



### Fall Library Programs Begin on August 27

Seward Memorial Library will be offering a variety of programs throughout the week, beginning on August 27. On Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays there will be Story Times for children who are age 3 or older and who have not yet attended school. Children who enjoy creating with LEGO blocks can build during the LEGO Club on Monday afternoons. Afterschool “Critter Club” will meet on Tuesday afternoons. This new club will explore the animal kingdom through stories, games and crafts. Children in second through fourth grade are invited to attend and track their adventures in a Critter Badge Book. The popular Chess Club will meet on Wednesday afternoons and children in grades one through eight are invited to learn strategies and join in friendly competition. The Maker Club for children in 3rd – 6th grade will be on Thursday afternoons and “Story Club” will begin on Friday afternoons for children in kindergarten through second grade. A new “Coding Club” will launch in the fall for students in grades 5 through 8 on Tuesdays or Friday afternoons (choose one). All afternoon sessions are from 3:45-4:30 p.m. For specific dates and times check the library website. Registration for the 12-week fall program begins on Wednesday, August 8 and can be done by calling 402-643-3318, visiting the library website at [www.sewardlibrary.org](http://www.sewardlibrary.org) or stopping in the library.

### Come to the Seward County Fair

All the children in the Reading Club this summer will be recognized at the Seward County Fair on Friday, August 10 in the Ag Pavilion at 1 p.m. The winners of the random Summer Reading Club drawing will be given money during the program. Children who participated in the program will be provided with information about their book reward. Enjoy the fair and celebrate your reading accomplishments.



If you do not want to receive auto-calls from the library regarding

reserved items or overdue materials, please provide the librarian with an email address or text message number!

**Décor Days are coming in October! Watch for details in August.**

### Regular Library Hours resume on August 15!

Monday	9 - 8
Tuesday	9 - 8
Wednesday	9 - 8
Thursday	9 - 8
Friday	9 - 5
Saturday	9 - 3
Sunday	1 - 4

(drive-up window opens at 8:00 am)

**Seward Memorial Library**  
233 South Fifth Street  
Seward, NE 68434  
402-643-3318

[www.sewardlibrary.org](http://www.sewardlibrary.org)

July 2018

## Joyfully Sing Will Perform Final Summer Concert in the Library



Come to Seward Memorial Library to enjoy a concert by “Joyfully Sing.” The group composed of local women has been singing together for 25 years but they are sharing their final Seward summer concert on Thursday, August 2 at 6:30 p.m.

Through the years 50 different women have shared their singing talent and 9 directors have led them in over 200 performances at locations all around Nebraska and recently in Iowa, too. Cindy Mavis will be directing the ladies in the library as they perform “The Best of Joyfully Sing” concert made up of their favorite pieces. The program includes Broadway show tunes and movie hits, whimsical songs as well as contemporary hymns.

Don't miss this chance to hear this unique choir. Refreshments will be served. This program is in conjunction with the 2018 *All Seward Reads Together* title, *The Chilbury Ladies' Choir* by Jennifer Ryan.

## Mid-Week Movies in August

Escape the hot days of summer and visit the cool lower level conference room in the library for an afternoon of entertainment. On Thursday, August 2 you can view “Tully” at 1:30 p.m. This newly released DVD explores the complexities of modern parenting when a nanny joins the family. Come back to the library on Wednesday, August 15 and watch “The Rider,” an emotional drama about how a young competitive rider finds life after his career is suddenly ended by a tragic accident. The showing begins at 1:30 p.m.



## Rocker and Roller Update



There are two groups of adult readers turning pages this summer in Seward. The Rockers and Rollers have been competing for who can read more books by August 10. There are almost 60 patrons on each team and the total number of recorded books at this date is amazingly close. Stop in and show the librarian your returned books to get credit! Who reads more may be a surprise! The winning team will be rewarded.

### A library is...

“...a place to continue growing and learning.”  
– Ken Blanchard

## Library Hosts Michael Fitzsimmons

Children were telling their stories in Seward Memorial Library but not using words on July 17. Under the leadership of professional percussionist Michael Fitzsimmons, the children were creating original rhythm messages about their favorite flavor of ice cream! Thanks to a grant from the Nebraska Arts Council as well as gifts from the Friends of Seward Library and donations from the Seward Women's Club the young drummers experienced a unique musical afternoon in the library.



Michael introduced the children to unusual instruments from around the world. He encouraged them to discover the special sounds produced by these rare instruments. After performing Michael provided sticks and wooden frames for each child to build and decorate their own drum which they used in the drumming circle during the program. Michael promoted careful listening and fostered creativity through dance and repetition. The success of the workshop was captured by one child who at the conclusion shouted out, "I give this afternoon 5 stars!" and everyone cheered as they carried home their prized instruments.

## Pre-Three Story Time

Seward Memorial Library will soon provide an opportunity for little patrons who are not old enough for the fall Story Time. The library is offering a program especially designed for children who are under age 3. On August 21, 22, and 23 the library will host a Pre-Three Story Time at 10:00 a.m. Children are invited to come with a caregiver for a 30-minute interactive session. No registration is required. Come and enjoy books and activities in the lower level conference room.

## Save the Date!

We're having a party on Sunday, Sept. 16 to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Seward Memorial Library building! The festivities will include a bounce house and inflatable slide, street dance and more! Watch for details!

## All Seward Reads Together Programs

Seward Memorial Library will be hosting several programs in conjunction with the 2018 *All Seward Reads Together* (ASRT) selection *The Chilbury Ladies' Choir* by Jennifer Ryan. Get out your calendar and mark these dates:

- On Thursday, August 2 at 6:30 p.m. "Joyfully Sing," a Seward community ladies' choir will perform "The Best of Joyfully Sing" concert.
- The library will host a community book discussion on Monday, September 10 at 7 p.m.



**A library is...**

"...a place of quiet to aid focus." – Martin Yates



## September 2003 was a Milestone

The library staff remembers September 2003 well. During August thousands of books were carried hand over hand by numerous groups, organizations and individuals into the new building, which had been planned for 13 years. The library was preparing for their new address and larger role in Seward. During the past 15 years the library has grown with the community's needs and wants. New programs have been developed and the library has become a resource for more than just reading materials. It is with much appreciation that the library staff will celebrate the anniversary of this milestone during the entire month of September and into October. Watch the library website and newsletter for special event details. Plan to spend time at 233 South Fifth Street this fall!



## Reserve Express

Do you have a favorite author? Did you know you can sign up to automatically be on a reserve list for each of the author's newest books? The author list, which was recently updated, is located on our online catalog and appears in your account under your reserve list. Click on your favorite writers and automatically be added to their reserve list. Eliminate calling the library to make your requests. You won't miss out on a new release and you may get the popular title sooner.

## The Staff Appreciates Volunteers

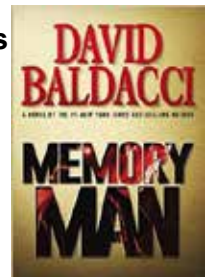
Seward Memorial Library would like to thank the young people who faithfully came to the library to help with Story Time in the mornings and other programs with the older children. These volunteers provided extra hands and assisted in activities as needed. The library appreciates the assistance of adult volunteers as well. The donation of time is a valuable gift and contributes to the success of our summer program.



The Seward Memorial Library offers three book clubs that meet on a monthly basis. Titles being read for July:

**New York Times  
Best Sellers**  
August 13  
at 7:00 pm

*Memory Man*  
by David  
Baldacci



**Midday  
Mysteries**  
August 21 at noon

*Gun Street Girl*  
by Adrian McKinty



**Random Reads**  
August 27 at noon

*America's First  
Daughter*  
by Stephanie  
Dray



If any of these selections interest you, or if you would like to visit or join a club, please call the library at 402-643-3318.

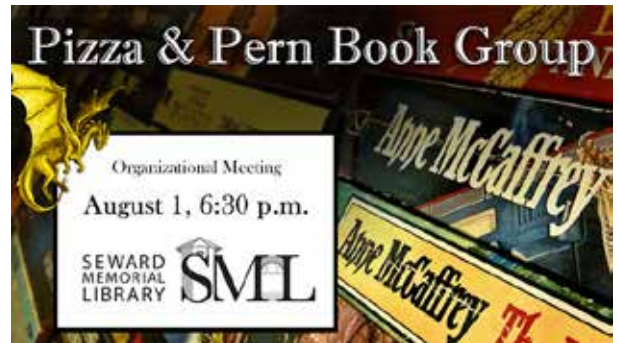
## A library is...

"...a place full of presents waiting to be opened."  
– Phyllis Root

## Start August with Pizza and Pern

Fifty years ago this month author Anne McCaffrey published *Dragonflight*, the first in what would become a decades-long bestselling fantasy/sci-fi series about the world of Pern. In honor of her long-running achievement, Seward Memorial Library is initiating a Pern book discussion group this fall. An organizational meeting of Pizza and Pern will be held on Wednesday, August 1 at 6:30. Please enter the library using the west door. Register for this monthly discussion group for teens and adults

by contacting the library at 402-643-3318 or [info@sewardlibrary.org](mailto:info@sewardlibrary.org). If you cannot attend on August 1 but are interested in taking part in future meetings, please talk directly with Becky Baker at the library at the listed phone number or by emailing [becky.baker@sewardlibrary.org](mailto:becky.baker@sewardlibrary.org). Enjoy exploring the world of Pern with other McCaffrey fans!



## Reading Club Support

Seward Memorial Library would like to recognize the following businesses who generously contributed prizes as rewards for our readers in the Summer Reading Club Rock 'n' Read Book:

Allison Garrett Johnson Photography  
Awe Salon and Barber  
Chapters Books & Gifts  
Dairy Queen  
Jones National Bank and Trust  
Liberty First Credit Union  
Pac N Save Pharmacy  
Seward County Independent  
Subway  
Union Bank & Trust  
U.S. Cellular

Amigos  
Cattle Bank & Trust  
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Kirby Roth Insurance  
Pac N Save  
Runza  
Seward Smiles Family Dentistry  
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Additional Business Sponsors who gave monetary donations:

Edward Jones – Brady A. Johnson  
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Laminated Wood Systems  
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State Farm – Brenda Henning

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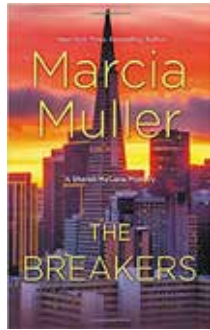
"...a Universe." – Jack Prelutsky



## New Fiction Books Coming Soon



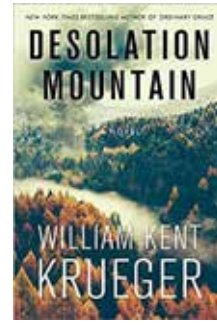
*Abandoned*  
by Allison Brennan



*The Breakers*  
by Marcia Muller



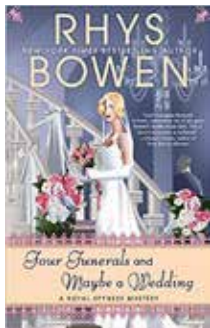
*Dead Man Running*  
by Steve Hamilton



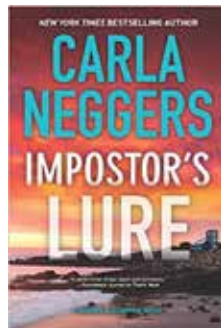
*Desolation Mountain*  
by William Kent Krueger



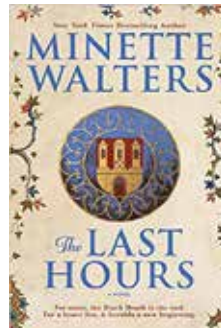
*Feared*  
by Lisa Scottoline



*Four Funerals and Maybe a Wedding*  
by Rhys Bowen



*Impostor's Lure*  
by Carla Neggers



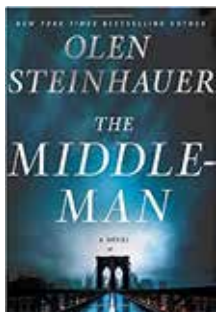
*The Last Hours*  
by Minette Walters



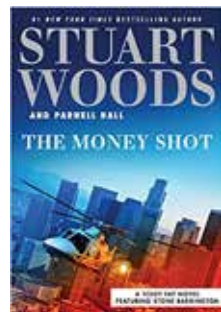
*The Mark*  
by Janet Evanovich



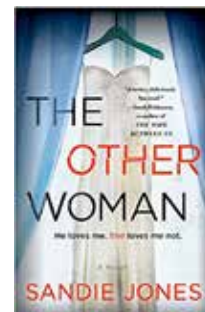
*The Masterpiece*  
by Fiona Davis



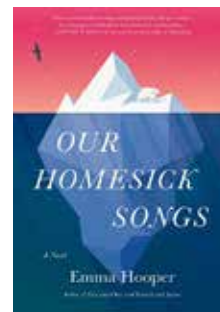
*The Middleman*  
by Olen Steinhauer



*The Money Shot*  
by Stuart Woods



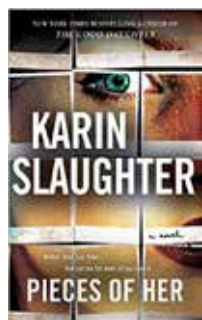
*The Other Woman*  
by Sandie Jones



*Our Homesick Songs*  
by Emma Hooper



*Our House*  
by Louise Candlish



*Pieces of Her*  
by Karin Slaughter



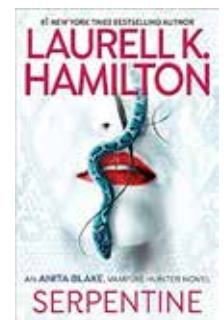
*Safe and Sound*  
by Fern Michaels



*The Sapphire Widow*  
by Dinah Jefferies



*The Sea Queen*  
by Linnea Hartsuyker



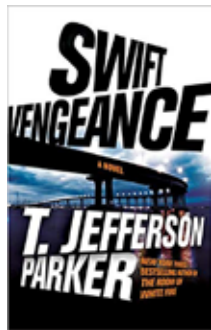
*Serpentine*  
by Laurell K. Hamilton



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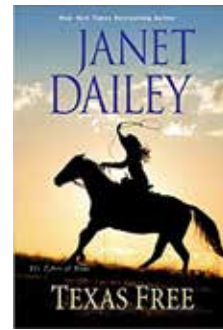
*Stygian*  
by Sherrilyn Kenyon



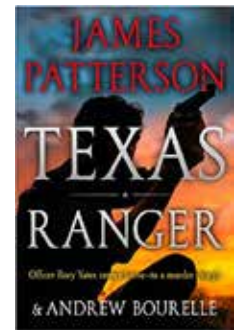
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by T. Jefferson Parker



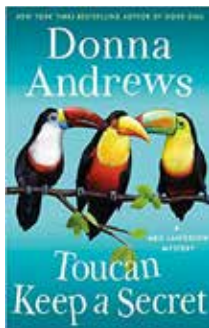
*Tailspin*  
by Sandra Brown



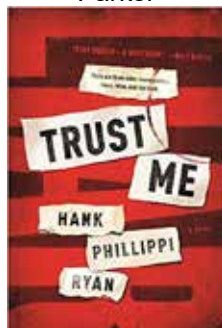
*Texas Free*  
by Janet Dailey



*Texas Ranger*  
by James Patterson  
& Andrew Borelle



*Toucan Keep a Secret*  
by Donna Andrews



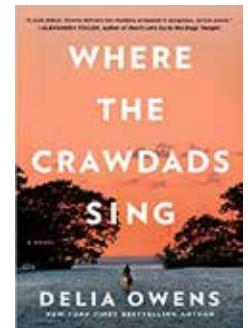
*Trust Me*  
by Hank Phillippi Ryan



*Vox*  
by Christina Dalcher



*Walking Shadows*  
by Faye Kellerman



*Where the Crawdads Sing*  
by Delia Owens

## New Non-Fiction Books Coming Soon



*The Accessory Handbook*  
by Alison Freer



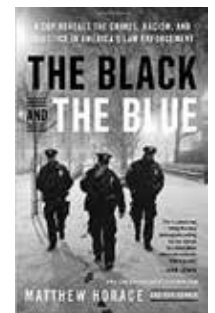
*Air Fry Every Day*  
by Ben Mims



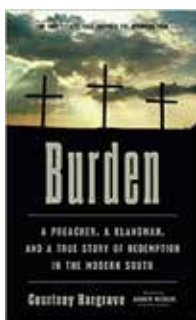
*America: The Farewell Tour*  
by Chris Hedges



*Astronomy*  
by DK Publishing



*The Black and The Blue*  
by Matthew Horace



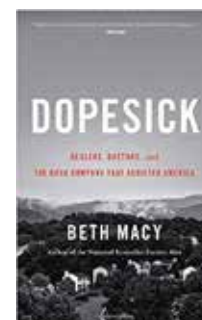
*Burden*  
by Courtney Hargrave



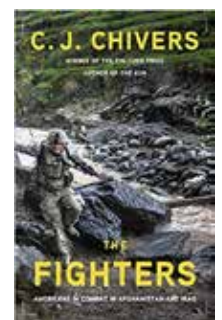
*Calligraphy Styling*  
by Veronica Halim



*Crafting with Wooden Crates & Pallets*  
by Natalie Wright



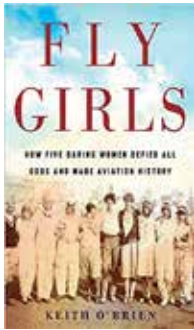
*Dopesick*  
by Beth Macy



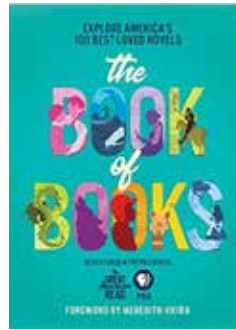
*The Fighters*  
by C.J. Chivers



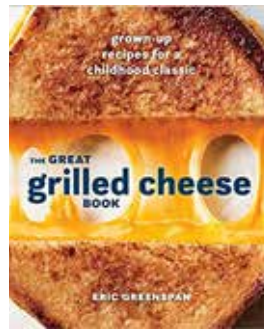
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*Fly Girls*  
by Keith O'Brien



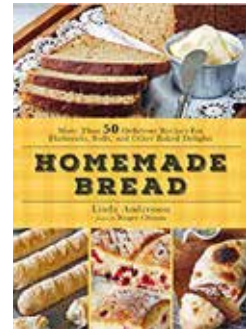
*The Great American Read: The Book of Books*  
by PBS



*The Great Grilled Cheese Book*  
by Eric Greenspan



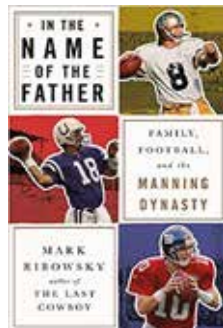
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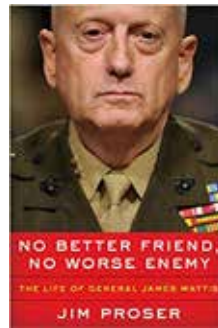
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by Linda Andersson



*How to Be a Happier Parent*  
by KJ Dell'Antonia



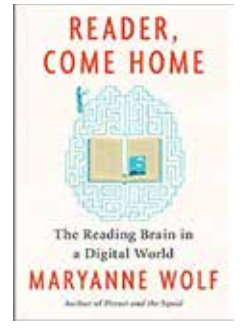
*In the Name of the Father*  
by Mark Ribowsky



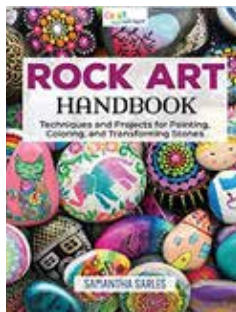
*No Better Friend, No Worse Enemy*  
by Jim Proser



*Pandemic 1918*  
by Catharine Arnold



*Reader, Come Home*  
by Maryanne Wolf



*Rock Art Handbook*  
by Samantha Sarles



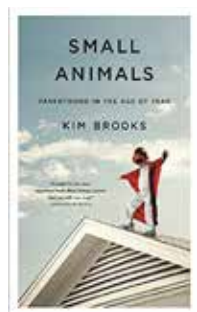
*Say It with Paper*  
by Hattie Newman



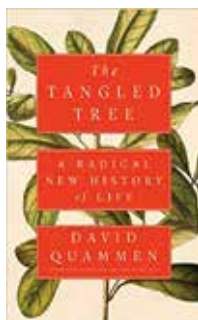
*Scarface and the Untouchable*  
by Max Allan Collins



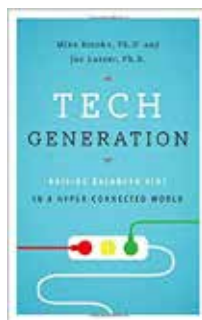
*September 1918*  
by Skip Desjardin



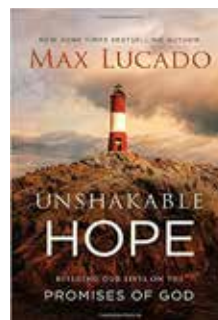
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by Kim Brooks



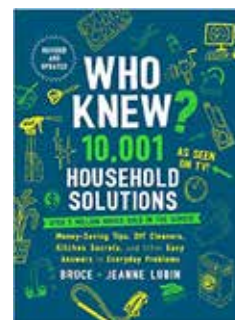
*The Tangled Tree*  
by David Quammen



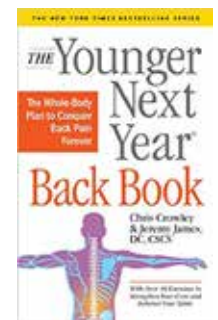
*Tech Generation*  
by Mike Brooks



*Unshakable Hope*  
by Max Lucado



*Who Knew? 10,001 Household Solutions*  
by Bruce & Jeanne Lubin



*The Younger Next Year Back Book*  
by Chris Crowley



# August 2018 – Seward Memorial Library Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
		Animal Jamboree K-4 <sup>th</sup> grades 1:30-3:00 p.m.	Pizza and Pern Book Group Organizational Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Mo Willems Rocks 10:00 a.m. - Noon  Midweek Movie: Tully 1:30-3:15 p.m.  Joyfully Sing Concert 6:30 p.m.		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			Registration for Fall programs begins! Visit the library website!		Reading Club Participants recognized at the Seward County Fair 1:00 p.m.	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	NYT Book Group 7:00 p.m.	Library Board 4:30 p.m.	Midweek Movie: The Rider 1:30-3:15 p.m.			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Pre-3 Story Time 10:00-10:30 a.m.  Midday Mysteries Book Group 12:00-1:00 p.m.	Pre-3 Story Time 10:00-10:30 a.m.	Pre-3 Story Time 10:00-10:30 a.m.		
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Random Reads Book Group 12:00-1:00 p.m.  LEGO® Club, 1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.	Story Time, 9:30-10:15 a.m.  Story Time, 10:30-11:15 a.m.  Critter Club, 2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.  Coding Club, 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.	Story Time, 9:30-10:15 a.m.  Story Time, 10:30-11:15 a.m.  Chess Club, 1 <sup>st</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.	Story Time, 3:45-4:30 p.m.  Maker Club, 3 <sup>rd</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.  Story Time, 6:30-7:15 p.m.	Story Club, K-2 <sup>nd</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.  Coding Club, 5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grades 3:45-4:30 p.m.	

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