

Summer Reading Clubs 2019— IT'S SHOWTIME AT YOUR LIBRARY!

Are you ready for your close-up? Starting May 30, it's your time to shine! Children, teens, and adults will experience glitz and shimmer, comedy, and adventure with show-stopping programs, events, activities, crafts, incentives, and much more!

Pick up your log and start recording your reading beginning May 30. Turn in your log by Aug. 5, 9pm. Books may be read or listened to (in any format)

Adults

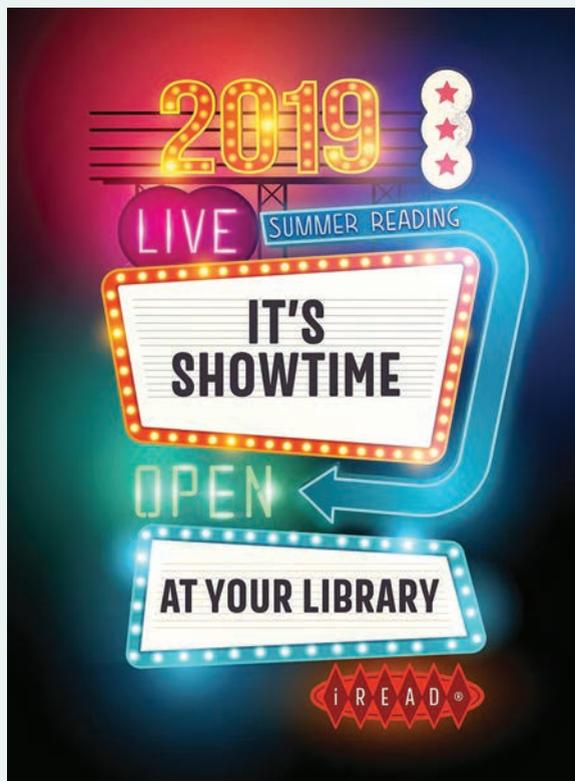
Summer Reading is for adults, too! Once you've read four books, take your completed reading log to the Reference Desk and collect a small prize. Your name will be entered in the drawing for bigger prizes at the end of the program. Limit: 10 logs.

Teens

Give books the starring role this summer and earn incentives with the Summer Reading Club for students in grades 9–12. Each time you complete a reading log of three books and take your reading log to the Reference Desk, you will earn a small prize. Your name will be entered in the prize drawing at the end of the program.

Children

Whether you are reading on your own, being read to, or listening to audiobooks, all count towards your daily reading goal. After completing each level of your reading log, take it to the Youth Services Desk to receive a prize.



Birth through Two Years

Parents and babies will have fun together this summer while sharing books, rhymes, and lap games. Log an early literacy activity each day to earn rewards. Learn more at the Summer Reading Club preview, followed by Play & Learn, on May 17 at 10am.

Two Years through Eighth Grade

Choose your personal daily reading goal based on your reading habits. Keep track of each day you read and earn rewards throughout the summer. Take your reading log to the Youth Services Desk to collect your reward. Parents of preschoolers can learn more at the Summer Reading Club preview on May 16 at 10am.

Summer Reading Club kickoff

Sat., June 1 at 11am

You'll laugh out loud as nationally-known entertainer Chris Fascione brings children's stories to life with his unique combination of acting, storytelling, comedy, and juggling. After the show, join us in the Reading Garden for ice cream and face-painting by Terri Mate.

The Library will be closed:

Sun., May 26
Mon., May 27
Thurs., July 4

Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9 am–9 pm
Friday and Saturday 9 am–5 pm
Sunday 12–5 pm (Sept.–May)
Sunday 1–4pm (June–Aug.)

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Under the Cupola

An appetite for content

Let's talk technology. In a recent newspaper column, Rich Warren, a longtime reviewer of consumer electronics, observed, "Now, hardware... seems passe. Consumers buy hardware once and may not upgrade for...five, or even 10 years."

With tongue planted firmly in cheek, Warren suggested, "Feel sorrow for tech companies that enrich themselves at your expense. Since they owe their shareholders ever increasing returns, they realized a better way to drain your finances."

Warren was referring to new over-the-top (OTT) services—that is, over the top of cable—such as Disney+ and Apple TV+ for streaming services and content packages, which guarantee a regular revenue stream. "Apple realized that Netflix, Hulu, Spotify, and Amazon [Prime Video] were making all the money and feared being left behind." The irony, of course, is that Apple's own iTunes store started all of this in 2001, as perhaps the first legal way to download music from the Internet.

When Netflix began its streaming service in 2007, nearly every content-provider obligingly sold it content. Now, Netflix must scramble to obtain rights to third-party content once cheaply and easily procured. In this new age, Netflix, Amazon Prime Video, and others increasingly produce their own content. Warren predicted increasing prices for most streaming services. Ultimately, depending on your taste and hunger for OTT content, these changes foretell a very expensive

future—in addition to the cost of the Internet, of course. And each of these services is happy to charge a \$14.99 monthly premium for HBO Now, just like cable.

Warren's solution? "If you want to be entertained or educated on a budget, check out the public library, which offers a wealth of content gratis." I agree wholeheartedly.

Do you love audiobooks? You have options. You could subscribe to Audible (\$14.95 per month; one credit) or check out the Library (free; nearly unlimited).

In Batavia, for eBooks and eAudiobooks, check out Hoopla; eMedia Library (either the Libby app or the more robust OverDrive app) or eRead Illinois (Axis 360 app). Hoopla also offers downloadable music, comics, TV, and movies.

Finally, check out actual CDs and DVDs, books and audiobooks, or go online for great electronic resources, such as Gale Courses, which provides six-week instructor-led courses on a variety of topics for adults; Chilton Library, which provides repair manuals for most popular domestic and import cars, SUVs, and light trucks; or Consumer Reports, which provides ratings, reviews, recommendations, and buying advice for thousands of products and services. I will see you at the Library.

George H. Scheetz
Director

The Year of Mark Twain in Batavia

Mayor Jeffery D. Schielke has officially proclaimed 2019 as **The Year of Mark Twain in Batavia** in honor of the 150th anniversary of Samuel L. Clemens' visit to Batavia in 1869. The Library has initiated a year-long, collaborative, community-wide celebration.

Selfies with Mark Twain

Stop by the bench at the Library's front door and take a selfie with Mark Twain. Share your photos with us by using the hashtag #MarkTwainInBatavia.

Old Books Roadshow

Sun., May 12, 2–4pm

Appraisals by Thomas J. Joyce / Joyce and Company Rare Books & Appraisals. A charitable event in support of (and presented by) the Batavia Public Library Foundation. Appraisals: \$5 for one book; \$10 for three books.



Mini Mark

Starts Sat., June 1

Pick up your Mini Mark in the Youth Services Department. Bring him with you this summer and take photos of him on all your summer adventures and vacations too! Share your photos with us by using the hashtag #MarkTwainInBatavia.

Programs and activities for youth

Registration Information: Stop by or call the Youth Services Desk, 630-879-1393, ext. 500, for more information and to register. Priority is given to Batavia Public Library cardholders for all programs requiring registration. Unless otherwise noted May program registration begins May 1, June program registration begins May 28, July program registration begins July 1. Patrons of all abilities are welcome at our programs. Please contact the Library regarding accommodations.

Advance registration is required for programs designated 

For Babies, Tots, and Preschoolers

Baby & Tot Storytime

Fri., May 3, 10am
Fri., June 28, 10am
Babies and tots through 35 months with a caregiver
Drop in for songs, rhymes, and stories. Please make alternate care arrangements for older siblings. Batavia Public Library card required.

Preschool Drop-In Storytime

Fri., May 3, 1pm
Ages 3-6
Children are invited, younger siblings welcome. An adult must accompany children under the age of 4 years.

Stories in Motion

Sat., May 4, 11am
Mon., June 3, 11am
Mon., July 1, 11am
Ages 3-5
Books are great to listen to, but they really come alive when we add movement to them, too! In this drop-in storytime, we'll act out stories, practice lively movement rhymes, and allow our imaginations to soar.

Play & Learn + Summer Reading Club Information

Thurs., May 16, 10am
Ages 2-5
Fri., May 17, 10am
Babies and toddlers through 23 months
Find out how your infant, toddler, or preschooler can participate in Sum-

mer Reading Club 2019. This brief presentation will explain how easy it is for your child to participate. Note days and ages. Log sheets will be available. Stay for drop-in playtime following the presentation. Batavia Public Library card required for participation in Summer Reading Club.

Truck Tales

Tues., May 21, 10am
Ages 3-6
Love trucks? Enjoy truck stories with Gary Holm, Batavia's Public Works director, after which children can climb aboard one of Batavia's big trucks.

Baby Play & Learn

Fri., June 7, 10am
Fri., July 5, 10am
Babies and toddlers through 23 months
Enjoy a drop-in playtime with your baby and see examples of early literacy activities. Please make alternate care arrangements for older siblings. No registration necessary, however space is limited.

Baby Storytime

Tues., June 11, 10am
Babies through 23 months with a caregiver
Interactive program for babies with stories, rhymes, and music. Batavia Public Library card required.

Toddler Time

Thurs., June 13, 10am
Ages 2-3 with a caregiver
Enjoy stories, rhymes, and more. Class lasts ap-

proximately 25 minutes. No registration required. Show your Batavia Public Library card at the Youth Services Desk to receive your ticket. Entry tickets will be handed out beginning 20 minutes before the program until gone.

Signing Fun

Fri., June 21, 10am
Ages 0-18 months with a caregiver
Fri., June 21, 11am
Ages 18-36 months with a caregiver

Licensed sign language interpreter, Sheryl Ebersold, will show how to incorporate sign language into daily activities with signs, songs and more. Space is limited.

Story Stars: Show & Tell

Mon., June 24, 10am
Ages 3-6
Bring one item that is special to you to this storytime. We will read a few stories and you will have a chance to show us what you brought and tell us why it is special to you.

Toddler Art

Thurs., June 27, 10am
Ages 2-3
Toddlers will create show-stopping art at this drop-in class. Stop by stations with a variety of arts and crafts media.

Junior Volunteers: Please turn in your application for summer volunteer opportunities by May 18.



Dave Herzog presents Puppet Palooza, June 17

For Students

Minecrafternoon

Thurs., May 2, 4:30pm
Ages 6-14
Whether you enjoy creative or survival mode, you will love playing with your friends on the Library's Minecraft server. Build worlds, destroy zombies, and have fun at Minecrafternoon. No registration required. Entry tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program until gone. Space is limited.

Chess Club

Tues., May 14, 6:30pm
Ages 6-14
Learn more about chess or improve your chess skills as we explore strategy and tactics. Basic knowledge of the game is required but all skill levels are welcome.

Chess Basics

Wed., June 5-26, 10am
Ages 6-14
Learn about chess—what the pieces are called, how they move and basic strategy. After completing this 4-week session you are welcome to join our evening Chess Knight program (see For Families) and play with other chess fans.

Book Buddies

Fri., June 7, 11am
Wed., June 12, 2pm
Tues., June 18, 11am
Wed., June 26, 2pm
Wed., July 3, 11am
Grades K-3
Children will be partnered with Junior Volunteers for approximately one hour of book sharing. Please register for each date your child will attend.

Paws for Tales

Sat., June 8 & 29, 10-11:30am
Grades 1-4
Children are invited to practice their reading skills by reading aloud to a specially trained therapy dog. The goal of Paws for Tales is to create a positive, non-threatening, and fun environment in which reading aloud is enjoyed. Register for a 15-minute time slot. Due to the limited space, please register for only one date. Presented by the Naperville Area Humane Society.

Galaxy Watercolor Painting

Mon., June 10, 11am
Ages 6-9
Mon., June 10, 1pm
Ages 10-14
Reach for the stars as you paint a magnificent galaxy with watercolor paints plus some spattering! Learn wet-on-wet painting techniques and explore the colors of the universe.

Yarn & Tale

Mon., June 10-July 8, 6:30pm
Ages 8-14
Student and parent teams can join us for knitting or crocheting, and a tale. Beginner instruction available. All levels welcome. Please

bring #10 knitting needles or G/H crochet hook. We'll provide the yarn.

Books as Movies

Picture Book Edition
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs
Fri., June 14, 11am
Grades K-2
Chapter Book Edition
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
Thurs., June 20, 10am
Grades 3-5
Many of your favorite movies were beloved books before they came to the screen. We'll look at these popular books and movies by playing games, getting to know the characters, and watching scenes from the movie.

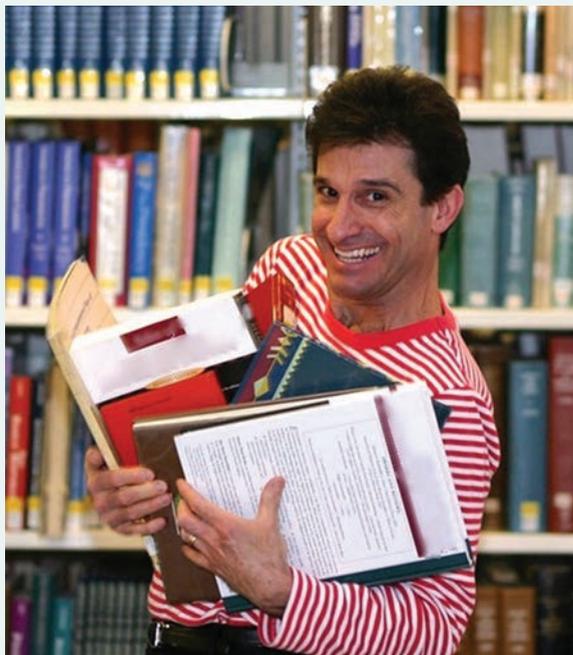
American Red Cross Babysitter's Training Course

Thurs., June 13, 9:30am-4:30pm

Tues., June 25, 9:30am-4:30pm

Wed., July 10, 9:30-4:30pm
Ages 11-15
In this 7.5-hour training course, students will learn basic babysitting skills and how to deal with emergencies. Participants must attend entire session. Due to the popularity of this program, a lottery drawing will be held. Register for all three lottery drawings beginning May 28. Lottery drawings will be held as follows: June 6 drawing for June 14 class; June 15 drawing for June 25 class; June 26 drawing for July 10 class. Priority given to Batavia Public Library cardholders. Classes sponsored by the Batavia Public Library Foundation.

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Chris Fascione entertains the whole family, June 1

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Summer Reading Club 2019
May 30-Aug. 5

Programs for adults and teens

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Feature Programs

New Lyceum Lecture Series

The Batavia Public Library Foundation is the 2018–19 Season Sponsor

Climate Change: What Can We Do About It?

Tues., June 4, 7pm

America's "debate" about Global Warming contains too much political rhetoric and posturing and too little attention to the scientific findings. What exactly do we know—and what can we actually predict—about the Earth's changing climate? And what, if anything, can we do about it? With Raymond Wiggers, whose past positions include geologist and field inspector for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, open-space advocate and park-improvement program director, chief horticulturist for a New York City landmark garden, National Park Service ranger, commercial greenhouse manager and orchidist, and professor on the faculties of Barat College of DePaul University and Lake Forest College.

Questions & Ancestors Genealogy Series

One Touch Genealogy Research: How to Handle a Record Just Once

Thurs., June 20, 7pm

Presenter: Thomas MacEntee

Do you get so excited when you find a new record for an ancestor that you forget to collect the information you need? Does that record shine and glitter so brightly that you are blinded to other vital clues you might need? Learn the "One Pass" approach to genealogy research and never get distracted again!



Monthly Programs

Book Discussion

Tues., May 14, 7:30pm

The Distancers: An American Memoir by Lee Sandlin
 A beautiful story about the author's German immigrant ancestors who settled on a farm in the Midwest. In the process of researching his genealogy, he shakes his family tree and discovers what his ancestors endured and how they survived.



Edouard Manet: Painter of Modern Life

Mon., June 10, 7pm

Edouard Manet took on the conservative art world in Paris by painting modern life as opposed to "accepted" subjects. By challenging the French academic system Manet inspired Morisot, Renoir, Monet, and other Impressionists. Learn about important works in Manet's oeuvre including *Luncheon on the Grass*, *The Balcony*, and *A Bar at the Folies-Bergère*. Art historian Jeff Mishur presents this lecture, based on the upcoming Art Institute exhibit.



Marbled Polymer Clay Bowls

Mon., June 17, 7pm

Create a beautiful marbled bowl from polymer clay. Bowls will be baked and finished onsite. Presented by Becka Davis, a Water Street Studios artist.

Tues., June 11, 7:30pm

The Leavers by Lisa Ko

In this emotionally charged story of cross-cultural adoption and complicated lives, a woman is deported from America to China, leaving behind an adolescent son who never knew what happened to his mother.

Books Between Bites

Thurs., May 16, 12pm

D-Day, June 6, 1944 by Stephen Ambrose, presented by Dan Hoefler

Sundays on Stage

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World War II Radio Hour

Sun., May 19, 2pm

Featuring favorites such as "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," "Bei Mir Bist Du Schon," "In the Mood," and "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree," Nostalgia Entertainment reenacts a 1940's radio show! While answering musical requests from soldiers and loved ones during wartime, Patti, Maxine, and Andrew entertain the "studio audience" with Andrews Sisters-style tunes and choreography, Abbott and Costello comedy sketches, and a touching tribute to Veterans of the United States Armed Forces.



Enjoy a 1940's-style radio show, May 19.

Ron & Sandie sing popular songs from WWII era.



Tribute to the USA

Sun., June 30, 2pm

This Ron & Sandie show includes rousing patriotic songs and popular songs from the 1939 to 1945 era that will have you tapping your feet. Also, unbelievable stories, including the true story of how the Monopoly game helped 12,000 POWs escape German POW camps, and the "Ghost Army"—the story of 1400 engineers whose job it was to create inflatable trucks, tanks, and heavy artillery to fool the enemy.

Teen Programs

Advance registration is required for programs designated 

Free Comic Book Day

Sat., May 4

Stop by the Reference Desk and pick up a free comic book on May 4, courtesy of Graham Crackers Comics in St. Charles.

Learn to Play Dungeons and Dragons

Sun., May 5, 12:30–4:30pm

Want to learn to play D&D? Characters will be provided for you if you haven't created your own already or come at 12:30pm and create a character on the spot. Dungeon masters from The Gaming Goat in Geneva will lead you through a basic campaign starting at 1:30pm that will teach you the basics of gameplay.

Inclusion Game Night

Wed., May 8 and June 12, 6:30–8:30pm

Teens and young adults of all abilities—and their families and friends—are invited to meet new people and try out a board game or card game in a relaxed setting. High school volunteers are welcome.

Exam Cram

Tues., May 28, 5–9pm

Cramming for finals? Stop by the Founders' Room for coffee, pop, and snacks to fuel your study sessions. We'll also have tables available where you can study with your friends. Good luck!

Teen Writing Workshop

Thurs., June 13, 7pm

Have you got the writing bug? Enjoy some fun writing exercises and share your work (if you want to) in a supportive atmosphere.

Escape the Library!

Thurs., June 27, 7pm

Can you outwit the puzzles and escape the library before time is up? Sign up with a friend and find out!

The Margin Project Ongoing

Pick up a book from the Margin Project display, check it out or read it at the Library, find a colored marker or pen, and add your comments, questions, and reactions to the margins of the book. (No, really!) When you return it, hopefully, someone else will do the same. Then you can check the book later and read their comments, kind of like a book club. Check it out!

Technology Coaching —Schedule an appointment with a technology assistant for a one-hour, one-on-one coaching session based on your individual needs. Available Monday–Thursday, 4–8pm.

Genealogy Research —Whether you're just starting or would like help overcoming obstacles, a librarian will guide you in your genealogy research during a one-hour, one-on-one session. Available Monday–Friday, 9am–5pm.

Computer classes for adults

Registration Information: One-hour, hands-on computer classes. Basic computer skills, including mouse & keyboard proficiency, are required. Registration is required; please call the Reference Desk, 630-879-1393, ext. 200.

Advance registration is required for programs designated 

Internet Classes *Internet proficiency required:

Genealogy: HeritageQuest & America's Obituaries* 
Thurs., May 30, 9am

Genealogy: Ancestry Library Edition* 
Thurs., June 6, 9am

Genealogy: FamilySearch.org & Other Websites* 
Thurs., June 13, 9am

Genealogy: Free Websites* 
Thurs., June 27, 9am

Other Computer Classes

Microsoft Word 2016, Part 1* 

Tues., May 28, 9am

Learn how to create, open, name, and save documents; move text; change type font, size, and color; and make text bold, italic, or underlined.

****Microsoft Word proficiency required:**

Microsoft Word 2016, Part 2** 

Tues., June 4, 9am

Learn how to use bulleted or numbered text and alphabetize text in lists; insert and format photographs, on-line art, and other images; insert and format text boxes; and insert lines, arrows, diagrams, and other shapes.

Microsoft Word 2016, Part 3** 

Tues., June 11, 9am

Learn how to insert headers and footers; insert decorative text using WordArt; insert accented letters and symbols; insert tables and charts; add page borders; use spelling and grammar check; use the thesaurus; and insert footnotes or endnotes.

Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016, Part 1** 

Mon., June 3, 9am

Summation; formulas; data entry; autofill; print

Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2016, Part 2** 

Mon., July 1, 9am

Add and delete rows and columns; find and replace; sort; navigate workbooks; introduction to charts; security

Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2016** 

Wed., June 26, 9am

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Star Power!

Thurs., June 13, 2pm

Grades 3–5

Through activities, experiments, and games, students will explore the power of the brightest star we see during the day as well as those stars that are visible only at night.

Book Gems

Wed., June 19, 1pm

Stage Fright on a Summer Night

by Mary Pope Osborne

Grades 2–3

Young readers will talk

about this title and enjoy activities based on this title. Reserve a copy of the book when registering.

Iron Chef

Thurs., June 20,

2–3:30pm

Grades 6–8

Awaken your inner Iron Chef during our no-cook version of this classic TV contest. Incorporate the secret ingredient and impress your peers with your creativity. Contestants will be judged on most appealing presentation, most colorful creation, and most

creative name. Materials will be provided.

Collectors Showcase

Tues., June 25, 2pm

Ages 7–14

Do you have a collection of rocks, shells, cars, action figures, horses, or something else unique? Bring 3 items from your collection to show to other collectors. Share how and when you started your collection and tell us about your favorite item. If you don't have a collection, join us and discover how easy and fun collecting can be.

Set Design

Thurs., June 27, 2–4pm

Grades 5–8

We are putting on a Reader's Theatre production this summer and we need your help to set the scene! Do you like to draw and create signs and props? Join us for these two hours of set design.



Book Sale!

Looking to purchase books at bargain prices?

Visit the FriendSpace on the lower level.

Sat., May 11, 9:15am–4pm

There is no Saturday book sale in June.

RFID is coming!

We are getting RFID-ready! RFID (radio frequency identification) technology uses radio frequency and microchip technology to identify books and other items electronically. Our new RFID system will accelerate the checkout process, as well as speed up the process of returning books, DVDs, and CDs to the shelves so that they will be available sooner for your next check out.

Library patrons will be able to choose to check out their own materials on one of two new touchscreen-equipped self-checkout kiosks. Patrons will simply scan their library card, place their stack of items on the kiosk pad, print or email their receipt, and they're done. Fines and fees can be paid for quickly with the kiosks' credit/debit card readers.



For Families

Free Comic Book Day

Sat., May 4

Children may stop by Youth Services Desk for a free comic book on May 4, while supplies last.

Drop-In Craft

Sat., May 4, 10am–4pm

Thurs., May 9,

10am–12pm

Tues., June 4,

10am–12pm

Tues., July 2, 10am–12pm

All ages

Drop-in craft activities.

Children age 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required.

It's Showtime at Your Library

May 30–August 5

Children from birth through middle school are invited to participate

in Summer Reading Club 2019. Step up and be a summer reading star!

Chris Fascione: Juggling Funny Stories

Sat., June 1, 11am

You'll be laughing out loud as nationally-known entertainer Chris Fascione brings children's stories to life through his unique combination of acting, storytelling, comedy, and juggling. Following Chris's performance, join us in the Reading Garden for ice cream and face painting by Terri Mate.

Chess Knight

Tues., June 4–July 2, 7pm

Age 8 through adult
Participants should have a basic knowledge of the game of chess.

Movie at the Library

Wed., June 5, 1pm

Mon., July 1, 2pm

Please call the Library for movie title, length, and rating. No registration required. Make your own flavored popcorn before enjoying the movie.

Games Galore

Thurs., June 6, 10:30am–12pm

All Ages

Drop in to play a variety of games, board games, book character games, and STEM games. There is something for all children.

Showtime Bingo

Tues., June 11, 1pm

Ages 3–14

Play regular number bingo and our specially designed picture bingo for one hour. Children age 5 and younger must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling.

Dave Herzog's Marionettes: Puppet Palooza

Mon., June 17, 10:30am

Join master marionette artist Dave Herzog as he presents Puppet Palooza. Sir Percy Pearly and his amazingly talented friends from the circus invite you to their musical variety show featuring performances on the tight rope, flying trapeze, skates and more. As always, Dave's signature character Walter the Basset Hound will be around to greet the audience with a wag of his tail.

Storywalk by the River

Sat., June 22, 11am

Join us for Batavia Public Library's first ever strolling storytime along the river. We will meet in the courtyard in front of Batavia City Hall on North Island Avenue and take a walk along the Riverwalk, following storyboards and doing activities as we go. Rain location at the Batavia Public Library.