

Columbia Public Library Newsletter – August 2012

Stay cool in our air-conditioning and enjoy some of these great titles coming in the month of August:

Last To Die: a Rizzoli and Isles novel by Tess Gerritsen

Sweet Talk by Julie Garwood

The Inn at Rose Harbor by Debbie Macomber

Return to Willow Lake by Susan Wiggs

A Sunless Sea: a William Monk novel by Anne Perry

By Starlight by Dorothy Garlock

Bones are Forever by Kathy Reichs



The last day to turn in forms for this year's Summer Reading program is Saturday, August 11. As of the writing, over 50 children have already received their ticket packages! We thank our sponsors of this year's program for their prize certificates, program presentations, and promotion of reading education: McDonalds, participating Lancaster County bowling centers, the Strasburg Railroad, the Lancaster Barnstormers, the Country Barn, Isaac's Deli, Auntie Anne's, Rita's Ice, Dutch Wonderland, the Laser Dome, and the Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire.

Even though the actual SRP reading records are due on August 11, our programs continue through the month:

On Monday, August 6, at 10 AM local author Linda Oatman High will lead us in **“Writing By the Light of the Moon”**. This writing workshop for boys and girls incorporates creative writing with nighttime-related prompts, music, and performance. Write by the glow of Glow Sticks! The moon, stars, planets, fireflies, creatures of the night . . . all are included in prompts for this fun writing workshop for ages 6 and up. Monday, August 6, at 10 AM – Park School Cafeteria.



Come learn about coins & how to be good savers when mascot, Buck, from Susquehanna Bank visits during **“Mind Your Pennies with Buck!”** You will enjoy stories, crafts & more in this program for all ages. Tuesday, August 7, at 10 AM – Park School cafeteria.



This year, our library will be participating in **National Night Out**. Join us for this annual event where first responders and community members interact. Check out the fire trucks, ambulances, and other emergency vehicles. Enjoy good food from Turkey Hill and Herrs. Face painting, K-9 demos, martial arts demonstrations, and emergency response team activities are all part of the fun. Miss Lisa will be sharing stories. **This event is held at Glatfelter Field (next to Anvil Corporation).** Tuesday, August 7, from 6 to 8 PM. Sponsored by Columbia Borough Police Department.

Stop by anytime between 2 and 4 PM on Wednesday, August 8 to **Read Aloud with Benny!** Benny is a registered Reading Education Assistance Dog. He has won three national community service awards this year for his work at public libraries and the York Memorial Hospital. He and his partner, Kelly Skiptunas, love to hear you read. And the best part is, Benny will listen to any story you like! A great way to practice reading and interact with a loveable dog. For all

ages....drop in between 2:00 and 4:00 PM on Wednesday, August 8. Held in the Columbia Library Children's room.



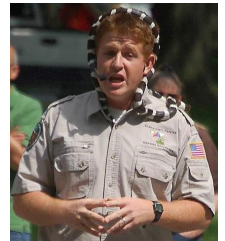
Money Matters & Magic will feature the talents of Craig Collis. He combines his talents as a math educator and professional magician to present a fun and informative program. In this program, Craig uses magic, games, music and audience participation to explain to children concepts related to making choices about money - spending, saving and sharing. This program is fast-paced, entertaining and can be enjoyed by people of all ages. Monday, August 13, at 10 AM, Park School Cafeteria.

Fire Safety with the Hambones. Learn fire safety tips from one of the oldest fire companies in Columbia. In addition to fire prevention and safety, we'll get a chance to see all the equipment and apparatus on the fire truck, see what a firefighter looks like in seventy pounds of gear, and even meet Sparky, the Fire Safety Dog! Each child will receive a take home packet and their own helmet. For all ages. Tuesday, August 14, at 10 AM, Park School Cafeteria and playground.



Officer Ed Mann and K-9 Max. Many police officers would rather have a dog as their partner than a human! Find out why by meeting Officer Ed Mann and K-9 Officer Max of the Columbia Borough Police Department. Learn how Max sniffs out illegal substances, finds fugitives, and protects his human partner. Find out about Max's ongoing training program and what he does when he is not on the job. Another of our most popular summer programs! All ages. Tuesday, August 21, at 10 AM, Park School Cafeteria/playground.

"Reptile Nightlife" with Jesse Rothacker and His Forgotten Friends Reptiles. Our end of summer party this year will feature one of our favorite presenters! This summer we'll introduce you to another world; a world that exists while we're dreaming! This program is a live animal encounter featuring 15 snakes, lizards, turtles and crocs from around the world. Don't miss the opportunity to meet wildlife from all over the planet, learn each creature's environmental importance, and discover a Reptile Nightlife that takes places while we dream.



For the younger children who attend, it is requested by Jesse that they remain seated with their adult caregiver, so that none come wandering up to pet the reptiles or interact with them while he is presenting. He is not strict with the audience, but he does like to have a sense that young ones are not distracting from what he is sharing with the crowd. Thursday, August 23, at 11 AM. All ages.

This will be our annual end of summer / back to school party, so we will have refreshments and raffle prizes for all who attend!

Susan Kalas will be on vacation the middle of August, but she will be having story times on Monday, August 6, at 1 PM; Monday, August 20, at 1 PM; and Monday, August 27, at 1 PM. The August 6 theme is "Down on the Farm" and features both stories and a craft. August 20's theme is a surprise! And August 27's theme is "Back To School" and again features both stories and crafts.

Miss Becky is changing her story times to SATURDAYS at 10 AM

August 4: “The Beach” – colored salt art craft

August 11: “Pets” – make your own pet using rocks!

August 18: “Spiders” – create a spider’s web!

August 25: It’s a Surprise!



Miss Becky will end her story times on August 25 to begin her fall semester at HACC. We are closed for Labor Day on Saturday, September 1 and Saturday morning story times will return beginning September 8 at 10 AM .



For adults, Dave and Linda Burrichter will be presenting a virtual tour of Europe! Titled “From Prague to Paris”, the Burrichters will take us on a vicarious trip to some exciting sites. The program will be August 9 at 11 AM and light refreshments will be served.

Check out our Family Film Nights every Wednesday :

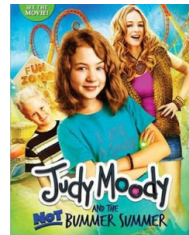
Wednesday, August 1: “The Flintstones” (live action)

Wednesday, August 8: “Mr. Popper’s Penguins”

Wednesday, August 15: “Rio”

Wednesday, August 22: “Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer”

Wednesday, August 29: “Mars Needs Moms”



Summer Saturday hours are now in effect. We will be open from 8 AM to 12 noon on Saturdays until August 25. We will be closed for Labor Day on Saturday, September 1, and then resume our 9 to 4 Saturday hours beginning September 8. Weekday hours remain the same!

Children and teens are encouraged to check out Ms. Kristy’s “Question of the Month” at the entrance to the Children’s Room. Answers to the questions can be found on posters throughout the library. The first five correct answers each month win a small prize. One entry per person per month, please.

The Columbia Public Library is located on 24 S. 6th Street, next to Park Elementary School. (Cattycorner to CVS Pharmacy and across the street from St. John’s Lutheran Church) Phone number is 684-2255 and web address is www.columbia.lib.pa.us. Find us on Facebook! Please stop by and visit often!