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BABY BRAINS



Baby Brains

7 MONTHS

Seven-month-old babies enjoy manipulating objects, including books, so paper pages won't last long. Using cardboard/sturdy books will allow your baby to "read" on their own. Don't worry, chewing on the books is common. They are learning to explore their world. We wipe down anything that may be chewed, slobbered, and sneezed on.

Miss Carrie recommends these new board book titles-Golden Girls:Goodnight Girls by Samantha Brooke, Row Row Row Your Boat in Nebraska by Christopher Robbins, and How It Works:Tractor by Amelia Hepworth

SUMMER READING PROGRAM WRAP UP

After a busy 10 weeks of Oceans of Possibilities, we are ready to sail away into the fall sunset...on a pirate ship. We began with Jeff Quinn, magician, met Nebraska author Linda Stephen, had special guests from the Extension office, a Pint-sized Polka dance, special music classes with Miss Emily, and ended with a campout at the Henry Doorly Zoo. Yes, you saw that right, a CAMPOUT. AT. THE. ZOO!

Of course, we did loads of things in between. Movies every Friday, fishy story times, crafts and science projects. We learned about buoyancy in salt water, a shark the size of a human hand, and the oddity that is the platypus. We would like to share with you some of the pictures from our zoo trip and can't wait for next summer when we celebrate 100 years of the Wahoo Public Library! See our facebook page after Monday for the full summer photo dump!





STORYWALK® COMING SOON—see events for ribbon cutting info

A Unique Outdoor Adventure is About to Take Off in Wahoo

In September of 2021, The Wahoo Public Library approached the Lower Platte North NRD with an unusual proposal. “Can we start a StoryWalk® at Lake Wanahoo?” The answer was an emphatic, “Yes”. A StoryWalk® is an outdoor walking area that follows along a children’s book. The concept came out of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library in Montpelier, Vermont. Since its inception, StoryWalks® have been started in all 50 states and 13 countries.

What makes this project unique is that it is the first collaboration of its kind in the state. Most StoryWalks® are on library or city grounds. “We have been wanting to do something like this for a couple of years now, said Carrie Trutna, Youth Services Coordinator for the Wahoo Public Library, “we just hadn’t found the perfect place to put it until now.” Trutna approached Sydney Abbott, Education Coordinator for the Lower Platte North NRD. A grant was available from the Nebraska Library Commission to fund the project and there was not much time to get a proposal put together. Trutna met with Abbott, Eric Gottschalk and Bret Schomer with the NRD to start planning.

They found the perfect spot at Lake Wanahoo to place the walk. It follows along a path with views of the lake and local wildflowers. So, why is this such a great idea and spot? “A StoryWalk® promotes literacy, health, and an appreciation for nature. Along with promoting nature, science, and reading, we wanted to see family bonding and exercise in a beautiful setting outdoors”, said Trutna. Both entities will be able to promote services for each other and see future programs together. The library will be able to reach more people outside of the local area to promote literacy and the NRD will find a new audience with families seeking a unique experience.

Wahoo was granted funding for the project and work began to order supplies and start the groundwork at the lake. The project will be up and running by mid- August. The first book showcased in the StoryWalk® will be, “Have You Seen Mary” by Jeff Kurrus with photos by Michael Forsberg.

This project is supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Nebraska Library Commission.

STORY TIME CALENDAR

August

Story Times: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Kids Choice	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Tall Tales	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Feet Week	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Virginia Lee Burton Week	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Dog Appreciation	30	31			

Aug. 2nd-Coloring Book Day, Aug 5th-Water Balloon Day/Underwear Day, Aug. 6th-Root Beer Float Day, Aug. 9th-Book Lover's Day, Aug. 10th-Paul Bunyun Day/Duran Duran Appreciation Day, Aug. 13th-Global Sleep Under the Stars Night, Aug. 17th-I Love My Feet Day, Aug. 20th-World Mosquito Day, Aug. 23rd-Ride the Wind Day, Aug. 26th-Dog Appreciation Day, Aug. 30th-Toasted Marshmallow Day



EVENTS

Story Walk®

> Grand Opening <

In partnership between the
Wahoo Public Library,
Lower Platte North
Natural Resources District and
Lake Wanhoo NRD Recreation Area,
the Story Walk® features a chance
to enjoy nature while reading!

August 18
6:30 p.m.

East side of
Lake Wanhoo
near the
Disc Golf Course

Snacks and drinks
provided by the
Wahoo Public Library





SAUNDERS
Historical Co. Society
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STANLEY KUCERA MEMORIAL CAR AND TRACTOR SHOW

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Sunday, Aug. 21
 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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STAFF PICKS/NEW BOOKS

Staff Picks

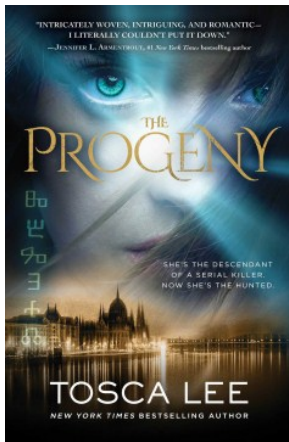


The Librarian Spy: A Novel of World War II

by Madeline Martin

Ava thought her job as a librarian at the Library of Congress would mean a quiet, routine existence. But an unexpected offer from the U.S. military has brought her to Lisbon with a new mission: posing as a librarian while working undercover as a spy gathering intelligence. Meanwhile, in occupied France, Elaine has begun an apprenticeship at a printing press run by members of the Resistance. It's a job usually reserved for men but in the war, those rules have been forgotten. Yet she knows that the Nazis are searching for the press and its printer in order to silence them. As the battle in Europe rages, Ava and Elaine find themselves connecting through coded messages and discovering hope in the face of war.

(Recommended by Denise)

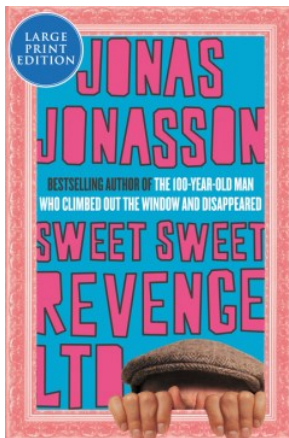


[The Progeny: A Novel](#)

by Tosca Moon Lee (*Saunders County author*)

Filled with adrenaline, romance and reversals, this story is the present-day saga of a 400-year-old war between the uncanny descendants of “Blood Countess” Elizabeth Bathory, the most prolific female serial killer of all time, and a secret society dedicated to erasing every one of her descendants.

(Recommended by Carrie)



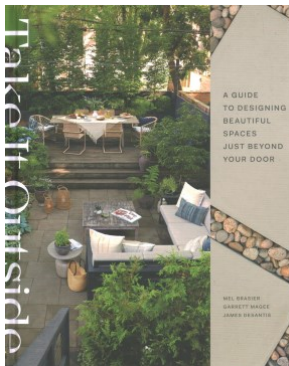
[Sweet Sweet Revenge LTD](#)

by Jonas Jonasson

Meet Ole Mbatian Jr., a Maasai warrior; Kevin, his sort-of-son; Jenny, a wronged and penniless ex-wife; and Hugo, an unscrupulous Stockholm ad-man whose company specializes in revenge services. As Jenny and Kevin seek revenge against the gallery owner who has wronged them, this funny and philosophical novel takes off on a madcap journey that spans five continents and whirls around a colorful cast of characters.

(Large Print)

(Recommended by Bob)

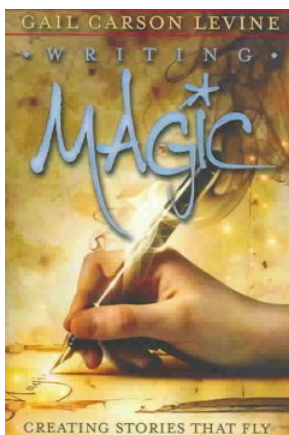


[Take It Outside: A Guide to Designing Beautiful Spaces Just Beyond Your Door](#)

by Mel Brasier

The hosts of Bravos Backyard Envy and owners of the Manscapers landscaping company present this ultimate guide to landscape design in which they show you how to apply familiar interior design principles to your outdoors.

(Recommended by Kim)



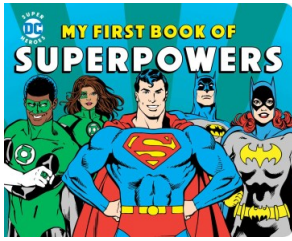
[Writing Magic: Creating Stories that Fly](#)

by Gail Carson Levine

Newbery Honor author Gail Carson Levine shares the secrets of her writing success, including how to get ideas, creating beginnings and endings, writing great dialogue, developing memorable characters, and more.

(Recommended by Christine)

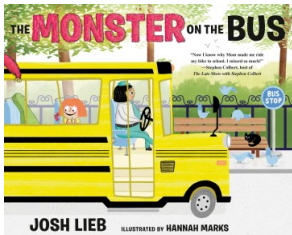
New Books



My First Book of Superpowers

by Morris Katz

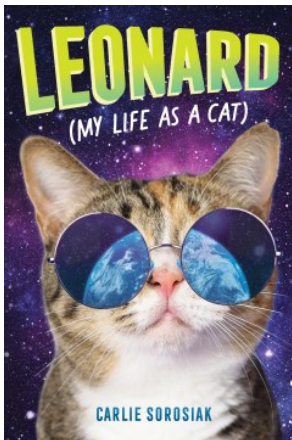
DC's beloved super heroes have lots of different superpowers. What makes Superman, Green Lantern, Cyborg, and their friends so special? Superman and Supergirl come from the planet Krypton. They have X-ray vision, heat vision, super-strength--and they can fly! Green Lantern can fly too! And his power ring lets him make force fields. The Flash is the fastest man on Earth. The Shazam family looks like a regular bunch of kids--until they say "Shazam!" This board book offers the perfect introduction to beloved DC characters and their amazing superpowers.



The Monster on the Bus

by Josh Lieb

It's the first day of school, and for Cassius and Angelique, that means their first ride on the school bus. The school bus can be a little intimidating for first-time riders! Will you have a friend to sit next to? Will the driver be nice?...and in the case of this bus ride, will that monster eat your backpack?



Leonard (My Life as a Cat)

by Carlie Sorosiak

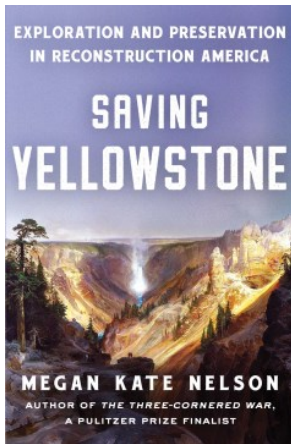
Rescued by a young girl when a space mission gone wrong strands him on the planet Earth in the form of a cat, Leonard endeavors to make his way back home while his young friend introduces him to the beautiful, confusing world of humans.



Stranger Things: Science Camp #1

by Jody Houser

As Dustin arrives for a session at Camp Know Where without the friendship or support of his Hawkins adventuring buddies, he'll navigate the complexities of a new social pecking order, a tribe of nerdy bullies, and an evil threat that haunts the budding scientists and camp counselors.



Saving Yellowstone: Exploration and Preservation in Reconstruction America

by Megan Kate Nelson

A historian and critically acclaimed author reveals the fascinating and complex historical context in which Yellowstone was established in the 1800s, and also tells the story of indigenous resistance, the expansive reach of railroad, and the struggles of Black southerners to bring racial terrorists to justice.

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