

Homer Township Public Library

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Summer 2011

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

All programs require registration unless stated.

Begins Monday, June 13th at 8:30 am. Online or in person.

Questions? Give us a call at 708-301-7908.



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Same address
www.homerlibrary.org

A Midsummer Knight's Read

Hear Ye, Hear Ye! Lords and ladies of all ages are invited to participate in the summer reading club! The Summer Reading Club will run from June 13 until July 23. Joust for reading you can earn chances to win a magical gift basket.



Welcome to the Enchanted Castle - full of Knights, Princesses and Dragons. Decorate a shield, make some dragon drool, or attend a Medieval Costume Ball.

Grand Finale "The Wizards Apprentice Magic Show!" at Hadley School on July 19 @ 11 am.

Key to Success @ Homer Library

Our "Key to Success" adult literacy programs are made possible by a grant funded by the Illinois State Library (ISL), a Department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the federal Library Service and Technology Act (LSTA).

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Catch A Reader Contest

Entering this contest is simple. "Catch" someone reading and take a photo! Submit one photograph only. Attach an entry form, photographer release form, and photo subject release form(s) to the photograph. Drop off entry at the library or bookmobile during summer reading. All entries will receive a pencil, smarties and a chance to win a \$25 dollar Barnes & Noble gift card.

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ESL Classes

ESL classes for Adult Language Learners will be offered from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Workbooks will be provided; registration required. Come in and check out our newest ESL books!
June 8, 15, 22, 29 • July 13, 20

Adults



Adult Movie

June 3 and July 1 @ 1 pm

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon at the library while watching a film on our big screen. Please call the library at (708) 301-7908 for movie title and length.

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Medieval Cooking

June 21 @ 7 pm

El Chef, Mike Niksic is back with a new historical cooking class! This is a must attend program for anyone that loves cooking and/or history. Items prepared will include blankmanger (chicken), medieval meat stew served on a trencher (bread) and honey dipped apples.



Vintage Hawaiian Recipes

July 5 @ 7pm

When Hawaii joined the US, every cookbook offered "Hawaiian" cuisine. This Hawaiian themed show features vintage suggestions for home luaus and tropical treats, focusing on mainly pineapple and coconut recipes.

Prairie Smoke Writers

Meets the second Wednesday of the month @ 7 pm.

Chick Lit Book Discussion

Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month @ 7 pm.

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Coupons 101

July 16 @ 10 am

Sick of ever-rising food bills? Discouraged about never saving any REAL money with coupons? Coupons 101 takes the guesswork out of the process, showing you strategies to maximize your savings at grocery and drug stores across Chicagoland. With a little planning and information, you can stretch your money in tough economic times.



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Canning

July 11 @ 7 pm

Chef Kate Bradley will show us how to make blackberry jam (to serve on toast points), homemade pizza sauce, apricot freezer jam, and pesto pasta sauce using dried herbs.

Composting

July 21 @ 7 pm

Kate Bradley, Master Composter through the U of I Extension, is back to teach us all the basics of composting. She'll explain that it takes only minutes each week to keep it going. Kate will also bring her worm bin for show and tell! Attend this program for a chance to win your own worm bin!

E-Readers

Wondering if an eReader is right for you? At the Library you can check out a Nook or Sony Pocket Reader to see if you want one. We're now circulating two Nooks and two Sony pocket readers. Each eReaders is preloaded with classics such as Pride and Prejudice, A Tale of Two Cities and White Fang.

The eReaders can be borrowed for one week and are available to cardholders age 14 and older. A \$20.00 deposit is required at checkout and refunded upon return. All returns must be processed by a library staff member. Holds may be placed for the eReaders through the online catalog.

Already have an eReader? Download an ebook from the library's ebook collection, Omni Overdrive. Access Omni Overdrive through the library's website, www.homerlibrary.org. A list of compatible devices can be found on the Omni Overdrive website. (Currently the Kindle is not a compatible device.)



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Garage Sale Time!

June 14 @ 7 pm

Do you want your next garage sale to be your best? This presentation will outline the best tips and ideas for making your garage sale successful. You will learn the fair prices to mark your items and how to display your items so they are more appealing to the customer. The presenter will share inside secrets with you.

Plan a Magical Trip With Karen Luster

June 20 @ 7 pm

Attendees will leave armed with the information they need to successfully plan their trip and tips to make their visit one to remember! Karen has visited the Walt Disney World Resort a dozen times and just recently completed her third visit to Disneyland.

Retro Summer Crafts

June 28 @ 7pm

Do you enjoy everything crafty? Join us for an evening making shell crafts, pom pom fish, and other beach crafts from decades past.

Teens



**Connect To Homer's
Teen Scene**
Join us on Twitter and Facebook!



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Drop In Craft

June 30

Stop by the library any time between 6 and 8 pm to make a variety of teen crafts! All materials will be provided. For teens in 6th grade and up.

Teen Movie

June 17 and July 15 @ 1 pm

Bring your friends to the library for special teen-only showings! Enjoy our freshly made popcorn while watching the best teen movies on our big screen. Please call the library for the movie titles and length. For teens in 6th grade and up.



Game On

June 24, and July 22 @ 1 to 3 pm

It's game time at our open gaming sessions for teens! We'll have a variety of gaming systems for you to play on. For teens in 6th grade and up.

Monthly Teen Programs

Teen Book Discussion

*First Tuesday of the month @ 7 pm.
Books available at the Help Desk*

Teen Manga Group

June 16, July 19, Aug. 18 @ 7 pm.

Talk about manga with other teens, participate in skits and trivia games, or share your manga-inspired artwork and fanfiction! For teens in 6th grade and up.

TAB

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is a library group for high school students. Members have the opportunity to influence the library's teen services. Meetings include discussions of books, programs, and other library topics. TAB will meet on the second Thursday of the month at 7 pm. Join us!

For more information contact
Heather @ 708 301-7908.



Homer Library Volunteer Corps

Are you a teen looking for community service hours? Teens can choose to do a project (alone or as a group) as part of our Homer Library Volunteer Corps. Possible projects include storytime preparation, fundraising projects, planning for Teen Read Week, and more. Service hours will be given after the successful completion of the project (number of hours vary based on the length of time it takes to complete the project). All project work must be done at the library. For more information, including a complete list of project proposals and a FAQ guide, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/homerlibraryvolunteercorps/>

Kids



Marionette Show

June 10 @ 10:30 am

Dave Herzog has been delighting audiences around the country for 37 years with his musical marionette variety shows. Join us as he presents "Dragon Days & Knight Time," which is set in King Percy's court in merry olde England. No registration required.



Diorama Contest

June 1

Ages groups 5-7, 8-10, 11-13

Create a diorama at home for display at the library during the summer reading program! Dioramas should consist of anything pertaining to knights, princesses, dragons, wizards, etc. Children may pick up a diorama registration form beginning June 1st. Diorama & registration forms may be brought to the Youth Services department between June 13 and June 30. Voting begins on July 1 & ends July 16. Winner to be announced July 18.

Chess & Checker Club

June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 14, 21 @ 4:30 pm

Grades 1 and up

Sharpen your chess and checker skills on Thursday afternoons. Teen mentors will be available to assist players. Get your game on @ the library!

Registration required.



Monday Movie Matinee

@ 1:30 pm

June 20	How To Train Your Dragon
June 27	Tangled
July 11	Ella Enchanted
July 18	Tale of Desperaux

Decorate a Shield

June 20, 21, & 22



Coat of arms

Drop in anytime between 11 am and 8 pm. (While supplies last) Share your creativity by decorating a shield to hang in the library! After the summer reading program you may take your shield home to decorate your room.

Book Buddies

June 22, 29 and July 13, 20 @ 11 am or 7 pm

Partner with a teen mentor to practice reading skills and do a small craft. K to 3rd grade. Registration for each date is required. Limited to 20 per session.

Lego's

June 28 & July 26 @ 4:30 pm

Drop in and bring your Lego building skills to create a castle for display at the library.

Renaissance Family Day

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My Faire Lady

July 5 @ 1:30 pm

By proclamation of the royal library, faire ladies and princesses are invited to a festive celebration of all things ladylike. Grades 1 to 3. Registration required. Limit 20.

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ZABAWA

July 6 @ 6:30 pm

Zapraszamy bohaterskich rycerzy i króli, groźnych smoków oraz piękne damy dworu i księżniczki. Przyjdźcie przebrani, wysłuchajcie polskiej legendy, pobawcie się w gry i zróbcie dodatki do waszych kostiumów. Wiek 7-12 lat. Ilość miejsc ograniczona. Rejestracja wymagana.

(This is a Polish speaking program.) Take a journey back in time to an age of pageantry and magic. All knights, princesses, lords and ladies are invited to come in costume for medieval activities. Ages 7-12. Registration required. Limit 16. This program made possible through Key to Success Grant.

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Beach Babies

July 7 @ 10:30 am

Ages 12 to 35 months

Summertime fun with stories, music, parachute and more! Registration required. Limit 20.

Medieval Costume Ball

July 12 @ 11 am or 1 pm

Hear ye! Hear ye! Thou hast been summoned to a medieval costume ball. The honor of your presence is requested to arrive on the hour for merry making galore! Ladies and Lords the ages of 8-12 are cordially invited to attend.



Registration required. Limit 16.

Dragonology

July 14 @ 1:30 pm

Grades 1 to 3



Fire up your knowledge of dragons with fun activities designed for young knights and lords. Registration required. Limit to 20.

Wizard's Apprentice

July 19 @ 11 am

Balster Magic Productions presents "The Wizard's Apprentice at Hadley School. Astounding feats of magic such as the Broom Suspension enthrall and excite all ages in this colorful and fast paced whirlwind of wizardry!



Books On The Go!

Bookmobile Activities & Events

Coupon Book

June 6-15

Make your dad a special coupon book to give to him on Father's Day and show how much you care.

Medieval Menagerie

June 7 @ 2 pm
at Culver Park

A Medieval Menagerie of exotic animals will be on display for your entertainment. Kim Schilling will thrill all with her amazing animals. Everyone who makes a donation of canned vegetables and/or fruits for the animals will receive a small prize. (In case of rain or temperature over 85 degrees this event will take place at the library.) This program made possible through the Key to Success Grant. "Funding for this grant was awarded by the ILS, a Department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the IMLS, under the federal Library Service and Technology Act."

Monster Trucks

June 10 10:30 am to 2:30 pm

Touch-a-Truck Day at Dellwood Park in Lockport. Come and get a flaming bookmobile tattoo.



A Midsummer Knight's Read

June 13-July 23

Here ye! Here ye! You are hereby invited on a magical journey to the lands of unicorns, dragons, kingdoms and castles. Join us for the

A Midsummer Knight's Read summer reading program. Sign up for your reading pleasure and chances to win fabulous prizes.

New Summer Stops

Woodbine West

Tuesdays, June 14, 28, July 12, 26, Aug. 9 & 23 @ 4:15 - 4:50 pm. This stop will be near Margust Lane and Renmore Road.

Lancaster

Wednesdays, June 1, 15, 29 July 13, 27 & Aug. 10, 24 @ 4:15 - 4:50 pm. The stop will be near Lancaster and Chestnut Lane.

Thunder Hill

Tuesdays, June 7, 21, July 5, 19 & Aug. 2, 16 @ 4:15-4:55 pm. The stop will be near Blackhawk and Cheyenne Ct.

Stonebridge Woods

Thursdays, June 9, 23, July 7, 21 & Aug. 4, 18 @ 4:15-4:55 pm. The stop will be near Stonebridge Drive and Breanne Lane.

Renaissance Faire

June 21 10 to 12
at Culver Park

Ye Olde lords and ladies take a time traveling trip to the early days of knights, princesses and dragons. Join Girl Scout Troop 515 and the bookmobile staff to conquer the Knight's Challenge, create Medieval crafts, Storytelling, Games and a Barbaric Bouncing Castle will be waiting for you. "Boomer" the Windy City Thunderbolts mascot will be making an appearance at 10 am. (In case of rain or temperatures over 85 degrees; activities will take place at the library.)



Stories In The Park

July 19

Willow Walk Park 1 to 2 pm
Kingston Hills Park 2:30 to 3:30 pm

Are you brave and courageous like a knight of old? Come share tales of dragons and brave deeds at Stories in the Park. Dreadful dragon tales and crafts will make for a frightful good time. Appropriate for preschoolers and their families.

Dragon's Dice

July 25 to Aug 4

Will the King take all the treasure or will the lucky dragon win? Have fun making and playing your Dragon's Dice game.

Independence Day Parade

Join us at the Homer Township parade on Saturday, June 25 at 11 am. Cheer on the Bookmobile, bands, beauties, ball players and more!

Unicorn Pinata

June 27 to July 7

Take home a magnificent, magical unicorn piñata. Enter for a chance to win this mystical prize.

Shrunken Dragon

July 11 to July 21

Honey, you shrunk the dragon! Decorate a fairy tale shrinky dink and cast your spell to see it magically grow smaller before your eyes.

Dragon Drool

August 8-18

What's that dribbling down your back? It's Dragon Drool! Concoct your own slimy saliva.



Fantasy Coloring Contest

Aug. 22 to Sept. 1

Enter the Fantasy Coloring Contest to show what a fancy and fabulous artist you are. Pick up a coloring sheet on the bookmobile. Entries are due by Sept. 15.

Library Director

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 9 pm

Friday
8:30 am - 5 pm

Saturday
8:30 am - 4 pm

Sunday (Sept. to May)
4 pm - 8 pm

Are You a VIP Homebound?

Books and more brought to your door. Homer Library offers V.I.P. Delivery Services to anyone who would like books, magazines, music, movies or other materials but cannot physically get to the Library.

If you or someone you know are home with an illness or injury, or are a caregiver even on a temporary basis, please call Jody Olivieri @ 708-301-7908.

4th Annual Book Sale

Everyone is invited to stop by the Homer Township Public Library's fourth annual book sale! Our library's teen interns assist in planning, organizing, and running of the book sale. Come support your library and local teens!

We will be collecting donations July 25-August 10th during library hours. We ask that you hold onto your donations until that time due to space issues. The library is unable to pick up donations. We will be accepting books, music and movies.

We cannot accept magazines, Reader's Digest Condensed, encyclopedias, or damaged items. Left over items will be donated to a local organization.

Preview sale for Friends of the Library members is on Thursday, August 11 6 to 8 pm

Open to the public

Friday, August 12th, 10 am to 3 pm
Saturday, August 13th, 10 am to 3 pm
Monday, August 15th, 10 am to 8 pm



Enjoy the medieval magic of knights, dragons, princesses and wizards by visiting the library and joining the Summer Reading Club starting on Monday, June 13th!

Seniors

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Armchair Travelers

You are invited to explore the world in the comfort of the Homer Library as an armchair traveler on monthly virtual visits to various countries around the world. Programs held monthly @ 1:30 pm.

Light refreshments will be served.

June 10, Namibia

Barbara Sugden and Ron Vargason take you on a tour of southern Africa's desert by the sea! You'll view the sand dunes, fog banks, plants, animals, and native people of southwest Africa's starkly beautiful Skelton Coast.

July 8, Philippines

Bill Helmuth will guide you through the rural tranquility of the Provinces to the urban congestion of Manila. You'll see the cheerful people, colorful culture, and beautiful landscapes found in the Philippines.

August 19, Munich

Among the Munich sights you'll visit are the historic heart of Munich Marien Platz; The Residence, the former home of the ruling Wittelsbach family; English garden, one of the largest parks in Europe; and Dachau, the infamous WWII death camp. Presented by Al Popowtis.

