

This Month at The Urbana Free Library

Rendering of library expansion by Ray Lytle.

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91 Years of Summer Reading

On July 18, 1918, the current landmark library building on Race Street opened its doors to the public for the first time. Founded in 1874, the library was built with a \$35,000 gift from Mary E. Busey as a memorial to her late husband, Samuel T. Busey, who was a five-term mayor of Urbana, a United States Congressman, and one of the founders of Busey Bank.

This year marks the 91st birthday of The Urbana Free Library's original building on Race Street. With two expansive additions and millions of visitors since 1918, the library continues to be one of the most admired and historically significant buildings in Champaign County.

Although there will be no parties or streamers to commemorate this historic 91st milestone, we thought you might be interested in a list of books that people were reading and may have been on the shelves of The Urbana Free Library in 1918:

The Education of Henry Adams: An Autobiography

by Henry Adams

The Magnificent Ambersons

by Booth Tarkington

My Antonia

by Willa Cather

The Tale of Johnny Town-Mouse

by Beatrix Potter



The Urbana Free Library, previously named the Samuel T. Busey Library, circa 1918

Tarzan and the Jewels of Opar

by Edgar Rice Burroughs

The Tin Woodman of Oz

by L. Frank Baum

All of the above titles can be found at The Urbana Free Library in a variety of formats. If you would like to be placed on the request list for any title in the collection, visit our online catalog via our website at urbanafreelibrary.org, contact Adult Services at 367-4405, or stop by the adult reference desk.

This Month's Events

Art gallery – Framed prints by artist Phyllis Rash Hughes provided by **Heartland Galleries**.

Exhibit Case – A display of items by local artists provided by **Cinema Gallery** in the library exhibit case.

- 1 (We) - Teen Wednesday Wii.** Open gaming with Wii and Xbox. Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-4:30 p.m.
- 1 (We) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Neighborhood Nights.** Games for kids and Cajun music with **Big Grove Zydeco**. Victory Park. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 4 (Sa) - Library Closed for Independence Day.**
- 4 (Sa) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Market at the Square.** Library information, free balloons, and stories. 7:30-11:30 a.m.
- 5 (Su) - Family Film Fest.** Find out what happens to Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe, and Gloria the Hippo when you come with your family to watch **Madagascar II**. Lewis Auditorium. 2:00-4:15 p.m.
- 7 (Tu) - Girl Talk.** Fun activities for teen girls. A cooperative event with the University of Illinois Extension. Lewis Auditorium. 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 8 (We) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Neighborhood Nights.** Games for kids and funk music with **Beat Kitchen**. Lake House at Crystal Lake. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 8 (We) - Research Night at the Archives.** Jean Evans Archives Room. 6:00-8:45 p.m.
- 8 (We) - Alt Flicks.** Come enjoy **Le Roi de Coeur (The King of Hearts)**. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-8:45 p.m.
- 14 (Tu) - The Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees.** Monthly meeting. Archives. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- 15 (We) - Teen Wednesday Wii.** Open gaming with Wii and Xbox. Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-4:30 p.m.
- 15 (We) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Neighborhood Nights.** Games for kids and bluegrass music with the **Prairie Dogs**. Wheatfield Park. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 15 (We) - Alt Flicks.** Come enjoy **La Cage aux Folles**. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-8:45 p.m.
- 22 (We) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Neighborhood Nights.** Games for kids and blues music with the **Blues Deacons**. Crestview Park. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 22 (We) - Alt Flicks.** Come enjoy **8 Femmes (8 Women)**. Lewis Auditorium. 6:30-8:45 p.m.

(more calendar details on page 3)

4-WEEK LOAN is here!



The arrival of 4-week loan was headlined in the library's June newsletter. Because the news is too good to share only once, we decided to tell you again!

In response to public input, the library is very pleased to announce a change in loan periods for many library materials.

- All new books and new audiobooks will remain at a 2-week loan period, but all other books and audiobooks may now be borrowed for 4 weeks.
- All adult and children's educational DVDs and videos may now be borrowed for 2 weeks.
- All adult and children's entertainment DVDs and videos remain at a 1-week loan period.
- All magazines and compact discs remain at a 2-week loan period.
- Except for children's exploration kits, any item may be renewed twice if another user has not requested it.

Alt Flicks Film Series: Great Films for Mature Minds Wednesday, July 8, 15, & 22 • 6:30 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

Offered as a sophisticated and eclectic antidote to the big-budget summer blockbusters, **Alt Flicks** is a series of films, each one a deeply felt and thought-provoking work of art.

Wednesday, July 8 • *Le Roi de Coeur (The King of Hearts)*

A whimsical cult classic set in the French countryside during World War I. A Scottish soldier sent to a small village to disarm a bomb discovers the townspeople have fled, leaving only the inmates of the local insane asylum to greet him.

Wednesday, July 15 • *Le Cage aux Folles*

Renato, the gay owner of a Saint-Tropez drag-revue nightclub, and Albin, his star attraction and partner, learn that Renato's son is planning to marry and will be bringing the ultra-conservative parents of his fiancé to meet them.

Wednesday, July 22 • *8 Femmes (8 Women)*

In the 1950s, at an isolated country residence, a family and its servants are preparing for Christmas. When the master of the house is discovered dead, each of the eight women in the house becomes a suspect – and each has a tale to tell and a secret to hide.

Films from the **Alt Flicks** series also are available for checkout on DVD from the library's extensive collection of films.

Notaries Public Service

Did you know our Adult Services librarians provide FREE NOTARY PUBLIC service? Here is some information about the service, including recent changes in state law:

- Please do not sign your documents before you come to the library. We are required to see you sign your documents. Each person signing the document must be present for us to notarize that signature.
- An ID is required to verify the identity of each person signing a document to be notarized. Recent state law requires that the ID must be issued by a state or federal government agency, and must bear the photographic image of the individual's face and signature, such as a state-issued driver's license, a state-issued ID, or a valid passport.
- If your document requires witnesses, please bring with you the sufficient number of persons to serve as your witnesses.
- Notary service is almost always available whenever the library is open at the Adult Services reference desks.

For more information about notaries public service, including acceptable IDs and the location of the office of the Champaign County Clerk, please call Adult Services at (217) 367-4405.

Have You Seen The UFL Blogs! You Can Find Them @ urbanafreelibrary.org



The UFL Staff Picks

Read reviews on cutting-edge or groundbreaking authors, handy how-to resources, off-the-wall websites, or under-the-radar movies.



IMHO (In My Humble Opinion)

A place for teens (and library staff) to sound off about the books they love...and the books they hate.

NEW - City of Urbana Battery Recycling Requirements



Thanks to the City of Urbana, The Urbana Free Library is now a battery recycling drop-off location for single-use and rechargeable batteries.

Effective immediately: All single-use and rechargeable batteries must have their terminals taped before they are deposited into the battery recycling collection tube.

You will find the library's battery recycling collection tube on the first floor near the circulation desk.

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- 26** (Su) - **Urbana Free Library Staff at the Hispanic Business & Consumer Expo.** Music, folkloric dance, and community information. Hanford Suites. Noon-7:00 p.m.
- 27** (Su) - **UFL Reads! Strong Women.** Join us as our book club for adults discusses **The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Society** by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. The MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room. 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- 28** (Tu) - **The Urbana Free Library Foundation.** Monthly meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 29** (We) - **Urbana Free Library Staff at Neighborhood Nights.** Games for kids and 70s rock with **The Surreal Deal.** Meadowbrook Park. 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- 31** (Fr) - **@ The Movies.** Free film for teens. Lewis Auditorium. 3:00-5:00 p.m.

For a complete schedule and description of programs for children, pick up a copy of our **Children's Events** monthly calendar. For a complete schedule of all current and upcoming events at The Urbana Free Library, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and view the library's online events calendar.

LIBRARY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circulation Services (renewals).....	367-4057
Adult & Teen Services	367-4405
Children's Services	367-4069
Champaign Co. Historical Archives	367-4025
Administrative Offices	367-4058
TTY for hearing-impaired	367-4405

WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

urbanafreelibrary.org

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

ARCHIVES (LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY)

Monday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.



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The UFL Hot Tip of the Month:

Did you know The UFL has a variety of email notification options?

- You can request to be notified by email when hold requests arrive or when items are overdue. Sign up at Circulation Services on the first floor of the library or call 367-4057. Note: Email notification is not available for minors.
- Are you trying to keep track of items checked out by your children or do you want a reminder before library materials are due? With **Library ELF**, you can receive email and/or RSS feed notification before items are due and receive information for all library cards in your household on one account. For more information, visit the **ELF** website at libraryelf.com, or stop by the Circulation Desk.
- Arts and music, book and author, archives, lectures and discussion – these are just a few of the categories of library programs you might want to know about. To sign up for **E-Notification of Events**, visit the library website at urbanafreelibrary.org and follow the link to the **Events Calendar** and the E-Notification sign-up form.



The Friends of The Urbana Free Library
 210 West Green Street
 Urbana, Illinois 61801-5326

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name _____ Phone _____ e-mail _____ FAX _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

TO JOIN OR CONTRIBUTE . . . Annual membership is \$10.00 for each adult. Junior membership (12 years and younger) is \$1.00. Any additional contribution is welcome. The Friends of The Urbana Free Library is a not-for-profit organization. All gifts are tax deductible.

Please check one: Renewing member New member

Please check one: Adult member Junior member

I would like to: Consult with The Urbana Free Library Foundation about a gift for library development.

Enclosed is: \$ _____ for membership
 \$ _____ for Friends' projects

(Checks payable to: *The Friends of The Urbana Free Library*)

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JULY 2009

**Library is closed
on July 4th**

Most events take place in the Lewis Auditorium.
Unless noted, registration is not required. All programs are free.

Children's Services
210 W. Green St., Urbana, Illinois
217.367.4069
urbanafreelibrary.org

Library Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Events for children and families at The Urbana Free Library

TODDLER TIME:

Wild About Bugs!

Wednesday, July 1
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children ages 2 - 4 years with an adult

Are you wild about bugs? Join us for bug stories, songs, and a butterfly craft.

WEDNESDAY Wii

Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

For children in grades 3 - 5

Come join the Wii generation every Wednesday afternoon this summer for Wii sports games and more!

BABIES' LAP TIME

Wednesday, July 1 and Monday,
July 20
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21, and 28
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children from birth to 2 years with an adult

Enjoy rhymes, music, and activities for our youngest patrons.

PRESCHOOL TALES

Thursdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

Monday, July 27
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

For preschool groups, children and their families

Books, stories, songs, and more are all part of the fun!

FAMILY FILM FEST:

Madagascar II

Sunday, July 5
2:00 - 4:15 p.m.

For families

Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe, and Gloria the Hippo are in trouble again. Find out what happens to them when you come to this Family Film Fest.

WILD ABOUT BOOKS BROWN BAG LUNCH

Tuesday, July 7
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

For readers of First Chapter Books
All first chapter book readers are invited to a book sharing session. Bring a brown bag lunch and some books you have read. We'll listen to a read-aloud, share an activity, and share our titles with each other.

TODDLER TIME: Winter in Summer

Wednesday, July 8
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children ages 2 - 4 with an adult
Escape the heat by pretending it is winter outside with books and songs about winter and a wintry craft and game.

WILD WORDS

Wednesday, July 9
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For children in grades 2 - 5
Do you like to play with words? Come join us for this hands-on workshop to bend, stretch, and transform your favorite words into serious and silly creations.

SECOND SATURDAY STORYTIME

Saturday, July 11
11:30 a.m. - Noon

For children of all ages with an adult

Enjoy a story on the library porch as part of the Urbana Business Association's Second Saturday celebrations. In the event of rain we'll head to Megan's Room inside the library.

WILD ABOUT READ TO THE DOGS

Monday, July 13
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For school-age children, both pre-readers and readers

Registration begins now

Ruff! Let your summer go to the dogs when you come to read with some furry four-footed friends from Canine Connection! You will have a chance to read and then do some dog-related activities with the Champaign County Humane Society.

ANIMAL MASKS

Tuesday, July 14
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

For children of all ages, 7 and under with an adult

Lions and tigers and bears, oh my! Create your own animal mask and join us for a wild parade in the library.

WILD ABOUT BOOKS BROWN BAG LUNCH

Thursday, July 16
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

For readers of Chapter Books

All those reading at a 4th grade level and up are invited to a book sharing session. Bring a brown bag lunch and some books you have read. We'll listen to a read-aloud, share an activity, and share our titles with each other.

WILD ABOUT ILLINOIS

Thursday, July 16
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For children in grades K - 5

Do you know what plants and animals are native to Illinois? Join the Early American Museum for a hands-on exploration of Illinois natives, like the bison.

BUBBLE BLAST

Friday, July 17
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For children of all ages

Bubbles, bubbles, everywhere! Come join us for our annual **Bubble Blast** and see how many bubbles you can make. Meet us in Cherry Alley for some good clean fun!

ANIMAL RACE

Saturday, July 18
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

For children of all ages

Come and choose an animal from the Chinese Zodiac. Participate in reading, physical, and artistic activities to help us decide the new order of the animals in the Zodiac.

OWLS!

Tuesday, July 21
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For children in grades 2 - 5

Come see a live owl from the Anita Purves Nature Center and learn more about these fascinating creatures.

TODDLER TIME:

A Tree is Nice

Wednesday, July 22
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children ages 2 - 4 with an adult

If you've ever climbed a tree or wanted to, or if you just like looking at trees, come in for stories, songs, and a craft all about trees.

MAMA'S TAKING US TO THE ZOO TOMORROW!

Thursday, July 23
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For preschoolers with an adult

Have you been to the zoo this summer? Join us for songs, stories, and a zoo craft!

MONSTERS!

Friday, July 24
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

For children in preschool through grade 2

Here there be monsters but they don't scare us! Come in for a monstrous storytime with stories, songs, a craft, and a snack.

KID'S TALENT SHOW




Saturday, July 25
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Registration begins now

Come showcase your talents in our talent show designed for kids from 6 - 12 years old.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p>KID'S CHESS CLUB Sponsored by CU Kids Chess. Saturdays, July 11, 18, and 25 4:00 - 5:45 p.m. For children who play chess. Meet with other kids who play chess.</p>			<p>1 Toddler Time: Wild About Bugs 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Wii 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Babies' Lap Time: 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>2 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Independence Day Library Closed</p> 
<p>5 Family Film Fest: Madagascar II 2:00 - 4:15 p.m.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Wild About Books Brown Bag Lunch 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p>8 Toddler Time: Winter in Summer 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Wii 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>9 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Wild Words 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 Second Saturday Storytime 11:30 a.m. - Noon Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13 Wild About Read to the Dogs 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>14 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Animal Masks 2:00 - 2:45 p.m.</p>	<p>15 Wednesday Wii 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>16 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Wild About Books Brown Bag Lunch 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Wild About Illinois 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>17 Bubble Blast 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>18 Animal Race 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20 Babies' Lap Time: 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>21 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Owls! 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>22 Toddler Time: A Tree is Nice 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Wii 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>23 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Mama's Taking Us To The Zoo Tomorrow 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>24 Monsters! 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>25 Kids Talent Show 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27 Preschool Tales: Starlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>28 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p>29 Wednesday Wii 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>30 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.</p>	<p>31</p> 	

* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.