

# ECKHART PUBLIC LIBRARY

## SUMMER READ

May 26-July 15, 2017, Around the Eckhart Public Library Campus

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### What is Eckhart Summer Read?

Eckhart Summer Read is a chance for you to discover and enjoy what Eckhart Public Library has to offer!

Read & Research—Earn Prizes! No matter what age you are, you can earn prizes and chances for grand prizes just by reading! Any book, audiobook, magazine, e-book, graphic novel, or manga is eligible. In addition,

the Willennar Genealogy Center offers prizes for researchers using the collection and resources to research genealogy and local history.

Categories are: Children (Birth-5th grade), Teen (Grades 6-12), Adult (18 and older), and Genealogy (all ages welcome).

Events, Classes, & Activities! Eckhart Public Library also offers a wide variety of events, programs, classes, activities, and more for you to attend. We have a lot of fun things planned for people of all ages and interests! You do not need a library card to attend any activities at Eckhart Public Library. All events are free!

Vote on a Community Prize! This year, we want to try something new—we want YOU to help us decide what new item to add to our collection! Each time you visit us, you'll have the opportunity to vote on either a collapsible wagon (available for check-out), a bicycle (available for check-

out), or an outdoor movie screen so EPL can host movie nights in the park!

**How can I participate?** Sign-up begins May 26 at any public desk on the Eckhart Public Library campus. Then you can receive your first tally sheet. Track your reading and visit us again beginning June 2 to receive your incentives.

**Eckhart Public Library will be offering a fine amnesty program during Eckhart Summer Read. If you have library fines, you can read them away! Talk to library staff for more information.**

## Grand Prizes by Category

### Children (Birth-5<sup>th</sup> Grade):

- LEGO Set
- Architecture Kit
- Fort Wayne Children's Zoo One Year Family Pass
- MEGA Blocks Table and Blocks
- American Girl Set
- Kindle Fire Tablet
- **Tool Set and Belt**

### Teen (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade):

- Guardians of the Galaxy LEGO Set
- Kindle Fire Tablet
- Art Set
- Movie & Pizza Gift Cards
- Window Garden and Seeds

### Adult:

- LEGO Architecture Set
- Kindle Fire Tablet
- Dinner and a Movie
- Home Depot Gift Card

### Genealogy

- 1980's Time Capsule
- Puzzle with Mat
- Kindle Fire Tablet

### Community Prizes to Vote On:

- Collapsible Wagon available for check out
- Bicycle available for check out
- Outdoor movie screen used to show movies in the Library Park



**Events are free, and you do not need a library card to participate. Programs marked with an asterisk (\*) require registration. To register, contact the Information Desk at 925-2414 ext. 120 or reference@epl.lib.in.us.**

## **ALL SUMMER**

**Book Walk:** Eckhart Public Library's Summer Read activities are building a better world. EPL librarians are again partnering with the Auburn Parks Department to offer a fun way for families to get out and enjoy their world. Starting June 3, Eckhart Park (located at the south end of Cedar Street) will host EPL's second Book Walk! Laminated pages from Mac Barnett's *Telephone* are displayed along the path. Each sign encourages readers to act out the story as they walk to the next page.

## **JUNE**

### **Literary Pub Trivia:**

*Date and Location TBA*

Test your knowledge of books and authors while enjoying some delicious local food and beer. Adults 21 and over can register in teams of 2-6 players for a chance to win prizes including gift cards and books. Teams can register at Eckhart Public Library by calling 260-925-2414 ext. 120 or emailing reference@epl.lib.in.us. This is one night the librarian won't help you find the answer!

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 1**

### **Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs – Indiana Wild:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Join us on Thursdays at 10:15 for our Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs. All ages are welcome. Shortly after the program, lunch will be served free for children and at a small cost for adults in partnership with the Summer Food Service Program.

### **Kids in the Kitchen:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

During each hands-on session this summer we'll explore the wonderful world of food and cooking. We will create and eat a variety of dishes.

### **Knifty Knitters – Knit a Better World\*:**

*6-7:45 p.m., Main Library*

So many charitable organizations accept knitted donations. Learn how to give back by knitting. Beginning and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome. Struggling with a problem pattern? Help is available.

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 2**

#### **Magic: The Gathering at Teen:**

*3-7 p.m., Teen Library*

Magic: The Gathering enthusiasts in grades 6-12 can join us to play every Friday afternoon.

#### **Ice Cream Social Kick Off:**

*4:30-6:30 p.m., Library Park*

Kick off Eckhart Summer Read with our annual Ice Cream Social Kick-Off! Come enjoy tasty ice cream and toppings, participate in fun activities, and, of course, celebrate the beginning of Eckhart Summer Read!

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 3**

#### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

*10 a.m.-5 p.m., Secret Garden*

Join us each week this summer in our Play & Connect Construction Zone. Eckhart Public Library's Play & Connect times are designed for children to interact with each other and engage in age-appropriate activities while adults supervise and socialize. Schedule a play date with your regular circle or expand your social network. You are welcome to come and go any time.

#### **Library Day at Skatin' Station**

*12-3 p.m., 544 W. North Street, Auburn, Indiana*

Skatin' Station will be offering free admission when you show your library card! Skate rental is not included. Call (260) 925-2235 with any questions.

## **MONDAY, JUNE 5—FRIDAY, JUNE 9**

### **Time Travelers History Camp:**

*1-3 p.m., Close Community Room*

Time Travelers will be discovering the 1980s with Ryan Lengacher. Join Ryan to learn what was going on in national and local history during the 1980s. There will be games, activities, and fun! We will meet every day June 5th through June 9th at 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM in the Close Community Room. Register by calling 260-925-2414 ext. 120 Or by emailing [reference@epl.lib.in.us](mailto:reference@epl.lib.in.us).

## **MONDAY, JUNE 5**

### **Preschool Music and Movement:**

*10:15-10:45 a.m., Close Community Room*

We will use movement to build our muscles, build rhythms and build friendships.

### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

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### **Neon Flix Tween/Teen Movie Club:**

*5-7 p.m., Teen Library*

This teen group writes, directs, and acts in original films, short stories and YouTube videos. New members are always welcome.

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 6**

### **Wee Reads – Build a Better World:**

*10:15-10:35 a.m., Secret Garden*

This drop-in storytime is designed for children age birth to 2 years and their families. No registration required!

**Pokémon Club for Tweens/Teens:**

*12-3 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 are invited to bring their cards every week and battle. Players go home with all of their cards, as trading is not encouraged.

**Books & Beyond Book Group:**

*1-1:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

Call out to all children entering 3rd & 4th grade who want to have fun this summer! Come join EPL's new book group. We will meet on Tuesday afternoons this summer to discuss great books. You won't want to miss the action this summer, stop in to find out what we are all about. No registration required.

**Yak, Snack, & Read Book Group:**

*2:30-3:15 p.m., Secret Garden*

Calling all children entering 5th grade who want to be part of something bigger—join our summer book group! You will have the opportunity to share with others what you like to read, as well as offer ideas and suggestions for our book group. This is no *ordinary* book group; join us whenever it meets your schedule! No registration required.

**Tween/Teen Gardening:**

*3-4 p.m., Teen Library*

Teens in grades 6-12 can join us to water plants, do some weeding, harvest produce, and create some snacks using fresh garden ingredients.

**Hypertufa Pots\*:**

*6-7:30 p.m., Library Park*

Make a unique decorative pot out of hypertufa to add beauty to your outdoor or indoor space. All materials will be provided.

Registration is required. Register by calling 260-925-2414 ext. 120 or emailing [reference@epl.lib.in.us](mailto:reference@epl.lib.in.us).

**Family Storytime:**

*6:30-7:15 p.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7****Family Storytime:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

**Meet a Librarian at the Park – Rieke Park:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Rieke Park, 1800 N. Indiana Ave.*

Meet a librarian at Rieke Park for stories, games, and building activities.

**Teens with Tools:**

*12-1:30 p.m., Teen Library*

Teens in grades 6-12 can join us to build a variety of items to be used around the Eckhart Public Library campus.

**Summer Pokémon Club:**

*2-3 p.m., Secret Garden*

Do you love Pokémon? Children in grades 1-5 are welcome, and do not need to bring cards to enjoy all of our Pokémon-related activities. However, you are welcome to bring your cards and battle other enthusiasts. Participants go home with all their cards. Trading is not encouraged.

**Creative Writing Group:**

*6:30-8 p.m., JHG Room*

All writers 18 and older are encouraged to attend. Group members share their writing and participate in writing exercises.

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 8**

### **Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs – Cup Stacking with Jim Merrills:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Join us on Thursdays at 10:15 for our Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs. All ages are welcome. Shortly after the program, lunch will be served free for children and at a small cost for adults in partnership with the Summer Food Service Program.

### **STEAM Challenge:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Secret Garden or Library Park*

During each hands-on session we'll explore the wonderful world of science, technology, and math. There will be reactions, explosions and fun for children through fifth grade.

### **Throwback Thursday:**

*3:30-4:30 p.m., Teen Library*

The Genealogy Staff will be joining the Teens every Thursday during the summer to see what new finds we have at the Genealogy Center. Pictures, documents, and other interesting items.

## **FRIDAY, JUNE 9**

### **Art in Action:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Library Park*

Children can join us this summer as we create artwork through the power of movement. We will stomp, walk, roll, and shake our way towards a masterpiece.

### **Magic: The Gathering at Teen:**

*3-7 p.m., Teen Library*

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## **SATURDAY, JUNE 10**

### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

*10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Secret Garden*

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Construction Zone. Eckhart Public Library's Play & Connect times are designed for children to interact with each other and engage in age-appropriate activities while adults supervise and socialize. Schedule a play date with your regular circle or expand your social network. You are welcome to come and go any time.

### **Tetris Day:**

*12-4 p.m., Close Community Room*

Help Eckhart Public Library celebrate all things Tetris: play the classic NES game, make a Tetris magnet, and enjoy Tetris snacks. From 1-3 pm, the documentary "The Ecstasy of Order: The Tetris Masters" will be shown.

## **MONDAY, JUNE 12**

### **Preschool Music and Movement:**

*10:15-10:45 a.m., Close Community Room*

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### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

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### **Pizza & Paperbacks:**

*5-6 p.m., Teen Library*

Students entering 6th-12th grade are invited to enjoy a slice of pizza while listening to Lois Lowry's 1994 Newbery winner *The Giver*.

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 13**

### **Wee Reads – Build a Better World:**

*10:15-10:35 a.m., Secret Garden*

This drop-in storytime is designed for children age birth to 2 years and their families. No registration required!

### **Pokémon Club for Tweens/Teens:**

*12-3 p.m., Teen Library*

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to bring their cards every week and battle. Players go home with all of their cards, as trading is not encouraged.

### **Books & Beyond Book Group:**

*1-1:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

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### **Yak, Snack, & Read Book Group:**

*2:30-3:15 p.m., Secret Garden*

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### **Tween/Teen Gardening:**

*3-4 p.m., Teen Library*

Teens in grades 6-12 can join us to water plants, do some weeding, harvest produce, and create some snacks using fresh garden ingredients.

**Family Storytime:**

*6:30-7:15 p.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14****Family Storytime:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

**Meet a Librarian at the Park – Don Lash Park:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Don Lash Park, 2005 Portage Pass*

Meet a librarian at Don Lash Park for stories, games, and building activities.

**Tweens/Teens with Tools:**

*12-1:30 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 can join us to build a variety of items to be used around the Eckhart Public Library campus.

**LEGO Club:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

We will be using LEGOs to build marble runs and mazes. Come show us how it is done! LEGO Club is for children in grades 1-5.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 15****Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs – Dumpster Drummers:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

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small cost for adults in partnership with the Summer Food Service Program.

**Kids in the Kitchen:**

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**Throwback Thursday:**

*3:30-4:30 p.m., Teen Library*

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**Sip and Create – Build a Better World\*:**

*6-8:30 p.m., Close Community Room*

Build a better world through art. Create a unique painting while enjoying some refreshing fruit juice. Registration is required. Register by calling 260-925-2414 ext. 120 or emailing [reference@epl.lib.in.us](mailto:reference@epl.lib.in.us).

**Knifty Knitters – Knit a Better World\*:**

*6-7:45 p.m., Main Library*

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**FRIDAY, JUNE 16**

**Art in Action:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Library Park*

Children can join us this summer as we create artwork through the power of movement. We will stomp, walk, roll, and shake our way towards a masterpiece.

### **Time Travelers – The '80s:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Willennar Genealogy Center*

We will continue to look at DeKalb County in the 1980s. We will look at what was in the news, have fun activities, and enjoy a snack.

### **Magic: The Gathering at Teen:**

*3-7 p.m., Teen Library*

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### **SATURDAY, JUNE 17**

#### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

*10 a.m.-5 p.m., Secret Garden*

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#### **Architecture of Auburn:**

*1:30-2:30 p.m., Willennar Genealogy Center*

Join John Bry, DeKalb County Historian, at the Willennar Genealogy Center as he talks about Auburn's architecture.

### **MONDAY, JUNE 19**

#### **Preschool Music and Movement:**

*10:15-10:45 a.m., Close Community Room*

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#### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

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**Neon Flix Tween/Teen Movie Club:**

*5-7 p.m., Teen Library*

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**TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

**Wee Reads – Build a Better World:**

*10:15-10:35 a.m., Secret Garden*

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**Pokémon Club for Tweens/Teens:**

*12-3 p.m., Teen Library*

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**Books & Beyond Book Group:**

*1-1:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

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**Yak, Snack, & Read Book Group:**

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**Family Storytime:**

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**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21****Family Storytime:**

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**Meet a Librarian at the Park – Eckhart Park:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Eckhart Park, 1500 S. Cedar St.*

Meet a librarian at Eckhart Park for stories, games, and building activities.

**Tweens/Teens with Tools:**

*12-1:30 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 can join us to build a variety of items to be used around the Eckhart Public Library campus.

**Turn a Page With Anni Book Club:**

*12-1 p.m., Close Community Room*

This adult book club will be discussing *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman. Pick up a copy of the book at the Information Desk.

**Summer Pokémon Club:**

*2-3 p.m., Secret Garden*

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**Creative Writing Group:**

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**THURSDAY, JUNE 22****Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs – Turtle Town Jump Roping:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

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**Throwback Thursday:**

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**Progressive Dinner:**

*5-7:30 p.m. All Across EPL Campus*

Venture across the EPL campus for a progressive dinner including appetizers, a main course, and dessert.



## **FRIDAY, JUNE 23**

### **Art in Action:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Library Park*

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### **Time Travelers – The '80s:**

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## **SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

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## **MONDAY, JUNE 26**

### **Preschool Music and Movement:**

*10:15-10:45 a.m., Close Community Room*

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### **Build a Better World: Take the Challenge**

*6-7:30 p.m., Close Community Room*

Families are invited to stop by EPL and take our building challenge!

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

#### **Wee Reads – Build a Better World:**

*10:15-10:35 a.m., Secret Garden*

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#### **Pokémon Club for Tweens/Teens:**

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**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**

**Family Storytime:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

**Meet a Librarian at the Park – Thomas Park:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Thomas Park, 720 N. Union St.*

Meet a librarian at Thomas Park for stories, games, and building activities.

**Tweens/Teens with Tools:**

*12-1:30 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 can join us to build a variety of items to be used around the Eckhart Public Library campus.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 29****Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs – Ronald McDonald:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Join us on Thursdays at 10:15 for our Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs. All ages are welcome. Shortly after the program, lunch will be served free for children and at a small cost for adults in partnership with the Summer Food Service Program.

**Throwback Thursday:**

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**FRIDAY, JUNE 30****Art in Action:**

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**Time Travelers – The '80s:**

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### **Magic: The Gathering at Teen:**

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### **MONDAY, JULY 3-TUESDAY, JULY 4**

**Library Closed** – Summer Maintenance and Independence Day: Eckhart Public Library will be closed for maintenance and to observe Independence Day on July 3-4. The library will reopen with regular hours on Wednesday, July 5.

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 5**

#### **Family Storytime:**

*10:15-11 a.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

#### **Meet a Librarian at the Park – Forrest Park:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Forrest Park, 1609 Park St.*

Meet a librarian at Forrest Park for stories, games, and building activities.

#### **Tweens/Teens with Tools:**

*12-1:30 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 can join us to build a variety of items to be used around the Eckhart Public Library campus.

#### **Summer Pokémon Club:**

*2-3 p.m., Secret Garden*

Do you love Pokémon? Children in grades 1-5 are welcome, and do not need to bring cards to enjoy all of our Pokémon-related activities. However, you are welcome to bring your cards and battle other enthusiasts. Participants go home with all their cards. Trading is not encouraged.

### **Creative Writing Group:**

*6:30-8 p.m., JHG Room*

All writers 18 and older are encouraged to attend. Group members share their writing and participate in writing exercises.

### **THURSDAY, JULY 6**

#### **Kids in the Kitchen:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

During each hands-on session this summer we'll explore the wonderful world of food and cooking. We will create and eat a variety of dishes.

#### **Throwback Thursday:**

*3:30-4:30 p.m., Teen Library*

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#### **Build a Luminary\*:**

*6-7:30 p.m., Close Community Room*

Build a better backyard space with an addition of homemade luminaries. All materials will be provided. Registration is required. Register by calling 260-925-2414 or emailing [reference@epl.lib.in.us](mailto:reference@epl.lib.in.us).

#### **Summer Food Program:**

*To be announced, Library Park*

Come have lunch at the library! Lunch will be served free for children and at a small cost for adults through the Summer Food Service Program.

## **Eckhart Summer Read Family Programs – Touch A Truck:**

*6-8 p.m., Rieke Park*

In partnership with the Auburn Parks Department.

## **Knifty Knitters – Knit a Better World\*:**

*6-7:45 p.m., Main Library*

So many charitable organizations accept knitted donations. Learn how to give back by knitting. Beginning and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome. Struggling with a problem pattern? Help is available.

## **FRIDAY, JULY 7**

### **Art in Action:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Library Park*

Children can join us this summer as we create artwork through the power of movement. We will stomp, walk, roll and shake our way towards a masterpiece.

### **Time Travelers – The '80s:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Willennar Genealogy Center*

We will continue to look at DeKalb County in the 1980s. We will look at what was in the news, have fun activities, and enjoy a snack.

### **Magic: The Gathering at Teen:**

*3-7 p.m., Teen Library*

Magic: The Gathering enthusiasts in grades 6-12 can join us to play every Friday afternoon.

## **SATURDAY, JULY 8**

### **Play & Connect Summer Construction Zone:**

*10 a.m.-5 p.m., Secret Garden*

Join us each week this summer in our Play & Connect Construction Zone. Eckhart Public Library's Play & Connect times are designed for children to interact with each other and engage in age-appropriate activities while adults supervise and socialize. Schedule a play date with your regular circle or expand your social network. You are

welcome to come and go any time.

**Settling DeKalb County:**

*2-3 p.m., Willennar Genealogy Center*

Join Chelsea Dant as she shares the life and times of some of our DeKalb County settlers and how they built up our county.

**MONDAY, JULY 10**

**Preschool Music and Movement:**

*10:15-10:45 a.m., Close Community Room*

We will use movement to build our muscles, build rhythms and build friendships.

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**Pizza & Paperbacks:**

*5-6 p.m., Teen Library*

Students entering 6th-12th grade are invited to enjoy a slice of pizza while listening to Lois Lowry's 1994 Newbery winner *The Giver*.

**TUESDAY, JULY 11**

**Wee Reads – Build a Better World:**

*10:15-10:35 a.m., Secret Garden*

This drop-in storytime is designed for children age birth to 2 years and their families. No registration required!



**Pokémon Club for Tweens/Teens:**

*12-3 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 are invited to bring their cards every week and battle. Players go home with all of their cards, as trading is not encouraged.

**Books & Beyond Book Group:**

*1-1:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

Call out to all children entering 3rd & 4th grade who want to have fun this summer! Come join EPL's new book group. We will meet on Tuesday afternoons this summer to discuss great books. You won't want to miss the action this summer—stop in to find out what we are all about. No registration required.

**Build a Beat:**

*2-2:30 p.m., Close Community Room*

Brought to Eckhart Public Library by Drum Circle Leader Bonnie Wood, Build a Beat is an interactive experience using drums and rhythm instruments to build a beat. Together we can build harmony. All ages are welcome!

**Yak, Snack, & Read Book Group:**

*2:30-3:15 p.m., Secret Garden*

Calling all children entering 5th grade who want to be part of something bigger—join our summer book group! You will have the opportunity to share with others what you like to read, as well as offer ideas and suggestions for our book group. This is no *ordinary* book group; join us whenever it meets your schedule! No registration required.

**Tween/Teen Gardening:**

*3-4 p.m., Teen Library*

People in grades 6-12 can join us to water plants, do some weeding, harvest produce, and create some snacks using fresh garden ingredients.

**Family Storytime:**

*6:30-7:15 p.m., Library Park*

Bring a blanket and join us on the library lawn for stories, activities, and fun! Family Storytime is designed to help your child reach his or her full potential through stories, games, crafts, and activities that encourage early literacy skills.

## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 12-SATURDAY, JULY 15**

### **The Friends of the Library Book Sale**

*Times Vary by Day, Willennar Administrative Annex*

The Friends of Eckhart Public Library, Inc. are generous supporters of the library and community's evolving needs. Their book sales help fund our future! There are some fantastic deals for books, movies, music, and more!

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 12**

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#### **Meet a Librarian at the Park – Smith Acres Park:**

*11 a.m.-12 p.m., Smith Acres Park, 800 S. Duesenberg Dr.*

Meet a librarian at Smith Acres for stories, games, and building activities.

#### **Tweens/Teens with Tools:**

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#### **LEGO Club:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Secret Garden*

Build a bridge out of LEGOs. You will be challenged to increase the span of your bridge, and see if it can withstand weight of various items. LEGO Club is for children in grades 1-5.

## **THURSDAY, JULY 13**

### **STEAM Challenge:**

*2-2:45 p.m., Secret Garden or Library Park*

During each hands-on session we'll explore the wonderful world of science, technology, and math. There will be reactions, explosions and fun for children through fifth grade.

### **Throwback Thursday:**

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## **SATURDAY, JULY 15**

### **Grand Finale:**

*12-2 p.m., Library Park*

Celebrate a successful Eckhart Summer Read with our grand finale! Hot dogs will be served by the Moose Family Center. We will have fun games and activities for all ages, as well as visits from our community partners.

## **Thank You to Summer Read 2016 Sponsors**

We are grateful for the faithful and generous support of our community and the hard work of our staff, volunteers, and partners that help make Eckhart Summer Read such a success each year!

Every contribution from our sponsors makes a difference. In 2016, for providing books and other incentives, offering financial support, or partnering with the library, Eckhart Public Library would like to thank: Air Products & Chemicals; Applebees; Artistic Carton Company; Auburn Arts Commission; Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum; Auburn Mobile Homes; Auburn Moose Family Center; Auburn Presbyterian Church; Bassett Office & Furniture Supplies; Before5; Brian's Automotive Center; Brown & Brown Insurance Agency, Inc.; DeKalb County Historian John Bry; City of Auburn Parks & Recreation Department; Cranberry Cottage & Ice Cream Parlor; DeKalb Central Schools; DeKalb County Fair Association; DeKalb Health; Peg and Andrew Dircksen; Donovan Insurance Services; Friends of the Eckhart Public Library; Fort Wayne Mad Ants; Fort Wayne TinCaps; Janelle and Steven Graber; Loraine Hartranft; Hefty Wealth Partners, Inc.; Jeremiah's Brewed Awakenings; Pat and Joe Kobiela; Kroger- Auburn; Patricia and David Kruse; Martha's Popcorn; McDonalds; Barb and Doug Morrow; Skatin' Station; Steel Dynamics, Inc.; Taylor Rental; Tempus Technologies; United Way of DeKalb County; Walmart Distribution Center #6074; and the YMCA of DeKalb County.

Requests to sponsor 2017 Eckhart Summer Read are being made. Thus far, The Friends of Eckhart Public Library, Inc. and Walmart Distribution Center #6074 have contributed. This list will grow and be updated throughout the summer.

You don't need a library card to participate in Eckhart Summer Read activities, but a library card is a great way to get connected to a wide variety of resources!

### ***So, what library card do you qualify for?***

*Do you live in our taxing district—the city limits of Auburn or Union Township?*

If so, you can get a library card at no cost!

*Do you live outside the taxing district?*

You can purchase a subscription! Students who live in the state of Indiana & are eligible to attend DeKalb Central Schools can buy a student card for just \$10 per student (maximum \$30 per family). Students who receive free or reduced lunch can buy a card for just \$5 per student. Adults outside our taxing district can purchase a one-year subscription for \$81.00.