



Book Connections

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News & Announcements

Below is a link to our summer reading kick off video on YouTube. The video is just over five minutes long.



<https://youtu.be/Tb3wN7NvE-Y>

Also attached is a set of flyers ready to send home.

1. Summer Reading Overview
2. Animal Fiction Bingo activity
3. Animal Heroes around Town
4. **Flora & Ulysses** Family Book Club
5. Musical Storybooks with the KSO
6. Preschool Storytimes
7. Preschool Dance Party
8. Week Overview

HOURS

Monday-Friday, 10 am. to 5:30 pm.

Saturday, 10 am. to 4 pm.

<https://threeriverslibrary.biblionix.com/catalog/>

Use the last four digits of your phone number as you pin number, search the catalog and place your reserve. [Click here](#) for help.

Community Conversations



Three Rivers Public Library was one of 300 small and rural libraries to receive a *Libraries Transforming Communities* grant. Our focus is books that address diversity and inclusion at the adult, teen, and family level. **Save Me a Seat** by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan is the book for families (ages 8-11 target). Details for registering for a copy of the books and a seat at the discussion will be coming soon, so I wanted to give you a heads up and the opportunity to email me for more info- pbutts@threeriverslibrary.org

The Family Conversation will take place in the Fall and the books will be available for pick up in late July.

Books are coming through the *Read to Them* program which packages books and support materials for *One Book, One School* programs. As all our lives return to some kind of normal, I would love to explore a partnership on this kind of programming.

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Summer Reading for Children 0-14

Reading Log

Sign up online or at the library

Sign up begins June 1st.

<https://tinyurl.com/bx4u4fyb>

Read! Log each half hour of reading.

Come to the library each week

to stamp your log, claim a prize, and get more books! Complete four weeks for a Pizza Hut coupon, Complete eight weeks by Saturday, August 14th to receive a \$5.00 gift certificate to Lowry's Book Store.



Animal Fiction Bingo

Read four (or more) fiction or graphic novels for an extra prize.

Programs

Storytimes for 0-2 year-olds & 2-5 year-olds every Tuesday

Dance Party every Wednesday

Critters @the Library every Thursday

Music Programs with the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra and Jim Gill throughout the summer!

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Animal Bingo

ANIMAL FICTION BINGO

Pigs 	Rats 	Whales 	Horses
Dogs 	Owls 	Mice 	Bears
Rabbits 	Your choice 	Dragons 	Squirrels
Tigers 	Hamsters 	Gorillas 	Cats

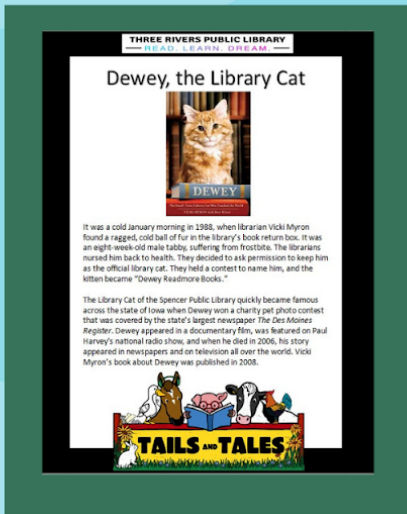
Read four books with animal characters from the Chapter Books, J Fiction, or Graphic Novel sections. Fill in the title for each book and bring your bingo board back for a prize.

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Animal Heroes around town



>Each week check our **Facebook page** or visit the library for a clue to a new animal hero on display at a downtown merchant.

>Then **figure out the clue** to find the Animal Hero poster, the merchant will have a trading card for you.

>**Collect** all eight Animal Heroes trading cards.

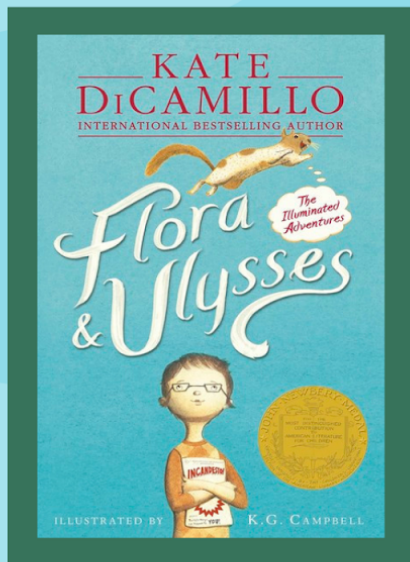


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Family @Home Book Club



Flora and Ulysses: the Illuminated Adventures by Kate DiCamillo

Sign up your family for a copy of this Newbery Award winning book and directions for six weeks of fun involving a squirrel, a vacuum cleaner, two unusual children and their quirky families and friends. Activities will be posted online beginning June 20th. (fourth grade reading level; appropriate for listeners of all ages)



Visit Facebook or the TRPL website for more information.

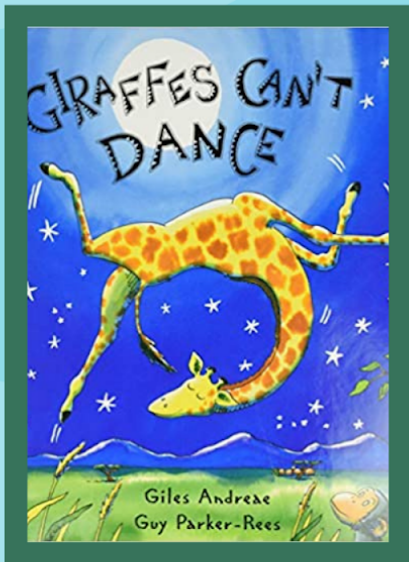
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SIGN UP ONLINE AT <https://tinyurl.com/s5fj27kh>



Musical StoryBooks



Members of the Kalamazoo
Symphony Orchestra will
perform **Giraffes Can't Dance**
Saturday, June 12 at 10 am
on Memory Isle

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Tuesday Storytime under the tents



10 am- Little Wigglers
Stories, songs, & movement for
ages 2 & under & caregivers



11 am- Storytime with Mr. B
Stories, songs & silliness for
ages 2 to 5 & caregivers



Bring folding chairs, blankets, or
strollers for outside seating.

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Wednesday Music under the tents



11 am - Fun songs and movement activities under the tents outside the library. Bring chairs, blankets, or strollers for outside seating. (Following Music Together classes)

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Children's Activities Every Week

Mondays

Animal Heroes around Town

Get a new clue each week and collect a trading card from the local merchant of the week.

Tuesdays

Little Wiggles @10 am

Storytime with Mr. B @ 11 am

Outside under the tents.

Wednesdays

Dance Party @ 11 am

Outside under the tents.

Thursdays

Critter Thursdays @ 10 am

Outside under the tents.

Check Facebook or our website for more information.



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