



*Surrounded by Sunflowers*  
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# PIGEON TALES

## Operation Backpack

School supplies are now on sale everywhere we go, and that means it's time to think about Operation Backpack!

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Items needed to get local kids ready for school include backpacks, crayons, paper, pens & pencils, etc. We have wish lists from most of the elementary classrooms, so if you want to buy for a particular teacher, you may call or stop in for a copy of their list. Wal-mart also has lists available inside both entrances to their store.



Teen Zone participants will be filling backpacks and preparing them for delivery to the schools around August 22nd. If you would like to contribute, please bring items in before that date. If you are a teen and would like to help with this project, stop in and let us know!

## Computer Classes are Back!

Do you want to pick up some new computer skills, and have fun while you're at it? Then sign up for one or more of our classes by calling or stopping in at the library!

**Eek! A Mouse!** This is a 2-day class for beginners. We will introduce you to the basics of using a mouse, including clicking, right-clicking, scrolling, and more. There is no charge for this class.

Class #1: August 11th and 12th, 3-4:30 p.m.    Class #2: August 11th and 12th, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**The Wonders of Word 2007** In this 2 day class, you will learn to work with Microsoft Word 2007 and make your own document using different fonts, copy and paste functions, pictures, and more. No charge.

Class #1 August 13th and 14th, 3:30—5:00 p.m.    Class #2 August 13th and 14th, 5:30—7:00 p.m.

**Intro to Vista** This one day class will go through the basics of the new Vista operating system. There is a \$15 fee for this class. It is recommended that you have a Vista computer at home if you sign up.

Class #1 August 6th, 9:30—11:00 a.m.    Class #2 August 6th 5:30-7:00 p.m.

# New Books in August!

Stephanie Meyer *Breaking Dawn*  
 Ann Rivers Siddons *Off Season*  
 J.A. Jance *Damage Control*  
 Stella Cameron *Cypress Nights*  
 Sandra Brown *Smoke Screen*  
 Kathy Reichs *Devil Bones*

Faye Kellerman *The Mercedes Coffin*  
 Jack Higgins *Rough Justice*  
 Barbara Taylor Bradford *Being Elizabeth*  
*The Turnaround* George Pelecanos  
 Stephen Coonts *The Assassin*  
 Stephen Frey *Forced Out*

## Lunch & Lit Club

*Some Things That Stay* by Sarah Willis

### From Library Journal

It's 1954, and 15-year-old Tamara Anderson is searching for a place to call home. Her father, a landscape artist who is always looking for new challenges, moves his family to a new state each year. When they get to rural New York, however, the family starts to unravel. Tamara's mother, a strong woman who preaches atheism to her three children, comes down with tuberculosis and is sent to a sanatorium. Meanwhile, the children are drawn to the tattered family across the road. Rusty teaches Tamara about sex, and his church-going older sister Helen fascinates Tamara's younger siblings. Willis's writing is clear and fresh, capturing the emotional edge of childhood and the search for home in one's heart. A bit like a Northern Kaye Gibbons, Willis tells a coming-of-age story that is tender and moving. A first novel worth reading.



The Lunch & Lit Club meets the 3rd Monday of each month. Stop in to get a copy of the book if you would like to join us!

# Friends of the Library

**Friends Wanted!** If you would like to join the Friends of the Library, please fill out this form and return it to the



library with \$3 for your annual dues. Members take part in various activities which benefit the library and provide for things that might not otherwise fit into the budget. The group meets about once every four months.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Don't forget to

## VOTE

at the upcoming election!

Tuesday, August 5th!

The library millage is up for renewal and we would like to remind you that voting **yes** will not change your taxes; it *will* allow library funding to continue as it has in the past.

Thank you for your support!

# “The Dog Days of Summer”

It's hot and it's humid and the days are becoming ho-hum... so we've come up with a few programs to help you make it through the 'tail end' of your Summer Vacation!

**Meet Blesk!** He's White Pigeon's own canine hero and he'll be here with his owner/handler Sgt. Bill Burgoyne, who will talk about Blesk's background and training, and will give a demonstration of what Blesk might do while on the job. Tuesday, August 19th, 7:00 p.m.



**Family Movie** *Snow Buddies* The whole family will enjoy this G-rated Disney movie about sibling pups who accidentally hop a truck to Alaska. We will have an intermission and snack midway through the movie. Parents must accompany their children to this program. All ages welcome!

Wednesday, August 20th at 5:30 p.m.

**Assistance Dogs** Meet Diane Jones and her dogs! Learn about what goes into the training of Assistance Dogs and see a demonstration of what they can do! Diane's dogs have additionally been trained to help Beginning Readers by being patient, non-judgmental listeners! Children who would like to read to a dog can do so *before the program*. Parents can call to set up a 10 minute appointment time, between 5:00 and 6:30. The program will be on Thursday, August 21st at 7:00 p.m.



## Attention Teens

The cancelled program **Poster Art** has been rescheduled!

Please sign up if you would like to attend on Tuesday the 19th from 1:30—3:00.

Also, watch for information on “This One’s for the Girls” programs which will resume in September!

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9-5  
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### August Calendar

- 5 Election Day!
  - 6 Intro to Vista  
9:30-11 or 5:30-7:00
  - 11 Eek! A Mouse!  
3:00-4:30 or 5:30-7:00
  - 12 Eek! A Mouse!  
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  - 13 Wonders of Word 2007  
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3:30-5:00 or 5:30-7:00
  - 18 Lunch & Lit Club 11:30
  - 19 Poster Art 1:30-3:00
  - 19 Meet Blesk! 7:00
  - 20 Movie: Snow Buddies  
7:00
  - 21 PAWS for Reading 5-6:30  
Assistance Dogs 7:00
- Closed Monday, September 1st.

**Coming in September**  
Preschool Story Time  
Computer Recycling

### Services for Library Patrons

- **Inter-library Loan:** We can help you find just the book you're looking for. If we don't own it, we should be able to get it for you through our state-wide interloan program.
- In addition to our regular fiction and non-fiction holdings, we also have **large print books** and **audio books** (tape and CD).
- **Movies:** Patrons may borrow movies at no cost for 2 days at a time.
- **Computers:** We have 16 public use computers.
- **Free Wireless Internet:** just bring your laptop!
- **Genealogy / Local History:** Visit our History Room! We have census records and some newspapers on microfilm; we have many obituaries, family histories, and scrapbooks. Patrons can access Heritage Quest online at the library and at home ... ask us how!
- **Home Delivery:** We offer free delivery services for the homebound. Please call for more information.
- **Online Database:** Visit our website and click on "Online Catalog".
- **Miscellaneous Services:** copies .15; laminating .75 for an 8.5 X 11 sheet; fax (sending) \$2 for the first page, \$1 for each additional page; fax (receiving) \$1 for up to 10 pages; .25 for each additional page.



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