OUR LUNCH AND SHARE IS BACK!

Please join us to hear local author Jane Bennett Munro at the Treasure Valley Book Club Lunch and Share on Wednesday, October 19, 11:30-1:30 in the Garden City’s City Hall Council Chambers. Come and enjoy a catered lunch courtesy of Lemon Tree and share book lists, door prizes and meet new friends. Individual attendees are welcome! The $30 registration fee and donations will support Garden City Public Library programs including Bells for Books. Register at: gardencitypubliclibraryfoundation.wildapricot.org/event-4961098

2022 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

“Oceans of Possibility” was the theme of this year’s Summer Reading Program, which ran from June 1 - July 31. The theme, which was chosen by the National Collaborative Summer Library, offered many opportunities for education and fun for patrons of all ages. Of course, the overall objective was to encourage reading, but the goal for children this year was specifically to get them reading every day instead of just reading a certain number of books as they have in the past. Children recorded the number of minutes they read in reading logs with the minimum goal being 15 minutes.

All summer the library was full of activity and energy. Librarians selected ocean-themed books with beautiful illustrations like Whale of the Wild for family read-alouds. Children’s events included storytimes about Sharks and Pirates, authors’ presentations, puppet shows, ice cream-making, and the most popular one of all: Magic with Mr. X. Adults enjoyed reading Shipwreck Hunter by David Mearns and discussing it with the author on a Zoom call and watching the Oscar-winning documentary My Octopus Teacher. Programs and Outreach Librarian Amanda Beradinelli is justifiably “proud of all the programs we put together.”

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BOARD MEMBER REQUEST

The Garden City Public Library Foundation needs additional board members! Our board secures the funds for the Bells for Books Bookmobile and dozens of other library programs, and we have a great time together in the process. Please consider joining our team. For an application form, email us at gcpl.foundation@gmail.com subject: Board Application.
SUMMER READING CONTINUED

Participants included 150 babies (0-2), 775 youths (3-12), 400 teens, and 515 adults.

Everyone who finished the program was awarded small tokens such as ice cream cones, gum balls and toy treasure chests and/or grand prizes such as bikes, scooters, cameras, and Roaring Springs passes.

Let’s make a scary shark!

Shiver me timbers, Matey!

Mrs. McGraff kept Bells for Books on the road this summer.

Besides Bells for Books, the Summer Reading Program is the largest undertaking funded by the Garden City Public Library Foundation. We appreciate all the patrons who have generously donated to us.

EACH YEAR THE LIBRARY OFFERS PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

You can directly support many of these outstanding programs by donating at https://gardencitypubliclibraryfoundation.wildapricot.org/

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Pi Day ................................................................. $200
Kite Day ............................................................. $200
Chinese Lantern Making Day ....................... $200
Puppet Show ...................................................... $300
Spring Break ....................................................... $300
Family Read Month ........................................... $650
Dr. Seuss's Birthday .......................................... $200
Summer Reading (any amount welcome) ........ $6,000
Outreach to Schools, Head Start, and Boys’ and Girls’ Club ......................... $400
Crafty Storytime ................................................ $300
Family Music in the Park ................................... $600
Santa’s Visit ......................................................... $300
Tween Night ........................................................ $400

ADULT PROGRAMS

Senior Bingo ..................................................... $300
Technology for Adults ...................................... $200
Fitness Programs ............................................... $600
Book Club .......................................................... $100
Summer Reading (any amount welcome) ......... $1,000
Extreme Nerd Challenge ................................. $750
Read to Me Treasure Valley ............................... $100
Craft and Chat ..................................................... $300
Card Making ....................................................... $400
Special Topic Presenters ..................................... $150
Adults with ADD .................................................. $400
Art Presenters ...................................................... $250