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LIBRARY NEWS

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‘Paws to Read’ Packed With Programs



Ventriloquist Mark Wade presents two free family programs Thursday, June 12: 2 p.m. at the downtown library and 7 p.m. at Ivy Hall. Tickets required; available at both libraries beginning Monday, June 9.

Two months of events, guest performers and great reading gets underway June 1 with the Tippecanoe County Public Library's launch of "Paws to Read: Summer Reading Club 2003."

Thanks to sponsorship by Friends of the Library, dozens of programs for youth, teens and adults are on tap. The fun includes prizes for reading, exotic animal visits, puppet shows, stuffed animal parades and more. Full details are in our "Paws to Read" flier, enclosed with this newsletter and available at your libraries.

Ventriloquist Mark Wade

Here's a trick all kids love to try: speaking without moving your lips! Ventriloquism takes to the stage on **Thursday, June 12**, with award-winning Mark Wade. He performs at **2 p.m.** downtown and **7 p.m.** at Ivy Hall; free tickets will be available at both libraries beginning **Monday, June 9**.

A graduate of the University of Ohio, Wade taught school before becoming a performer. He also writes humor columns and is an advisor to the Vent Haven International Ventriloquism Museum in Fort Mitchell, Ohio.



The Summer Reading Club Kick-off Block Party from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 14, at the downtown library promises to be lively. Performers include "The Noiseguy," Charlie Williams, pictured.

'Noiseguy' Charlie Williams

Planes and trains, sneezes and snores, and splashes, gurgles and drips come to life **Saturday, June 14**, when "Noiseguy" Charlie Williams performs during the downtown library's Summer Reading Club Kick-off Block Party. Call 429-0100 in June for his performance times.

A sound-effects storyteller, Williams jazzes up his tales with just the right noises to keep children interested—and often laughing.

Williams is a former librarian, preschool teacher and disc jockey who now makes noise fulltime as he travels the country.



summer reading club
2003

‘Paws’ Fun Begins June 1

Sign up beginning June 1 to win prizes in our summer reading clubs, and enjoy these—and more—programs at your libraries:

- **Kick-off Block Party, Saturday, June 14, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.**, downtown library
- **Summer Used Book Sale** during downtown library hours, **May 31 to June 2**
- **Teens Night In, 7 p.m. Tuesdays** in June and July
- **Grrr-met Dog Treats**, a mix-it-yourself program for adults, **Tuesday, June 24, 7 p.m.**, downtown library.

For a full lineup, see "Paws to Read" insert enclosed or available at both libraries.

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Mark Brayer, editorial cartoonist for Franklin, Indiana's *The Daily Journal*, will teach two free cartooning workshops at the downtown library on Saturday, May 3.

Learn To Draw, Discover Comics

Two May programs at the downtown library will help you get "Hooked on Comics."

'Toon' Drawing Workshops

On Saturday, **May 3**, Mark Brayer will teach two free cartooning workshops, with all materials supplied:

- **10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**, for ages 8 to 12, with no registration required; and
- **2 to 4 p.m.**, for ages 13 through adult, with registration requested by calling 429-0113.

Brayer, editorial cartoonist for Franklin, Indiana's *The Daily Journal*, says, "I love to draw great looking cartoons—but if the message in one of my drawings makes a positive impact that affects people's lives, that's when it really counts."

He attended the Art Institute of Pittsburgh and has received numerous awards from the Hoosier State Press Association.

Hooked On Comics Panel

At **2 p.m.** on **Sunday, May 11**, a panel of three local people with ties to the comics world will lead a discussion on the graphic novel genre and its role in today's literature. The program is free and open to all.

Panelists are Scott Haan, author of *Cold Turkey*; Troy Hickman, author of *Holy Crullers*; and Bill Knapp, author and illustrator of *Faith: A Fable*.

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Children To Read To Dogs

A warm look and wagging tail can signal encouragement to a young reader. And lots of that will be going on during "Think Pawsitively" at the downtown library in June and July on Fridays from **2 to 3 p.m.**

Info Day: 2 p.m., June 6

Members of Lafayette's Caring Paws, a volunteer organization, will bring their partner dogs to the library for reading sessions with children. Learn more at information day, **Friday, June 6, at 2 p.m.**, then sign up your youngsters for 15-minute reading times in June and July.

Helps Improve Reading

"This helps children who maybe feel shy about reading aloud or have maybe lost interest in reading because they haven't kept up with their peers," says Felicia Roberts, a Purdue communications professor and program volunteer. "With the dog, they get a nonjudgmental, safe audience who won't laugh at them, correct them, make fun of them or constantly jump in."

She and pet partner Shadow—a "big, friendly" retriever/Labrador mix—will be

one of the volunteer teams. The adults stay with the pet and young reader throughout the session. Some 15 partners, all certified by the Delta Society Pet Partners Program, are active in the local group.

"This allows the child to read and have a fun activity," Roberts says. "And a friendly, properly trained dog can maybe achieve certain things that a human being can't."



Photo courtesy Caring Paws

Children who feel shy about reading aloud often blossom when their audience is a friendly dog. That's the motivation behind "Think Pawsitively" at the downtown library this summer, when children will read aloud to dogs. Pictured are children who participated in a similar program at a school recently. The library's program will feature one child with a pet and its human partner.

Kids' Book Club Meets At Campus Library

Lively discussions about the *Magic Tree House*, *Junie B. Jones* and other books—along with fun crafts—will make for lively Friday afternoons at the campus library this summer. Children from kindergarten through 3rd grade are invited to the all-new Kids' Book Club, meeting from **3 to 4 p.m.** on **June 6, 13, 27, and July 11, 18 and 25.**

"I am creating a program for kids who may feel they have outgrown storytime and who can read independently," says Librarian Stacy Post, who will facilitate the sessions and showcase the library's collections of chapter books for early readers.

Those participating will receive a book list at sign-up. Each week, Post will read one chapter aloud and lead a discussion on characterization, plot, what the readers liked and other topics. Then participants will make a craft project.

Registration is required; please call 772-9389.

Director's Notes



by Jos N. Holman,
County Librarian

As director of the library, I recently received a phone call that prompted a review of one of the services we offer to TCPL customers. It is a service the majority of our customers rarely think about. Yet, it is one of the key services the library offers day in and day out. I am referring to the privacy of our customer's personal information and the confidentiality of all materials checked out on their library card. It is a service we take very seriously and we proudly offer with the full support of the TCPL Board of Trustees.

Every day the library staff works diligently to protect the privacy of each customer's personal information. The paper library card application record with your personal information on it is destroyed relatively soon after staff input your information into the computer. After the data is input, personal information about each individual is not provided to any other library customer or even other

library staff. Additionally, our automation staff exercises every effort to secure our computer hardware and software from abusive computer hackers. Their efforts complement the library's desire to offer "24/7 anytime, anywhere" access to our library catalog and electronic databases. In this day and time of "identity theft," this is a very important area of library service the staff readily accepts as an accountable responsibility.

The other tangent of this service involves maintaining the confidentiality of library materials each customer has on their library card. Once a library card has been issued, the barcode on the library card and the barcode of each library material checked out are maintained by computer technology. While items are checked out, each item remains attached to that individual customer record. When any library materials are returned, the item is no longer attached to the customer record, with one exception. The exception occurs when the item is not returned in the same condition as when it was checked out. In this situation, a bill for fees is created and the library item stays attached to the customer's card until the bill is

paid. Otherwise, every time library materials are returned to the library and checked in, no staff member can identify what items a library customer previously checked out because the information is no longer a part of that customer's record.

As I alluded to earlier, a phone call prompted my review of these services. The caller expected to receive information about a library card in his possession, which had no name on it. The caller wanted to know the name of the library cardholder and the titles of any information checked out on the library card. Actually, the caller threatened to get a subpoena to support his request. Though this type of phone call is often frustrating, the purpose of this column is to remind each of you that the library takes seriously its commitment to protect the privacy of every library user. As staff, we hold dear your right to freely use the library and its materials without the concern of "Big Brother" or anyone else infringing on that right. We will quietly continue to go on providing this important service to all of our cardholders. We are enthusiastically glad to be able to do so.

'Paws To Read': Great Pets Books

Tune in to the world of pets with these and countless more resources, all available at your library.

Picture Books

Hondo & Fabian, Peter McCarty
PICTURE MCCA

The Perfect Pet, Carol Chataway
PICTURE CHAT

Early Readers

Pinky and Rex and the Just-right Pet,
James Howe ER HOWE

Why a Dog? by A. Cat, Robin Michal Koontz
ER HELLO

Juvenile Fiction

Look Before You Leap, Anne Mazer
J FICTION MAZE

The No Place Cat, Carole S. Adler
J FICTION ADLE

Juvenile Nonfiction

Caring for Your Cat, Susan Ring
J 636.8 RING

Caring for Your Dog, Jill Foran
J 636.7 FORA

Guinea Pig, Honor Head
J 636.93 HEAD

Rats and Mice, Honor Head
J 636.93 HEAD

Adult Fiction Series

The Cat Who..., Lilian Jackson Braun
Mrs. Murphy, Rita Mae Brown

Adult Nonfiction

ASPCA Complete Guide to Pet Care,
David Carroll 636.0887 C319A

If Only They Could Speak,
Nicholas Dodman 778.636.7 D646I

Real People Don't Own Monkeys,
J. Veronika Kiklevich 636.083 K47R

The Healing Power of Pets, Marty Becker
615.8515 B395H

Thanks To Volunteers

Volunteers at the Tippecanoe County Public Library contributed almost 3,675 hours of time in 2002, performing a variety of tasks and services.

Crickett VanGorden was the top contributor of time, spending 802.5 hours in service. **L. J. Cloyd** volunteered 426.5 hours; **Lou Pellegrino**, 230 hours; and **Barbara Mitchell**, 205 hours.

Others who gave at least 100 hours in time during the year were **Alberta Blair**, **Channing Blickenstaff**, **Janet Blickenstaff**, **John DeYoung**, **Georgia Dunn**, **Jane Haley**, **Barbara Holt**, **Pam Luenz**, **Sue McGee** and **Kathy Senft**.

In all, 49 different people volunteered, averaging about 75 hours each. The library appreciates and salutes every volunteer! Interested in sharing your talents and time? For volunteer information, call 429-0100.



Downtown Library
 627 South Street • Lafayette, IN 47901-1407
 Telephone (765) 429-0100 • www.tcpl.lib.in.us
 Mon. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Fri. - Sat., 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sun., 1 - 6 p.m.

Campus Library
 3101 S. Creasy Lane • Lafayette, IN 47909
 Telephone (765) 772-9380
 Mon - Thurs., 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
 Fri. - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sun., 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

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Calendar

May

- 1 Mother Goose Day, 10 a.m., downtown
 Cinco de Mayo Spanish/English storytimes: 2 p.m., downtown; 7 p.m., campus
- 3 Cartoon drawing workshop, 10:30 a.m. for ages 8 to 12, downtown
 Cartoon drawing workshop, 2 p.m. for ages 13 and up, downtown, register at 429-0113
- 6 Mother Goose Day, 6:30 p.m., downtown
 Library Board of Trustees meeting, 7:30 p.m., downtown
- 11 Hooked on Comics Panel, 2 p.m., downtown

June

- 3 Library Board of Trustees meeting, 7:30 p.m., downtown

Besides these events, learn about more activities in "Paws to Read: Library Programs, Summer 2003," inserted in this newsletter and available at your libraries.

Learn About The Internet

Free internet classes will be offered in May and June at the campus library. For a schedule, please call 429-0113.

Spend The Summer With Books

From book clubs to One Great Read, you're invited to book some summer fun:

Bilingual: Meets varying times. Call Reference Services, 429-0113.

Book Clique: Online discussion (*Moo* by Jane Smiley in June). To sign up, go to www.tcpl.lib.in.us.

Eclectic: Meets at **10 a.m.**, third Thursdays, downtown (**May 15:** *Esperanza's Rising*, Pam Muñoz Ryan; **June 19:** *Tales of a Female Nomad*, Rita Gelman). Registration not required.

Fiction: Meets at **7 p.m.**, first Tuesdays, downtown (**May 6:** *Crooked Little Heart*, Anne Lamott; **June 3:** *The Hours*, Michael Cunningham). Registration not required.

Kids' Book Club: Meets at **3 p.m. Fridays, June 6, 13, 27, and July 11, 18 and 25**, campus; kindergarten through 3rd grade; registration required; 772-9389.

Murder by the Book: Meets at **10 a.m.**, fourth Wednesdays, campus library. For list, visit www.tcpl.lib.in.us/branch/murder.html.

One Great Read: Watch the local media for the title and events on Greater Lafayette's second One Great Read, a book the community will be encouraged to read and discuss this summer.

All library programs are free and open to the public. No registration is required unless noted. If you need special assistance while attending a program, please call 429-0100.