

RALLS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Book Reviews from the Staff

Want to try a new book or author? Read ahead to get a few options from our staff members. Ask the front desk for these great reads!



Dragon Offering
Book 1 of the Arlon Prophecies
by Randy McWilson

The ancient prophecies were clear. Seven Dread Dragons would rise to power. Six had come and gone over the past 6300 years, and the majestic seventh dragon would soon be born to rule the world. Only the Dunamai, the Chosen Children, can even approach the Dread Dragon to offer gifts or sway him to the side of the people. Each kingdom must send its Dunamai to stand before the dragon, whether they are poor or rich, humble or noble. The marked dunamai have known their fate since birth and the time is here.

I highly recommend this book series for teen fans of fantasy fiction or Dungeons and Dragons. It is an epic story, capturing sweeping truth through allegory while leading readers through the compelling personal stories of each Dunamai.

Notes From the Director



Hello friends,

Summer Reading has begun! Come to the library to pick up your materials and register before June 14 as we will not offer online options this summer. The last page of the newsletter shows the summer at a quick glance. We have a lot of fun activities planned this year. Each age group will have different reading requirements as in the past. This information will be in your Summer Reading materials once you come to the library and pick up your packet. Our summer Story Hours will continue as usual and will be focused on the theme of outdoor adventures, insects, amphibians and reading nonfiction. Let's begin an amazing summer of learning about nonfiction texts and the advantages of journaling! The library has several new nonfiction options to go with our summer reading theme, "Insects, Amphibians and Books...Oh, My!" Come check them out!

Debbie Jameson
Director Ralls County Library



Come Join Us at the Ralls County Library



All Ages - Pick up your Summer Reading Materials by June 14!



2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 STEAM Kits Check out the library STEAM Kits
2	3	4	Adult Book Club 6-7	*5 Perry Sr. Hsg Books and Bingo 10:00	6 Story Hour - all ages 10:00 AM	7
9	10	Friends of the Library Meeting 4:15 PM Board of Trustees Meeting 5:30 PM		*12	13 Story Hour - all ages 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM	14 Family Night Hike at Sodalis Nature Preserve, 819 Ely, Hannibal, MO 8:00 PM
16	17	18	19 	20 Story Hour - all ages 10:00 AM	21	15 Dungeons/ Dragons - Tie Dye Bags - all ages Teens/Adults Only
23	24	25	Adult Book Club 6-7 PM	26 NL/Center Books and Bingo 10:00	27 COME AND MAKE CRITTER CAGES - AGES 6 AND UP 10:00 AM AND 6:00 PM Birth to age 5 will receive a premade critter cage	28
30	*Ralls County Summer School Students will visit the library on Wednesdays, June 5 and 12.					22 <i>Where's Waldo?</i> This program is appropriate for all ages; you just have to be able to count! 29 4th of July Crafts All Ages, 9-11 AM

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Saturday 8:30-12:00

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**May Birth to Age 5 Programming
Becca Jennings/Diane Schulte**



The arrival of June means Summer Reading has begun! We are celebrating Insects, Amphibians, and Books... Oh, My! Story hour this month will be so much fun as we explore Discovery Trunks from the Missouri Department of Conservation- you won't want to miss it! Check out our Facebook page and website for updated calendars as to what we have planned- there's just too much to list here! We've loaded our shelves with great books about being outside and exploring what's in our own backyards. We can't wait to see you!

**May Children/Youth (Grades Kdg-12)
Programming
Dawn Hargraves**



Summer Reading is here and it's going to be awesome! We'll be spending the summer months in the outdoor classroom as often as weather allows. Each week we'll dive into a nature theme with Dawn, Kim, and Maureen. We'll be exploring rocks and minerals on June 6th. Bring your favorite rock to show and talk about. Do you love snakes, turtles, frogs, and lizards? On June 13th we'll be talking about reptiles and amphibians. Have you seen the cicadas, moths, butterflies, and bugs everywhere the last few weeks? We'll look into insects on June 20th. At the end of the month we'll be creating critter cages. This will be an opportunity for you to create and decorate your own specimen container that will work great for collecting and observing snakes, frogs, lizards, cicadas, caterpillars, and other awesome creatures. Come explore books and nature with us this June. We can't wait to see you!



May Adult Programming/Kim Eastin

June will be a busy month!

Books and Bingo on Wednesdays at the Senior Housing in Perry, Center and New London. All are welcome. Check out a book, play some Bingo and win a prize.

Saturday, June 8 from 9AM to noon, we will have a family fun activity with yard games. Test your skill!

On June 14th from 8-9:30 PM, join us for the 'Magical World of Fireflies' at the Sodalis Nature Preserve in Hannibal, MO. This is a family night hike through the park.

Registration is required - www.hannibalparks.org - click on Events.

Our new book club books is First Lie Wins, by Ashley Elston. Meetings are June 5 and June 26 from 6-7. Call the library if you need a book, childcare or want to ZOOM instead of attend in person.

Summer Reading Kick-Off 2024

Birth through Age 18..

Come to the Ralls County Library for Story Hours on Thursdays to sign up and get your materials to 'kick-off' your summer reading adventure or come to the library anytime before June 14.

Join us on Thursday, June 27 at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM to make critter cages and receive a nonfiction book!
(Ages 0-5 will get a premade critter cage.)

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SNAKES AND TURTLES
Join us on Thursday, August 1 at 6:00 PM ONLY for snakes/turtles, planting trees, fish molds and much more!

FREE BOOKS AT EVENTS!

THE HIKE ALISON FAIRBELL

THE NATURE BOOK READ TO GROW! RESEARCH-LEVEL

Participate in the June requirements for your age group. Turn the paperwork into the library.

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CRITTER CAGES
Come to the library on Thursday, June 27 10:00 AM/6:00 PM to make or get your own Critter Cage!

SPECIAL TREAT ENTERTAINER
BIG MIKE
JULY 18
10:00 AM

Birth to age 18
SUMMER READING 2024

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Summer Reading Kick-Off 2024

Adults,

Come by the library before June 14 to register and get your Summer Reading materials. Age 19+ will be asked to read one book in June and journal at least 4 times in the month.

Meet us on Friday, June 14 at 8:00 PM at the Sodalis Nature Preserve, 819 Ely Street, Hannibal, MO for a guided night hike and receive a nonfiction book!

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STAY TUNED ON FACEBOOK OR THE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ADULT ACTIVITIES

AGES 19+ **SUMMER READING 2024**

FREE BOOKS AT EVENTS!

JUNE: READ 1 BOOK OF YOUR CHOICE AND JOURNAL AT LEAST 4 TIMES IN THE MONTH

JULY READ 1 BOOK OF YOUR CHOICE AND JOURNAL AT LEAST 4 TIMES IN THE MONTH

MEET US FOR A GUIDED NATURE HIKE AT SODALIS NATURE PRESERVE, 819 ELY STREET, HANNIBAL, MO
DATE/TIME TBD

MISSOURI WILDLIFE
A Field Guide Series

MISSOURI NATIVE PLANTS
FOR YOUR AREA

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