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Operation Backpack

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We're all seeing those great back-to-school sales, and donations for Operation Backpack are starting to come in! If you're not already familiar with it, Operation Backpack is a program in which the library accepts donation of school supplies and backpacks (new or gently used); these items are sorted and organized according to the needs lists from Central Elementary school by our Teen Zone volunteers; and finally, backpacks and supplies are distributed to students once school has begun.

We welcome your donations of school supplies or backpacks throughout the month of August. If your child is in need of supplies, please let his or her teacher know in the first few days of school. If you are a teen who would like to help with the organization, please stop in at the library around the middle of the month for further information.

Kalamazoo Nature Center Presents ...

Join us on Wednesday evening, August 12th at 5:30 p.m. for an entertaining and educational family program called "Rhythm of the Wild". You will be able to listen to the wild sounds of nature's local musicians, and make some musical sounds of your own as well!

There is no cost to attend this program, but seating will be limited, so please stop in to pick up your free tickets beginning August 5th. Children should be at least 4 years old to attend.

You may visit the Kalamazoo Nature Center online at: www.naturecenter.org



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New Books in August!

Kathy Reichs *206 Bones*
 James Patterson *Alex Cross's Trial*
 Luanne Rice
The Deep Blue Sea for Beginners
 Andrea Kane *Drawn in Blood*
 Stephen Frey *Hell's Gate*
 Robin Cook *Intervention*
 Stephen L. Carter *Jericho's Fall*
 David Rosenfelt *New Tricks*

Christopher Reich *Rules of Vengeance*
 Margaret Maron *Sand Sharks*
 Stephen White *The Siege*
 Sandra Brown *Smash Cut*
 Pat Conroy *South of Broad*
 W.E.B. Griffin *The Traffickers*
 Joseph Finder *Vanished*
 Karin Fossum *The Water's Edge*
 Phillippa Gregory *The White Queen*

Lunch & Lit Club

The Center of Everything by Laura Moriarty

From School Library Journal: Evelyn Bucknow, 10 years old at the start of this novel, lives with her single mother. Struggling to make ends meet, Tina is a loving, if sometimes absentminded, parent. Won over by the seemingly kind attention of her married boss, she has an affair that leaves her pregnant and in dire financial straits when she is fired from her job. Evelyn narrates the story, and readers witness her growing maturity in the face of circumstances that are beyond her control. With dawning awareness and increasing resentment, she sees that her mother's poor choices are creating havoc in their lives. Evelyn is determined to avoid the same mistakes and use her intelligence to get out of the cycle of poverty that is so much a part of her youth. YAs will enjoy this engrossing novel and connect to the authentic and changing voice Moriarity gives Evelyn as she grows into adulthood. Her thoughts and feelings ring true to the angst and insecurity that are often associated with adolescence. Readers, along with the protagonist, feel sympathy and understanding for human failings.



The Lunch & Lit Club meets on the 3rd Monday of each month. Stop in to pick up a copy of the current book if you'd like to join us!

Friends of the Library

The Friends' will have a meeting on September 10th at noon. This will be a Soup and Sandwich Potluck, in the Dorothy Lee Room at the library. We will be discussing the Christmas Raffle and possible new projects.

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 \$3.00 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.

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Preschool Story Time

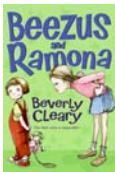
Moms and caregivers of children ages 3-5 (but not yet in kindergarten) will be glad to know that our Preschool Story Time is just around the corner!

Story Time is a half-hour program designed to introduce little ones to books, group activities, and new friends. The program will begin in September, and you will be able to register and pick up further details during the last 2 weeks of August.



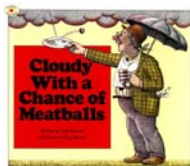
Children's Books-to-Movies

If you like to read the book before you see the movie, then here's a heads-up on these children's books which will soon be seen on the silver screen!



Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary - March 2010

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney - release 2010



Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs by Judi Barrett
In theaters on September 18, 2009

Eloise in Paris by Kay Thompson - 2010



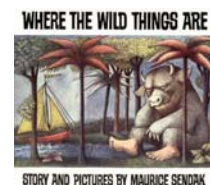
The Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl
In theaters on November 13, 2009

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince by J.K. Rowling
In theaters now!



The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan - February 2010

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
In theaters October 16, 2009



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August Calendar

- 4 Teen Zone: Get in the Game 1-3:00
- 5 Teen Zone: Chill Out 1:30
- 6 Teen Zone: Bring on the Dawgs 4-6:00
- 12 Kalamazoo Nature Center: Rhythm of the Wild 5:30-6:30
- 16 Lunch & Lit Club 11:30

Coming in September

Pre-school Story Time
After School Crafts
Dick Magee: Gone with the Wind



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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