

Great Falls Public Library Happenings for June



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Closures

The Great Falls Public Library announces the last Sunday of the season in which the library will be open is May 21. Following that day, the library will be on its summer schedule, closed on Sundays through September. Summer hours are:

Monday, Friday, & Saturday 10 am – 6 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday 10 am – 8 pm

The Great Falls Public Library will also be closed on Monday, May 28, in recognition of Memorial Day.

Art at the Library

The Great Falls Public Library continues to host an art exhibit by the Thursday Morning Artists entitled Evolution: Quest for Text through the month of June. Also on exhibit during this time is the Overholser Photography Exhibit, which highlights Montanans involvement in the Civil War.

The Thursday Morning Artists has one common thread: original creativity. They gather together every Thursday morning to make art and have been doing so for many years. As individual artists they have works spread to the far corners of the world. These artists' style runs from realistic to abstract. They place no limits on the mediums they use and above all in their art follow no rules.

Members of the group are Jeanne Scott, Carol Collins, James "Pinky" Keyser, Darlene Sanford, Larry D. Goff, Jean Mazur, Brenda Barthelmeh, Marcia Hocevar, Frank Olszewski, Ruth Franklin, Janet Sedlacek, Patricia Bushly, and Cecile Smiley.

Summer Reading

The Great Falls Public Library is proud to announce the beginning of their annual Adult Summer Reading program, which runs June 1 through August 14. This year's theme for adults is *Between the Covers*; for young adults, *Own the Night*; and for babies through 5th grade, *Dream Big. Read!* Anyone 19 and older with a library card can participate in the adult summer reading program. Library cards are FREE to anyone who lives in Cascade County. To get a card, bring in picture ID and proof of address.

Participation in *Between the Covers*, the adult program, is simple. For every book read during this eleven week period participants will be able to submit an entry for a grand prize drawing at the Summer Reading Party on August 15. Prizes include a year's worth of free downtown parking, an e-reader, and gift certificates from local businesses. Participants may also complete special quizzes. A drawing of correctly answered quizzes will be held

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every two weeks, for the chance to win great prizes. Entry forms and quizzes will be available at the library.

Patrons are also encouraged to submit their own brief book reviews. Staff approved reviews shall be posted in the lobby of the library. Staff will also post reviews of favorite books. Interactive games and displays will also be featured, allowing participants to get more involved in the program.

This program is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Great Falls Public Library.

Under the Covers is a celebration of the joy of reading.

The children's and young adult summer reading programs will include daily activities at the library. These activities range from story times to contests to themed craft programs to specially- themed, interactive programs. These programs include such topics as fingerprint forensics, astronomy, and writing for young adults. For children, special programs include a magician, and outer space outings.

Young adults (12 – 18) and children will also be encouraged to keep reading journals. Readers will be eligible to enter a grand prize drawing. Winners will be announced at the final party on August 15. The grand prize for children under 12 is a new bike and for young adults is a \$50 iTunes card. There will also be monthly drawings and door prizes awarded at each library activity. Participants will also be able to earn paperback books for library visits.

Mark your calendar for the final summer reading party on Wednesday, August 15, from 5 – 7 pm. This event will be free and open to the public. It will feature games and activities for children and adults, along with a dunk tank and magician. Folks can opt to bring their own picnic dinners or purchase food from attending food vendors. All grand prizes will be awarded at the party and you must be present to win. More party details will be available as the party approaches.

Information for all the summer reading programs will be available at the library. Call 453-0349, stop in at 301 2nd Ave. North or go online to www.greatfallslibrary.org.

Below is a schedule of summer reading activities scheduled for the Kids' Place for the month of June.

What: Books & Babies

Dates: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Who: Birth - 2 year olds with accompanying adult

Time: 10:15 to 11:00 & 11:15 to noon

Location: Basement

What: Wii Gaming

Dates: Monday through Saturday

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Location: Kids' Place

What: Monday Craft Project

Date: 4

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Reading Record Keeper Book

Time: 10:30 to 1:00

Location: Kids' Place

What: Tuesday Specials

Date: 5

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Camp Out

Time: 10:30 to 11:30

Location: Kids' Place

What: Wednesday Story Time

Date: 6

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Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Bats @ the Library
Time: 10:30 to 11:30
Location: Basement

What: Thursday Contests
Date: 7
Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Starry Night Treasure Hunt
Time: 10:30 to 1:00
Location: Kids' Place

What: Young Adult Activity
Date: 7
Who: Sixth-graders through 18-year olds
Theme: Photo Contest Begins
Time: 11:30 to 12:30
Location: Teen Scene

What: Monday Craft Project
Date: 11
Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Starry Night
Time: 10:30 to 1:00
Location: Kids' Place

What: Tuesday Specials
Date: 12
Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Space Ship
BRING: 1 toilet paper tube per child
Time: 10:30 to 11:30
Location: Basement

What: Wednesday Story Time
Date: 13
Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Monster Mash
Time: 10:30 to 11:30
Location: Basement

What: Thursday Contests
Date: 14
Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Mixing in Math: Mystery Jars
Time: 10:30 to 1:00
Location: Kids' Place

What: Young Adult Activity
Date: 14
Who: Sixth-graders through 18-year olds
Theme: Werewolf Mafia
Time: 11:30 to 12:30
Location: Basement

What: Monday Craft Project
Date: 18
Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision
Theme: Worry Dolls

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Time: 10:30 to 1:00

Location: Kids' Place

What: Tuesday Specials

Date: 19

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Fire Flies

Time: 10:30 to 11:30

Location: Basement

What: Wednesday Story Time

Date: 20

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Night Worries

Time: 10:30 to 11:30

Location: Basement

What: Thursday Contests

Date: 21

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Guess the Night Shapes

Time: 10:30 to 1:00

Location: Kids' Place

What: Young Adult Activity

Date: 21

Who: Sixth-graders through 18-year olds

Theme: Franken Toys

Time: 11:30 to 12:30

Location: Basement

What: Monday Craft Project

Date: 25

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Silvery Moon

Time: 10:30 to 1:00

Location: Kids' Place

What: Tuesday Specials SPECIAL TIME

Date: 26

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: "Mr. E" Magic Show

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Basement

What: Wednesday Story Time

Date: 27

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Dreams

Time: 10:30 to 11:30

Location: Basement

What: Thursday Contests

Date: 28

Who: Children under 12 with adult supervision

Theme: Night Time Pictionary (small group activity)

Time: 10:30 to 1:00

Location: Kids' Place

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What: Young Adult Activity

Date: 28

Who: Sixth-graders through 18-year olds

Theme: "Sit in a Police Car?"

Time: 11:30 to 12:30

Location: Basement

The River's Edge Trail: Get to Know Your Local Treasure

The Great Falls Public Library presents a free program, The River's Edge Trail: Get to Know Your Local Treasure, on Thursday, June 7, 7:00 pm. Doug Wicks and Chuck Jennings, River's Edge Trail Board president and vice-president respectively, will present a slide show and talk that will cover the history of the trail from its inception; future plans, what the trail offers, and how you can help. This program is a must-see for all community members, especially those who love to experience our area's natural environment. For more information on this free program call 453-0349.

Fly Fishing For Free

The Great Falls Public Library is hosting a free two-part series on fly-fishing in June. These programs will be presented by the Missouri River Fly Fishermen. On Thursday, June 14, 7:00 pm, the group will present Fly Tying. Prepared to be wowed as you learn the intricacies of this art form. On Thursday, June 21st, 7:00, meet in the Library Park, behind the library, for Casting: It's A Snap. Although it is not mandatory, if you have a rod, bring it so you can practice demonstrated techniques. In case of inclement weather, we will move indoors. For more information call 453-0349.

FREE COMPUTER CLASSES AT GREAT FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Great Falls, Montana – The Great Falls Public Library is presenting a four-part series of free of computer classes on Mondays in June and July from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. This series, Computer Basics, is designed for computer novices. All classes will be held on the second floor of the library. People attending the classes must arrive at the library before 6:00 pm.

Due to high interest and limited computers, class size has been capped at 28. Anyone interested may register by calling the library at 453-0349 or stopping in at the 2nd floor Information Desk. You must register for the entire series. The schedule is listed below.

- June 18 - Introduction to the Computer and Using the Mouse
- June 25 - Opening, Closing and Saving Files, Introduction to WORD
- July 2 - Introduction to the Web: Surfing and Searching
- July 9 – Introduction to E-mail: Getting an Address & Sending Mail

Contact Susie McIntyre at 453-0349 or check www.greatfallslibrary.org for more information. These classes are sponsored in part by the Great Falls Public Library Foundation.

Special Film Screening

The Great Falls Public Library is hosting a special screening of the documentary film Sweetgrass, on Thursday, June 28 at 7:00 pm. This event is collaboration with the Great Falls Public Library Foundation and P.O.V., the award-winning documentary series.

Stripping away conventional documentary tropes of narration, interviews, and music, this beautifully photographed film follows the activities of Montana shepherders over the course of two years. Alternately breathtaking, touching, and unsettling, the film dispassionately observes the dangers of the Absaroka-Beartooth Mountains and the kinds of eccentric spectacle associated with the herding of hundreds of sheep. This film has been called the last real Western. It has also been praised as a work of art and a look at the vanishing American West - a beautiful and

subtle depiction of the demise of a way of life.

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Supporting Documents

 [Library Happenings 2012](#) (378 KB) (PDF)

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