

SUMMER READING

June 1 – August 19

For all ages

Track your summer reading, write book reviews, and complete fun activities to earn real and digital badges and prizes. Visit balibrary.org/summer and get started!

1. Create an account/log in with your computer, tablet, or phone.
2. Sign up for 2021 Summer Reading.
3. Earn points and badges by logging your reading, reviewing, and activities.
4. Claim your prizes at the Library!

Download the free Beanstack Tracker app to make tracking your reading even easier.



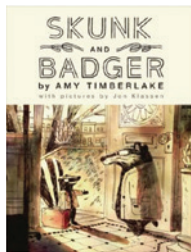
All readers can earn:

- One library lanyard
- Badges for completing goals

Readers of all ages that complete the reading goal get to choose one paperback book and earn a chance to win one of the Summer Reading Grand Prizes.

BOOK OF THE SUMMER:

Skunk and Badger
by Amy Timberlake,
illustrated by Jon Klassen



Let's read *Skunk and Badger*, a funny, clever story of two roommates who are complete opposites, and how they must learn to get along. Share your thoughts about the book using #BALBookOfTheSummer. Find activities, discussion questions, more at balibrary.org/bookofthesummer.

New this year: Book of the Summer Kits

Check out a backpack full of fun activities and experiences inspired by *Skunk and Badger*.

READ IT FORWARD

When our community of readers reaches collective Summer Reading milestones, our generous sponsors will donate to the Cuba Township and Barrington Township Food Pantries.

500 sign-ups = \$500 from Barrington Breakfast Rotary

500,000 points = \$500 from Barrington Bank & Trust

750,000 points = \$500 from the Barrington Area Ministerial Association

1,000,000 points = \$500 from the Barrington 220 Educational Foundation

Thank you to our Summer Reading sponsors:



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SUMMER UNDER THE STARS:

A series with Michelle Nichols, Director of Public Observing at the Adler Planetarium

Armchair Tour of the Solar System

Thursday, June 17, 7 PM

Explore our Solar System without stepping foot outside! See some of the latest NASA spacecraft images of our Solar System, visiting our stunning Sun, planets, asteroids, comets, and everything in between.

Later this summer:

Skywatching with Your Eyes

Thursday, July 15, 7 PM

Roving the Red Planet

Wednesday, August 18, 7 PM



Register to be emailed a link to join virtual programs.

Programs can be accessed from computer, tablet, or mobile phone. First-time participants may need to download and run free software. We recommend joining a few minutes early.

LET'S GO OUTSIDE!

All programs require registration and will take place weather permitting.

Safety precautions will be in place for outdoor programs including adjusted capacity and physical distancing. We ask that unvaccinated people over the age of 2 wear masks.

Outdoor Family Concert: The Dreamtree Shakers

All ages w/caregiver

Friday, June 18

10 AM OR 11 AM

Sing and dance with The Dreamtree Shakers and their mix of original tunes and fun, often unexpected covers. Socially distanced areas will be designated, bring your own blanket. BALibrary lawn.

Story Time in the Sun

All ages w/caregiver

Tuesday June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

10:30 AM

Meet us outside for stories, songs, and rhymes! Families will sit together on provided blankets, set apart for social distancing. BALibrary Lawn.



Build a Boat

PreK – Grade 2 w/caregiver

Friday, June 11

10 AM OR 11 AM

Join us on the Library plaza to build and float a boat! How much weight will yours hold?

Garden in the Sun

Grades K – 8

Friday, June 18

2 PM OR 3 PM

Decorate paper planters and then plant seeds from the Seed Library! BALibrary lawn.



Story Time Dance Party in the Sun

All ages w/caregiver

Wednesday, June 23, 10:30 AM

Meet us outside to bop to the beat and share some stories! Families are asked to move and groove in their own dance areas, set apart for social distancing. BALibrary lawn.

ABOUT YOUTH SERVICES VIRTUAL PROGRAMS:

Watch Now

Find these pre-recorded, on-demand story times, activities, and book talks on our calendar. Activities become available on the dates listed.

Live

These live, virtual programs are like being at BALibrary! Hosted by the Librarians you know from the Youth Services department.

Visit the Library's Events Calendar to find more details and to access Watch Now programs or register for Live or outdoor programs.

TAKE-AND-MAKE KITS

Available June 14 – 25

Each kit contains materials for a craft or project kids can do at home (with caregiver supervision). Register online, then pick up your kit by June 25. Kits not picked up will be available on a first come, first served basis beginning June 26.

Toddler/PreK: Paper Bag Kites

Decorate a paper bag and watch it soar as a kite.

Grades K – 2: Make Your Own Kinetic Sand

Mix together the ingredients to make moldable sand that won't stick to your hands.

Grades 3 – 8: No-Sew Pillows

Spruce up your space with a DIY pillow — no sewing skills required.

VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

Watch Now: All-Ages Story Time
A new, on-demand story time every **Monday!**

Stories, songs, and rhymes to help your child build confidence, comprehension, and critical thinking skills.

Live: Story Time

Thursday June 3, 10, 17, 24

at 10:30 AM

Books, songs, rhymes, and movement activities build language and literacy skills in this interactive story time.

Watch Now: Story Time Shorts

Tune into our YouTube Channel for quick rhymes, songs, and movement activities, then follow along with at home. New videos added throughout the month. Head to youtube.com/YSAatBALibrary

Live Family Reading:

After the Fall

Thursday, June 17, 7 PM

Humpty Dumpty had a great fall and needs your help! Join Jennifer Parisi, Barrington 220 teacher and author, in an empathy-building, letter-writing experience inspired by *After The Fall* by Dan Santat. Connect as a family over conversations about empathy, compassion, and overcoming obstacles. [Register](#), and we'll reserve a copy of the book for you to check out and read.



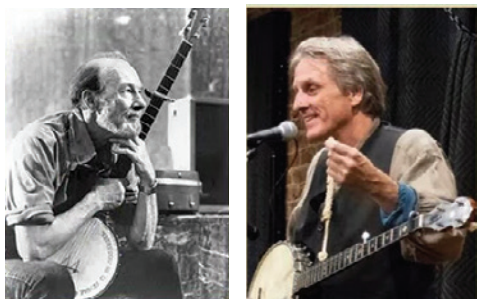
Watch Now: *Skunk and Badger*
Available Tuesday, June 22

A virtual puppet performance by the BALibrary librarians, adapted from the first chapter of our Book of the Summer, *Skunk and Badger*, by Amy Timberlake.

**Live: Story Time Dance Party —
for PRIDE!**

Friday, June 25, 2 PM

Celebrate the rainbow of families in this special edition virtual dance party, featuring affirming stories and the happiest dance tracks. For all families!



SECOND FRIDAYS PRESENTS:

The Power of Song

A Tribute to Pete Seeger

Friday, June 11, 7 PM

Pete Seeger embodied the ideals of folk music - entertainment, social commentary, a sense of history, inclusiveness. Mark Dvorak leads you through some of Seeger's best-known songs, like "If I Had a Hammer," "Where Have All the Flowers Gone?" "Kisses Sweeter Than Wine," and other classics, adding personal anecdotes and stories.

Cooks With Books

Take-And-Make Kit:

A Spoon Full of Honey

Tuesday, June 15, 9 AM

Sign up for this sweet kit, compliments of Honey Lake Bee Co. Includes a 3 oz. jar of honey, honey wand, and recipe ideas.



Cooks with Books:

Sweet As Can Bee!

Tuesday, June 15, 2 PM

Join us for a pre-recorded video from Honey Lake Bee Company, as they highlight their craft and ways to incorporate honey into your recipes!

How to Begin Your College Search

Tuesday, June 15, 7 PM

Finding the right college means finding the best academic, social, and financial fit. Thomas Jaworski of Quest College Consulting provides families with tips and advice on how to approach the stressful college search process, including how to virtually interact with colleges. Designed for both parents and students.

FOR ADULTS THIS MONTH

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The Art and Life of Frida Kahlo

Wednesday, June 16, 7 PM

Frida Kahlo created imaginative paintings that expressed the passion, struggle, and pain of her life. Examine the interrelationship between life and art, including her numerous self-portraits, with art historian Jeff Mishur.

Normal Memory Loss vs. Alzheimer's

Wednesday, June 23, 6:30 PM

In collaboration with Bacoa and Right at Home

Concerned about changes in your memory and cognitive ability, or those of someone you care about? Learn the differences between normal age-related memory changes and Alzheimer's disease. Presented by Pam Pellizzari, Memory Care Programs Director at Bacoa, and Lynne O'Malley, Community Liaison at Right at Home In Home Care and Assistance.

The Long Shadow Film Screening and Director Interview

Thursday, June 24, 7 PM

In collaboration with other Illinois libraries

Join a special virtual screening of *The Long Shadow* in recognition of Juneteenth. After registering, stream the film at your convenience between June 21 – June 28. Then join an interview and Q&A with Director Frances Causey on June 24. Visit our Events Calendar for a direct registration link.

Behind the Scenes at Prairie Moon Nursery

Thursday, June 24, 7 PM

In partnership with Chicago Living Corridors

What goes into a normal day at one of the largest native plant nurseries in the US?

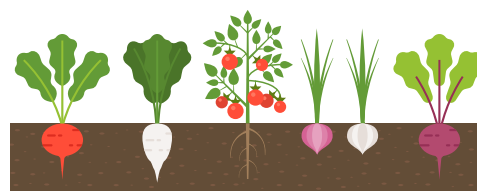
Join Education and Outreach Specialist Kaitlyn O'Connor to learn how more than 700 plants are grown, selected, and shipped.



Tomato Troubles

Tuesday, June 29, 7 PM

Tomatoes are one of the most popular and commonly grown plants in home gardens. Learn how to identify and address common problems that plague tomatoes.



TEACHING GARDEN GRAND OPENING

Saturday, June 26, 12 – 4 PM

Meet this wonderful new outdoor space at BALibrary! Ask the Master Gardeners questions, visit our partners at Barrington Breakfast Rotary for a free kid's book, join a story time, and get a Take and Make kit designed for all ages. Please wear a mask if you are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19, and practice social distancing. Giveaways available while supplies last.

COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY



Tech Topics: Windows 10 Basics

Live, Thursday, June 10, 1:30 PM

Learn the basic functionality of the Windows 10 operating system, including popular features like: settings, file explorer, desktop, taskbar, and applications.

Laser-Etched Leather-Like Notebook

Wednesday, June 16

Follow along as Digital Services Specialist Ken provides step-by-step video instructions on creating a custom design to be etched on a leather-like notebook. Use your BALibrary card to register. Then watch for an email with a link to the pre-recorded video on the day of the program.

Tech Topics:

Cutting the Cable Cord

Live, Tuesday, June 22, 6 PM

Thinking about cutting the cord with your cable company? Learn about popular video streaming services like Netflix, Amazon Prime, and Hulu, as well as devices used to stream content. Then learn how to use library apps from these devices.

MakerLab Project of the Month- Garden Stakes

Online June 1 – 30

Spruce up your garden by creating laser-cut garden stakes. BALibrary cardholders, visit www.balibrary.org/makerlab for instructions.

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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS: SUNDAY, JULY 4, INDEPENDENCE DAY

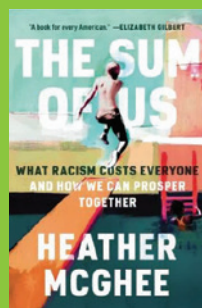
FOR BOOK LOVERS

Keep It Real: *The Sum of Us* Book Discussion

Wednesday, June 9, 7 PM

*In collaboration with
Courageous Community*

We'll discuss Heather McGhee's *The Sum of Us*, stories and statistics on how zero-sum economic and social policies are damaging to everyone.

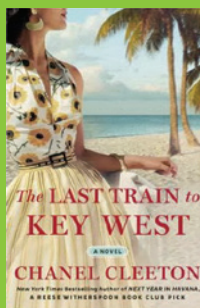


LIT @ Home:

The Last Train to Key West by Chanel Cleeton

Monday, June 14, 7 PM

Let's stay connected while we're staying safe at home! Join Librarians Liz and Sam from your couch to discuss popular titles in a virtual book club for adults. In 1935, three women find themselves in the Florida Keys during the historic Labor Day hurricane.



Beach Reads Book Talk

Monday, June 21, 6 PM

Welcome summer with a great book! Adult Services Librarian Liz shares page turners perfect for your vacation reading list.