

This Month at The Urbana Free Library

**Children's Programs
Calendar INSIDE! >>>**

Rendering of library expansion by Ray Lytle.

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We're a Bicycle Friendly Community!

Bicycles are an integral component of life in the Urbana. Named as a Bicycle Friendly Community in 2010 by the League of American Bicyclists, the City of Urbana promotes bicycling as a factor that adds to the enhanced quality of life for its citizens.

To educate bicyclists, the City of Urbana includes information on their website (urbanaininois.us/bike-urbana) about the bicycle infrastructure in the C-U community, and tips that instruct motorists and bicyclists how to interact with one another on the road. At the library, you'll find free copies of the *Champaign-Urbana Area Bicycle Map* and this summer, a few bicycle programs for children that are fun and educational:

Bike Safety Rodeo

Saturday, June 2 • 10:30 a.m. - Noon • For ages 5 - 12

Yee haw! Bring your bikes and helmets to Cherry Alley at the library and learn the rules of the road. Sponsored by the C-U Safe Routes to School Project.

Gussy Up Your Bike!

Tuesday, July 3 • 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. • For ages 5 and up

Are you ready for the Fourth of July? Bring your bikes to Cherry Alley at the library and gussy them up with streamers and other decorations that will make your "wheels" look festive and patriotic!



Fun in the Sun Outdoor Concert with David Howie

Saturday, June 9

10:30 a.m. - Noon • Cherry Alley

David Howie says, "Playing for kids is a BLAST!" So come have a BLAST when Howie entertains the library community at our **Fun in the Sun Concert!** At the concert, you also can enjoy a refreshing snow cone, make a cool sun hat, and sign up for the library's summer reading program. Come have some fun in the sun!

David Howie is known throughout C-U for his pure, sweet voice and his sincerity. Born in the 60s into a musical family, Howie fell in love with music at an early age, moving onward and upward to be a passionate and enthusiastic singer, songwriter, and guitarist in his own right.

This Month's Events

- 1 (Fr) - *Urbana Otaku Manga Club*. All things manga, plus snacks and a prize drawing. Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- 2 (Sa) - *Library Staff at the Market at the Square*. Library information, free balloons, and our popular Magic Reading Carpet. Lincoln Square Village. 8:00-Noon.
- 7 (Th) - *A Family Farm: Life on an Illinois Dairy Farm*. Author talk and book signing with Robert L. Switzer. Lewis Auditorium. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 9 (Sa) - *Second Saturday Board Games*. Monthly drop-in program for all ages. MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room. 2:00-6:00 p.m.
- 9 (Sa) - *Second Saturday Video Gaming*. If you're in grade 6 through 12, come find out if you've got game. Lewis Auditorium. 2:00-4:30 p.m.
- 12 (Tu) - *The Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees*. Monthly meeting. Jean Evans Archives Room. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- 13 (We) - *Research Night at the Champaign County Historical Archives*. Evening research hours for all interested users. Jean Evans Archives Room. 6:00-9:00 p.m.
- 16 (Sa) - *Computers 101*. Call 367-4405 to register for this hands-on workshop. Flex-n-Gate Computer Center. 9:00-10:00 a.m.
- 19 (Tu) - *Yoga 101 for Teens*. Learn fun poses and breathing techniques. Lewis Auditorium. 3:00-4:00 p.m.
- 25 (Mo) - *Art Day @ Your Library*. Teens can join us for an hour of artistic creativity. Lewis Auditorium. 4:00-5:00 p.m.
- 26 (Tu) - *The Urbana Free Library Foundation*. Meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 30 (Sa) - *Mini Anime Convention*. Lewis Auditorium. All things Anime at our second annual mini convention. 1:00-4:00 p.m.

For a complete schedule of all current and upcoming events at library, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and view the library's online events calendar.

To sign up for email notification of events, visit urbanafreelibrary.org and follow the **E-Notification** link on the homepage.



MARKET Special

Redeem this coupon for 20% off any regular-price drink
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Saturday of your choice,
May 5 - November 3
(One time use only)

The Urbana Free Library and Friends Book Shop
Corner of Green and Race Streets in Downtown Urbana

At the Market at the Square, look for these coupons

Limited number of coupons available

UFL Reads! Wild Card

Fourth Sunday of Most Months • 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
MacFarlane-Hood Reading Room



From June through November, you're invited to read and discuss a blend of new and old favorite titles when UFL Reads! Wild Card. The series will include recommended reads by attendees of our book club for adults and participation with Champaign Public Library in the October, One Book, One Community read.

June 24 : Gone With the Wind by Margaret Mitchell

July 22 : Please Look After Mom by Kyong-sook Shin

August 26 : My Antonia by Willa Cather

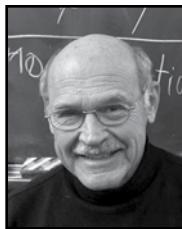
September 23 : TBD

October 28 : The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain

November 25 : The Unit by Ninni Holmqvist

A Family Farm: Life on an Illinois Dairy Farm

Author Talk and Book-Signing with Robert L. Switzer
Thursday, June 7 • 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium



During the past century, two-thirds of all family-operated farms in America have disappeared. Local author Robert Switzer tells the personal story of one such farm in his recently released book, *A Family Farm: Life on an Illinois Dairy Farm*.

The book is a compelling first-person story; we get a glimpse of four generations of farm life including courtship, farm work, the struggle between generations, and even the farm auction. But we also see the larger picture of a way of life, once common, that is fast becoming a thing of the past.

Robert Switzer is professor emeritus of biochemistry at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He was a Guggenheim Fellow and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology. This is his first non-science book. He is currently working on a novel and a collection of short stories.

Copies of the book will be on sale for \$30.



Hungry for a good time? Sign up today!



Children's Summer Reading Program



Teen's Summer Reading Program

ART DAY @ Your Library

Monday, June 25 • 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

If you're a creative teen—or would like to be more creative—stop by the library on the fourth Monday of most months for **Art Day @ Your Library**. You can join us for an hour of artistic creativity and learn new techniques, share and swap ideas, and admire each other's work. Don't forget to bring your sketchbook!

Different art activities are planned each month, so come back often and bring a friend! For more information about teen events at the library, check the library's online calendar or Teen Space, the library's blog for teens at urbanafreelibrary.org.

Mini Anime Convention

Saturday, June 30 • 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium

We had so much fun at last year's mini convention; we've decided to do it again. If you want to mix and mingle with others who enjoy Anime, this is the place for you! Events at the mini convention will include:

- Cosplay (costume) contest
- Anime and Manga trivia
- Button-making
- Screening of clips from new Anime
- Plus prizes, raffles, snacks, and more

For more information about the **2012 Mini Anime Convention**, visit *Teen Space*, the library's teen blog at urbanafreelibrary.org.

Browse a Blog!

If you want to know about the latest and greatest at your library, head to urbanafreelibrary.org and browse a blog. Library staff currently maintain four blogs, each unique in focus and with continuous updates about what is new in the collection, upcoming programs, new services, and community events.



Read reviews on cutting-edge or ground-breaking authors, handy how-to resources, off-the-wall websites, and under-the-radar movies.



The place for parents, caregivers, and children to find out about children's books, programs, crafts, and more.



Where teens can connect for info about books, programs, and other topics of interest—just for them!



Learn about the wealth of useful materials available for you through the Champaign County Historical Archives.

LIBRARY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circulation Services (renewals)	367-4057
Adult & Teen Services	367-4405
Children's Services	367-4069
Champaign Co. Historical Archives	367-4025
Administrative Offices	367-4058
TTY for hearing-impaired	531-7066

WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

urbanafreelibrary.org

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

ARCHIVES (LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY)

Monday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Second Wednesday of Each Month	6 p.m. - 9 p.m.



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Another Successful Spring Book Sale!



The Friends of The Urbana Free Library spring book sale raised \$7,074.24 for the purchase of new books and for the library's summer reading programs. (Where the 24 cents came from, we're not quite sure.)

The next Friends book sale will take place August 23-27, 2012. If you can't wait until August, stop by The Urbana Free Library Cafe and Friends Book Shop. With books from A to Z, think of it as your year-round hot spot to pick up gently used, inexpensive books. Prices begin at \$3—what a bargain!

Proceeds from The Urbana Free Library Cafe and Friends Book Shop benefit the library.



THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Yes! I want to help the library with a gift to the Annual Fund in the amount of:

- \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 Other

Planned Giving

- I would like to receive information about remembering the library in my will and/or other forms of planned giving.

- Check here if you would prefer an electronic version of our monthly newsletter *This Month at The Urbana Free Library*.

Email address: _____

- Check if you do NOT want your name / gift printed in library publications.

Make checks payable to: The Urbana Free Library Foundation

The Urbana Free Library Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. Your gift is tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. Additional forms are available in the library or on our website at urbanafreelibrary.org/support_ufl/foundation

JUNE 2012

Programs for children and families at The Urbana Free Library



Most events take place in the Lewis Auditorium.
Unless noted, registration is not required. All programs are free.

Children's Services Library Hours:
210 W. Green St., Urbana, Illinois Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
217.367.4069 Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
urbanafreelibrary.org Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Market at the Square

Saturday, June 2
8:00 a.m. - Noon

Children of all ages

Come visit with us at the City's awesome farmer's market! Library staff will be there with information about library programs and services. Kids can pick up a free balloon and share a story with us on the library's Magic Reading Carpet.

Bike Safety Rodeo

Saturday, June 2
10:30 a.m. - Noon

For ages 5 - 12

Yee haw! Bring your bikes and helmets to Cherry Alley and learn to ride safely. Win prizes, see how to fit your helmet correctly, and get lots of other safety tips. Sponsored by the C-U Safe Routes to School Project.

Babies' Lap Time

Tuesday, June 5, 12, 19, 26
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, June 6 & Monday, June 18
6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

For children birth to age 2 with a caregiver

In this program for our youngest library fans, you'll find that it's never too early to learn to love songs, books, and rhymes.

Movie Night @ the Library

Tuesday, June 5
6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

For families

Get into your PJs and join us in for movie night. This month we will feature *Harry the Dirty Dog* and *No Roses for Harry*. We'll enjoy a craft, snacks, songs, and fun!



Craft Explosion

Wednesday, June 6
11:00 a.m. - Noon

For ages 6 - 12

Do you like making crafts? Then this is your program! Use your creativity to make one-of-a-kind items you can bring home.

Preschool Story Time

Thursday, June 7, 14, 21, 28
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

For preschool groups and children ages 3 - 5 with a caregiver

Preschool groups and families are invited to join in the fun as we sing songs and listen to stories in this energetic story time.

Read to the Dogs

Thursday, June 7
4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

For children ages 5 - 12

Read with the furry four-footed friends from the local pet therapy group. Children are invited to this program to practice their reading skills and do an activity.

Furry Friends Overnight

Friday, June 8
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

For families

If your beasts are the cuddly, furry kind, bring them to a **Furry Friends Overnight**. Your stuffed animals will enjoy a sleepover at the library and you can join them for breakfast the next morning.



Pancake Breakfast with Your Furry Friends

Saturday, June 9
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

For families

Come see how your stuffed animals enjoyed their sleepover at the library. This will include a pancake breakfast with your furry friend and a story time.

Fun in the Sun Outdoor Concert with David Howie

Saturday, June 9
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
Pre-concert fun

11:15 a.m. - Noon
Concert

For families

David Howie says "playing for kids is a BLAST!" So come have a BLAST when David performs an outdoor concert on Cherry Alley. During the Pre-concert fun, you can make a sun hat, have a snow cone, and sign up for our Summer Reading Program. If it rains we will bring the concert inside.

Spanish Story Time

Saturday, June 9
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

For families

Join us for stories, songs, and activities in English and Spanish for children of all ages. This event is co-sponsored by the Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies at the UIUC.

Toddler Story Time

Wednesday, June 13 and 27
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Monday, June 25
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

For children ages 2 - 4 with a caregiver

Enjoy a program filled with rhymes, fingerplays, stories, and activities.

Cooking Up History!

Wednesday, June 13
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For children ages 4 and up

Did settlers cook with tools we use in our kitchens today? Find out when Sandy Osborne, from The Museum of the Grand Prairie, joins us for this hands-on workshop. Participants will have a chance to churn butter with an old-fashioned butter churn (and give it a taste, too!).

Make Your Own Felties

Thursday, June 14
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

For children ages 6 - 12

Make your own adorable feltie friend to take home. Older family members crafty? Bring 'em along.

Children's Classical Music Series

Friday, June 15
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

For children ages 4 - 12

Draw, color, or read while you listen to Tchaikovsky music CDs with us this summer. This month we will feature *Peter and the Wolf*. Brave Peter, a fierce wolf, a curious duck, and other animals are represented with different instruments in this orchestral piece.

Slither & Crawl: Snakes & Turtles

Wednesday, June 20
10:00 - 10:45 a.m. Groups
11:00 - 11:45 a.m. Families

For children ages 5 and up

Hiss! Come learn about snakes and turtles (and get a chance to touch them) when the Anita Purves Nature Center comes to the Library. Camps and schools: please come to the 10:00 program and call 367-4069 to reserve a spot.

Decorating with Madeline's Cake Decorating Classes

Thursday, June 21
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For children ages 5 - 8 with an adult

Join Buffy Vance from Madeline's Cake Decorating Classes to learn fun techniques you can try at home. To register call 367-4069 or head to the library's e-calendar at urbanafreelibrary.org.

Ahoy, Matey!

Saturday, June 23
11:00 a.m. - Noon

For families

Aarrghh! This is your day to be a swashbuckling pirate. Learn about all things pirate, while reading, singing, and crafting. Don't forget to dress the part!

Art Lessons for Children

Saturday, June 23
2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

For children ages 4 - 8

Let your imaginations go wild when Regina Hinders, an art education student from the UIUC, leads you on a creative journey in this free art lesson!

Cooking without Cooking

Wednesday, June 27
4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

For children ages 5 - 12

Not old enough to use the stove? Find out how to make your own summer snacks in this hands-on, tasty program.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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SUNDAY	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Chess Club for Kids Saturdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 4:00 – 5:45 p.m. For children ages 5 and up Calling all kids! Join us on Saturday afternoons if you would like to learn to play chess or are looking to improve your skills.</p>					1	2 Market at the Square 8:00 a.m. - Noon Bike Safety Rodeo 10:30 a.m. - Noon Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
3	4	5 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Movie Night @ the Library 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.	6 Craft Explosion 11:00 a.m. - Noon Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	7 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Read to the Dogs 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.	8 Furry Friends Overnight 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	9 Pancake Breakfast with Your Furry Friends 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Fun in the Sun Outdoor Concert with David Howie 10:30 a.m. - Noon Spanish Story Time 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
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17	18 Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.	19 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	20 Slither & Crawl: Snakes & Turtles 10:00 - 10:45 a.m. • Groups 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. • Families	21 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. Decorating with Madeline's Cake Decorating Classes 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	22	23 Ahoy, Matey! 11:00 a.m. - Noon Art Lesson for Children 2:00 - 2:45 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
24	25 Toddler Story Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	26 Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	27 Toddler Story Time 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Cooking without Cooking 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.	28 Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	29	30 Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.

* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.