4th of July July 2025 NEWSLETTER

TOP NEWS

- Watch out for those deadlines!
- Take a look at our permanent addition to the library in *The Highlight* on Page 2.
- Take a peek at the remaining Summer programs on Page 3.

HALFWAY TO THE FINALE

We are halfway through the summer reading program and it is not too late to sign up. There are still prizes, treats, and time to enter for numerous grand prizes. We have a lot of programs coming up, so read on and you'll discover the programs in the second half of our program.

We want to make sure you have all the information you need to succeed this summer so please be aware that the absolute last day to turn in summer reading logs in person is Wednesday, July 30, before closing time. If you are tracking your reading on Beanstack the last day will also be July 30 but you can input numbers before midnight.

July 31 is the big end of the summer reading program bash! Serengeti Steve is coming

with his Reptile Experience and he is going to show all of us the cool reptiles he has and teach us about them. Steve is an *America's Got Talent* finalist and a Guinness World Record Holder! After Serengeti Steve finishes his fun event, grand prizes will be drawn at 11AM on the 31st. You do not have to be present to win.

You can pick up any remaining prizes you haven't received yet for the rest of July 31. We will not be handing out any prizes after July 31, so don't miss these deadlines! We want to make sure you get your prizes!

Also, keep a watch out for July 5. We will be participating for the first time ever in Kirksville's Red White and Blue Festival in the 10AM parade.





THE BUZZ



BRE'S BULLETIN

Hotdogs, camping, enjoying some BBQ and family, these are just a few things I love about July. July always make me feel even more patriotic because it gives me another chance to celebrate my dad who was in the military. It's this time of year that makes me thankful to have people around me who care about me and I about them. So no matter what is going on in your life right now, remember to enjoy the sunshine. Take a breath, celebrate how far you've come this year and just remember to relax. Whether that be pick up a book, listen to some music, or enjoy time with family, just have a happy July everyone!

SANDIE'S SPOTLIGHT

Summer heat is upon us, a time to slow down, enjoy outdoor activities, and get some well-deserved rest. If you are looking for a summer getaway to beat the heat, grab a travel guide for inspiration. The library has a variety of books on travel destinations, both near and far, to help you plan your best vacation. Or how about a staycation. Get books on cool drinks, refreshing salads, and barbecue. Take a stroll through our story walk at Thousand Hills State Park, or grab a map off our kiosk in the entryway for one of our local conservation areas.

Keep an eye on our newsletter and social media. Things are going to be heating up this summer at the Adair County Public Library.

THE HIGHLIGHT



We are always working to improve our library and with that in mind Sandie and Miss Bre are excited to announce Imagination Day: Stay and Play! A special program presented during the summer reading program, this program will take place July 15 from 3-5PM. Imagination Day: Stay and Play will feature a ton of brand new playsets at the library where you will be able to push the limits of imagination by being a chef, a doctor, an astronaut, and so many other cool things. The limit is only determined by you and what you can dream up! Join us for this event revealing our newest items at the library.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



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LAUGHING MATTERS

Laughing Matters with Jay and Leslie! Our upcoming performers Jay and Leslie believe laughter is important and at the end of their performance, you will too. Husband and wife Jay and Leslie are professional jugglers doing amazing tricks and they have a way of storytelling that will have you holding your sides in laughter.

This event will occur July 24 at 10AM and another showing at 1PM. Make sure you also come every week on Thursday before this event too. We still have Celia's Singalong on July 10 and Mad Science on July 17. All of these will also be at 10AM, so don't miss a single week!

$= \star \star \star \star \star = MONTHLY MOVIE NIGHT$

We have officially decided to do monthly movie nights at the library. On one Friday night a month at 6:15PM after the library has closed, we will select a movie that has recently come out or a fan favorite to play. We will let you know a month ahead of time so that you can prepare. Our July movie night day will be July 18 at 6:15PM.

Keep in mind, this is a special closed library program. We cannot check out books and the only section that will be open is whatever section the movie is playing in which currently is the Children's Section. Bathrooms are the only other room that will be accessible.

CHILDREN'S FINANCE

It's never too early to start learning about saving money. Finances are a big part of life and the earlier your child is prepared, the better off they will be. Bank Midwest is putting on a children's finance program that teaches all about saving, bank accounts, and what early finance looks like at an early age.

This informative program will be Wednesday, July 23, at 10AM. This event is for kids ages 4-8 and will include piggy banks and an activity book. Make sure to put this down on your calendar and have someone bring your littles so they can get some free gifts and learn the basics of finance.



BEHIND THE SHELVES

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Every first Saturday of the month, the Friends of the Library run a book sale to raise money for their organization which betters the library. You're probably used to going to this sale every month but I'm here to remind you that the library is closed Friday July 4 and Saturday July 5. This means no book sale this month. The Friends will have another book sale August 2.



STORYWALK AT THOUSAND HILLS

Adair County Public Library partnered with Thousand Hills State Park to bring our community a StoryWalk. Our StoryWalk is featured at Forest Lake Trail and runs about half a mile. Make sure you check back monthly. The stories change every month and feature a beautiful story about nature and appreciating what is around us. July's StoryWalk book is *The Hike by Alison Farrell*. This book is about seeing the beauty in nature while we take a hike and stay active.

THE STAFF SCOOP



Time for the monthly Staff Scoop! This month we asked the staff: How do you celebrate Independence Day?

Here are the answers:

"I have an annual BBQ and my son puts on a firework display." -Sandie (Programming Librarian)

"I go camping, we have a BBQ and play cornhole." -Sonja (Cataloguer, Assistant Director)

"I make a blueberry pie." -Susan (Director)

"We go to Hannibal to see their firework display and eat chicken with friends." -Bre (Children's Librarian)

"We do sparklers have a BBQ and do fireworks." -Hattie (Circulation Clerk)

"We go to the parade and then get together for a potluck." -Kate (Circulation Clerk)

"We have a family get together. We do carry in meals and the kids swim and finish with a firework display." -Donna (Circulation Clerk)

A LOOK BACK AT OUR MONTH





Build with a Buddy was such fun!



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Check out our monthly Lego Day case. Amazing creations! What If Puppets made everyone want to make puppets! Skippy taught the kids how to beatbox and have a good time! **JULY 2025**

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6	7	8 BINGO @ 10AM (ALL AGES) TEEN TUESDAY @ 4PM (13-19) TODDLER TUESDAY @ 4PM (AGES 1-4) GARDEN TO TABLE @ 5:30PM (AGES 10+)	STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM (ALL AGES) MAKERSPACE @ 4PM (6+)	10 CELIA'S SINGALONG @ 10AM (ALL AGES)	11 STORYTIME @ 10AM (ALL AGES)	12 MAGIC THE GATHERING @ 2PM (9+)
13	14 UKULELE @ 4:30PM-5:45PM (ALL AGES)	15 BINGO @ 10AM (ALL AGES) IMAGINATION STAY AND PLAY @ 3-5PM (ALL AGES)	16 STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM (ALL AGES) LEGO DAY @ 4PM (ALL AGES)	17 MAD SCIENCE @ 10AM (ALL AGES) BANK FRAUD @ 3PM	18 STORYTIME @ 10AM (ALL AGES) MOVIE NIGHT: MINECRAFT MOVIE @ 6:15PM (ALL AGES)	19 CROCHET WITH BECCA AND BAILLIE @ 10AM (10+) ADULT COLORING CLUB @ 1PM (18+)
20	21 UKULELE @ 4:30PM-5:45PM (ALL AGES)	22 BINGO @ 10AM (ALL AGES) TEEN TUESDAY @4PM (13-19)	23 STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM (ALL AGES) CHILDREN'S FINANCE CLASS @ 10AM (AGES 4-8) GARDEN TO TABLE @ 5:30PM (AGES 10+)	24 LAUGHING MATTERS @ 10AM AND 1PM TWO SHOW TIMES (ALL AGES)	25 STORYTIME @ 10AM (ALL AGES)	26 MAGIC THE GATHERING @ 2PM (9+)
27	28 UKULELE @ 4:30PM-5:45PM (ALL AGES)	29 BINGO @10AM (ALL AGES) CRYPTID CLUB @ 4PM (7+)	30 TODAY @ 12:00AM IS FINAL DAY AND TIME TO TURN IN READING TIME. STORYTIME AT SB40 @ 1PM (ALL AGES)			
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