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Summer 2012

10 Easy Ways to Find Your Next Favorite Book

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Newsletter of the Solano County Library, serving the cities of Fairfield, Rio Vista, Suisun, Vacaville, and Vallejo



Lifelong
Learning
Connections



FAIRFIELD CIVIC CENTER

Make an Owl Puppet
Wednesday, June 13 • 3:30pm

The Green Golly Project
Wednesday, June 20 • 3:30pm

Jeremy the Juggler
Wednesday, June 27 • 3:30pm

West African Drumming
Ben Ofori and the Bodac
Cultural Group
Wednesday, July 11 • 3:30pm

**The Fratello Marionettes:
The Frog Prince**
Wednesday, July 18 • 3:30pm

Sandi and Stevie's Insect Songs
Wednesday, July 25 • 3:30pm

**Xtreme Science Magic with
Don O'Brien**
Wednesday, August 1 • 3:30pm

Decorate a Telescope
Wednesday, August 8 • 3:30pm

FAIRFIELD CORDELIA

Music with Amy Liz
Tuesday, June 12 • 3:30pm

**Puppet Art Theater Presents
the Boy Who Cried Wolf**
Tuesday, June 19 • 3:30pm

Music with ZunZun
Tuesday, June 26 • 3:30pm

Owen Baker-Flynn
Tuesday, July 3 • 3:30pm

**Meet an Elephant Trainer
from Six Flags**
Tuesday, July 10 • 3:30pm

**Xtreme Science Magic with
Don O'Brien**
Tuesday, July 17 • 3:30pm

Wildlife with Six Flags
Tuesday, July 24 • 3:30pm

Magic Dan
Tuesday, July 31 • 3:30pm

**Ice Cream Party and Talent
Show**
Tuesday, August 7 • 3:30pm

JOHN F. KENNEDY, VALLEJO

**California Puppets presents
Gurumbom the Caveman**
Wednesday, June 13 • 10:30am

ZunZun Music-Go with the Flow
Tuesday, June 19 • 2:00pm

**Storyteller Willy Claflin &
Maynard the Moose**
Wednesday, June 20 • 10:30am

Magic Dan
Wednesday, June 27 • 10:30am

**Xtreme Science Magic with
Don O'Brien**
Wednesday, July 11 • 10:30am

Sandi & Stevie: Sealife Songs
Wednesday, July 18 • 10:30am

Music with Oklin Bloodworth
Wednesday, July 25 • 10:30am

Northern California Bats
Saturday, July 28 • 10:30am

Magician Gerald Joseph
Wednesday, August 1 • 10:30am

**Daffy Dave: Juggling, Jokes,
Magic & More**
Wednesday, August 8 • 10:30am

RIO VISTA

**Real Live Bees with Mount
Diablo Beekeepers**
Wednesday, June 6 • 3:00pm

Cowgirl Rope Tricks
Wednesday, June 13 • 3:00pm

**Magical Moonshine Theatre:
The Golden Armadillo**
Wednesday, June 20 • 3:00pm

**Live birds from
U.C. Davis Raptor Center**
Saturday, June 23 • 11:00am

**Make Silhouettes with
Maddy Kogler**
Wednesday, July 11 • 3:00pm

Yoga with Tammy Trujillo
Wednesday, July 18 • 3:00pm

Xtreme Science Magic
Thursday, July 19 • 3:00pm



Dream Big: Read!

*Reading, games, events and prizes
for kids 12 and younger
June 11 – August 11, 2012*

SUISUN CITY

ZunZun
Wednesday, June 20 • 10:30am

Daffy Dave
Wednesday, June 27 • 10:30am

**Don O'Brien's
Extreme Science Magic!**
Wednesday, July 11 • 1:30pm

**Images in Motion present
"What in the World"
Puppet Theater**
Wednesday, July 18 • 10:30am

Wildlife Associates
Wednesday, July 25 • 10:30am

Bingo Schmingo
Wednesday, August 1 at 10:30am

VACAVILLE CULTURAL CENTER

Owen Baker-Flynn
Wednesday, June 13 • 3:30pm

Willy Claflin & Maynard Moose
Wednesday, June 20 • 3:30pm

ZunZun Water Music
Wednesday, June 27 • 3:30pm

Insectaganza!
Wednesday, July 11 • 3:30pm

**Family Night --Outdoor
Concert with Juan L. Sanchez**
Thursday, July 12 • 7:00pm

California Puppets
Wednesday, July 18 • 3:30pm

**The Great Stuffed Animal
Sleepover**
Thursday, July 19 • 7:00pm

Insectaganza
Wednesday, July 25 • 3:00pm

Meet Live Bats
Saturday, July 28 • 3:00pm

Gerald Joseph
Wednesday, August 1 • 3:00pm

Make 'n' Take Crafts
Wednesday, August 8 • all day

SPRINGSTOWNE, VALLEJO

Magic Dan
Thursday, June 14 • 2:30pm

Jeremy the Juggler
Thursday, June 21 • 2:30pm

Busy Bee Dogs
Thursday, June 28 • 2:30pm

**Big Messy Art Day at the
Library**
Thursday, July 5 • 2:30pm

Wildlife Associates
Thursday, July 12 • 2:30pm

Jungle Joe's Puppet Show
Thursday, July 19 • 2:30pm

Oklin Bloodworth
Thursday, July 26 • 2:30pm

Water Fun at the Library
Thursday, August 2 • 2:30pm

Ice Cream Social
Thursday, August 9 • 2:30pm

the OWN NIGHT

*Reading, games, events and prizes
for teens*

June 11 – August 11, 2012

FAIRFIELD CIVIC CENTER

Guess the Monster Contest
June 11 through August 11

**Ukulele Workshop with
Izi Holokahi and the
Ukesperiment**
Tuesday, June 19 • 1:00-4:00pm

**Puppet Making Workshop
with Images in Motions
Puppet Company**
Tuesday June 26 • 3:00-5:00pm

Puppet Workshop
Tuesdays July 10, July 17, July
24 & July 31 • 3:00-4:30pm

Teen End of Summer Party
Thursday, August 9 • 1:00-3:00pm

FAIRFIELD CORDELIA

Humans vs. Zombies
Thursday, June 14 • 6:30-8:30pm

**Crime Scene Detection:
Fingerprint**
Thursday, June 21 • 3:00-5:00pm

**Solano County Coroners Share
the Gritty Details**
Thursday, June 28 • 3:00-4:00pm

**Free Movie Showing:
The Little Shop of Horrors**
Thursday, July 19 • 3:00-5:00pm

Glow Jars Craft
Thursday, July 26 • 3:00-4:00pm

**End of Summer Reading
Program Full Moon Party**
Thursday, August 2 • 6:30-8:30pm

JOHN F. KENNEDY

Ukulele Concert
Saturday, June 16 • 1:00pm

Dream Journaling Workshop
Tuesday, June 26 • 2:00-4:00pm

Vampires v. Werewolves Night
Monday, July 2 • 6:00-9:00pm

**Own the Night Crafts:
Franken Toys**
Thursday, July 19 • 2:00-4:00pm

Murder Mystery Night
Monday, August 13 • 5:00-9:00pm

RIO VISTA

*All summer, enter our contest
"What can you name in the night
sky?" Special Prizes.*

**Hawai'iian and Reggae Music
with Izi**
Thursday, June 7 • 11:00am

**Benjamin Ofori and
his African Drums**
Thursday, June 14 • 6:30pm

**Silhouettes with
Maddy Kogler**
Wednesday, June 27 • 3:00pm

Clay Day with Diane Kennedy
Saturday, July 7 • 1:00-4:00pm

SPRINGSTOWNE

**Teen Art Display:
Night Photography**
June 11-August 11

**Werewolves vs. Vampires
Kickoff Party**
Wednesday, June 13 • 2:00-3:00pm

Dream Journaling
Wednesday, August 8 • 2:00-3:00pm

SUISUN CITY

**Make Vampire & Other
Puppets with Lee Armstrong**
Tuesdays June 26, July 3, July
10 and July 17 • 3:00-5:00pm

Meet a Bounty Hunter
Tuesday, July 10 • 6:30pm

Meet a Private Investigator
Tuesday, July 17 • 6:30pm

Meet a Detective
Tuesday, July 24 • 6:30pm

**Get a Grip on Teen Anger
with Dr. Cornelia Gibson**
Tuesday, July 31 • 1:30pm

Murder Mystery Night
Tuesday, August 7 • 6:30pm

**Performance Night:
Poems, drums & dance**
Tuesday, August 14 • 6:30pm

VACAVILLE CULTURAL CENTER

Cupcake Decoration
Wednesday, June 13 • 3:00-4:30pm

Hunger Games Extravaganza
Thursday, July 12 • 6:30-8:00pm

Game Night Extravaganza
Monday, August 6 • 6:30-8:30pm

VACAVILLE TOWN SQUARE

**Rock 'n Roll Over Dead Murder
Mystery at the Library**
Friday, June 15 • 12:00-2:00pm

Snowball Fight in Shorts
Friday, July 13 • 2:00-4:00pm

**Art Poster: Display your summer
masterpieces**

**Volunteer
at Your
Library!**

Big Messy Art Day
Wednesday, July 25 • 10:30am

Bingo Schmingo
Wednesday, August 1 • 3:30pm

**Meteor Madness and the
Great Planetary Parade**
Wednesday, August 8 • 10:30am

VACAVILLE TOWN SQUARE

Summer Kick-off Party
Thursday, June 14 • 4:00pm

African Drumming
Thursday, June 21 • 4:00pm

Petting Zoo
Thursday, June 28 • 4:00pm

CHALK DAY!
Thursday, July 5 • 4:00pm

Mystery in the Library
Thursday, July 12 • 4:00pm

Stuffed Animal Sleepover
Thursday, July 12. Drop off by
4:00pm • Friday, July 13. Pick
up at 10:00am

Magic with Timothy James!
Thursday, July 19 at 4:00pm

ASTROWIZARD!
Thursday, July 26 at 4:00pm

Xtreme Science Magic
Thursday, August 2 • 4:00pm

Germar the Magician
Thursday, August 9 • 4:00pm



Top Ten Ways to Find Your Next Favorite Book

Conquer your fear of due dates and **download books to your Kindle or Nook**. No late fees ever – the books just evaporate on the day they are due.

Choose your news. Our Book News blasts tell you what's new each month in 15 different categories: DVDs, audio, non fiction, cookbooks, children's and more.

Read a chapter a day-- in your email. Get a taste of the week's pick in daily servings and start a new book every Monday.

Pick a peck of staff picks. You'll see displays in the library and recommendations on our website.

Join a gang. The gang at a library book club will stretch your reading beyond the usual suspects. Recommendations from friends mean a lot.



Crowd source. Is it five stars or a dud? Customer reviews are now part of the catalog. Read what others have to say and write a few reviews of your own.

Try the book-finder. Can't remember the title or the author but you know the book is about a dog, a family and race car driver? Type those into our Novelist book-finder and you'll get your answer. Like a book and want another just like it – that's in the book finder too.

Go mobile. With our website for mobile and our catalog app, it's easy to find the book you want from just about anywhere.

Are we there yet? Audio books can save your sanity on the family road trip. Check out CDs or download from home.

Ask us. We don't bite. Call us, email us or stop by to chat about your next favorite book. Recommending great reads is what we do.

Lifelong Learning Connections

Carmen Rodriguez breezes into the library carrying a beautiful orchid, a gift for her tutor, Linda Sikes. This is typical of Carmen, a petite woman who is hugely passionate about the Solano County Library's Adult Literacy Program. She gives back to those who have given her so much. Carmen, a learner in the program, has

met many goals since working with two tutors in four years. In addition to becoming a U.S. citizen, she speaks to many service clubs about the Library's literacy services. She currently volunteers as a learner advocate and literacy computer docent.

Carmen loves motivating people to help themselves and encourages them to take the first steps by connecting them with the library. As she puts it, "I am hungry to learn more.

I also want to help my community. I see so many people who can use the Library's services."

Linda Sikes, Carmen's tutor, is equally passionate about libraries and feels they have always been a big part of her life. She grew up surrounded by books. After retiring from social work, Linda realized she could continue serving the community by becoming a literacy tutor. Linda says, "This has been a joyful experience to be a part of someone's learning."



Carmen and Linda are examples of people connecting with one another through tutoring. Carmen expresses her thanks to the Library's literacy services "for matching her with her tutor, her friend."



**SOLANO
COUNTY
LIBRARY**

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Fairfield Civic Center Library

1150 Kentucky Street
Fairfield, CA 94533

Monday-Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: 1-5

Fairfield Cordelia Library

5050 Business Center Dr.
Fairfield, CA 94534

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: 1-5

Suisun City Library

601 Pintail Drive
Suisun City, CA 94585

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: Closed

Rio Vista Library

44 S. 2nd Street
Rio Vista, CA 94571

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: Closed

Vallejo-John F. Kennedy Library

505 Santa Clara Street
Vallejo, CA 94590

Monday & Wednesday: 10-9
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-6
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: 1-5

Vallejo- Springtowne Library

1003 Oakwood Avenue
Vallejo, CA 94591

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: Closed

Vacaville Public Library- Cultural Center

1020 Ulatis Drive
Vacaville, CA 95687

Monday-Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: 1-5

Vacaville Public Library- Town Square

1 Town Square Place
Vacaville, CA 95688

Monday & Wednesday: 10-6
Tuesday & Thursday: 10-9
Friday & Saturday: 10-5
Sunday: 1-5