

Message From The Director

Remember, July

In July we have a lot to remember, both locally and nationally. In Utah we have two significant July holidays—Independence Day on the 4th, and Pioneer Day on the 24th. The library will be closed to remember and commemorate those significant days in our history.

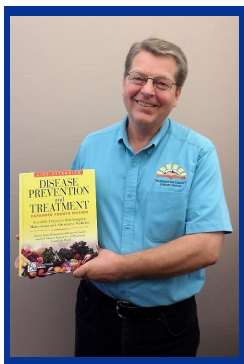
The library has a lot to remember, and be grateful for in our pioneer heritage. This includes the very foundation, and early establishment of library service in Washington County Utah. We can be numbered among the earliest legally established and recognized libraries in the State of Utah. From our recorded history, you may find this interesting:

“Almost before the people were settled and before they had any certain assurance of livelihood, they began to look for material for self-improvement...In 1864 the Utah Territorial Assembly passed an Act to incorporate the St. George Library Association...with all authority necessary to build and maintain or purchase for the library.... the pioneers believed in laying the right kind of foundation.... Here in the desert, far removed from the world of education, while enduring every hardship and without comforts or conveniences, almost without the necessities of life and with little assurance that they could make a success of their venture in this desolate and unattractive land, they began planning for a library through legal methods to insure their efforts a permanency that might not otherwise be achieved....Legend tells us that these pioneers raised funds for the purchase of books through produce which was collected as tickets for parties of various kinds. One quart of molasses was required as a ticket of admittance. This quart was placed in a sixty-gallon barrel until the barrel was filled, and when six of the sixty-gallon barrels were thus filled, this, with other valuable produce similarly acquired, was taken to Salt Lake City and sold or exchanged for books and other reading material. (taken from a history written by Roxie S. Romney in the 1940's, see: <https://library.washco.utah.gov/mission/>)

On the third floor of the new county building, at this writing a venue is running to help remember our national heritage, the spirit of sacrifice, and our national patriotism. Among the thousands of artifacts are significant items owned by Presidents Washington, Grant, Teddy Roosevelt, FDR, Lincoln, and Reagan...the presidential box of Ford's Theater, Bibles from Lincoln, King George III, King Louis XV, a Tyndale Bible, Von Stauffenburg's copy of Mein Kampf, and the bloody napkin used by Hitler after the "Operation Valkyrie" bombing. Additionally, the first draft of the Declaration of Independence...(see: <https://unitedwepledge.ticketspice.com/glenn-becks-blueprints-of-liberty-american-history-exhibit>)

I mention these things so we remember some of the great things in our history, locally and nationally. We have the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights, we have patriots and pioneers, we have much to reflect on.

Remember July! “We’re blessed with the opportunity to stand for something—for liberty and freedom and fairness. And these are things worth fighting for, worth devoting our lives to.” —President Ronald Reagan. “Duty, honor, country. Those three hallowed words reverently dictate what you ought to be, what you can be, what you will be.” —General Douglas MacArthur



Alan Anderson

Alan Anderson, Director
Washington County Library System

Summer Reading Sponsors



The Summer Reading program is the most popular program the Library System provides to our patrons, with over 5,000 participants each year throughout the Library System. This year's theme “All Together Now” captures the essence of the reading program. The program encourages reading throughout the summer months, when school is out, which is a time that reading skills can decline.

This is commonly referred to as the “summer slide”, where reading skills regress. The reading program encourages readers of all ages with incentives that are awarded when reading goals are reached. This encourages consistent reading throughout the summer months.

Summer Reading would not be possible without the generous contributions from sponsors. The support that these businesses offer fills a gap that has been created by budget constraints, and allows the Library System to provide a high-quality reading program to the members of our local community.

The Library System would like to thank our sponsors for their vision in assisting the Library System in providing opportunities to increase literacy throughout the community. Sponsors donate coupons, gift certificates, and prizes of all sorts that are given to participants throughout the summer. Through their generous acts of support for this program, these sponsors are investing in the future of our youth, our community, and our society. Check out the sponsor list @ your library and offer your own personal “Thank you” to the sponsors!

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Employee Spotlight

It is my pleasure to present Susan Ahrens as the June Employee Spotlight. Susan began working at the library as a volunteer in 2011, and was hired 9 years ago. Susan works at the St. George branch, and is energetic and kind, providing the patrons with a wealth of knowledge and bright smile.

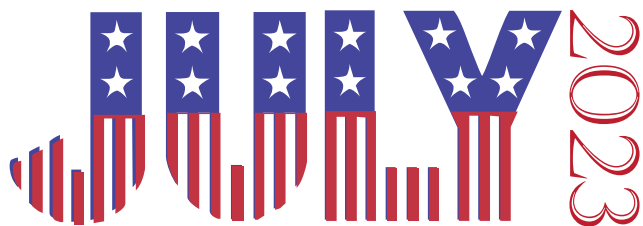


Susan epitomizes great customer service and loves helping patrons at the library.

Susan grew up in Downey, CA with her two sisters and later moved to Michigan, where she worked for 25 years at the University of Michigan in the pathology department. She came to St. George after she retired to be close to her family. She is a talented textile artist, and loves to create beautiful embroidered items. She also loves to do mosaic art, and is able to create beautiful items from broken dishes!

In addition to her artistic endeavors, she enjoys reading historical fiction and volunteering at the Habitat for Humanity's Restore. You may also catch her in the great outdoors hiking, canoeing, and camping. She also enjoys board games, live theater and movies. Say hello to Susan next time you see her at the St. George branch!

- Alan Anderson,
Director



HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Washington County Library System will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th to observe Independence Day.

The Library System will also be closed on Monday, July 24th to observe Pioneer Day.



Is there anything better on a summer day than standing over an open flame, listening to the hiss and sizzle of juicy cuts of steak and/or vegetables as they drip onto the open flame of your outdoor grill? HECK YES. Who on earth decided that the best time to cook in front of a literal fire was the summertime? You are tough as nails, of course. You would never DREAM of passing out from the heat while flipping that burger. But, you know, we have a foolproof way to recover: settling into your air-conditioned home with a DVD from your local library. Here are a few of our recently acquired DVDs that are guaranteed (not really) to bring your temperature down a notch or three:

MOVIES

- John Wick Chapter 4
- Super Mario Bros. Movie
- Renfield
- Pope's Exorcist
- Red Wing
- Man from Toronto

TELEVISION

- Bonanza - Seasons 1-14
- Stargirl- Season 3
- Handmaid's Tale - Season 5
- Skymed - Season 1
- Tulsa Kind - Season 1
- Labrea - Season 2

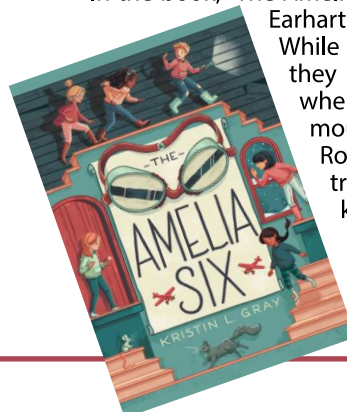
Buying all of that steak may have cost you a bit more than you anticipated, so never fear: DVDs are FREE to check out with your Washington County Library Card! So come on by the library, and buy some DVDs to watch while your bratwurst are getting those nice little grill lines. (And if you happen to burn the whole lot after you get really absorbed with a DVD, we promise not to tell a soul.)

Book Review "The Amelia Six"

Hi! My name is Jill and I work in the Children's department at the St. George Library. A few weeks ago, I read a book by Kristin L. Gray called, "The Amelia Six." I absolutely loved it! I have always been fascinated by aviation and love seeing planes fly in the sky. Amelia Earhart, the most famous of the women aviators of her time is a hero of mine.

Amelia was born back in 1897 and at the age of 34 she first flew across the Atlantic. It took her 14 hours and 56 minutes. On her last flight, in 1937, (at the age of 40) Amelia's plane went down while she was attempting to cross the Pacific Ocean. She was last heard from as she left New Guinea. Her goal was to arrive at Howland Island, but she never did. Amelia's last whereabouts remain a mystery to this day.

In the book, "The Amelia Six," six girls are chosen to go visit Amelia Earhart's childhood home in Atchison, Kansas. While they are there, they come across a mystery they need to solve. One of my favorite parts is when they see a cat chasing a mouse. The mouse, well... it turns out to be a rat named Rosie that has joined one of the girls on the trip. The girl brought her rat with her and keeps it in her pocket. Except when it's naughty, of course! Check out the book and see what happens!



-Jill ,
St. George Library

Library Programs and Events

Hurricane Branch

Mondays - Story Time 10:30 am
Mondays & Wednesdays - Dungeons & Dragons 6:00 pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays - Dungeons & Dragons 7:00 pm
Wednesdays - Dungeons & Magic Cards 5:00 pm
Wed., July 5 - Teen Time 3:30 pm
Thursday, July 6 - Red Cliffs Desert Reserve 4:00 pm
Friday, July 7 - Readers Circle Book Club 3:00 pm
Tuesday, July 11 - Kid's Summer Reading - Home Depot 10:30 & 11:30 am
Wednesday, July 12 & 26 - Crochet Club 3:30 pm
Thursday, July 13 - Lego Club 4:00 pm
Tuesday, July 18 - Kid's Summer Reading - SUU Animal Ambassadors 10:30 & 11:30 am
Wed., July 19 - Teen Time 3:30 pm
Thursday, July 20 - Reading with Molly, Saphira & Lujza 4:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Kid's Summer Reading - Max the Magician 10:30 am & 12:30 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Zookeepers Club 2:30 & 4:00 pm
Wed., July 26 - Junior Dungeons & Dragons 2:00 pm
Thursday, July 27 - Lego Club 4:00 pm

Santa Clara Branch

Thursdays - Yahweh Yoga for Seniors 11:30 am
Thursdays - Chess Club 4:00 pm
Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 pm
Monday, July 3, 10 & 17 - Computer Basics Class 11:00 am
Wed., July 5 - Kids Summer Reading - Dog Man Party 10:00 - 12:00 pm
Tuesday, July 11 - Teen Summer Reading - Paint Night 1:00 pm
Tuesday, July 11 - Chapter One Book Club 3:30 pm
Wed., July 12 - Kid's Summer Reading - SUU Animal Ambassadors 10:30 & 11:30 am
Tuesday, July 18 - Teen Summer Reading - Are You Smarter than a Librarian? 1:00 pm
Wed., July 19 - Kids Summer Reading Magic Show 11:30 am & 1:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Teen Summer Reading - Candy Sushi & Anime 1:00 pm
Wed., July 26 - Kid's Drive-In Movie and Pizza Party 10:00, 1:30, and 4:30
*sign up is required
Friday, July 28 - 60's Party and Paint Night for Adults 3:30 pm

St. George Branch

Mondays - English/Spanish Story Time 11:00 am
Mondays - Afternoon Story Time 1:00 pm
Wednesdays - Story Time 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 pm
Thursdays - Toddler Time 11:00 am
Fridays - Toddler Time 11:00 am
Saturdays - Movie Matinee 2:00 pm
Thursday, July 6 - Teen Summer Reading - Origami Flowers and Hearts 5:00 pm
Tuesday, July 11 - Civil War Lecture Series - Black Troops 11:00 am
Tuesday, July 11 - Kid's & Adult Combined Summer Reading - Generational Friendship Bracelets 3:00 pm
Thursday, July 13 - Teen Summer Reading - Friendship Bracelets 5:00 pm
Tuesday, July 18 - Civil War Lecture Series - Lincoln & Davis 11:00 am
Tuesday, July 18 - Kid's Summer Reading - Magician Ryan Gray 3:00 & 4:30 pm
Tuesday, July 18 - Adult Superhero Trivia Night 6:00 pm
Thursday, July 20 - Teen Summer Reading - DIY Zen Garden 5:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Civil War Lecture Series - The Worst Generals 11:00 am
Tuesday, July 25 - Finisher Party 1:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Adult Talent Show 6:00 pm
Thursday, July 27 - Teen Summer Reading - Chocolate Olympics 5:00 pm

Library Programs and Events

New Harmony Branch

Mondays - Adult Art Class 1:00 pm
Tuesdays - Sit N' Stitch 2:00 pm
Wed., July 5 - Summer Reading - SUU Animal Ambassadors 1:00 pm
Wed., July 12 - Summer Reading - Rock Painting 1:00 pm
Wed., July 19 - Summer Reading - Treasure Hunt 1:00 pm
Wed., July 26 - Summer Reading - Foam Party 1:00 pm

Washington Branch

Tuesdays - Story Time 10:00 & 11:00 am
Wed. - Fri. - Story Time 10:30 am
Monday, July 3 - Kids Summer Reading - Home Depot 2:00 & 3:00 pm
Wed., July 5 - Teens Summer Reading - Karaoke & Cotton Candy 4:00 pm
Monday, July 10 - Kids Summer Reading - Best Friend Bingo 2:00 pm
Wed., July 12 - Teen Summer Reading - Filming an Ad 4:00 pm
Thursday, July 13 - Adult Summer Reading - Culture Night 5:30 pm
Monday, July 17 - Kids Summer Reading - Star Wars Adventure 2:00 pm
Wed., July 19 - Teen Summer Reading - Summer Service Project 4:00 pm
Thursday, July 20 - Book Ends Book Club 4:30 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Arts & Crafts Club 2:00 pm
Wed., July 26 - Teen Summer Reading - Pizza Party 4:00 pm
Thursday, July 27 - Kids Summer Reading - Magic Show 1:00 & 3:00 pm

Hildale Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am
Wed., July 5 - Teen Summer Reading - Indoor Games 4:00 pm
Thursday, July 6 - Financial Literacy Class 5:30 pm
Friday, July 7 - Young Adult Book Club 1:00 pm
Monday, July 10 - Local Author Book Signing 4:30 pm
Tuesday, July 11 - Kid's Summer Reading - SUU Animal Ambassadors 11:00 am
Wed., July 12 - Teen Summer Reading - Recycling Art 4:00 pm
Saturday, July 15 - Anime Club 2:15 pm
Tuesday, July 18 - Kids Summer Reading - Collective Origami 11:00 am
Wed., July 19 - Teen Summer Reading - Gratitude Letters 4:00 pm
Friday, July 21 - Young Adult Book Club 1:00 pm
Friday, July 21 - All Ages Talent Show 4:00 pm
Saturday, July 22 - Movie Matinee 12:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25 - Kids Summer Reading - Magic Show 11:00 am
Wed., July 26 - Teen Summer Reading Finisher Party 4:00 pm
Thursday, July 27 - Financial Literacy Class 5:30 pm

Enterprise Branch

Wednesday, July 5 - Summer Reading - 11:00 am & 3:00 pm
Thursday, July 6 & 20 - Service Club 11:00 am
Friday, July 7 - Summer Reading - Canada 10:30 am
Friday, July 7, 14, 21 & 28 - Garden Club 11:00 am
Wednesday, July 12 - Summer Reading 12:00 & 3:00 pm
Thursday, July 13 - Summer Reading - Will Bowling 11:00 am
Monday, July 17 - Game Night 5:00 pm
Wednesday, July 19 - Summer Reading 11:00 am & 3:00 pm
Thursday, July 20 - Summer Reading - Samoa 3:00 pm
Wednesday, July 26 - Summer Reading - Magician 11:00 am

Springdale Branch

Thursday, July 6 - Summer Reading - All About Chickens 3:00 pm
Wednesday, July 12 - Book Club 11:30 am
Thursday, July 13 - Summer Reading - Amazing Animals in Zion 3:00 pm
Thursday, July 20 - Summer Reading - Magic Show 3:00 pm
Wednesday, July 26 - Tween Book Club 2:00 pm
Thursday, July 27 - End of Summer Reading Party 3:00 pm

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| <p>2</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Hildale Library 5:30 Financial Literacy Class St. George Library 11:30 am Spanish Story Time 1:00 pm Story Time 4:00 pm P.A.W.S. for Tales New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Adult Art Class Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Washington Library 2:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 11:00 am Computer Basics Class</p> | <p>4</p> <p>HAPPY 4th of July</p> <p>THE LIBRARY SYSTEM WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF JULY 4TH</p> | <p>5</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 Story Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Hildale Library 11:00 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Hurricane Library 3:30 pm Teen Time 5:00 D&D and Magic Cards 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Summer Reading Enterprise Library 11:00 am Summer Reading 3:00 pm Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 10:00- 12:00 Kid's Summer Reading</p> | <p>6</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time 5:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Hurricane Library 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Santa Clara Library 11:30 am Yahweh Yoga for Seniors 4:00 pm Chess Club Springdale Library 3:00 pm Summer Reading- Hildale Library 5:30 pm Financial Literacy Class</p> | <p>7</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Enterprise Library 11:00 am Garden Club Hildale Library 1:00 pm Young Adult Book Club Hurricane Library 3:00 pm Readers Circle Book Club</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Movie Matinee</p> |
| <p>9</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Hildale Library 4:30 pm Book Signing - Angela Millsap St. George Library 11:30 am Spanish Story Time 1:00 pm Story Time New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Adult Art Class Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Washington Library 2:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 11:00 am Computer Basics Class</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Washington Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Story Time Hurricane Library 10:30 & 11:30 am Kids Summer Reading - Home Depot 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 2:00 pm Sit and Stitch St. George Library 11:00 am Civil War Lecture Series 3:00 & 4:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading 6:00 pm Adult Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 1:00 pm Teen Summer Reading 3:30 pm Chapter One Book Club</p> | <p>12</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 Story Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Hildale Library 11:00 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Hurricane Library 3:30 pm Crochet Club 5:00 D&D and Magic Cards 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Summer Reading Enterprise Library 11:00 am Summer Reading 3:00 pm Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 10:30 & 11:30 am Kid's Summer Reading Springdale Library 11:30 am Book Club</p> | <p>13</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 3:00 pm Bookworms of the Bygone 5:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:30 pm Book Ends Book Club Hurricane Library 4:00 pm Reading with Molly & Saphira Santa Clara Library 11:30 am Yahweh Yoga for Seniors 4:00 pm Chess Club Springdale Library 3:00 pm Summer Reading</p> | <p>14</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Enterprise Library 11:00 am Garden Club Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Spanish Story Time</p> | <p>15</p> <p>Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Movie Matinee Hildale Library 2:15 pm Anime Club</p> |
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| <p>23 30</p> | <p>24 31</p> <p>THE LIBRARY SYSTEM WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, JULY 24TH FOR PIONEER DAY</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Washington Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Story Time Hurricane Library 10:30 am & 12:00 pm Kids Summer Reading -Max the Magician 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 2:00 pm Sit and Stitch St. George Library 11:00 am Civil War Lecture Series 3:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading 6:00 pm Adult Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 1:00 pm Teen Summer Reading</p> | <p>26</p> <p>St. George Library 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 Story Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Hildale Library 11:00 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Hurricane Library 2:00 pm Junior Dungeons & Dragons 5:00 D&D and Magic Cards 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Summer Reading Enterprise Library 11:00 am Summer Reading 3:00 pm Summer Reading Santa Clara Library 10:00, 1:30 & 4:30 Kid's Summer Reading- Drive In Movie (sign up required) Springdale Library 2:00 pm Tween Book Club</p> | <p>27</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time 5:00 pm Teen Summer Reading Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 1:00 & 3:00 pm Kid's Summer Reading - Magic Show Hurricane Library 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Santa Clara Library 11:30 am Yahweh Yoga for Seniors 4:00 pm Chess Club Springdale Library 3:00 pm End of Summer Reading Party Hildale Library 5:30 pm Financial Literacy Class</p> | <p>28</p> <p>St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Enterprise Library 11:00 am Garden Club Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Root Beer Float Book Club 4 Kids (Please register) 3:30 pm 60's Party and Paint Night</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Movie Matinee</p> |