

Plum Jam

October/November 2009

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TRICK-OR-TREAT!

All day in Youth Services

We can't wait to see who finds their way to the Library this year on Halloween. Kids who come in costume will receive a special treat!



Youth Services Program Guide

A note about programs...

DROP-IN EVENTS:

All are welcome!
No registration, ticket, or library card required!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

Present the child's valid **Plum Library Card** at Youth Services to register. Registration by phone accepted after the first day.

TICKETS REQUIRED:

Present a valid **Plum Library Card** at Youth Services for free tickets.

If available, free tickets will be offered to the general public beginning one week prior to the event.

Helen M. Plum Memorial Library
110 W. Maple Street
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Drop-in Events

New Moon Rising

For fans of Stephenie Meyer's Twilight Saga

Thursday, November 19

5:30-8:30 PM • 6 PM *Twilight* movie showing (PG13, 122 min.)

Will Bella have to choose between Jacob and Edward? The next installment of the *Twilight Saga* is coming to theaters on November 20th! Get ready for *New Moon* by watching *Twilight* again, and enjoying crafts and snacks while you count down the hours and minutes until showtime! We'll start crafts at 5:30, then dim the lights for the movie at 6 pm. Bring a friend and join us. Team Jacob and Team Edward are both welcome!

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Santa's Workshop

Drop-in Craft

Wednesday, November 18

10 AM

We are planning the decorations for our annual Brookfield Zoo Holiday Tree and we need your help! Join us at this workshop to make an ornament for our Zoo tree and another one for your family tree at home. Youth Services staff will be decorating the tree at Brookfield Zoo on the weekend of November 21-22, so be sure to check our blog (helenplumyouth.blogspot.com) for pictures of the tree trimming. We'll post the exact location of the tree so you can see it in person if you plan to visit Brookfield Zoo in December!

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Dress a Turkey

Drop-in Craft

Tuesday, November 24

9 AM-NOON

Skirt or pants? Stripes or flowers? Braids, bows, or feathers? You can choose just the right outfit for your turkeys and dress them up in time for Thanksgiving dinner, but please don't plan to eat these turkeys, just put them on display! We'll have an assortment of colors and patterns for you to create a fun (and maybe a little bit silly!) holiday craft project. Bring your imagination and join us at the Library!

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

More Drop-in Events

MOVIE MANIA!

Youth Services will feature family films on the Plum Auditorium large screen. Light snacks will be provided, so bring the kids and enjoy the show. Children under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

Saturday, October 10 at 2 PM
Monsters vs. Aliens (PG, 94 min.)

When a radioactive meteor hurtles into Susan Murphy on her wedding day, she is transformed into a towering, platinum-haired giant. Targeted by the government as a monster and renamed “Ginormica,” she is imprisoned at a secret compound with other scientific oddities. A desperate order from the President sends this group of monsters into action. Will they succeed in their mission to save the planet? Will they find acceptance in their mutant forms? Will Susan ever marry her fiancé? Join us for this fun and entertaining family film and find out!

Wednesday, November 11 at 10:30 AM
UP (PG, 96 min.)

Follow the uplifting tale of 78-year-old balloon salesman Carl Fredrickson as he pursues his lifelong dream of undertaking a great adventure. Carl’s journey begins when he ties thousands of balloons to his house and takes flight, heading for the wilds of South America. He discovers all too late that his biggest nightmare, an 8-year-old Wilderness Explorer Scout named Russell, has stowed away on the trip! Russell is intent on earning his Elderly Assistance Badge, but both he and Carl soon learn that they need each other when the tropical jungle turns out to be a much greater challenge than they imagined. *Up* is an exceptional *Pixar* film that will appeal to audiences of all ages.



Stories to Grow On

Fall Drop-in Family Storytimes

Monday Evenings
continuing through **October 26**
7-7:30 PM

or
Thursday Mornings
continuing through **October 29**
10-10:30 AM

The Library is the place to be for our popular family storytimes, and you’re invited! We’ll share stories, songs, rhymes, and more for children of all ages. Come for one week or join us every week, but don’t miss the fun! All are welcome. Children must be accompanied by a caregiver at these storytimes. *NO REGISTRATION NEEDED*

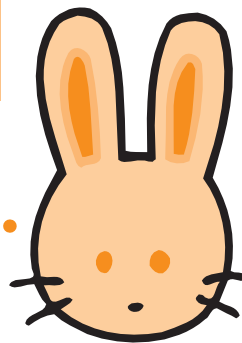
Registered Programs

Tokyo Blast!

Grades 4 & up

Wednesday, November 11
3-4 PM
Registration begins **Saturday, October 24**

Are you fascinated by all things Japanese? Do you have a passion for anime and manga? At this program we will celebrate fun and unique aspects of Japanese culture. Join us to learn something new or share what you know! You will get a chance to create and taste candy sushi, make your own Ninja mask, draw your favorite manga characters, learn a few Japanese phrases, and more! We hope to see you there, tomodachi! *REGISTRATION REQUIRED*



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Ticketed Performances

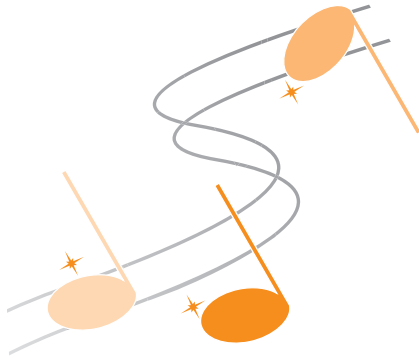
Scared Silly Stories with Storyteller Chris Fascione

Families with children ages 3 and up

Free Tickets beginning October 3

Event: Friday, October 23 at 7 PM

You might get goose bumps, but you won't be terrified at this kid-friendly program featuring the spellbinding talents of storyteller and actor Chris Fascione. The only bones that will be rattling are your funny bones when Chris combines storytelling, mime, comedy and juggling to bring children's stories to life. This evening will be fun-filled and participatory, so be prepared to join in when the audience is asked to take part in the story! A *Storytelling World Award* winner, Chris has performed throughout the Midwest, including at the Taste of Chicago, The Chicago Children's Museum, and The Chicago Botanic Garden. Don't miss your chance to see him in Lombard! *TICKETS REQUIRED*



Jim Gill's Family Room Tour

Families with children of all ages

Free Tickets beginning October 31

Event: Friday, November 20 at 7 PM

A concert with Jim Gill is even more playful than his music! Jim creates energetic rhythms on his banjo while everyone sings, claps, jumps, dances, and even sneezes along. Jim's concert will be filled, of course, with songs from his award-winning recordings for young children, but the active participation and interaction between children and caring adults is just as important as the music at a concert with Jim Gill. He is the enthusiastic leader in a concert of play, simple in concept and rich in spirit! Jim's popular recordings have received *Parents' Choice* awards and have been honored as *Notable Children's Recordings* by the American Library Association. Mark your calendars now and get your tickets early! *TICKETS REQUIRED*

Dave Herzog's Christmas Capers Marionette Show

Families with children of all ages

Free Tickets beginning November 28

Event: Friday, December 18 at 7 PM

Santa Claus is coming to town with a sleigh full of holiday cheer! Join his friends Frosty the Snowman, Termite the singing Christmas Tree, Jingles the Elf, and many more wonderful winter characters as they ring in the holidays with their special brand of Christmas cheer. Professional puppeteer Dave Herzog, well known to audiences throughout the Chicagoland area, is a frequent performer at Chicago's Navy Pier and a popular guest at schools, libraries, fairs and festivals. He has handcrafted all of the beautiful marionettes used in his more than 350 annual performances. Join us for this joyous holiday show. *TICKETS REQUIRED*



Once-a-Month-Programs

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DATES

Raving Readers

Grades 4-6

6-7:30 PM

third Tuesday of every month

We provide light snacks and an opportunity for you to talk about a different book each month. You don't need to sign up to attend, just read the book before we meet, then come prepared to share your thoughts about the story. We've made arrangements to have additional copies of the books available at the Plum Library check-out desk beginning a month in advance of each meeting.

NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

October 20

The Old Willis Place: A Ghost Story

by Mary Downing Hahn

Tired of the rules that have bound them ever since "the bad thing happened," twelve-year-old Diana ignores her brother's warnings and befriends the daughter of the new caretaker, setting in motion events that lead to the release of the spirit of an evil, crazy woman who once ruled the old Willis place.

November 17

The Whipping Boy

by Sid Fleischman

Jemmy, once a poor boy living on the streets, now lives in a castle. As the whipping boy, he bears the punishment when Prince Brat misbehaves, for it is forbidden to spank, thrash, or whack the heir to the throne. The two boys have nothing in common and even less reason to like one another. But when they find themselves taken hostage after running away, they are left with no choice but to trust each other.

Second Childhood

Grandparents with grandchildren

October 5 & November 2

10-11 AM

first Monday of the month

Are you a grandparent caring for a grandchild? This informal program offers you an opportunity to meet other grandparents in the community while your grandchildren play with the toys we provide. Bring your grandchild for this fun playtime session and join other grandparents who are also caring for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. *NO REGISTRATION NEEDED*

School Year Reading Program

All Ages, Babies - Grade 8

August 22, 2009 - May 22, 2010

Registration is ongoing

Sign-up to participate in

Reading Planet (formerly *Fortunate Readers*)

and earn free paperback books and embroidered patches or stickers! This is an independent, self-paced program.

We provide a sheet; you track your reading progress!

Even little ones who don't read on their own can participate in early literacy activities that develop reading readiness. Stop by Youth Services for more details, to register, or to redeem rewards.

Participation levels include:

- **Birth-Kindergarten**
- **Grades 1-3**
- **Grades 4-8**

This program is sponsored by *The Friends of the Helen M. Plum Memorial Library*.

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