



The Ellington Reader

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Let's Take On the Summer Slide Together

Educators tend to pull out all the statistics this time of year concerning reading and what they call the "summer slide". "Summer slide" is the tendency for students, especially those from low-income families, to lose some of the achievement gains they made during the previous school year because they do not read during the summer. Johns Hopkins University research has shown that summer learning loss during elementary school accounts for two-thirds of the achievement gap in reading between low-income children and their middle income peers by ninth grade. Parents are starting to realize the benefit of enrolling their children in summer programs. In surveys done by the National Summer Learning Association, 51% of families not participating in a summer program say they would if one was available to them. Of families who pay for summer programs, the average national weekly reported cost is \$288 per child.¹ This high cost is prohibiting lower income families from registering their children for a summer program. In rural areas there is also a transportation issue involved in physically making sure the child can get to the program in areas that have no public transportation.



Budget cuts in small towns have had a tremendous impact on the availability of summer learning programs. With a little creativity and a lot of dedication, some communities have managed to overcome the obstacles and create effective programs that are engaging students and expanding in their offerings. Your local public library offers a well-established summer reading program that encourages kids and teens to read over the summer. Educational, fun enrichment activities throughout the summer are an important feature of the program and they're free. We use to always concentrate on the reading aspect of these summer library programs. After all, they're called "Summer Reading". It is especially important to promote the reading part but we should not neglect the social aspect of a summer program. In rural areas such as ours, making sure that kids get out and socialize with other children in a healthy, supervised environment has benefits that should not be overlooked.

This year the library is offering a combined Summer Reading and Summer Recreation program for the children and teens of Ellington and surrounding areas. This program is funded in part by the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation with a grant from The Blossom Fund, Town of Ellington and the Ellington Farman Library. With a mixture of events including art and crafts, music and other creative offerings as well as encouraging reading, we hope to curb the summer learning gap. When so many families in other areas across the country are searching for healthy, inexpensive and fun activities for their children to participate in, the people of Ellington need only look to their local library. Stop in to the library to pick up a registration form, summer event schedule and reading log for your child. While there you could pick up some books for yourself. Don't forget to let your child see you reading this summer as children will model their parents habits.

Judith Whittaker, Library Director

² National Summer Learning Association
www.summerlearning.org
Research paper: *Summer By the Numbers: The achievement gap*



KEEP INFORMED OF OUR PROGRAMS AND NEWS OF THE LIBRARY BY FOLLOWING US ON **FACEBOOK** and our Website:
ellingtonlibrary.org

BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL MEET ON MONDAY JULY 29TH AT 7PM. PUBLIC IS WELCOME TO ATTEND

JUST A SAMPLING OF NEW ITEMS

ADULT FICTION

Jennifer Weiner	Mrs. Everything
Elizabeth Gilbert	City of Girls
Blake Crouch	Recursion
Fern Michaels	Hot Shot
Erin Kelley	Stone Mothers
Clive Cussler	The Oracle
Sophie Kinsella	I Owe You One
Anthony Horowitz	The Sentence is Death
Samuel Park	The Caregiver

ADULT NON FICTION

Michael Arthur	Eyes in the Sky
Dorothy Johnson	The Bloody Bozeman
Ashton Applewhite	This Chair Rocks
Tia Powell	Dementia Reimagined
Jon Kabot-Zinn	Meditation is Not What You Think

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Kiersten White	Dark Descent of Elizabeth Frankenstein
Michelle Keil	All of Us With Wings

JUNIOR FICTION

Rachel Russell	Dork Diaries series: Tales from a Not So Glam TV Star Tales from a Not So Perfect Pet Sitter
Brenda Royce	Chances Choice

JUNIOR NONFICTION

Delle Donne	My Shot
Jennie Finch	Throw Like a Girl
James Buckley Jr.	Alexander Hamilton
Diane Bailey	Ghandi
Animal Planet	Horses; Amazing Animal Facts

CHILDRENS EASY READ

Lisa Mantchev	Strictly No Elephants
Alexi Lubomirski	Thank You For My Dreams
Jacqueline Woodson	The Day You Begin
Deborah Freedman	Carl and The Meaning of Life
Ema Yarlett	Orin and the Dark

AUDIO BOOKS

Jacqueline Winspear	American Agent
Ashton Applewhite	The Chair Rocks

ANNOUNCING OUR SHORT STORY FICTION WRITING CONTEST

Do you have a creative writer between the ages of 9-14 in your family? Then you need to tell them about this! Award winning young adult genre author, J. Andersen, has agreed to be our judge for the Summer of Fun Short Fiction Writing Contest. We are accepting submissions from young authors starting July 9th and ending August 15. We will award prizes on August 31st. Original short stories should be between 3– 10 pages in length, legibly handwritten or on the computer and written entirely by a young person between 9 to 14 years old. Drop your entries off at the library. Get those creative writing juices flowing!

BOOK REVIEWS

The Moth Presents Occasional Magic: True Stories

About Defying the Impossible By Catherine Burns

Library Journal Reviews 2019 March More a collection of inspirational stories than a self-help manual, this volume compiles pieces chosen by the staff of the popular podcast “The Moth “ that portray moments of beauty and wonder, often stumbled upon, when a truth is discovered that reveals something about one's life. All of the tales were told at live events in which the authors shared personal and challenging experiences that helped them find a path forward. Readers hear from both well-known authors such as Adam Gopnik, Meg Wolitzer, and Andrew Solomon, and individuals across the globe. In one entry, a young girl living in a shelter recounts a week at summer camp; in another, a mother with a prosthetic arm describes bathing her baby for the first time. Full of emotion, humor, and vulnerability, these stories skillfully illustrate and evoke empathy for the human condition.

***The Caregiver* by Samuel Park**

Kirkus Reviews 2018 July

A young Brazilian woman arrives undocumented in Los Angeles, where she becomes a home caregiver for a patient who dredges up painful memories of her mother. When Mara Alencar is 8 years old, her mother, a voice-over actress, is drawn into an anti-government plot that will change their lives forever. Mara knows Ana Alencar is "beautiful because of the way men on the street turned to stare at her," but she is also an uncanny actress willing to scrap for their family of two. Ana's determination to put food on the table leads her to accept a dubious job acting for the student guerrillas—a con meant to lure the loathed Police Chief Lima from his post. Park (This Burns My Heart, 2011, etc.) weaves the terrifying story of Ana's mission with Mara's new life in America, decades later. Mara struggles to fly under the radar as an undocumented caregiver in Los Angeles, where her primary patient, Kathryn, suffers from stomach cancer. Kathryn's fear of dying while still in her 40s blurs the boundaries between employer and employed, the living and gravely ill. At a party, Kathryn even introduces Mara as her adopted daughter, telling another guest, "I didn't want to raise a child, but I wanted one to take care of me in my old age." Park himself was diagnosed with stomach cancer in 2014, in his 30s, and died shortly after finishing this book—making this his final novel. It's a beautiful testament to his extraordinary talents as a storyteller. In prose that rings clear and true, Park shepherds his characters through the streets of Copacabana to the posh hills of Bel Air. This is an elegy that reads, in some moments, like a thriller—and, in others, like a meditation on what it means to be alive. "It's not because I love to dance, or because I'll miss the music of Bono, or because I haven't been to Vienna yet," Kathryn says of her desire to live. "There's no why I want to stay. I just do." A ferocious page-turner with deep wells of compassion for the struggles of the living—and the sins of the dead.

JULY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

SUMMER OF FUN!

JULY ACTIVITIES: ages 5-11

TUES. JULY 9 Games day
 THURS. JULY 11 Crafts Day: making ocean lights
 TUES. JULY 16 Alien Cardboard Challenge
 THURS. JULY 18 Games Day
 TUES. JULY 23 Crafts Day: Rain Forest Animals
 THURS. JULY 25 Audubon visit
 TUES. JULY 30 Art Day: Yarn Painting

REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR THE SUMMER PROGRAM FOR THEM TO BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN READING AWARDS

Funded in part by Chautauqua Region Community Foundation with a grant through the Blossom Fund, the Town of Ellington and The Ellington Farman Library

sewers crafters & quilters

MEETING ON THE 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH 11AM—1PM
 Bring your individual projects or visit with other crafters
 Plenty of outlets for sewing machines, glue guns, irons etc.

MON. JULY 1 & 15TH
 11AM—1PM

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

ADULT BOOK CLUB

MEETS THURSDAY

July 18TH at 11am
 IN JULY THE GROUP WILL BE DISCUSSING THE BOOK
 "Where the Crawdads Sing"
 by author Delia Owens
 EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND

BOOK CLUB

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY 287-2945

Jamestown THUNDER

is back!

COMMUNITY DRUMMING WORKSHOP

MON. JULY 22 6-7PM

Ellington Town Park
 Program presented by Rick Schuler and Jamestown Thunder

funded in part by the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation with a grant from The Blossom Fund

THURSDAY JULY 25

LEARN ABOUT

Deciduous Forest HABITAT

ELLINGTON LIBRARY
 SUMMER OF FUN
 Program for those aged 5-11 years old
 12:30-1:30pm
 Presented by The Audubon Society

funded in part by the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation with a grant from the Blossom Fund.

TED TALKS

IDEAS WORTH SPREADING

DIFFERENT TOPIC EVERY MONTH

TED Talks at the Library

THURSDAY JULY 25 6-7PM

JULY SPEAKER: Kate Bowler:
 "Everything Happens for a Reason"
 Author, Divinity Professor

Short videos presented on a large screen followed by a time of open group discussion
 Different topic every month
 Light snacks served

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

JOIN US FOR POTLUCK BREAKFAST!

EVERY LAST SATURDAY OF MONTH
JULY 27TH
 8am for coffee

Serving POTLUCK from 8:30-9:30am
 You are welcome to bring some breakfast foods or just come and enjoy meeting with your neighbors & friends.

THERE'S ALWAYS PLENTY OF FOOD!

NO RESERVATIONS
JUST COME GATHER AT THE LIBRARY
STAY AS LONG AS YOU LIKE

THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON RECREATION COMMITTEE,
 ELLINGTON TOWN PICNIC ASSOCIATION, AND
 THE ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY PRESENT ...

MOVIES in the PARK

FREE EVENT

Movie starts @9PM
ELLINGTON TOWN SQUARE PARK
SATURDAY JULY 27
Showing: The Greatest Showman

In case of rain the movie will be shown at the Ellington Fire Hall

BRING A LAWN CHAIR & BLANKET
 REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

Equipment & Sound will be provided by Chautauqua Audio Works
 Movie License provided by Ellington Farman Library

ellington farman library

SUMMER READ SURPRISE!

JUST FOR YOU- 9 THRU 15 YRS OLD
 EVERY TIME YOU CHECK OUT
 2 JUNIOR OR
 YOUNG ADULT BOOKS
 YOU EARN A SCRATCH OFF
 TICKET

WIN INSTANT PRIZES FROM THE LIBRARY

MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM TO WIN

SCRATCH OFF PROGRAM RUNNING JULY THRU END OF AUGUST
 REGISTER AT THE LIBRARY
 ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY 760 THORNTON ROAD ELLINGTON

VOLUNTEER!

Hey, it's almost Summer Reading / Summer Rec. Program time! We've been planning our summer program for two months now and one thing is very obvious. We're going to need some volunteers to help us put on a great program for our local kids. Children ages 5-11 will meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30-1:30pm starting July 9th and ending August 8th. We're not asking you to volunteer every day. We can show you the schedule and activity for each day and you can pick and choose your activity. There's always a place for you at the library!

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH THE PROGRAM ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

JULY 18: OUTDOOR/INDOOR GAMES DAY

AUGUST 6: Crafts -making silly rock monsters

AUGUST 8: Party Day -outdoor games, serving lunch. Need at least 2 volunteers

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO DONATE SNACKS FOR THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

JULY 9: Cut watermelon

JULY 16: Miniature donuts. 3 dozen needed

JULY 23: Rocket popsicles. 3 dozen needed

JULY 25: Cookies, no peanut butter please. 3 dozen needed

JULY 30: Any kind of popsicles. 3 dozen needed

AUGUST 1: Juice Boxes, assorted flavors. 3 dozen needed

AUGUST 8: Picnic lunch: hot dogs, rolls, watermelon, grapes/apples, chips or pretzels, chip dip, cookies, drinks

Enough lunch supplies to serve 48 people

CHEERS FOR CHAIRS & DITTO FOR DESKS FUNDRAISER UPDATE

Thanks to generous patrons and folks from all over the county and country we surpassed our goal of \$5,000 in 24 hours thru the Give Big CHQ online fundraiser! We also want to acknowledge those who donated but not thru the online platform. Every gift will be recorded whether you donated online or at the library. Thank you for helping us make our patron computer area user friendly for all no matter your age, size or mobile ability. We will research to find the best layout solution for our computer area and to gather information on chairs, desks and study carrels that will best fit our needs.

DISPLAY CASE ARTIST FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Linda Certo, Jamestown New York Pen, Ink and Acrylic artist

" I love color. To me, color represents hope. In the midst of the inevitable dark and negative events of life, I strive to create bright areas of respite in the form of my artwork. My drawings are a colorful collection of whimsical ideas and images which I hope will spread some positive energy and be uplifting. My inspiration comes from places I have traveled, nature, and pets I have had throughout my life. I love creating boldly-colored pictures of simple, sweet things. I use black ink and markers, and recently have begun doing my artwork in acrylic paints, on a larger scale. I am self taught. Previously, I worked in the mental health field, and I hold a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Connecticut."



ELLINGTON TOWN PICNIC

EVENTS

AUGUST 2, 3 & 4

- CONTESTS INCLUDE:

Corn Hole Tournament
Horseshoe Tournament
Baby Show

Wood Cutting Contest
Pet Show
Cupcake Baking Contest

Come to the
Ellington Town
Picnic & Join in
the Fun!

- COME TO THE CHILDREN'S TENT!

Decorate Your Bicycle for the Bicycle Parade – You can ride your decorated bike in the Parade (parental supervision required)

Children's Games at 12:30 on Saturday

- ENJOY THE MUSIC:

Happy Days Band
Kokomo Time Band
Women of Country Show

Music by Brian Hicks
Paul Zittle and Pure Country

- FIREWORKS on Saturday Night at 10:00 pm – sponsored by the Ellington Fire Department
- PARADE down Main Street starts at 6:00 pm on Saturday
- HISTORICAL ITEMS DISPLAYED at the Carriage House Box Office (former Courthouse Building) on Saturday
- WONDERFUL SELECTION OF FOOD ITEMS – support our local organizations
Home Baked Pies Sweet Corn and Ice Cream
Chicken BBQ Hot Dogs and Hamburgers

Visit the website at www.EllingtonTownPicnic.org Full Schedule on Posters at the Library and other locations!



Ellington Town Picnic Cupcake Baking Contest & Silent Auction

Register at the Ellington Fire Hall – Sat., August 3 at 12:45 pm

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Best Taste, Best Decorations and Appearance
Adult Youth - ages 12 and under Youth - ages 13 to 18

Please bring 13 cupcakes – one for the judges to taste and 12 to be auctioned by "silent bid auction"

Please bring cupcakes in non-returnable plate or in a box.

Do not bring any item that needs refrigeration.

Bring your recipe on a 3 x 5 card with your name, address & phone number.

Silent auction is by written bid taken at the fire hall between 2:00 and 3:00 pm.

Winner of the silent auction bid can take the cupcakes home at 3:00 pm following payment of winning bid.

All proceeds from the silent auction will benefit the Ellington Town Picnic Association.

PLEASE CALL MARY JANE AT 483-3055 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Ellington Farman Library JULY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 11am-1pm Quilting/Sewing Group meets	2	3	4 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	5 CLOSED	6	
7	8 1-4:15 AARP Safe Driver Course	9 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Games Day	10 1-4:15 AARP Safe Driver Course	11 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Crafts Day: Ocean Night Lights	12 CLOSED	13	
14	15 11am-1pm Quilting/Sewing Group meets	16 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Alien Cardboard Challenge	17	18 11-12 Book Club 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Games Day	19 CLOSED	20	
21	22 6-7pm Jamestown Thunder in the Park	23 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Crafts Day: Rain Forest Creatures	24	25 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Audubon Program: Deciduous Forest Habitats 6-7pm Ted Talks- <i>Everything Happens for a Reason</i>	26 CLOSED	27 8AM Potluck Breakfast 9pm Movie in the Park: showing: The Greatest Showman	
28	29 7pm Board Meets	30 12:30-1:30PM Summer Read/Rec Art Day: Yarn Painting	31	OPEN HOURS 11AM -7PM MONDAY THRU THURSDAY CLOSED FRIDAY & SUNDAY 10AM-1PM ON SATURDAY			