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our summer
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Adventure begins

2024 Summer Program

Community Programs

Summer Kickoff

Sat, Jun 8

10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

All ages. Join us for a community party to kick off our 2024 Summer Program: Adventure Begins at Your Library! Enjoy indoor and outdoor activities, arts & crafts, gardening projects, an inflatable obstacle course, and more. Sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge and learn about this summer's lineup of events. A&W will be providing free hot dogs and root beer floats, while supplies last.

Youth Talent Show

Entries accepted: June 8-July 20

Auditions: July 17 & 20

Talent Show: Thursday, August 8 (6:30 p.m.)

Children and teens, ages 6-18 are welcome to showcase an act, ranging from singing or playing an instrument to magic and juggling. Registration is open June 8-July 20 and entry forms will be available at the Youth Services desk and online at dtdl.org/summer. Participants must come to an audition session on July 17 or 20. Audience members of all ages are welcome at the talent showcase on August 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Lugnuts Eaton County

Library Day

Fri, Jun 14

7:05 p.m. (gates open at 6:05 p.m.)

All ages. Join DTDL for a summer adventure at Jackson Field! Enjoy a Lansing Lugnuts game and fireworks with a discounted price and special seating section right behind home plate for Eaton County Libraries. Play ball! Tickets can be purchased here: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/Eatoncounty24>.

Summer Reading Challenge

Jun 1 – Aug 17

All ages, from babies to adults, are invited to join our reading challenge this summer. Earn prizes and enter drawings by reading and completing activities all summer long. Participate with a paper reading log (ages birth-18) or use the Beanstack app or website. Beginning June 1, stop in the library or visit dtdl.org/summer to get started.

Family Programs

MellyPop! Puppet Show: The Goose is Loose (All ages)

Mon, Jun 17

2 p.m.

Enjoy a fairy tale told by two genuine fairies, Pickles and PepperPot, as they tell the hilarious story of Georgie, the wise-cracking goose with the golden feathers.

Outside Adventures (All ages)

Mon, Jun 24

2 – 3 p.m.

Go on a story hike, participate in a treasure hunt, be a wildlife detective, and make art inspired by nature. In the event of bad weather, activities may be adapted and moved inside.

LEGO® Creation Challenge (All ages – Registration required)

Mon, Jul 1

2 – 3 p.m.

Build a Lego creation inspired by our summer theme of adventure. The catch? Each builder will work with a mystery set of Legos. Register at dtdl.org/events starting June 1.

Big Playdate: Safari (All ages)

Mon, Jul 8

2 – 3 p.m.

Go on an imaginary safari with a variety of stations designed for dramatic play, creativity, and movement.

Cirque Amongus (All ages)

Mon, Jul 15

2 p.m.

Join us for a Cirque Amongus show, a surprising combination of comedy, circus skills, and audience participation, guaranteed to amaze and delight all ages!

Family Campout (All ages – Registration required)

Fri, Jul 19

5:30 – 7 p.m.

Bring the family to listen to stories, sing camp songs, and enjoy s'mores around a "campfire." After the library closes at 6 p.m., build a blanket tent for cozy family reading! Please bring your own blankets, pillows, flashlights, or other indoor camping supplies. Register at dtdl.org/events.

Potter Park Zoo (All ages)

Mon, Jul 22

2 p.m.

During this presentation by Potter Park Zoo, the audience will participate in fun activities to help them learn about frogs and other animals that rely on water to survive. No live animals at this event.

Tunes N Tales (All ages)

Mon, Jul 29

2 p.m.

Join storyteller and musician Tricia and her frog puppet named Hopscotch for a camp singalong program filled with interactive stories, movement, and music!

Kids Olympics (All ages)

Mon, August 5

2 – 3 p.m.

Celebrate your summer reading success and the Paris Olympic Games with an end-of-summer field day. Join us for an afternoon of outdoor activities on the library's lawn, including an obstacle course, races, and group games.