

Message From The Director

Though there are many other possible observances and celebrations that can be recognized in June, the President has proclaimed June as Great Outdoors Month. He said, "During Great Outdoors Month, we celebrate the unmatched magnificence of our Nation's mountains, waters, canyons, and coastlines. Spending time in the great outdoors, especially during summer, is an American tradition. Every American should take the opportunity to enjoy the beauty of our natural wonders, which stretch from coast to coast and beyond.

As Americans, we are blessed with many stunning lands and waters that surround each of our communities. Our numerous forests, wildlife refuges, and local parks offer endless opportunities for recreation, adventure, and renewal. Early morning fishing trips and the thrill of summiting mountain peaks with friends create lasting memories. The splendid beauty of a sunset can inspire, while the solitude of a weekend camping trip often brings long-sought tranquility.

My Administration has made access to public land a top priority. We have modified national monuments to enhance public use and enjoyment of nearly two million acres of public land in Utah, and opened or expanded hunting and fishing access at 10 national wildlife refuges across the country. The splendor of our country's treasured lands is a source of national pride, and Americans should be able to enjoy as many of our treasured outdoor spaces as possible, in as many ways as possible.

As summer approaches, I encourage all Americans to step outside and appreciate America's natural beauty and to practice good stewardship of our environment. By enjoying our great outdoors, we enhance our collective efforts to preserve our natural lands and waters, protecting them for future generations". (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions>)



I think we live in an AMAZING part of the country. I'm excited about the access to our public lands and the outdoor beauty we enjoy in Southern Utah. I, too, encourage all to take advantage of our great outdoors...and come to the library if you are looking to get out of the heat! Summer Reading is on!

Joel E. Tucker, Director
Washington County Library System

Summer Reading Program



The Washington County Library System is proud to be a member of the Collaborative Summer Reading Program. The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) is a consortium of states working together to provide high-quality summer reading program materials for children, teens, and adults for their public libraries. Best of all, every program is free to our patrons!

This year, the Library System offers reading programs for children, 'tweens, teens and adults! The theme for 2019 is "A Universe of Stories", and features programming with a focus on the Universe, and spaces of all types.

Why read? Successful readers generally do better at school, and are more successful taking tests. Summer is an important time for students to keep reading and improve their language skills. If your child doesn't read regularly this summer, they may be in danger of the "summer slide" - a decline in their reading ability.

Studies have shown that children and teens who read regularly during the summer retain their reading skills, which prevents "summer slide", and helps them to retain or improve their reading skills over the summer break.

Sign up at your local branch, or go online and register. Plan on attending one of the many programs that are scheduled at each of the eight library branches for entertaining and engaging educational opportunities. The summer is the perfect time to relax and enjoy the pleasures of reading, and find "A Universe of Stories" at your library!

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June 18th is International Panic Day. "What?" you cry, "There's a holiday I knew absolutely nothing about and didn't even know I needed to celebrate? How will I get my panic cake in time? How will I put up all the panic decorations on such short notice? How will I catch the mythical Panic Hamster so I can get my annual Panic Hamster selfie?" We'd say don't worry, but, hey—that's not the point on June 18th. It's the day to get your panic out. So go ahead and find a spot in the woods to scream. Punch your pillow until all the fluff covers your panicked knuckles. Sit in a corner hugging your knees, rocking back and forth and moaning softly to yourself. Go ahead and panic. And then, find some time afterwards to dial down the panic by watching a nice DVD from the library. Here are some new ones to try:

Movies & TV:

- ARCTIC
- BETTER CALL SAUL. SEASON 4
- ESCAPE ROOM
- THE LEGO MOVIE 2, THE SECOND PART
- LOVE, OF COURSE
- SERENITY (Matthew McConaughey)
- VICTORIA. SEASON 3

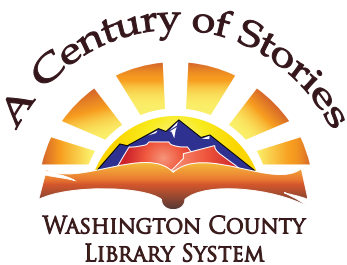
Documentaries:

- DYNASTIES: THE GREATEST OF THEIR KIND
- FAHRENHEIT 11/9
- FREE SOLO
- I AM PAUL WALKER
- SCHIZOPHRENIA IN FOCUS
- WORLD'S FASTEST ANIMAL
- DIRTBAG: THE LEGEND OF FRED BECKEY

While we can't guarantee that the movies themselves will keep you panic free, the cost of checking them out will definitely help: DVDs are FREE to borrow with your Washington County Library Card. So take a deep breath (or 20), come by the library and pick up some great DVDs. And if you feel the need to panic when you get here, it's ok. We've most certainly been there too.

-Beth Meyers,
St. George Library

Writing, Photography and Video Contest



Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Washington County Library System by sharing your stories!

The Library System is calling for entries in writing, photography, and video formats. Entries should illustrate "A Century of Stories" from the perspective of the residents served by the Library System. The contest is open to residents age 6 to adult. Entries are due on July 1, 2019, and winners will receive a gift card and commemorative plaque.

Complete rules for each contest are available on the Library website: www.library.washco.utah.gov. For more information, call 435-634-5737.

READ DOWN YOUR FINES!

Children age 17 and under can read down their library fines at any of the library branches from JUNE 1 - JULY 31, 2019. Children must come to the library to read down their fines. For every 15 minutes they read, one dollar will be waived from their fines.

To take advantage of this program, children must check in with library staff. The start and finish times will be documented and the fines removed from their library record when finished!

Library fines may be read down on adult records if the late fines are from the children's collection. Only fines can be waived, lost or damaged items are not included in this program. Check it out @ your library!



Employee Spotlight



I'm excited to share Robin Nielsen as the May Employee Spotlight. Robin came to us from Wyoming, not too long ago. She has definitely made a positive impact as the librarian supervisor for the circulation desk. Patrons and staff enjoy Robin and her helpful nature, spiced with her quick wit. Alas, the normal commute from Cedar City to St George has proved to be too much, and she has decided to leave us so that she can spend more time with her husband.

We are sad to see her go, but happy to have had the chance to work with her. She is Awesome!

Robin worked at several libraries before coming onboard with the Washington County Library System. Her past library experience includes Intermountain Health Care as a medical librarian, Alpine School District, and Orem Public Library in multiple roles including Children's Services, Adult Services, and Technical Services. She is knowledgeable and willing to assist both patrons and staff. She has served as the St. George branch trainer, provided quality customer service, and has been a real asset to the system.

Robin enjoys visits from her children and grandchildren. She enjoys spending time with family and has been able to travel recently to visit family living out of state. She considers herself a book snob and enjoys collecting good condition used books. She enjoys handwork and crafting and can on some occasions be seen knitting. Above all she is a nice person, friendly, and will be missed as she starts this new chapter of her life. Please join me in congratulating Robin.

-Joel Tucker, Director

Library Programs and Events

Hurricane Branch

Mondays Story Time 11:00 am
Mondays - Dungeons & Dragons 3:00 pm
Thursdays - Magic the Gathering 3:00 pm
Thursdays - Dungeons & Dragons 7:00 pm
Saturdays - Video Game Club 11:00 am
Tuesday, June 4 - Kid's Summer Reading - Rocket Into Summer Water Slide/Bounce House 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
Wednesday, June 5 - Tween/Teen Summer Reading 2:30 pm
Thursday, June 6 - Tween/Teen Summer Reading - Mad Science 2:30 pm
Friday, June 7 - Skype with Author Helen Simonsen 3:00 pm
Wednesday, June 5 & 19 - Dungeons & Dragons 3:00 pm
Wednesday, June 12 & 26 - Crochet Club 3:30 pm
Tuesday, June 11, 18, & 25 - Kid's Summer Reading 10:00 & 11:00 am
Wednesday, June 12, 19 & 26 - Tween/Teen Summer Reading 2:30 pm
Thursday, June 20 - Organize Your Space 5:00 pm

Santa Clara Branch

Fridays - Lego Challenge 10:30 am
Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 am
Tuesday, June 4, 11, 18 & 25 - Teen Summer Reading 1:00 pm
Wednesday, June 5, 12, 19, & 26 - Kid's Summer Reading 10:00 & 11:00 am
Monday, June 10 - Lego Free Play 10:30 am
Tuesday, June 11 - Chapter One Book Club 5:30 pm
Thursday, June 13 - Chapter One Book Club 5:30 pm
Monday, June 17 - L.I.F.E. Program 10:30 am
Thursday, June 20 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Thursday, June 27 - Adult Summer Reading - Paint 'n Sip Galaxy Style 5:30 pm

St. George Branch

Saturdays - Movie Matinee 2:00 pm
Mondays - Story Time with Grandpa Steve 10:00 & 11:00
Mondays - Story Time with Miss Jill 1:00 pm
Wednesdays - Story Time with Mrs. Mann 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00
Thursdays - Toddler Time 10:00, 11:00 & 1:00 pm
Fridays - Toddler Time 11:00 am
Monday, June 3 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Tuesday, June 4, 11, 18, & 25 - Kid's Summer Reading 3:00 pm
Thursday, June 6, 13, 20 & 27 - Teen Summer Reading 5:00 pm
Tuesday, June 11 & 25 - Adult Coloring Club 1:00 pm
Tuesday, June 18 - The Final Frontier: The Art of John Eaves 6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 25 - The History of Space Flight 6:00 pm

Springdale Branch

Tuesday, June 4 - Kid's Summer Reading "Mad Science" 11:00 am
Wednesday, June 12, 19, & 26 - Kid's Summer Reading 2:00 pm
Wednesday, June 26 - Book Discussion Group 7:00 pm

Library Programs and Events

Washington Branch

Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:00 & 11:00 am
Story Time - Wednesday - Friday 10:30 am
Monday, June 3, 10, & 24 - Kid's Summer Reading: 10:00 & 2:00 pm
Wednesday, June 5, 12, 19 - Teen Summer Reading 4:00 pm
Tuesday, June 11 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Thursday, June 13 - TEDx Talk Discussion 6:00 pm
Monday, June 17 - A Century of Stories 100th Anniversary Celebration 11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Thursday, June 20 - Book Ends Book Club 4:30 pm
Wednesday, June 26 - Teen Event - Solar Viewing with St. George Astronomy Group 2:30 pm
Thursday, June 27 - Night Sky Photography 6:00 pm

Enterprise Branch

Tuesday, June 4 - Downwinders Interviews 12:00 - 4:00 pm
Wednesday, June 5, 12, 19 & 26 - Kid's Summer Reading 10:30 am *check for locations @ the library
Wednesday, June 5, 12, 19 & 26 - Tween Summer Reading 3:00 pm *check for locations @ the library
Thursday, June 27 - Family Movie Event 7:00 pm

Hildale Branch

Monday, June 3 - Kid's Summer Reading "Mad Science" 10:00 am
Friday, June 7 - A Century of Stories 100th Anniversary Celebration 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 11 - Teen Summer Reading 4:00 pm
Wednesday, June 12 - Kid's Summer Reading 12:00 pm
Wednesday, June 19 - Organize Your Space 4:00 pm
Thursday, June 20 - Teen Summer Reading 4:30 pm
Saturday, June 22 - Star Wars Invasion: Summer Reading Program 2:00 pm
Tuesday, June 25 - Teen Summer Reading 4:00 pm
Wednesday, June 26 - Kid's Summer Reading 12:00 pm
Friday, June 28 - Family Film 1:00 pm
Friday, June 28 - Star Party with St. George Astronomy Group 8:30 pm

New Harmony Branch

Tuesdays in May - Art Journaling - Altered Books 1:00 pm
Wednesday, June 5 - Opening Social for Summer Reading 2:00 pm - Tween event immediately follows
Wednesday, June 12, 19, & 26 - Kid's Summer Reading 1:00 pm - Tween events immediately follow

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1>AUNIVERSE OF STORIES</h1> <h2>June 2019</h2>						<p>1</p> <p>Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Saturday Afternoon Movie Matinee Hurricane Library 11:00 am Video Game Club</p>
<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00 am & 11:00 am Story Time With Grandpa Steve 1:00 pm Story Time 4:00 pm P.A.W.S. for Tales Hurricane Library 11:00 am Story Time 3:00 pm Dungeons and Dragons Washington Branch 1:00 & 2:00 pm Kids Summer Reading Universe of Scientists Hildale Branch 10:00 am Kids Summer Reading Mad Science</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Washington Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Toddler Time Hurricane Library 10:00 am - 12:30 PM Kid's Summer Reading Water Slide/Bounce House Santa Clara Library 1:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Alien Breakout Box St. George Library 3:00 pm Kids Summer Reading Mad Science New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Altered Book Art Journaling Springdale Library 11:00 am Kid's Summer Reading</p>	<p>5</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 Story Time Hurricane Library 2:30 pm Tween/Teen Summer Reading Enterprise Library 10:30 am Kid's Summer Reading 3:00 pm Tween Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading New Harmony Library 2:00 pm Summer Reading 3:00 pm Tween Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Kid's Summer Reading</p>	<p>6</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00 & 1:00 pm Toddler Time 5:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Hurricane Library 2:30 pm Tween Summer Reading - Mad Science 3:00 pm Magic the Gathering Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Yoga Enterprise Library 10:30 am Mad Science Summer Reading Kick Off Event</p>	<p>7</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Lego Challenge Hildale Library 2:00 - 4:00 pm 100th Anniversary Celebration Hurricane Library 3:00 pm Author Skype with Helen Simonson</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi Hurricane Library 11:00 am Video Game Club St. George Library 2:00 pm Saturday Afternoon Movie Matinee</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00 am & 11:00 am Story Time With Grandpa Steve 1:00 pm Story Time Hurricane Library 11:00 am Story Time 3:00 pm Dungeons and Dragons Washington Branch 1:00 & 2:00 pm Kids Summer Reading Home Depot Santa Clara Branch 4:00 pm Lego Free Play</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Washington Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Toddler Time 4:00 pm P.A.W.S. for Tales Hurricane Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Kid's Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 1:00 pm Teen Summer Reading 5:30 pm Chapter One Book Club St. George Library 3:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading 1:00 pm Adult Coloring Club Hildale Library 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Altered Book Art Journaling</p>	<p>12</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 Story Time Hurricane Library 2:30 pm Tween/Teen Summer Reading 3:30 pm Crochet Club Enterprise Library 10:30 am Kid's Summer Reading 2:30 pm Tween Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading New Harmony Library 2:00 pm Summer Reading 3:00 pm Tween Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Kid's Summer Reading Springdale Library 2:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading Hildale Library 12:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading</p>	<p>13</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00 & 1:00 pm Toddler Time 5:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 6:00 pm TEDx Talk Hurricane Library 3:00 pm Magic the Gathering Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Yoga</p>	<p>14</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Hildale Library 1:00 pm Family Film Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Lego Challenge</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Saturday Afternoon Movie Matinee Hurricane Library 11:00 am Video Game Club</p>
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