Library Insider

BOX OF BOKS

The newsletter of the Box of Books Library

Upcoming Programs

Summer Reading Info
See page 3 for a
schedule of events or
visit our website! Earn
tickets for attending
programs, registering
for summer reading,
and reaching your
reading goal!
Children, teens and
adults can participate!



We will be collecting donations for the Alfred Food Pantry at all of our Monday Music Concerts from June 26-August 21. Please consider bringing a nonperishable food item or personal hygiene item for donation.



Virtual Reality Class

Teens are invited to participate in Story & Space with Virtual Reality. This is a 6 session online class taught by Dr. Steve Guynup. Sessions take place every Wednesday at 5:00pm July 5- August 9. Registration for this workshop is required. Please call or email the library at 607-587-9290 or alfred@stls.org. VR headsets are not required to participate in the workshop, but internet connection is. If you need assistance with internet. please let us know when you register for the program.



Building Update

We are officially back to normal! You will notice many changes when you visit the library. In addition to new carpeting and paint, you'll see we have moved some things around.

- Young Adult books are now where New books used to be. (Right as you walk into the library.)
- New Books are now on the end of shelves across from the circulation desk.
- In the children's room, all the new books are together on top of a large shelf with graphic novels.
- Juvenile fiction books have been shifted to where YA books were.
 This gives us some more room for programs!

If you need help finding things, just ask us! We're happy to help!

Tech Tip

Your STARCat PIN number will expire this summer. In order to secure your data, STARCat will now require more secure passwords. Your new password must be: 8 characters long, contain 1 uppercase letter, 1 lowercase letter, 1 number, and a special character.

To reset your password:

- 1.Go to STARCat.
- 2.Click on "My Account"
- 3.Click "Forgot My Password"
- 4. Enter your library card number
- 5.A Re-set link will be sent to your email address we have on file.

Make sure your email address is up to date with us.

Tip: Use a pass phrase-Three or four words that are meaningful to you that will help you remember. Switch out letters with numbers or special characters (i.e., E to a 3 or using @ for the letter A). For example: Jun3summerT@n

Literacy Tip

The benefits of reading with your child are priceless. When you're reading to your young child, you are teaching them several different things without even realizing it. You're teaching them print concepts. By reading aloud, turning pages, and opening a book, you're teaching print concepts. This is how children learn that letters and words have meaning, what way to open a book, that we read from left to right, that you're reading words not the pictures.

You can increase print awareness by pointing out signs you see when doing every day activities.

When reading aloud, point out who the author of the book is and who the illustrator is.

Use your finger to point to the words as you read.

Go on a scavenger hunt.
Challenge your child to look
for letters in signs around
town while taking a walk.

Wednesdays at
11:00am join us for
stories and
activities!

DID YOU KNOW?

We have passes to several local attractions! We have passes to the Alfred Ceramic Museum and the Corning Museum of Glass. We also have an Empire Pass which grants admission to any state park!

Our most recent addition is 2 free youth admission passes to the Buffalo Zoo. These are good with a paid adult admission!

You can check these out like regular library materials. Ask at the circulation desk!







- Monday June 26: Registration 4:00pm; Anton Flint Concert 5:00pm
- Wednesday June 28: 11am Kindness Crowns; 2:00pm Metal Foil Self Portrait
- Friday June 30: DIY Flower Pin (Adult)
- Monday July 3: Monday Music w/ Ukeladies 5-7pm
- Wednesday July 5: 11am Preschool Yoga; 2:00pm Kids Yoga w/ Heather Joyce
- Monday July 10: Monday Music w/ Peter O'Connor 5-7pm
- Wednesday July 12: 11am/2pm Kindness Quilts
- Friday July 14: The Great & Powerful Dave Magic Show 5:00pm (At UUCC)
- Monday July 17: Monday Music w/ Emma Tyme 6-8pm
- Wednesday July 19: 11am/2pm Kindness Rocks
- Monday July 24: Monday Music w/ Bob & Gena Decker 5-7pm
- Wednesday July 26 11am Fire Station Tour; 2pm Woven Reed Tropical Fish
- Monday July 31: Monday Music w/ Patrick Jaouen Band 5-7pm
- Wednesday August 2: 11am Police Station Tour; 2:00pm Pyrography
 Ornaments
- Monday August 7: Monday Music w/ Ellen Oakes Kerr 5-7pm
- August 9: 11am Friendship Bracelets; 2:00pm Pop Up Friendship Cards
- Monday August 14: Monday Music w/ The Young Sisters 5-7pm
- Wednesday August 16: 11am Fuzzy Pet Rocks; 2pm Compliment Jars
- Monday August 21: Monday Music w/ the Confucius Institute 5-7pm