



Manhattan-Elwood PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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SUMMER FUN AT THE LIBRARY

Backyard Bird Oasis June 15 - 6:30 p.m.

Wild Birds Unlimited will show us how to attract a variety of birds to your backyard by learning about different foods, water sources, appropriate cover, and spaces for breeding.



COFFEE WITH A COUNSELOR June 20 - 10 a.m.

Learn how to set healthy boundaries for your children with Nicole Knepper. Nicole is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor, the mother of two children, and the author of the book *Moms Who Drink and Swear: True Tales of Loving My Kids While Losing My Mind*.

Story time and activities provided for children 2+ in the Youth Services Department.



SOLAR ECLIPSE FAMILY EVENT July 11 - 1 p.m.

Get ready for the first total solar eclipse in almost 30 years! Join us as we host Michelle Nichols from the **Adler Planetarium** to learn more about eclipses and how you can enjoy this exciting event! Solar eclipse glasses will be provided with registration.

COAL BLACK EXOTIC REPTILE SHOW July 12 - 5 p.m.

Coal Black Exotics is back with all manner of things creepy and crawly! Bring the whole family to this all-ages, hands-on, educational reptile show. Please register, as seating is limited.



LIVE MUSIC

The Dot and Susan Show June 20 - 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a night with the family while listening to the Dot and Susan Show at the **Elwood Children's Garden**. This amazing storytelling/singing duo provides interactive fun for all ages. This show is co-sponsored by the Village of Elwood.

MO' BEAT BLUES July 20 - 7 p.m.

Join us outside as Mo' Beat Blues performs in our new pavilion! Mo' Beat Blues is a talented duo that promises to entertain the whole crowd. Grab your lawn chairs or a blanket and bring the whole family for a night of music and fun!

ARMCHAIR TRAVELERS 6:30 p.m.

Travel the world with local residents as they share stories and photos of their travels.

June 22	New Zealand and Fiji
July 26	Poland
August 17	Hong Kong and Bangkok

CALLING ALL MOMS: SUMMERTIME ROAD TRIP ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN June 28 - 11 a.m.

We're sharing activities and crafts to help you entertain your kids on your summer road trip.

Story time & activities provided for kids 2+ in the Children's Department.

MOVIES

BOOK TO MOVIE NIGHT OUT - 6 p.m.

June 7	Hidden Figures (PG)
July 5	A Dog's Purpose (PG)
August 8	The Shack (PG-13)

AFTERNOON MOVIES FOR ADULTS - 1 p.m.

June 23	Collateral Beauty (PG-13)
July 28	Allied (R)
August 25	La La Land (PG-13)

TRIVIA NIGHT - 7 p.m.

Free to play. Prizes to the winning team.

May 24	Road House 52
June 21	Gallagher's
July 19	Fritz's
August 23	Silver Dollar

Tech Tuesdays - 5 p.m.

Use high-tech tools to design and create in these guided classes. Registration is strongly encouraged. **Ages 16+.**

June 13	Photoshop 101
July 11	Twitter
August 15	Silhouette Cameo iPhone Cases

FUN ACTIVITIES

SPY DAY July 28 - 3 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to live the super-secret spy life like James Bond or Alex Rider?

Enjoy an exciting event that includes a "laser beam" maze, secret codes, and a case to solve.

Harry Potter Birthday Bash

July 31 - 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Celebrate *The Boy Who Lived* with a birthday party for all ages. Play Quidditch, create your perfect wand, and find all the Horcruxes hidden throughout the library in order to defeat *You-Know-Who*!

A SPOOKY GOOD TIME

August 8 - 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Bring the whole family to **Haunted Trails Joliet** for a night of fun before school starts!

Only \$5 covers two slices of pizza, soda, and a Game Play Fun Card. Discounted wristbands that cover unlimited go-karts, rides, mini-golf, and more will also be available for \$13.



KIDS

WORLD TRAVELERS - 4:30 p.m.

Explore the world and different cultures through your library.

- June 12** Clog Smash-a-thon
- June 19** Kangaroo Race
- June 26** Balloon Hovercrafts
- July 3** Nesting Doll Challenge
- July 10** Mbira Music Lessons



ASK THE EXPERTS

Explore cultures, traditions, and wildlife with a series of experts excited to take you on a worldwide adventure!

- June 27 1 p.m.** Wildlife Forensics
- July 5 1 p.m.** Korean Culture

WACKY WONDERS - 1 p.m.

Learn the science behind a new wonder of the world each week.

- June 13** Marshmallow Towers
- June 20** Blubber Science
- June 27** Rug Weaving
- July 11** Solar Eclipse
- July 18** Aqueducts

FRIDAY MOVIE MATINEE - 2 p.m.

Relax with some friends while enjoying fantastic flicks set around the world.

- June 16** Ratatouille
- June 23** Happy Feet
- June 30** The Iron Giant
- July 7** Mulan
- July 14** The Lion King
- July 21** The Emperor's New Groove

All ages welcome.



STORY TIMES

Story Time in the Park - 11:30 a.m.

Starting **June 13th**, join us for stories, activities, and crafts while enjoying beautiful locations near you. Pack a lunch and bring the whole family!

- Round Barn Farm Pavilion **Tuesdays**
- Elwood Children's Garden **Thursdays**
- Library Garden **Saturdays**

TEENS

Make-It Monday - 1 p.m.

Explore with Megan from the U of I extension office as she brings the ancient and modern world to the library.

- June 12** Toga Party
- June 19** Crystals and Ice Cream
- June 26** The Great Wall of China
- July 3** 3D Printed Totem Poles
- July 10** The Savannah

FLASHY BUT POINTLESS SKILLS - 4:30 p.m.

Learn some neat, but ultimately useless, skills and show them off to your friends.

- June 15** Solve a Rubik's Cube
- June 22** Giant Jenga
- June 29** Paper Airplanes
- July 6** Yo-Yos
- July 13** Real Life Angry Birds

5TH ANNUAL MULTI-LIBRARY

GEOCACHING COMPETITION

Use clues and geographic coordinates to find hidden Geocaches at participating area libraries.

Register and obtain your official clue card starting

June 5th. The competition ends **Saturday, August 5th**.

All ages welcome!

Please pre-register for these programs by calling (815) 478-3987, emailing questions@mpld.org, or visiting www.mpld.org.



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Summer Reading Events

June 10 and July 22 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Have fun in the sun at everyone's favorite party destination: the library! Join us for food*, games, and live music as we celebrate our Summer Reading Program.

Pre-registration is encouraged.

Visit mpld.org to sign up.

**while supplies last*

Library Hours



Monday-Thursday 10 - 8
Friday 10 - 5
Saturday 10 - 3
Sunday Closed

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