



Closed for Tutty Baker Fest!

The Freeport Public Library will be closed on Saturday, July 12th, but you can come see us at the Library's booth at Tutty Baker Fest. We'll be playing games and giving away prizes throughout the day.

Also, check out our special guest at 12 pm at the Arts Plaza Stage, Magician Zack Percell! You won't want to miss this comedy magic fun for everyone!

Come downtown July 11-13 for a weekend full of family friendly fun! There will be a carnival, music, games, axe Throwing, vendors, craft booths, a car show, fireworks and so much more!



Our Summer Reading Kick-Off party was a hit! We had so much fun and over 300 kids signed up for Summer Reading! Special thanks to the library staff and our teen volunteers for helping make the event a success.

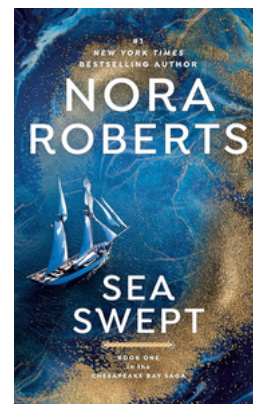


Ask Alex!

Looking for something new? Just ask Alex! Alex works the Adult Reference Desk and has a passion for reading. Check out this must read by Nora Roberts, *Sea Swept*.

This is definitely a comfort book for me! I often come to this book whenever I want something that's simple and breezy, yet still pulls at my heartstrings. Watching the three brothers come together to take care of their newly adopted brother Seth is such a bittersweet and tender journey. If you want a book to wind down with, I would definitely recommend this book (and the rest of the series)!

Ebook available
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YOUTH

For Babies & Toddlers!

Babies & Books

Every Monday

10:15am - 11:00am

Join us for a weekly storytime for babies and toddlers under 2 with caregiver!

STORYTIME AT DEBATE SQUARE

Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 | 10:30am - 11:00am

Bring your toddlers and preschoolers to Debate Square Park for an outdoor storytime. Don't forget your blankets and chairs!

SLIME MAKING

Firecracker Slime

Tuesday, July 1 | 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Meeting Room - Join us each month to make a different kind of slime you can take home!



JULY 4TH CRAFTERNOON

Thursday, July 3 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Drop in and create some new decorations for the Fourth of July! Make sand art stars, patriotic lanterns, tissue paper sparklers, and more!

Make It Monday

Monday, July 7 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Each week we will make a different project that you can take home. This week we will be making cardboard birds!

Registration required.

INCREDIBLE BATS PRESENTS ANIMALS AROUND THE WORLD

Thursday, July 10 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Incredible Bats will take you on a journey by continent across the globe. This will be an up close, and with some of the animals, hands on, experience! Ages 5 and up.

Registration required.

POKÉMON CLUB

Thursday, July 10 | 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Youth Program Room - Come to the library and meet other Pokéfans! Test your knowledge, play the card game, and talk Pokémon with others. This program is intended for elementary-age kids.

Make It Monday

Monday, July 14 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Each week we will make a different project that you can take home. This week we will be making 3D paper sculptures!

Registration required.

FIBER ART CAMP

Monday, July 14-Friday, July 18 | 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Learning Lab -This week we will explore working with different textiles through hands-on projects in weaving, embroidery, felting, and fabric dyeing. Introducing a new technique each day, campers will explore their own creativity, while learning about the history behind these beautiful, practical skills. **Registration required.**

Family Bingo

Thursday, July 17 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Meeting Room -Join us for an afternoon of fun playing Bingo! All children will go home a winner. This program is only for children, teens, and their caregivers.

CRAFTS AT NIGHT

Slime

Thursday, July 17 | 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Youth Program Room -Can't make it to our Make It Mondays in the afternoon? Come craft with us in the evening!

Messy Masterpieces



Friday, July 18 | 10:00am - 11:00am

Youth Program Room - Join us for a morning full of creativity. Come dressed to make a mess! This program is for ages 5 and under.

Make It Monday

Monday, July 21 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Each week we will make a different project that you can take home. This week we will be making mason jar lanterns!

Registration required.

STORYTIME AT THE FAIR

Wednesday, July 23-Friday, July 25 | 11:00am - 12:00pm

Stephenson County Fairgrounds -Join Miss Amanda at the fair for stories and fun! We will read stories, make a project, and have plenty of movement activities. After storytime, enjoy the rest of the events the fair has to offer.

Make It Monday

Monday, July 28 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm & 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Each week we will make a different project that you can take home. This week we will be making paper snakes!

Registration required.

Library Field Day

Thursday, July 31 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Get ready to have outdoor fun at Debate Square Park! Participate in classic field day activities like relays, water balloon toss, the limbo, and more! Dress for running around and bring a water bottle.

CRAFTS AT NIGHT

Painting Picture Frames

Thursday, July 31 | 5:30pm - 6:30pm

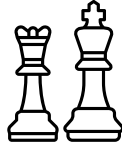
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TEENS

join chessport!

Wednesday, July 2 | 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Whether you're a beginner eager to learn the basics or a seasoned player looking to sharpen your strategy, this is the perfect opportunity to engage in friendly competition and make new friends. Chess sets are provided. All ages welcome.



TEEN TUESDAYS

Oreo Extravaganza!

Tuesday, July 8 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Learning Lab - With more than 85 different types of Oreo cookies, how can anyone know which is the best? We need your help! We're going to tackle the classics and rank them, but with a twist - you won't know what cookies you are tasting until the very end! Join us for a sweet adventure.

DIY Dry Erase Board Calendars

Tuesday, July 22 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Learning Lab - Join us to make our own dry erase calendars! We will use a few simple materials: a picture frame, paint color swatches, craft paper, and a little imagination. You'll leave with a calendar that will make your life a little more colorful, and a little more organized!

Game in the Grass! Capture the Flag

Tuesday, July 29 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Debate Square Park - The game is simple: we will split into two teams, each team will hide their flags, then the game commences! Dress to run, and get ready for some friendly competition!



ADULT

Firework Art

Tuesday, July 1 | 6:15pm - 7:30pm

Meeting Room - Create a decoration for the 4th or any summer day. Make it firework colors or red-white-n-blue.

Registration required.



RESIN ROCKS

Wednesday, July 9 | 6:15pm - 7:30pm

Meeting Room - Make a boring rock pretty with resin. We'll have rocks, resin, and dried flowers. You can bring something with you if you'd like to decorate your rock differently - a copy of a photo, a drawing, the logo of your fave team.

Registration required.



Alcohol Inks



Thursday, July 17 | 6:15pm - 7:15pm

Courtyard - We'll make our own alcohol inks in different colors and use them to make art on a wooden box or on paper. We will be outside in the courtyard because of ventilation requirements. Dress cool, bring some water, and some bug spray! **Registration Required.**

RISE OF MAIN STREET!

Monday, July 21 | 6:30pm - 7:45pm

Meeting Room - Take an armchair tour through the heyday of Illinois' small towns, when the culture of Main Street was the culture of America. Our speaker has visited and photographed all 2,400 of the small towns and villages on the state road map. Listen to some great stories, see pictures of far-flung Illinois, and enjoy our air conditioning on a hot July evening!

Painting with Victoria

Monday, July 28 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Meeting Room - Watercolor painting class with instruction and guidance from Victoria. This time we are going to try painting a colorful parrot. **Registration required.**



STAY CONNECTED

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