



# IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY 2026 SUMMER READING PROGRAM GUIDE

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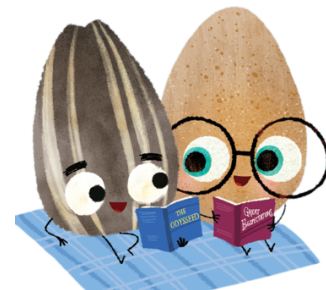
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# 2026 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM

↘ JUNE 8TH - AUGUST 8TH

Come to the library during our Summer Reading Kickoff Week (June 8th - June 13th) and pick up your Summer Reading Packet!



Complete at least 7 of the challenges on the weekly Summer Reading Program slips then return it to the library each week for 8 weeks. Completed slips are your weekly entry into the prize raffle option of your choosing. When you turn in the weekly challenge slip, you will also receive the prize for that week! All ages are welcome!



Finish the Summer Reading Program & join us for our Finishers Party at Rivers Edge! Make sure all slips are turned in by August 13th, prize winners will be pulled on August 14th!

## SUMMER READING KICKOFF WEEK

JUNE 8TH - JUNE 13TH AT IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

## DIY CHIA CREATURES

↘ MONDAY, JUNE 8<sup>th</sup> - 10AM - 12PM, 4PM - 6PM

Drop in to create your own DIY Chia Creature this summer and watch it come to life with lush green sprouts! Personalize your plant buddy that's easy to grow and care for all summer long.

## SEED EXPLORATION STATIONS

↘ TUESDAY, JUNE 9<sup>th</sup> - 10AM - 12PM; 4PM - 6PM

Drop in and dig in as we kick off our Plant a Seed, Read Summer Reading Program Theme! Explore hands-on seed stations, discover how seeds grow, examine different varieties, and try simple, interactive activities at your own pace. It's the perfect way to plant the seeds for a summer full of reading and discovery!





## PLANT A SEED, READ BINGO!

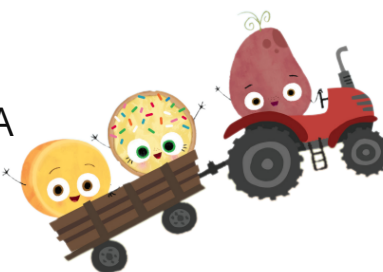
∟ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10<sup>th</sup> - 11AM & 6PM

Plant a Seed, Read... and get ready to yell BINGO! This special BINGO game uses pictures instead of numbers, so even our youngest players can participate. **Registration Required.**

## TOUCH A TRUCK

∟ THURSDAY, JUNE 11<sup>th</sup> - 10AM - 12PM

Stop by the library from 10am - 12PM for a Touch A Truck event! Come see all of the cool vehicles and pick up your Summer Reading Program packet while you are here! No registration required!



## COMMUNITY RESOURCE EXPO

∟ THURSDAY, JUNE 11<sup>th</sup> - 10AM - 1PM

While you are here for Touch A Truck, come on into the library and learn about different resources available in our community!

## COOL BEAN MOSAIC

∟ FRIDAY, JUNE 12<sup>th</sup> - 10AM - 5PM

Register to pick up a cool bean mosaic take home craft!



SUMMER READING KICK OFF

FINISHERS PARTY

## SUMMER READING FINISHERS PARTY

∟ SATURDAY, AUGUST 8<sup>th</sup> - 10AM - 12PM

Let's wrap up our Summer Reading Program together! Join us for full open gym, rock climbing, games and snacks at Rivers Edge Recreation Center.

1151 W Locust St, Belvidere, IL 61008

Please note: Parent or Guardian must stay with their children. Signed waivers are required to use the rock climbing wall.



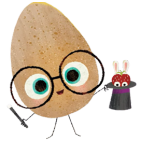
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## GROW YOUR SUMMER SAFETY SKILLS

↘ MONDAY, JUNE 15<sup>th</sup> - 5:30PM

Build confidence together at Grow Your Summer Safety and Self-Defense Skills for Families, presented by Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling, on Monday, June 15 at 5:30 PM. This free program invites families to learn safe, age-appropriate self-defense techniques in a supportive, group setting. **Registration Required.**

## COOL DOWN WITH THE DOGS



↘ MONDAY, JUNE 22<sup>nd</sup> - 11AM - 1PM & JULY 20<sup>th</sup> - 2PM - 4PM

Our favorite therapy dog teams are back! Drop by the lower level meeting room to visit with the Forest City Therapy Dog teams, read a book, color, play a game or just relax in the air conditioning! No registration required.

## ROOTS, READERS, AND REAL FOOD

↘ TUESDAY, JUNE 16<sup>TH</sup> - 6:00 PM

We are excited to bring Farmers Rising to the library with our Roots, Readers, and Real Food program. Come compare and contrast farmers VS. food factories with us in this library food lab with the experts from Farmers Rising! **Registration Required.**

## TREE DETECTIVES



↘ TUESDAY, JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> - 10AM

Join us for a guided tree hike through Spencer Conservation Area as we explore the many different tree species that make up the area! Hikers will learn about trees from the Boone County Conservation District experts. **Registration Required.**

## KIDS WITH KIDS FARM TOUR

↘ FRIDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> - 10-12PM

Get ready to explore a real farm with us at Kids with Kids! Ida Public Library patrons are invited to visit Farmer's Rising for a farm tour to play with farm kids (goats), see organic crops being grown, and more. Farm open house from 10am - 11:30am and optional bring-your-own sack lunch to enjoy from 11:30 - 12pm. A parent or guardian must be present during the duration of the program. Farmers Rising is located at 1936 Rockton Rd in Caledonia IL. **Registration Required.**



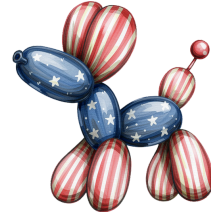
# CELEBRATE AMERICA'S 250TH BIRTHDAY

Celebrate 250 years of the United States Declaration of Independence with drop-in activities at the library all week long from July 1st - July 8th! Check out the specific programs below as well.

## AMERICA'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

∨ WEDNESDAY, JULY 1<sup>st</sup> - 1:30PM - 4:30PM

Come in and celebrate America's birthday! Pick up your own America 250 goodie bag, craft, color, try a practice citizenship test, and more! Create a Patriotic Quilt Square. No registration required.

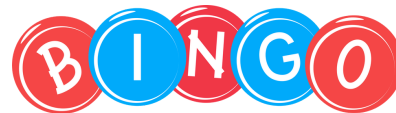


## BELVIDERE'S HERO MOVIE SHOWING

∨ MONDAY, JULY 6<sup>th</sup> - 5PM - 6PM

Stop by for a showing of the only movie about our humble town, Belvidere's Hero! This 1926 silent movie was produced by the Belvidere Daily Republican and was cast entirely by Belvidere residents. Hilarity ensues when Mr. Henpeck expects to be taking care of a "Baby Ethel" while her parents are gone but is greeted with a grown woman at the train. Stop in to see how Mr. Henpeck reacts...and how his wife reacts.

## US LANDMARKS BINGO



∨ TUESDAY, JULY 7<sup>th</sup> - 1PM SESSION & 2PM SESSION

Register for U.S. Landmarks Bingo! Bingo winners will have their pick from a treasure trove of America's 250 themed prizes. This BINGO game will be perfect for the whole family so pick a time slot and **register** today!

## BILINGUAL BINGO/BINGO EN ESPAÑOL

∨ THURSDAY, AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup> - 6PM

Join us for a Back-to-school themed Spanish Bingo! Instead of numbers it will be pictures. This program will be in Spanish. **Registration Required.** ¡Acompáñenos a jugar Bingo en Español con temática de regreso a clases! En lugar de números abra imágenes. Este programa será en Español.

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

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## SEEDS & SCENES PHOTO CONTEST



∨ **SUBMISSION DEADLINE - JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>**

Celebrate the beauty of agriculture and the magic of growth in our all-ages photography contest! Participants are invited to submit creative, eye-catching photos featuring crops, gardens, farming scenes, planting, or the process of growth.

We are looking for original, unedited photographs only. No filters, AI-generated images, or photos including people so nature can shine on its own!

Submissions will be accepted July 20–25, with online voting beginning Monday, July 27. Entries will be divided into Youth, Tween/Teen, and Adult categories, and winners will be announced on Tuesday, August 4. Whether it's a close-up of a sprouting seedling or a wide view of a thriving field, we invite you to capture and share the story of growth through your lens.

## JOURNAL DECORATING



∨ **MONDAY, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup> - 3PM - 7PM**

You are invited to our Open House Journal Decorating! All materials will be provided for you to decorate a journal for school!

## PAWS & PAUSE



∨ **MONDAY, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup> - 5PM - 7PM**

Getting back into a school routine can be ruff - join us for a relaxing evening with the Therapy Dog Teams from Forest City Dog Training, read a book, and get ready for a great school year!

## HAIR FLAIR



∨ **MONDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> - 6PM**

Welcome to Hair Flair! Learn fun, trendy, and expressive hairstyling techniques hands-on in this step by step program. Participants should bring a hairbrush and their child to practice on. **Registration Required.**

## STORY SPROUTS

∨ **WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM**



Join us on Wednesday mornings on the lower level in the meeting room for Story Sprouts! This weekly program is perfect for your preschool-aged reader to engage in stories, activities, and crafts! **Registration Required.**

## TINY TALES & OPEN PLAY

∨ **THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM**

On the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, join us for Open Play and on the 2nd & 4th Thursday, for Tiny Tales! Designed for babies, toddlers and their caregiver(s) this is an opportunity for Ida's tiniest readers to socialize and engage in early literacy! **Registration Required.**



## TINY TROWEL TIME

∨ **THURSDAY, JULY 23<sup>RD</sup> AT 10:30AM**

In lieu of Tiny Tales this week, join us for a special story-time where we'll read a garden-themed story and then dive into hands-on discovery stations full of sensory play all about planting and seeds. Little ones can explore, touch, and experiment as they learn how seeds grow, what plants need to thrive, and how they can start their very own garden.

**Registration Required.**



## GARDENING WITH THE WINNEBAGO-BOONE FARM BUREAU

∨ **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup> AT 10:30AM : GARDENING**  
**FRIDAY, JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> AT 10:30AM : WORMS**

We are excited to welcome the Winnebago-Boone Farm Bureau for two special storytimes geared towards youth K-5th grade! Join us for a story and hands-on exploration. **Registration Required.**



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# STORYTIMES IN THE GARDEN

↘ WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> - 10:30AM  
 WEDNESDAY, JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> - 10:30AM



Storytime in the Garden invites families to begin with garden-themed read-alouds inside our meeting room, then head outside to Ida Public Library's community garden for fun, interactive activities with Gardener Pam. **Registration is required for both sessions.**

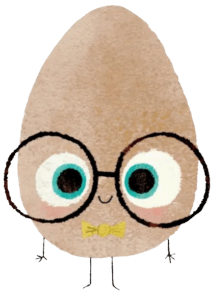
# THE BAD SEED STORYTIME

↘ TUESDAY, JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> - 5:30PM



Come grow with us as we join The Bad Seed and discover how even the "bad" seeds can grow and change! We'll read the story, talk about growth mindset and then do a craft. **Registration Required.**

# THE GOOD EGG STORYTIME



↘ TUESDAY, AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup> - 2:30PM

Come along and follow The Good Egg's journey! We'll read Jory John's second book, The Good Egg, explore his experience with big feelings, and create a craft thoughtfully adapted for both younger and older storytime friends. **Registration Required.**

# POPSICLES & PLAYTIME

↘ WEDNESDAY, JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10:30AM - 11:30AM



In lieu of Story Sprouts Storytime this week, join us for Popsicles and Playtime on our lawn. We will have bubbles, music and games to play with your friends! **Registration** is encouraged so we can notify you of cancellations due to weather.

# YOUTH PAINT AND SIP

↘ MONDAY, JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> FROM 1PM - 2PM



Join us for a fun and creative Paint & Sip program designed for kids ages 8-12! Participants will get to paint adorable farm animal scenes while enjoying a tasty "dirty soda" treat. It's the perfect mix of art, relaxation, and a little fizzy fun—no experience needed, just bring your imagination!

**Registration required.**

# SEED PAPER MAKING

↘ MONDAY, JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> - 3PM

Get ready to get creative! The University of Illinois Extension Office is coming to show us how to make our very own seed paper! This fun, hands-on activity is perfect for youth ages 8 and up due to the materials used. **Registration Required.**

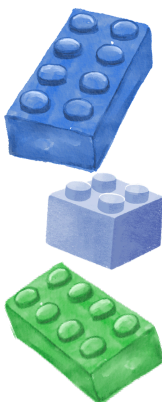


YOUTH PROGRAMS

# FREE BUILD FRIDAY

↘ 1ST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 11AM - 12:30PM

Join us for Free Build Friday on the lower level of the library. Come free build with LEGO bricks with us!



# BUILDER'S CLUB

↘ JUNE 17TH, JULY 8TH, AUGUST 12TH - 3:30PM

Join Ida's Builder's Club where you can show off your creativity by building with LEGOs and Keva Planks! We will have different challenges, themes, and contests along the way in this once-a-month Builders Club! **Registration Required.**

# CLUB NEXT

↘ 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Join us for Club Next! We will have different games, crafting materials, Nintendo Switch, and activities for you to do while you hang out at the library! Each month we have a different theme! June: Pokemon, July: Under the Sea, August: Space



# TAKE HOME KITS

↘ JUNE, JULY & AUGUST

Register for our wide variety of take home kits!

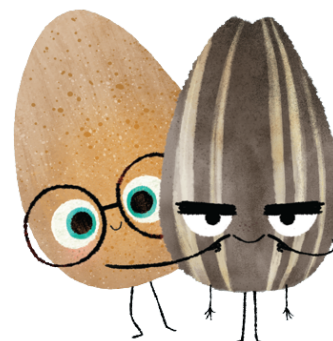
Father's Day Take Home Kit

250<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary of the U.S. Declaration of Independence Kit

County Fair

Jory John: The Bad Seed

Jory John: The Good Egg



## **TEEN PAINT AND SIP**

↘ **MONDAY, JULY 6TH FROM 2:30PM - 3:30PM**

Join us for a fun and creative Paint & Sip program designed for teens ages 13- 16! Participants will get to paint adorable farm animal scenes while enjoying a tasty “dirty soda” treat. It’s the perfect mix of art, relaxation, and a little fizzy fun—no experience needed, just bring your imagination!



**Registration Required.**

## **CREATE & CHILL TEEN TAKE HOME KITS**

↘ **ALL SUMMER LONG**

We know how busy teens can be so we’ve got some Create & Chill Take Home Kits just for you! Register to pick up a kit with all the materials you will need to do a craft at home.

### **PAINT YOUR OWN BOOKMARK**

↘ **JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup> - 13<sup>TH</sup>**

Create your own unique bookmark this summer!

**Registration Required.**



### **DESIGN A FIREWORK KEYCHAIN**

↘ **JULY 13<sup>TH</sup> - 18<sup>TH</sup>**

Celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of America with this firework take home kit. **Registration Required.**

### **BACK TO SCHOOL PICTURE FRAME**

↘ **AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup>**

Frame a summer memory for your locker with this back to school picture frame! **Registration Required.**



## **SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

↘ **JUNE > AUGUST**

Don’t forget to participate in our Summer Reading Program! We have prize categories just for Teens! Pick up your Summer Reading Program Challenge slips starting June 8<sup>th</sup> to get started.

**REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS AT [IDAPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG](http://IDAPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG)**

# YOUNG ADULT TAKE HOME CRAFT KITS

∨ **SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH**

We know how busy you are so this summer we will be featuring take-home craft kits to encourage your creativity and reduce your stress levels. A different kit will be offered the second week of each month for patrons ages 17 - 21. You just register, pick up the kit, and have fun crafting. Kits can be picked up at the upper level circulation desk. **Registration Required.**

**June 8: Decorate your own Wooden Plant Marker**

**July 13: Air Dry Clay Plants/Flowers with paint**

**August 10: Bottlecap Floral Magnets**



## UPCYCLED PLANTERS

∨ **THURSDAY, JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup> - 6PM**

Come join us to make eco-friendly upcycled planters from cans and bottles! We will provide the recyclable containers and supplies to decorate, and then you can come and create a planter to hold and show off your beautiful plants! We will be meeting June 11, at 6:00PM in the meeting room downstairs. Ages 17-21. **Registration required.**

## PAINT & SIP

∨ **THURSDAY, JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> - 6PM**



Join us for a fun and creative Paint & Sip program. Participants will get to paint adorable farm animal scenes while enjoying a tasty “dirty soda” treat. It’s the perfect mix of art, relaxation, and a little fizzy fun—no experience needed, just bring your imagination! **Registration Required.**

## DECORATIVE STEPPING STONE

∨ **THURSDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>TH</sup> - 6PM**

Come into the library to make your very own decorative stepping stone and create a beautiful decoration that compliments plants in your garden or pathway! Show off your DIY skills and watch as the concrete you poured solidifies around the pattern you made! We will meet downstairs in the meeting room August 13, at 6:00PM. Ages 17-21. **Registration required.**

## BYOB CLUB

↘ **LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH - 3PM**

Read whatever you like in this fun, social club. Then, join us every month on the Last Monday at 3 PM to discuss your favorite reads. It's a great way to build your reading list! **Registration Required.**



## MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

↘ **LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH - 10:30AM**

Do you love a good mystery? Each month we will meet to give our thoughts and choose next month's read. Books will be available to check out at the upper level circulation desk. **Registration Required.**

## SCI-FI / FANTASY BOOK CLUB

↘ **JUNE 29TH, JULY 27TH, AUGUST 31ST - 6:30PM**

Escape into another world with us as we discuss a different Sci-Fi/Fantasy novel. Whether or not that world is any better than our own is for you to decide. Books will be available to check out at the upper level circulation desk. **Registration Required.**



## TRUE CRIME BOOK CLUB

↘ **3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH - 6PM**

Are you a True Crime junkie? If so, join our book club! Every month we will get together to discuss a True Crime book & share our thoughts on the case! Books will be available to check out at the upper level circulation desk. **Registration Required.**



## IDA AFTER DARK

↘ **2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH - 6PM**

For those who love a romance with a little spice, this one's for you! Every month we will be reading a new romance book and discussing the good, the bad, the spice, and everything in between. Copies will be available upstairs at our circulation desk. This book club is 18+ and **Registration Required.**



**PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS**

## ADULT TAKE HOME CRAFTS

↘ AVAILABLE THE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH

We know how busy the summer can get! **Register** for a take home kit that you can pick up at the library and do at home whenever works best for you! All the materials to do the project are provided. **June:** Decoupage Garden Rocks, **July:** Flower Frogs **August:** DIY Mini Flower Basket



## TAKE HOME CRAFT KITS FOR SENIORS

↘ AVAILABLE ON THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH

**Register** for a take home kit that you can pick up at the library and do at home whenever works best for you! These kits are specifically for seniors ages 55+. All the materials to do the project are provided. **June:** Hanging Birds, **July:** Popsicle Stick Flags, **August:** Seashell Crabs

## STRING THING

↘ LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH - 6PM - 7:30PM

It's a STRING THING hangout! Attention all string addicts-bring your latest string projects and hang out with other string addicts once a month to work on them and chat. Knitting, crocheting, quilting, embroidery, macrame or whatever your string thing is, you are sure to find like-minded stringers to socialize with. Registration recommended, The last Wednesday of the month



## ADULT CRAFT NIGHTS

↘ FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH - 6PM

Join us for craft nights for adults only at Ida Public Library! Registration is Required so sign up today! **June 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Garden Book Bricks, **July 7<sup>th</sup>:** Tea Cup Fairy Gardens, **August 4<sup>th</sup>:** Beaded Plants

## CHAIR EXERCISE

↘ TUESDAYS - 10AM; THURSDAYS - 3PM

Let's get moving together! This workout session is perfect for individuals of all different ages, stages, and physical ability. The stretching and breathing in these yoga inspired moves will help increase flexibility, mobility, and calming of the mind. **Registration Required.** We will NOT meet on June 9<sup>th</sup> or June 11<sup>th</sup>.



## GROW YOUR SUMMER SAFETY & SELF DEFENSE SKILLS

↘ MONDAY, JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup> - 5:30PM

Build confidence and learn practical strategies at Grow Your Summer Safety and Self-Defense Skills, presented by Rockford Sexual Assault Counseling, on Monday, June 29 at 5:30 PM. This free program for adults will cover helpful tips and practical techniques to protect yourself.

**Registration Required.**

## AMERICA'S 250 CEMETERY SCAVENGER HUNT

↘ PICK UP: JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> - 20<sup>TH</sup> WINNERS ANNOUNCED JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>

Tour Boone County's Cemeteries for Revolutionary Veterans, "True Daughters" of the Revolution, and more! Earn points as you complete scavenger hunt tasks. Score 20 points or more to enter a drawing for an Amazon Gift Card! Scavenger hunts will also be available at America's Birthday Party.

## AMERICA'S 250 TRIVIA

↘ JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> - JULY 31<sup>ST</sup>

Test your knowledge for America's Birthday. Answer one question from every decade of US history. Find out how much you really know about your country!



## FLAVOR BOMBS & COMPOUND BUTTERS

↘ WEDNESDAY, JULY 15<sup>TH</sup> - 6PM

Flavor Bombs and Compound Butters - Unleash a symphony of flavors in your cooking with this program! Discover how to effortlessly infuse dishes with explosive taste using basic ingredients and minimal expertise. Whether as pastes or butters, these flavor bombs, crafted from fresh and dried herbs, are your secret weapon for enhancing and preserving culinary delights. Elevate your kitchen prowess with this easy-to-master technique.

Recipes and samples will be included. **Registration Required.**



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# U OF I EXTENSION PROGRAMS AT IDA

## MAKING JAMS AND JELLIES AT HOME

∟ MONDAY, JUNE 1 - 6PM

Join a free, step-by-step webinar watch party on making jams and jellies at home. Learn the basics of safely preserving flavorful spreads using fruit, sugar, pectin, and simple kitchen tools, including how to balance ingredients for a proper set. The event also features on-site dial-gauge pressure canner lid testing. **Registration required.**



## CANNING FOODS AT HOME

∟ MONDAY, JULY 20 - 6PM

Learn the essentials of safely preserving foods at home during this expert-led webinar watch party hosted by the Illinois Extension Office. Participants will gain step-by-step guidance on pressure canning using dial gauge canners, including safe food preservation practices, equipment use, and processing techniques. Dial gauge pressure canner testing will also be available to help ensure your equipment is operating accurately and safely. **Registration Required.**

## DEHYDRATING FOODS AT HOME

∟ MONDAY, AUGUST 24 - 6PM

Join the Illinois Extension Office for an expert-led webinar watch party on safely dehydrating foods at home. Learn the basics of food dehydration, including recommended methods, proper storage, and tips for preserving fruits, vegetables, herbs, and more. **Registration Required.**

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

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# ONGOING SERVICES

## IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKMOBILE

### LOTS OF NEW, FUN THINGS HAPPENING!



The Ida Public Library's Bookmobile is an on-the-go extension of the library! Check out materials and check off one of your summer reading challenges for our Summer Reading Program!

You can also return items from the library to the Bookmobile and vice versa! Don't have a library card? No problem. They can get you one right there on the bus!

This summer we will have take home crafts and a scavenger hunt so be sure to stop by!

## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Be sure to follow the Ida Bookmobile on Facebook or visit our website for the most up-to-date calendar and locations! Anytime you see us out, we are open!

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## IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY CARDS

Ida Public Library is funded through city property tax dollars. Illinois is a Reciprocal Borrowing state, which means that library card holders from one public library may use their cards in any public library within the state of Illinois. This does not include college or university libraries. For more information visit <https://idapubliclibrary.org/using-the-library/library-card/>

## WE DO LICENSE PLATE STICKER RENEWALS!

You can renew your Illinois License Plate sticker right here in our library during our normal business hours. Read a book or magazine, browse, or sit and relax in the quiet while you wait! There will be an additional fee of \$9.50 applied. A portion of this fee will go to support the library.



# ONGOING SERVICES

## I.T. HELP BY APPOINTMENT

Do you need personalized help filling out your information on a website? Do you have a major problem with your laptop or electronic device? Call to schedule an appointment with Tim at 815-544-3838.

## LOCAL HISTORY SERVICES

Ida's Local History Specialist provides several specialty services for all patrons. Looking for an old obituary? Wondering who lived in your house once upon a time? Do you have old photos that need to be digitized? Ever wonder "What does Belvidere even mean?" Call to make a research request or schedule an appointment to learn how to navigate the history and genealogy research tools available at the library. Research request forms are also available on our website or in paper above our obituary collection.

## NOTARY SERVICES

We offer notary service by appointment. There is a fee of \$3 for the first page, and \$1 per additional page. Please call the library to schedule an appointment. Valid photo ID is required.

## PLAYAWAYS & TRANSMITTERS FOR CHECK OUT

Playaways are pre-loaded audiobooks that do not need internet or Wi-Fi to listen to! They also have a universal headphone jack. If you don't have ear buds we can offer you some at checkout. We also have transmitters for check out which allow you to listen to the Playaway through your hearing aids if you have them!

Stop by the Adult Circulation Desk on the 2nd floor or stop by our Bookmobile to check one out today!



## JOIN THE FRIENDS OF IDA PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Friends of Ida Public Library invite you to join them as they conduct fundraisers, book sales, and more to help benefit Ida Public Library and its patrons! Members also get first access at the book sales hosted by the Friends. An Individual Membership is \$10 & a Family Membership is \$15. Additional memberships available. Feel free to visit their Facebook Page at Friends of Ida or [idapubliclibrary.org/friends-of-the-library/](http://idapubliclibrary.org/friends-of-the-library/) for more information!

# INFORMATIONAL

## YOUR LIBRARY AT HOME

Explore thousands of audiobooks, eBooks, e-comics, and streaming movies FREE with your Ida Public Library card! Hoopla, Libby all have apps that are perfect for a tablet or mobile device! Download the app, enter your library



card information and you are set!



## LIBRARY CLOSURES JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup> & JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

We may open late, or have unexpected closures on select dates, for staff trainings or inclement weather. Please see our Facebook page, Instagram pages or call for upcoming closures and current hours.

## LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS JUNE 23, JULY 28, AUGUST 25

Meetings take place on the 4th Tuesday of the Month at 6PM. Meetings are open to the public. If you would like to make a comment, please contact the library director by calling the library or emailing [mindyl@idapubliclibrary.org](mailto:mindyl@idapubliclibrary.org).

## BLESSING BOX

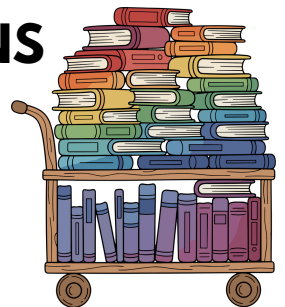
Ida Public Library has a blessing box located in front of the building, off of North State Street. If you are in need of toiletries or non-perishable food items, you are welcome to visit it. If you would like to donate to it, you are welcome to do that also!

## PHOTOGRAPHY NOTICE

Library staff may take photos or videos during events to share on library social media. If you do not wish to be photographed, please let staff know before the event.

## BOOK DONATIONS

We are accepting book donations for our Friends Book Sale!



## ACCOMMODATIONS

Any person needing an accommodation for a disability in order to access the benefits of the library's services, programs, or activities under the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the library staff.