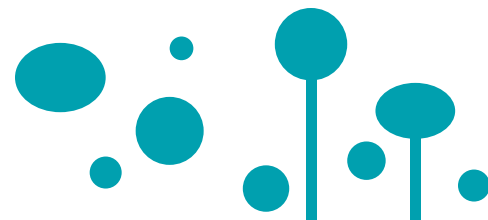
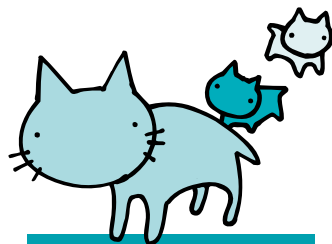


Plum Jam



February March 2012

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Youth Services Program Guide

A note about programs...

DROP-IN EVENTS:

All are welcome!
No registration, ticket, or library card required!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

Present the child's valid Plum Library Card at Youth Services to register. Registration by phone accepted after the first day.

TICKETS

REQUIRED:
Present a valid Plum Library Card at Youth Services for free tickets.

If available, free tickets will be offered to the general public beginning one week prior to the event.

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SPRING STORYTIMES

Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers



Registration begins **Saturday, March 3**
Phone-in registration begins **Sunday, March 4**

Our popular storytime sessions begin the week of March 26 and continue for five weeks, through April 27. Space is limited and some sessions fill up very quickly, so plan to register early! Babies 12 months and under may be registered for either *Oh, Baby!* or *Littlest Storytime*. Children age 3 may be registered for either *Littlest* or *Preschool Storytime*. Children may be registered for 1 storytime session only.

Littlest Storytime

Birth to age 3, with a caregiver

Tuesdays, March 27 - April 24

10-10:30 AM

Wednesdays, March 28 - April 25

10-10:30 AM

Fridays, March 30 - April 27

10-10:30 AM

Littlest Storytime features 20 minutes of stories, music, and movement activities followed by 10 minutes of playtime. Children attend with a participating adult.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Oh, Baby! Storytime

Birth to 12 months, with a caregiver

Fridays, March 30 - April 27

9:30 AM **or** 10:30 AM

Oh, Baby! Storytime will feature a short period of stories and early literacy activities for babies and caregivers, followed by playtime. The program lasts 20-25 minutes. If you would like to attend a storytime with a baby and a toddler, please join us for *Littlest Storytime* instead. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3-5, not yet in Kindergarten

Tuesdays, March 27 - April 24

10-10:30 AM

Wednesdays, March 28 - April 25

10-10:30 AM

Stories, songs, and rhymes are just part of the fun during these 30-minute sessions for preschool children. Parents or accompanying adults wait in the Library while children attend this storytime.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Celebrate the Day!

Get in the spirit at these special craft days! **NO REGISTRATION NEEDED**

Valentine's Day

Monday, February 13

10-11:30 AM

Who is your Valentine? Drop by the library and make a Valentine to share with someone special.

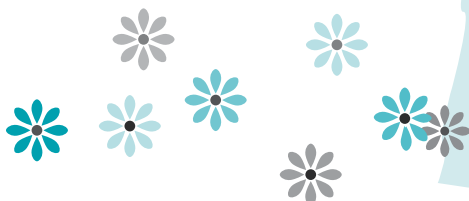
St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday, March 14

10-11:30 AM

Celebrate the luck of the Irish and join us for some festive fun! You are sure to find something green at this craft session.

DROP-IN



Drop-in Events

Stories to Grow On

Drop-in family storytimes

Monday Evenings

Winter continues: **February 6 - 20**

Spring: **March 26 - April 23**

7-7:30 PM

or

Thursday Mornings

Winter continues: **February 2 - 23**

Spring: **March 29 - April 26**

9:30-10 AM

The Library is the place to be for our popular family storytimes, and you are invited! We will share stories, songs, rhymes, and more for children of all ages. All are welcome. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver at these storytimes. Entrance is limited by room capacity.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Saturday Stories

Drop-in family storytimes

Saturdays, February 11 and March 10

10 AM

Join us on the second Saturday of the month for this weekend storytime. Whether you are a fan of our popular storytimes, or you are considering attending for the first time, mark your calendars and join us for stories, songs and movement! Entrance is limited by room capacity.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Lucky Day Storytime

Drop-in family storytimes

Monday, March 12 or Tuesday, March, 13

10-10:30 AM

What brings you good luck? Your favorite pair of socks? A four-leaf clover? Your best stuffed animal by your side? ...or maybe even a Plum Library storytime! We will be sharing stories about some lucky characters, so make it your *Lucky Day* and join us! Entrance is limited by room capacity. *NO REGISTRATION NEEDED*

Soon It Will Be Spring!

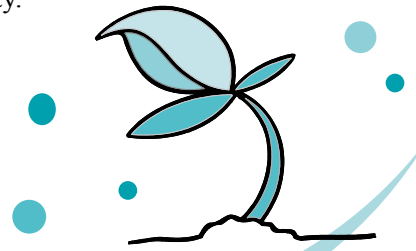
Drop-in craft for all ages

Wednesday, March 7

10-11 AM

The weather outside is wintry, but we are counting the days until spring! If you are ready to “think spring” too, plan to join us for this drop-in craft program. Entrance is limited by room capacity.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED



MOVIE MANIA

Drop-in family movies

Youth Services will feature movies on the Plum Auditorium large screen. Our sound system has been updated and we hope you will enjoy the improvement! Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Entrance is limited by room capacity. *NO REGISTRATION NEEDED*

Movies in March

March 26, 29, and 30

2:30 PM

The dates and times are set, but we are waiting for the March DVD release schedule to select three movies to show during spring break week. Check the Youth Services pages on our website or stop by Youth Services in March and we will let you know which movies made the cut!

More Drop-in Events

Illinois Readers' Choice Awards

Ballots available
February 1 - 24

Grades K-3: Monarch Award

(Voters must have read or heard at least 5 of the 20 nominated books to participate.)

Grades 3-5: Bluestem Award

(Voters must have read or heard at least 4 of the 20 nominated books to participate.)

Grades 4-8: Caudill Award

(Voters must have read or heard at least 3 of the 20 nominated books to participate.)

High School: Lincoln Award

(Voters must have read or heard at least 4 of the 20 nominated books to participate.)

Voting for the Illinois book awards will be offered in the Library in February. Homeschool students as well as private and public school students (when in-school voting is not available) are eligible to vote at Plum Library if they have met the reading requirements for their grade level. Why not plan your winter reading to include some of the nominated titles? We have extra copies of books from all four award lists available! Pick up your ballot in Youth Services.



Froggie Fun and Games

Drop-in activities for grades K-5

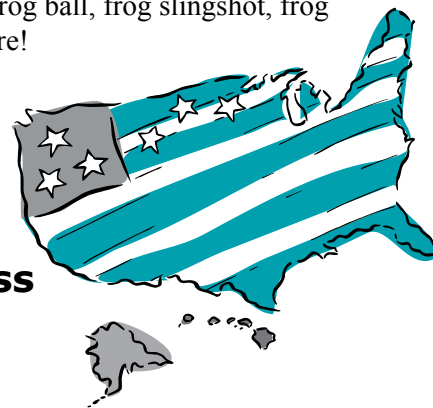
Wednesday, February 29

3:30 PM

It is time to leap, hop, and jump! Come and play some frog table games, frog ball, frog slingshot, frog bean bags, and more!

Entrance is limited by room capacity.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED



Read Across America

Drop-in activities

Friday, March 2

Each Year, the National Education Association sponsors Read Across America, with the hope that “every child in every community” will celebrate reading on March 2, the birthday of Dr. Seuss. This “day to celebrate reading” was launched in 1997, and each year the momentum has grown. We are joining in the 2012 celebration and invite you to stop by the Library and read a story or two with your child. We will have a cart of very special books reserved all day long for sharing in the library, including some of our favorite storytime pop-up books. Participants will receive a Seuss themed prize or sticker, so be sure to stop by the Youth Services desk and let us know you are participating in the Read Across America celebration! *NO REGISTRATION NEEDED*

THE HUNGER GAMES

Drop-in activities for Hunger Games fans
Grade 6 and up

Thursday, March 22

4-5:30 PM

Are you ready for the *Hunger Games* movie release in theaters? Celebrate Katniss, Peeta, and the other tributes at Plum Library's pre-movie party! Bring a friend and join us! Entrance is limited by room capacity. *NO REGISTRATION NEEDED*

Ticketed Events

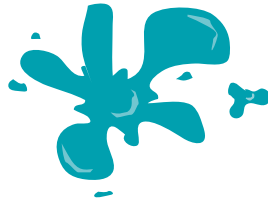
The Science Alliance

For families with school age children

Friday, February 17

7 PM

Free tickets beginning **Saturday, January 28**



You will be amazed by Bill Bosworth of The Science Alliance and his *Close Encounters of the Chemical Kind* show. Experiments with color changes, gooey gak, springy superballs, and more will leave you breathless! Bill demonstrates how chemical reactions are used to create everyday substances. This show provides multiple opportunities for volunteers and participation! *TICKETS REQUIRED*

Chautauqua Express Presents: World Family Fun

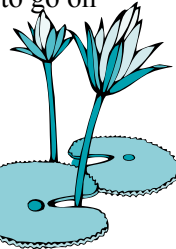
For families with children of all ages

Friday, March 23

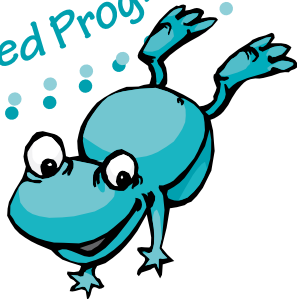
7 PM

Free tickets beginning **Saturday, March 3**

Guy Louis is bringing the joy of music to Helen Plum Library! Guy has been presenting hands-on musical celebrations for 25 years. This family show will celebrate community as Guy demonstrates instruments from around the world! Do not miss this chance to go on this excellent world adventure! *TICKETS REQUIRED*



Registered Programs



Leap Away! It's Leap Day!

Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers with a caregiver

Wednesday, February 29

10 AM

Registration begins **Saturday, February 4**

Join us to make a paper bag frog and share a froggie story or two. We will then use our paper bag pollywogs for a lively game of leap frog. Join us for Leap Day fun!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Dave Herzog's Marionettes

For families with children of all ages

Friday, April 20

7 PM

Free tickets beginning **Saturday, March 31**

Dave Herzog is returning to Plum Library with his singing and dancing marionettes! In his new production, *Dragon Days and Knight Time*, you will meet members of the royal court as they celebrate King Percy the Persnickety's birthday! You will enjoy performances by marionettes who walk the tight rope and juggle, and maybe even meet a dragon. Dave has been delighting audiences with his marionettes for 37 years, so mark your calendars for this show! *TICKETS REQUIRED*

Winter Storytimes

Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

January 17 - February 24

Registration began **Saturday, December 17**

Please check with Youth Services for availability. If sessions are full, plan to join us for our drop-in storytimes!

What's the Big Idea?

Grades K-1

Wednesdays, March 28 - April 25

4:15 PM

Registration begins **Saturday, March 3**

Children learn by doing! We will combine stories, books, and hands-on activities to promote math, science, and literacy skills. Sessions will run for 30-45 minutes. This program includes concepts created by Mother Goose Programs with funding provided by the National Science Foundation. *REGISTRATION REQUIRED*