

This Month at The Urbana Free Library



Rendering of library expansion by Ray Lytle.

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READ on the WILD SIDE!



Children's Services Summer Reading Program

Are you ready to get wild about books? The 2009 Summer Reading Program will begin on May 26 and end on August 31. Swing into the library this summer for games, reading, and programs filled with fun. Sign up at the question desk for one of our clubs and get a reading log.

- The **Read-to-Me Club** is for children who have not yet learned to read. Every time 5 books are read to you, you can bring your log to the question desk for a sticker! After you have listened to 50 books, come to the question desk any time between July 1 and August 31 for a free book. This year there will also be a Latté Da! coupon for the adult who reads books to you.
- The **Readers Club** is for children through fifth grade. Sign up to read 10 books this summer and write down the titles of the books you read in your reading log. After you read 10 books, come to the question desk any time between July 1 and August 31 and select a free book. **But don't stop reading!** After the first 10 books, you are ready to enter our **X Treme Reader Bonus!**

Make sure to explore one or more of our many wild programs for children this summer. For dates and times of all events, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and view the library's online events calendar. You also can pick up a copy of our children's events calendar at the question desk, online, and in each issue of *This Month at The Urbana Free Library*.

Book prizes for **Read on the Wild Side!** are made possible through the generosity of the Friends of The Urbana Free Library.

Summer Reading@ The Movies: Books, Movies, and More



Teen Summer Reading Program

This summer you can enjoy books, movies, and more with The Urbana Free Library's Teen Summer Reading program! When you sign up for **Summer Reading@The Movies!**, you'll be entered in a drawing to win your choice of popular books that have been made into movies, including *Twilight*, *Lord of the Rings*, and more. By reading books, listening to audiobooks, and even watching recommended films, you will be eligible to win gift certificates and qualify for our end-of-summer cash prize drawing.

Sign-up for **Summer Reading@The Movies** begins on Wednesday, June 3 at either the Adult Services desk on the second floor or the satellite desk on the main floor. While you're at it, check out the recently redecorated Teen area, where you'll find magazines and new releases of popular titles. You'll also want to stay tuned for programs, including game days with Wii, Xbox, and board games, or come see free films at the library's **At The Movies** series for teens.

This Month's Events

Art gallery – Framed pieces by **International Galleries**.

Exhibit Case – Displayed items provided by **Heartland Gallery**.

- 2 (Sa) - Urbana Free Library Staff at Market at the Square.** Library information, free balloons, and stories. 7:30-11:30 a.m.
- 2 (Sa) - Film Crew: Opening Night.** Debut of three film shorts created by The UFL teen group film crew. Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- 3 (Su) - Family Film Fest.** Join us for *The Tale of Despereaux*. The story of a mouse, a princess, some soup, and a spool of thread. Lewis Auditorium. 2:00-4:00 p.m.
- 4 (M) - Poetry Reading.** Graduate students from the University of Illinois read their original poetry. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- 5 (Tu) - Girl Talk.** Friends, music, and lots of girl talk for junior and high school girls. Lewis Auditorium. 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 5 (Tu) - Friends of The Urbana Free Library.** Monthly meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 12 (Tu) - Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees.** Monthly meeting. Archives. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- 17 (Su) - Desafinado.** UFLive! concert series. The popular music of Brazil, featuring classical guitar, flute, congas, berimbau, and vibraphone. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 2:00-3:30 p.m.
- 24 - 25 (Su-M) - Library closed in observance of Memorial Day.**
- 26 (Tu) - Read on the Wild Side!** Sign-up begins for the Children's Services Summer Reading Program.
- 26 (Tu) - Urbana Free Library Foundation.** Monthly meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 29 (W) - Visual Visionaries: The Style and Artistic Influence of Manga and Anime.** Rachel Lenz will discuss the artistic elements of anime and manga. Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- 29 (W) - Bringing Anime to America With David Fleming.** Professional anime translator David Fleming discusses the work involved in producing anime DVDs and television shows. Lewis Auditorium. 6:00-7:00 p.m.

(more calendar details on page 3)



A Royal Thank-You

The library would like to give a hearty “Hip-hip huzzah!” to all of the princes, princesses, elves, and other elegantly dressed fairy tale characters who participated in the **Fairy Tale Ball** on April 3. Approximately 1,131 people were entertained by the Central Illinois English Country Dancers accompanied by The Flatland Consort, Ginger Lozar Puppets, the Girls Next Door premiere a cappella ensemble, and the Illini Juggling and Unicycle Club. It was an evening filled with much merriment and magic!

Many thanks to our talented and helpful volunteers:

- Elizabeth (Madame) Zitron
- Ellen Anderson
- Jess Neiweem
- Alex Svec
- John Szilagyi
- Lee Wittenstein
- Anna Hartman
- Erica Voell
- Corey Ball
- Jill Grasso
- SarahEllen Hickle
- Sean O'Callaghan
- Champaign-Urbana Dulcimer Society

Finally, many thanks to **Target** for their generous sponsorship, which made the 2009 **Fairy Tale Ball** a dream come true!



Momma Dragon artwork courtesy of Rich at imaginidesigns.net

A Very Special Delivery!

Thanks to everyone at **The Fairy Tale Ball** who submitted entries for the **Name the Baby Dragon** game. We received so many creative entries we thought you might enjoy hearing some of the awesome suggestions!

Some of the entries were legendary, with names such as Iceflame, Clawtail, Eggwyn, Sparkletail, Starscale, and Featherheart.

Several were pure fantasy with names such as Lancelot, Laurana, Ferenestia, Ariel, Jasmine, and Diamond.

A handful of names prophesized dragons headed for pop stardom – Sunny Boy 3, Mrs. Bad, and Rip.

Some were comfortably traditional, with names such as Melvin, Susan, Penelope (a three-time nominee), Chloe, Emma, Shirley, Pete, and our personal favorites, Bob and Tony.

However, only one entry said it all with the name – Baby Dragon!

The Union Wore Blue: Researching Civil War Military Records

Saturday, May 30 • 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

In the fourth and final program of the spring series, **Cherié Weible** will show you how to bring the Civil War to life by researching the military records of Union soldiers who served in volunteer, militia, and home guard units.

You may register online by May 22 through Parkland College Community Education at www.parkland.edu/communityed. You may also register by mail, in person at Parkland College, or you may pick up an application form at the Champaign County Historical Archives. For more information about how to register, call the Archives at 367-4025.

Coming to the Champaign County Historical Archives in Fall 2009:

- Explore how to use African American newspapers to fill gaps in historical records with University of Illinois librarian Mary Stuart.
- Discover how to research the background of your historic house in our popular workshop taught by local archaeologist and preservationist Ilona Matkovszki.
- Learn how to place your ancestors and their records into historical context with Matthew and April Helm. The Helms are developers of the **Genealogy Toolbox** located at familytoolbox.net and are authors of numerous publications.
- Find out about using DNA in genealogical research in our beginner's workshop, also with Matthew and April Helm.

5-for-7!

Borrow More DVDs, Keep Them 7 Days, and Place Holds!

Did you know that you may now borrow 5 DVDs in each category? In response to public comment, the lending rules for DVDs have changed. You may now borrow 5 DVDs in each category – 5 entertainment films and 5 educational films in Adult Services and 5 each in Children's Services too!

All DVDs now check out for a 7-day loan period and may be renewed for an additional 7 days if no one else is waiting.

All DVD titles now accept hold requests through the library's online catalog. For information about placing hold requests and accessing the online catalog, contact Adult Services at 367-4405, Children's Services at 367-4069, or stop by one of our service desks.

29 (W) - *An Introduction to Anime with Special Guest Presenter, Melek Ortabasi*. Melek Ortabasi will explain how anime developed and talk about why it's so popular around the world.

30 (Sa) - *The Union Wore Blue: Researching Civil War Military Records*. Cherié Weible will show you how to research military records of Union soldiers who served in volunteer, militia, and home guard units. Lewis Auditorium. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. For more information, call 367-4025.

June

3 (W) - *Summer Reading @The Movies: Books, Movies, and More!* Sign-up begins for the Teen Summer Reading Program.

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

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| Circulation (renewals) | 367-4057 |
| Adult Reference Desk | 367-4405 |
| Children's Question Desk | 367-4069 |
| Champaign Co. Historical Archives | 367-4025 |
| Administration | 367-4058 |
| TTY for hearing-impaired | 367-4405 |

WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

urbanafreelibrary.org

LIBRARY HOURS

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| Adult and Children's Services | |
| 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Monday - Thursday |
| 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. | Friday - Saturday |
| 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Sunday |

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| Champaign County Historical Archives | |
| 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Monday - Saturday |
| 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Sunday |





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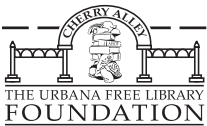
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The UFL Hot Tip of the Month:

The Urbana Free Library now accepts credit and debit cards for library fines, fees, and merchandise!*

- We accept Visa, MasterCard, and American Express.
- Please have your credit or debit card present to process the transaction.
- For your security, we cannot accept payment by phone.
- Payment through the library's website is not available at this time, but will be coming soon.

* *We cannot give cash back under any circumstances.*



THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

210 West Green Street • Urbana, Illinois 61801 • 217-367-4057 • foundation@tufl.info

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Brick Order:

Enclosed is my donation in the amount of: \$ 125 per brick
SPECIAL 5 for 5 discount **\$ 500 for five bricks!**

Brick Inscription: Three lines centered with 13 characters per line, including spaces and punctuation. *The library reserves the right to approve inscriptions.*

Sculpture Order:

Enclosed is my payment of \$400 for a cast bronze miniature of the new Cecilia Allen sculpture.



Donations to the Arts at UFL:

Enclosed is my donation enclosed in the amount of \$ _____ for:

- Musical performances
- Art
- Landscaping
- No preference

Donations for Planned Giving:

I would like to receive information about remembering the Library in my will and/or other forms of planned giving.

IMPORTANT: Check if you do NOT want your name/gift printed in Library or Foundation publications.

Make checks payable to: The Urbana Free Library Foundation

The Urbana Free Library Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. Your gift is tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. Additional forms are available in the library or on our website at urbanafreelibrary.org/support_ufl/foundation

MAY 2009



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

FURRY FRIENDS OVERNIGHT

Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2
Friday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

For children ages 3-12 and their furry friends of all ages

Bring your favorite stuffed friend to the library for a **Furry Friends Overnight**. Come Friday for stories and songs and tuck your furry friend in to bed. Come back Saturday morning for breakfast with your stuffed animal and hear all about their night at the library!

CHESS CLUB FOR KIDS

Saturdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30
4:00 - 5:45 p.m.

For children who play chess or want to learn

Here is an opportunity to improve your chess playing skills!

FAMILY FILM FEST: *The Tale of Despereaux*

Sunday, May 3
2:00 - 4:15 p.m.
For families

Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, will captivate the entire family as he sets out on an adventure to save the life of a princess in this heartwarming family film.

BABIES' LAP TIME

Tuesdays, May 5, 12, 19, and 26
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children birth to 24 months with an adult
Enjoy rhymes, music, and activities for our youngest patrons.

BABIES' LAP TIME: MOONLIGHT EDITION

Wednesday, May 6
Monday, May 18
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

For children from birth to 24 months with an adult

Join us in the evening for a special night time Babies' Lap Time – we call it our **Moonlight Edition**.

PRESCHOOL TALES

Thursdays, May 7, 14, 21, and 28
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

For preschool groups, children, and their families

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

PRINCE / PRINCESS DRAWING in Megan's Reading Room

Saturday, May 9
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.

For children age 4 - 10, under 7 with an adult

Learn how to draw all things prince and princess with artist, Hua Nian.

TALENT SHOW

Saturday, May 9
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
For children ages 6 - 12

Registration begins immediately

Come showcase your talents at The Urbana Free Library! This talent show is designed for kids 6-12 years old and is co-sponsored by the Chinese Heritage School.

TODDLER TIME: FAMILIES

Wednesday, May 13
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

For children ages 2 - 4 with an adult

Celebrate the ones you love with this storytime all about our families. We will have songs, stories, and make a craft to take home.

MIDDLE EAST STORY TIME in Megan's Reading Room

Saturday, May 16
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For families

Join Angela Williams of the Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies for activities, music, and stories.

KOREAN STORY TIME

Saturday, May 23
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

For families



Come join us for a taste of Korean culture; songs, stories, and crafts are all included. Fun for all ages! This program is sponsored by the Korean Culture Center.

LIBRARY CLOSING

In observance of
Memorial Day
Sunday, May 24 and
Monday, May 25

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | |
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|  | | | | | 1 Furry Friends Overnight 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. | 2 Furry Friends Overnight 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m. | |
| 3 Family Film Fest: <i>The Tale of Despereaux</i> 2:00 - 4:15 p.m. | 4 | 5 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | 6 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. | 7 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. | 8 | 9 Prince / Princess Drawing 1:00 - 1:45 p.m. Talent Show 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m. | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | 13 Toddler Time: Families 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | 14 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. | 15 | 16 Middle East Story Time 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m. | |
| 17 | 18 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. | 19 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. | 20 | 21 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. | 22 | 23 Korean Story Time 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m. | |
| 24 Library closed in observance of Memorial Day | 25 Library closed Memorial Day | 26 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Sign up for the 2009 summer reading program starts TODAY! |  | | 28 Preschool Tales 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. | 29 | 30 Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m. |
| 31 | | | | | | | |

* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.