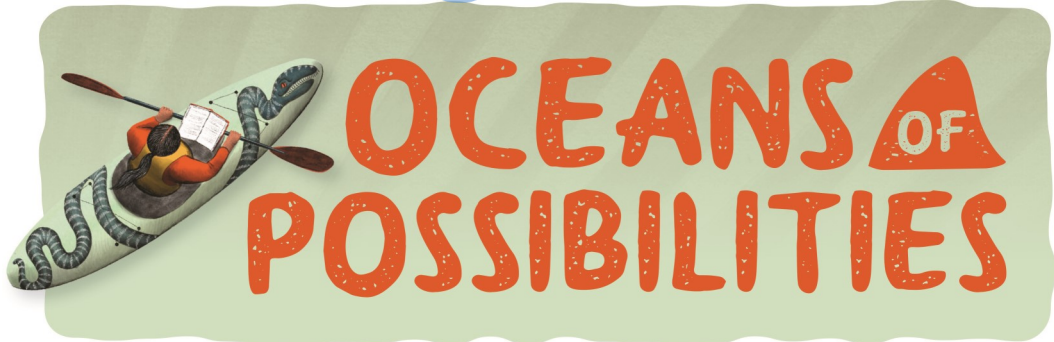


# Summer Reading Newsletter!

June 2023



Use the [following link](#) to add the Library's Summer Google Calendar to your Google Calendar! [Google Calendar - July 2023](#)

Sign up for summer reading using the following link: <https://forms.gle/Spdc6wLhbAQEAF5U6>

## Reading Logs and Prizes!

Summer reading is for everyone from newborns to senior citizens! Come join the summer reading program. Participants have the option to log their reading on the app ReaderZone or on paper. We have an early literacy reading log for babies through those entering kindergarten. Readers between first and fourth grade will keep track of the number of minutes they read. Readers fifth grade and older will keep track of the titles of books they read over the summer. Adults also have the option to participate in SPARKS (Summer Program for Adults Reading Kids Stuff.) Paper reading logs are available at the library or from our website. [www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/summer-2023-oceans-of-possibilities.html](http://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/summer-2023-oceans-of-possibilities.html)

**Spanish Options:** This year we have paper reading logs in Spanish and The ReaderZone app is now available in Spanish.  
**ReaderZone New users:** you will need to download the app to your phone and create an account. This is free. Then you need to sign up for a reading challenge using the codes below: **Returning Users:** click "join a new program" then enter the code for the program you want to join.

**Codes:** Babies - Kindergarten: 78217 Entering 1st-4th grades: 95960 Entering 5th -12th grades and Adults: 4475e  
Adults Participating in SPARKS: 1d8df

### One Time Events!

## Family Events!



**Monday, June 5, 12 - 3 pm. Quincy Children's Museum** is coming to the Farmers Market! They bring many different activities for children of all ages! There will be a food truck. Music provided by WCAZ.

**Saturday, June 10, 10 am - 12 pm. All About Fishing.** Come learn a little about local fish, learn about our fishing pole rental policy and play some fishing games!

**Monday, June 19, 5:30 pm @Jaycee Park: Pirate Party!** Come to the park with your family and friends to participate in a mapmaking and treasure hunting (and hiding) adventure. Snacks provided.

**Saturday, July 8, 11 am - 2 pm @Jaycee Park: Luau!** Come learn about Luaus, enjoy some music, games, and food.

**Monday, July 17, 5:30 pm @Jaycee Park:** The event to attend if you missed any previous summer activities as we will have them all! We will also have a fun game to explore what it means to be a good friend.

### Weekly Events!

**Mondays, 12 - 3 pm @ Farmers Market on the Square:** Library info, games, books, and face painting!

**Wednesdays, 11:30 am - 12:45 pm @ Jaycee Park** Bring your lunch to the park. Tori will read books while you eat. Then everyone will play games. Water games, chalk, parachute games, kickball, four square and many more games available. **This event will be canceled if it is raining.**

**Fridays, 11 am.** Come to the library to watch an ocean-themed movie and eat some popcorn. A movie list is available at the library.

## Book Clubs for those Entering 3rd grade and up

Copies of the books are available at the library to check out and read before meeting.

#### Bluestem Book Club

##### 3rd-5th graders (4pm)

June 15: Everything Awe-some About Sharks and Other Underwater Creatures by Mike Lowery.

July 13: Katie the Catsitter by Colleen Venable.

#### Rebecca Caudill Book Club

##### 4th-8th graders

June 22, 4 pm : A Wish in the Dark by Christine Soontornvat  
July 20, 4 pm: City of Dragons I: The Awakening Storm, a graphic novel by Jaimal Truong.

##### July 20, 5:00 pm, Rebecca Caudill & Abe Lincoln

I Must Betray you by Ruta Sepetys.

#### Abe Lincoln Book Club

##### 9th-12th graders

June 29, 4pm, Dancing at the Pity Party: A Dead Mom Graphic Memoir by Tyler Feder.

#### Adult Book Club

June 8, 12:30 pm, The Museum of Extraordinary Things by Alice Hoffman.

July 13, 12:30 pm The Sisters of Sea View by Julie Klassen.

# Middle/High School

Those going into 5th-12th grade will have events at the library every **Tuesday at 2 pm** (except July 4). Below are craft activities for only that age group.

**June 6: Origami Ocean Animals.** Make your own 3-D paper ocean creatures.

**June 13: Jellyfish Paper Lanterns.** Make a paper lantern to take home, or leave it to decorate the library for the summer.

**June 20: String Art.** Come make some noise! We will be using a hammer and nails to make the outline of an ocean design, then finish the decoration using string!

**July 11: Escape from the Bermuda Triangle.** You have a chance to participate in the library's first ever Escape Room! Are you clever enough to escape, or will you become a ship lost at sea?

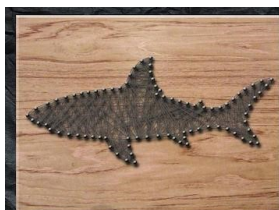
# Adults only!

**July 3, 5:30 pm: Books to Décor**

We will be turning old books into ocean décor for your home!

**July 18, 5:30 pm: Ocean Trivia**

A fun way to end summer reading! See who knows the most ocean trivia or trivia about ocean movies.



## 5th-12th grade and adults!

**Nailed it Cupcake Challenge -- Adults: June 6, 5:30 pm; 5th -12th grades: July 18, 2 pm.** We will have an inspirational picture of some perfectly decorated ocean cupcakes. Come see who can make their cupcake look closest to the picture. There will be a prize for best and worst cupcake. Then you get to eat your masterpieces!

**Ocean Yarn Painting -- Adults: June 20, 5:30 pm; 5th -12th grades: June 27, 2 pm.**

Use yarn to create a textile ocean masterpiece by gluing it to resemble a painted scene.



## Babies, Toddlers Kindergarten & Preschoolers - Kindergarten - Fourth Grade

**10:00 am - 11:00 am every Tuesday except July 4.**

Come to the library for rhythm and movement storytime, crafts and games!

This summer we will be dividing into two groups upon arrival. The babies and toddlers (ages 0-2) will be playing, crafting and socializing from 10-10:30, and will have storytime from 10:30 - 11:00 am.

Preschoolers (ages 3-5) will participate in storytime and music from 10:00 -10:30 am and will be doing craft time from 10:30 - 11:00 am.

**1:00 pm every Thursday: Stories and**

Crafts at the library.

Crafts will go along with our weekly theme. Come learn about the oceans and have some fun.



### Weekly themes!

June 5-10 "Dive Deep" We will be learning about the depths of the ocean!

June 12-17 "Shark Week" All about sharks!

June 19-24 "Pirate Week!" All about pirates!

June 26-July 1 "Coral Reefs" What are they, where are they?

July 3-8 "Arctic Ocean" Icebergs, Polar bears and more!

July 10-15 "Shipwrecks" Bermuda Triangle

July 17-22 "Mermaids" Ending the summer with mermaid magic!



## Crochet!

Ages 8 and up! Every other Tuesday from 6:30pm-8pm June 13, 27, July 11, 25. At the library. All skill levels welcome you can bring your knitting or embroidery.

Pick up your summer Reading Prizes the week of August 7th! Grand Prize Drawings will occur on August 14! You can win prize drawing entries by attending Library Programs and by Reading over the summer. Prizes include: Temporary tattoos, Pop-its, Beach balls, cookie coupons, Pizza Hut Coupons, and others. See July Newsletter for grand prize listings!



1000 books is still active over the summer! Keep track of the books read to earn even more summer prizes!

We had one more participant finish their 1000 book challenge! Congratulations to Aiden Knowles!