



PIGEON TALES

Family Fun Night

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There will be many fun activities for parents and kids to do together on this Halloween-based evening program.

- *Decorate a cookie *Scare yourself silly with our carnival mirror
- *Test your aim with a game of "pumpkin toss"

*Share a book in the "Batty for Books Corner" or the "I Scream for Books Nook"

*Vote for your favorite decorated pumpkin (from Teen Zone)

Family Fun Night will take place on Wednesday, October 28th from 5-6:30. Children must be accompanied by an adult to attend.

**Parents of preschoolers: you may also want to take advantage of the free vision testing provided by the Lions Club during our Family Fun Night ... see the box below for more information.*

Bats of the World

On Wednesday, October 14th, we will be hosting a family-oriented program by the folks from the Organization for Bat Conservation. Following a short power-point introduction, you will be introduced to live bats including vampire bats and fruit bats with and incredible 3-foot wingspan. You will learn how bats communicate (echolocation), how bats benefit the ecosystem, and how to protect bats (conservation).

This free program will begin at 5:30 p.m. and is a family program. (We ask that children under the age of 5 do not attend.) If you would like to attend, please stop in to pick up your free tickets beginning Monday, October 5th.



Project Kidsight is back! Join us on Family Fun Night and take advantage of this valuable free service provided by the Lions Club. Using a simple "photoscreening" process, your child (age 1-5) can be screened for a range of vision problems which might otherwise go undetected. The process is as simple as having a picture taken. You can find more information on this program at: www.projectkidsight.org

New Books in October

Nora Roberts *Bed of Roses*
Iris Johansen *Blood Game*
Patricia Cornwell *The Scarpetta Factor*
Nevada Barr *13 1/2*
Linda Howard *Midnight Rainbow*
John Saul *House of Reckoning*
Eileen Goudge *Once in a Blue Moon*
Richard Paul Evans *The Christmas List*

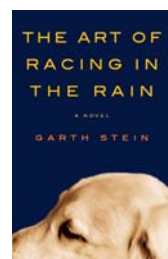
Charlaine Harris *Grave Secret*
Jonathan Kellerman *Evidence*
Barbara Kingsolver *The Lacuna*
Michael Connelly *Nine Dragons*
Wally Lamb *Wishin' and Hopin'*
David Baldacci *True Blue*
Karen Kingsbury *Shades of Blue*
Robert B. Parker *The Professional*

Lunch & Lit Club

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

From Publishers Weekly

If you've ever wondered what your dog is thinking, Stein's third novel offers an answer. Enzo is a lab terrier mix plucked from a farm outside Seattle to ride shotgun with race car driver Denny Swift as he pursues success on the track and off. Denny meets and marries Eve, has a daughter, Zoë, and risks his savings and his life to make it on the professional racing circuit. Enzo, frustrated by his inability to speak and his lack of opposable thumbs, watches Denny's old racing videos, coins koanlike aphorisms that apply to both driving and life, and hopes for the day when his life as a dog will be over and he can be reborn a man. When Denny hits an extended rough patch, Enzo remains his most steadfast if silent supporter. Enzo is a reliable companion and a likable enough narrator, though the string of Denny's bad luck stories strains believability. Much like Denny, however, Stein is able to salvage some dignity from the over-the-top drama.



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

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.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

Email address _____

The Friends' September meeting was a great success, with 26 members attending! A committee for the Christmas Raffle was formed, with the following members: Mary Todd, Carol German, Joellene Bates, Jayne Stark, Barbara Williams, Sherri Krogh, Susan Cline, and Carol Yoder. All other members are encouraged to donate a prize for the raffle, as well as to begin selling raffle tickets; they are ready to be picked up at the library at this time.

After School Craft Returns!



Now that the kids are settled into their daily routines, we will resume the popular Thursday after-school craft!

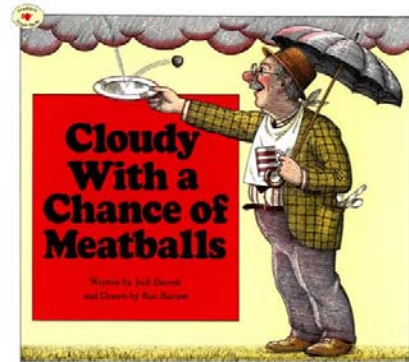
This is a great time of year for fun craft ideas, so if you love cutting, gluing, painting, and so on, you won't want to miss one day! After-school crafts will be held on October 1, 15, 22, and 29. No need to sign up, just be at the library after school.

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs

You might have seen this movie recently, but have you read the book? "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs" has continued to be a popular story since it first showed up on bookshelves back in 1982!

We will be reading the book and sharing a snack (meatballs, perhaps?) whether it is cloudy or sunny, on Thursday, October 8, beginning at 3:30.

Please sign up if you would like to attend. We recommend this program for younger elementary school students.



For more fun, kids can visit the website www.cloudywithachanceofmeatballs.com

Teen Zone: Halloween Blast

Are you a teen who loves Halloween? If so, you'll want to make sure to sign up for this one!

Decorating pumpkins will be the main event ... you can use paint, construction paper, and whatever we have on hand. If you do a good job, you might even win a prize! Pumpkins will be on display and be judged by young and old alike at the Family Fun Night program the following evening. Of course there will also be snacks, music, and general Halloween fun.

Halloween Blast will be on Tuesday, October 27th beginning at 3:30. You need to sign up for this program, so stop in or call!

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October Calendar

- 1 After School Craft
- 6 Story Time 10:30*
- 8 Children's program:
*Cloudy with a Chance of
Meatballs* 3:30*
- 13 Story Time 10:30*
- 14 *Bats of the World* 5:30*
(tickets available 10/7)
- 15 After School Craft
- 19 Lunch & Lit Club 11:30*
- 20 Story Time 10:30*
- 22 After School Craft
- 27 Story Time 10:30*
- 27 Teen Zone: Halloween
Blast 3:30*
- 28 Family Fun Night 5:30-7
- 29 After School Craft



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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