

McMillan Memorial Library

January 2007

Family Fun Nights



Tuesday, January 9 - "Mr. Tricks"

Alan Tilove - Juggling

An exciting, action packed adventure into the world of comedy juggling. This show appeals to all ages and is very family friendly. Loads of really cool juggling feats are combined with fun-filled audience participation. Some of the items juggled are hats, bats, tennis rackets, shorts, stuffed animals, and beanie babies. Mr. Tricks is a hit everywhere he goes.



Tuesday, January 23

Chang'aa Mwati - African Storyteller

Chang'aa is a favorite storyteller at McMillan Library. He is from Kenya and has lived in Wisconsin and Minnesota. Chang'aa will be telling tales about his African

heritage and about his cultural journey from Africa to the United States.

Coming Soon!

Tuesday, February 6 - David Landau / The Happy Trails Show

Tuesday, February 20 - Mikael Rudolph / Comedic Mime

Tuesday, March 6 - Gloria Hays / Irish Music

All Family Fun Night programs will be held in the Library's Fine Arts Center at 6:30. Free tickets are required and may be picked up at the Children's Desk beginning two weeks before each performance. Programs last about 45 minutes. For more information, call the Library Children's Department at 422-5131.

Renovation Recap

The Library's most recent renovation is nearing completion.

- ? A new fountain has been installed near the parking lot entrance. It was donated by Charles and Joann Lester and will be dedicated in the Spring.
- ? The foundation has been poured for a sign on Grand Avenue. The sign should be installed this month.
- ? New display shelving has been added to the Adult Room, making the new books easier to browse.
- ? Existing display shelving will be moved to the Children's Room.
- ? The upper lobby has been recarpeted and new lighting will be installed soon.
- ? The walls separating the upper lobby from the Adult and Children's Rooms have been removed.
- ? The Adult Desk, the Children's Desk and the self-check station are being grouped in the upper lobby.
- ? The exterior stairs on the Grand Avenue side of the building have been removed and the areas landscaped.
- ? Concrete screening was removed from the penthouse and the penthouse has been repainted.

The sign, display shelving and Upper Lobby redesign were funded by a grant from the Mead-Witter Foundation, Inc.

How to Help with Homework

Monday, January 15th, "How to Help with Homework" will be presented at 7:00 p.m. This one hour program was created for parents who need to help their students with school assignments. It will focus on solid and reliable resources that parents and students can use, either in the library or from home. No registration or fee is required. Call 422-5136 for more information.

Winter Reading

Race Into Reading January 29-March 5

Kids from zero to twelve are invited to sign up for this year's Winter Reading Program starting Monday, January 29. Participants will get a game sheet to keep track of the time they spend reading or being read to. For each week of reading they complete, they will get a small prize and a chance to win one of the grand prizes. Readers will also be invited to a special celebration at the end of the program.



Race Into Reading is a fun way to inspire kids to read, and families to read together. The

program will race by, so make sure to mark your calendar. If you have questions, call the Children's Department at 422-5131.

Teen Winter Reading Program January 29-March 5

Students in grades seven through twelve are invited to take part in our very first Winter Reading Program for teens. Every two hours spent reading will earn a raffle ticket for our grand prize drawing, and teens who read for at least twenty hours will receive a free paperback book. Teens can sign up at the Children's Desk beginning January 29.

Hours

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

Events

Tuesday, January 9 - "Mr. Tricks" Alan Tilove - Juggling (Family Fun Night) 6:30 p.m.

Monday, January 15 - How to Help with Homework 7:00 p.m. (Connect @ McMillan)

Tuesday January 16 - After School Program, "Alien Space" grades K-5, 4-6 p.m.

Tuesday, January 23 - Chang'aa Mwetii - African Storyteller (Family Fun Night) 6:30 p.m.

Thursday January 25 - Teen Advisory Board Meeting, 4 p.m.

Tuesday January 30 - Mosaic Tiling Party for Teens, 4-6 p.m.

Storytimes - Wednesday & Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Baby Storytimes - Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Mosaic Tiling for Teens

Mosaic tiling is an ancient art, but it is also one of the most popular craft programs we offer for teens. This month all teens are invited to create cool keepsakes or gifts using this fascinating technique. The program will be held after school on Tuesday, January 30. No registration is required.

Genealogy Classes

The Heart O' Wisconsin Genealogical Society is hosting classes on January 6, 13, 20, 27 and February 3 and 10. Classes are free and open to the public, though pre-registration is requested. Sessions will be 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. in the All Purpose Room.

Contact the Library

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