing which includes four tickets to see Mary Poppins – Broadway's Perfectly Magical Musical

For additional information, call (630) 344-6123 or visit the Library's website at

<http://www.cslibrary.org/>

Glen Ellyn Public Library – “Read Around Chicago”

Director - Dawn Bussey

Dates: May 27th – August 8th

Requirements: Infants - 8th grade

Prizes: Coupons to local businesses and a new paperback book

Event: Summer Reading Ice Cream Social is June 15 from 7:00-8:15 p.m. at the library. Entertainment will be provided by juggler and balloon artist Jason Kollum, with air brush tattoos by Ira Muise.

For additional information, call 630-469-0879 or visit the library's website at

<http://www.gepl.org/>

Glenside Public Library – “Read on the Wild Side”

Directors - Kathryn Vojtech and Lizbeth Fitzgerald

Dates: June 8th – August 8th (Registration ends on July 25th)

Requirements: 9 months - adults

Prizes: Wide variety of prizes and incentives offered for each age group

For additional information, call 630-260-1550 or visit the library's website at

<http://www.glensidepld.org/>

Itasca Community Library – “Read on the Wild Side”

Director - Betsy Adamowski

Dates: May 26th – August 10th

Requirements: Infants - adults

Prizes: Wide variety of prizes and incentives offered for each age group.

For additional information, call (630) 773-1699 or visit the library's website at

<http://www.itascalibrary.org/>

Roselle Public Library – “Read on the Wild Side”

Director - Lisa Poignant

Dates: June 8th – August 3rd

Requirements: Infants - 6th grade

Prizes: Wide variety of prizes and incentives offered for each age group including an additional drawing for a grand prize and bonus reader prizes.

For additional information, call (630) 529-1641 or visit the library's website at <http://www.roselle.lib.il.us/>

Wheaton Public Library – “Read on the Wild Side”

Director - Sarah Meisels

Dates: June 1st – August 15th

Requirements: Infants - adults

Prizes: Assorted prizes including a grand prize - \$100 gift card to Yorktown Mall

For additional information, call (630) 868-7540 or visit the library's website at <http://www.wheaton.lib.il.us/>

Winfield Public Library – “Read on the Wild Side”

Director - Matthew Suddarth

Dates: June 1st – July 20th

Requirements: Infants - 12th grade.

Prizes: Assorted games, Dora Explorer, Hanna Montana items, Camp Rock, Disney stuff, puppets, Princess stuff, Scooter and gift certificates.

For additional information, call (630) 653-7599 or visit the library's website at <http://www.winfield.lib.il.us/winfield/>

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