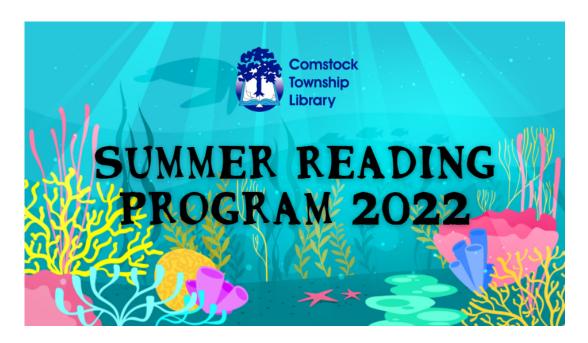


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Hello Brenna,

Summer brings many great things, but our favorite is the Summer Reading Program!

We have programs for every age (from non-readers to adults), and prizes galore!

This newsletter will have lots of information about participating in SRP, and many of the amazing activities we have planned!

A Word from the Director: Emily Kubash

Hello Library Friends,



Welcome to the summer edition of our eNewsletter!

You may have recently heard about Comstock Township's plan to move their offices from our current shared building to the former site of Niko's Landing. I'd like to take this opportunity to let you know that the Library will not be moving along with the Township. Instead, we will remain in the same building on King Highway. At

this time, the Library is not planning to expand over into the Township's side of the building. Many people do not realize that the Library is governed by a six-person elected Board that operates independently from the Township. We do not yet know what will happen with the Township's current office space; however, the Library Board is committed to working with the Township Board to find an agreeable resolution for all.

The Library has worked to improve our space over the last few years. The Youth Department underwent a complete renovation in 2019 that included new paint, carpeting, shelving, and furniture. We will be working soon to update some furniture and shelving in the Adult Reference Department as well. Some less exciting, but necessary, infrastructure projects over the past few years have included new ceilings, LED lighting updates, heating and cooling system repairs, and technology updates. We look forward to continuing to serve our public from a clean, safe, and updated space!

I hope you are able to spend some time reading and relaxing this summer (two of my favorite things!). We have reading challenges for all ages launching on June 1. You can sign-up from the link on our website or stop in to pick-up paper challenge forms.

Have a great summer!

Important Policy Update

We are now requiring a valid Comstock Township Library card for all our registered programs.

If your card is expired, be sure to renew it for another year!

If you don't have a library card with us, you're most likely eligible for a free



reciprocal card! Stop by the Circulation desk or give us a call for more details.

Summer Reading Program video



For more information regarding Summer Reading Program, stop by the library or view our **e-Brochure**.

Presenting: Beanstack!

We're using a new reading tracking system this year called **Beanstack!**

Our old system (Wandoo Reader) is being discontinued, so your old accounts will no longer be accessible.



We recommend visiting the library to register for SRP this year. However, you <u>can</u> register for a library account online or by installing the appropriate app for your smart device:

Download Beanstack for Apple

Adult Summer Reading Program Prizes

Adults can participate in Summer Reading Program, too!

For every book you log, you get one entry into our monthly drawing! Winners are chosen on July 1st, August 1st, and September 1st.

Adult monthly drawing prizes include a Chromebook, and a few other surprise goodies!



Summer Storytimes



We still have storytimes twice a week during our busy summer months!

<u>Wee Ones (0-24 months)</u> - Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM on the Library side lawn

Family Storytime at Merrill Park (all ages) - Wednesdays @ 10:30 AM at Merrill Park (on the corner of River St. and Comstock Ave.)

Upcoming Youth Events

[Registration for each registered program opens on the Sunday of the week before the program.]

Online Events Calendar

JUNE

June 1st - Registration for Summer Reading Program beginsJune 1st (all month) - Kids Take Home Craft (Under the Sea Stained Glass) begins

June 1st (June-August) - Kids Snack Challenge begins
June 11th (11:00 AM) - Build a Birdhouse @ Merrill Park ** (Contact
Comstock Parks and Rec for registration)

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June 13th - Kids/Teens can begin redeeming reading logs for prizes June 15th (2:00 PM) - Tween Luau Party **
June 17th (10:30 AM & 1:30 PM) - Kids Craft: Finger Puppets **
June 18th (11:00 AM) - Meet a Mermaid!
June 22nd (2:00 PM) - Tween Tie Dye **
June 25th (1:00 PM) - Eric Carle Birthday Party!
June 29th (2:00 PM) - Tween "Nailed It!" **
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JULY

July 1st (all month) - Kids Take Home Craft (Sea Creature Headband) begins

July 1st (10:30 AM & 1:30 PM) - Kids Craft: Coral Straw Painting **

July 6th (2:00 PM) - Tween Canvas Painting **

July 13th (2:00 PM) - Tween Color Run Tag **

July 15th (10:30 AM & 1:30 PM) - Kids Craft: Sculpture and Shark Tooth Pendants **

July 18th (11:00 AM) - Family Concert: Benjammin

July 20th (2:00 PM) - Tween Cloud Light **

July 20th (6:00 PM) - Alex Thomas and Friends' Stop-Motion Animation Workshop **

July 22nd (10:30 AM & 1:30 PM) - Kids Craft: Felt Fish/Fishing Pole **

July 27th (2:00 PM) - Tween Percy Jackson Party **

July 30th (11:00 AM & 12:30 PM) - Dino Dig @ Robert Morris

Park (Contact Comstock Parks and Rec for registration)

<u>AUGUST</u>

August 1st (all month) - Kids Take Home Craft (Starfish Magnet) begins August 3rd (2:00 PM) - All-Ages Tie Dye **
August 6th (1:00 PM) - Summer Park Party @ Merrill Park
August 22nd - 27th - Back to School Bags (one per person)

Upcoming Adult Events

[Check our Online Events Calendar for registration dates.]

Online Events Calendar

JUNE

June 8th (6:00 PM) - Adult Craft: Watercolor Clocks **
June 14th (1:00 PM) - Crafternoons
June 20th (week of) - Adult Take-Home Craft: No-Sew Bowl Covers **
June 30th (6:00 PM) - Adult Book Club: "Deacon King Kong" by James
McBride **

^{** -} registration required

JULY

July 1st - First Adult Prize Winner drawn
July 12th (1:00 PM) - Crafternoons
July 18th (week of) - Adult Take-Home Craft: Painted Coasters **
July 29th (4:00 PM) - Adult Book Club: "By the Sea" by Abdulrazak
Gurnah**

AUGUST

August 1st - Second Adult Prize Winner drawn
August 9th (1:00 PM) - Crafternoons
August 15th (week of) - Adult Take-Home Craft: Decorative Serving Tray **
August 31st (11:00 AM) - Adult Book Club: "1000 Years of Joys and Sorrows" by Ai Weiwei **

SEPTEMBER

September 1st - Last Adult Prize Winner drawn

** - registration required

For any other questions about program registration, Summer Reading Program, or anything else - stop by the library, give us a call at 269-345-0136, or check out our website!

Also, be sure to keep an eye out on our Facebook and Instagram pages for the most up-to-date information! Click the icons below to visit.



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