

Dear Parents/Guardians,

You've spent loving time and effort getting your children prepared to head out for school. It's a big milestone and you want them to have everything they need to success. Studies show that long-term success in school starts with reading. And, listening and responding to stories read aloud are key parts of the reading process.

<u>Did you know that just down the street, there is a program full of wonderful books, fun songs, lively puppets and exciting crafts... a program with the singular goal of helping kids to love books?</u> That program is the La Crosse County Library story time! At story time, children can make new friends, hear wonderful stories, have a lot of fun and most importantly, begin their journey to becoming life-long readers.

La Crosse County Library currently has story times <u>Tuesday nights at 6:30 pm and Wednesday mornings at 10:15 am</u> at our West Salem library location (Hazel Brown Leicht Memorial Library, 201 Neshonoc Road.) Our program calendar details information about all the great Fall programming offered by Youth Services. This includes information on all of our story time locations and times, October's Jack O'Library mini reading program (with our Library Partner Culver's of Onalaska), November's celebration of Youth Book Month... and more!

To register for story time, stop in at our West Salem library or call 786-1505. Or, if a different time and location fits your family's schedule better, you're welcome to register for any of our other story times. If you have additional questions or comments, feel free to contact Youth Services at 781-9568 line 5, 399-3385, 399-3372 or email us at youthservices@lacrossecounty.org.

Reading is not a skill children learn only at school. The experiences you give your child outside the classroom can enrich and support skills learned inside the classroom. When parents/ guardians, schools and libraries work together, we can achieve this shared goal for your child – that he or she grows into someone who not only can read, but someone who loves to read!

Karen Kroll

Youth Services Coordinator

Carol Knapmiller

Asst. Youth Services Librarian

Katherine Sandy

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September 10 -**November 21**

Story Time

Story times are about 30-35 minutes long and are filled with books, songs, fingerplays, dramatics, simple crafts, snacks and more. (Locations, times and themes listed on back.)

Story times are geared for children ages 3-6. Younger and older children are welcome, but all children who attend must have the ability to sit fairly quietly.

Sign-up is recommended. Sign-up starts Monday, July 23. Each program time offered must meet a minimum sign-up for the program to be held.

All Year Long!



Library Card Sign-Up



Does your child have a library card? September is a great month to get this essential back-to-school supply! You can also replace lost or damaged cards for free!

Friday, November 2



Quarter's Over! Teen T.G.I.D.F.

(Thank Goodness It's Donut Friday)

All area teens in grades 7 through 12 are invited to drop in for free donuts, cider and to look at the newest teen books! No sign-up is required.

Friday, November 2:

Onalaska 2:30 - 4:00 Holmen 3:00 - 4:30

December

Santa & Mrs. Claus Are Coming to the Library!

Santa and Mrs. Claus are coming to town! Come for songs, stories and Santa visits. (Bring your camera!) All ages welcome.

Check back for more information, including dates and times!

September 24 -**November 15**

Lapsit Program Tales for Twos



An eight-week lapsit story time for **two-year-olds** and an accompanying caregiver. Each themed program lasts about 25 minutes and is filled with books, songs, action rhymes and more.

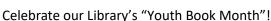
(Locations, times and themes listed on back.)

One child per adult (no babies or older siblings*). Participating children *must* be 24-35 months old on or before Sept. 24. (*Contact Youth Services with questions regarding this policy.)

Sign-up is required. Sign-up starts Monday, July 23. Maximum sign-up of 15. Each program time offered must meet a minimum sign-up for the program to be held.

Month of **November**

Youth Book Month $\mathsf{VOTE!} - \mathsf{for} \mathsf{\ the}$ "Flying Turtle Awards'



All Ages: Vote for your favorite book in the library voting booths during Youth Book Month, the whole month of November.

School-age children: The class in each area school with the highest voter participation will receive a visit from the Library's Youth Services team and a tasty treat!

Month of October



Mini Reading Program Jack O'Library



Join the fun with Jack O'Library when you read books and earn prizes all month in October!

This fun mini reading program is for children in grades 8 and under.

December 3 - 8

Holiday Program

"Gingerbread Cookie Holiday Program"

Come for some stories and decorate a Gingerbread cookie. Must be 2 years old through school-age to participate. 25¢ donation suggested. Sign-up required. Sign-up starts Monday, November 12. (Note: Registration is limited.)

Monday, Dec. 3 Bangor 4:00

Tuesday, Dec. 4 West Salem 6:30

Thursday, Dec. 6 Holmen 4:00 Campbell 6:30

Friday, Dec. 7 Onalaska 4:00 Saturday, Dec. 8 Onalaska 9:15, 10:15 Holmen 12:45

Program lasts approximately 25 minutes.



Youth Services:

Karen Kroll, Youth Services Coordinator Carol Knapmiller and Katherine Sandy, **Assistant Youth Services**

781-9568 line 5, 399-3384, 399-3372; youthservices@lacrossecounty.org

Administrative Center:

Chris McArdle Rojo, Director 526-9600 121 W. Legion Street / PO Box 220; Holmen, WI 54636 Monday - Friday 7:30-4:00

Website: lacrossecountylibrary.org









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ONALASKA & HOLMEN

🕼 | Tales for Twos | Mondays at 10:15 (Onalaska) OR Thursdays at 10:15 (Holmen)

Themes:

Sept. 24 & 27: **Babies**

October 1 & 4: Chicks and Ducks October 8 & 11: Down on the Farm

October 15 & 18: Happy Feet October 22 & 25: Jump, Frog, Jump! Oct. 29 & Nov. 1: Pumpkins* (2)

November 5 & 8: Very Busy Spider November 12 & 15: Happy Birthday!

Pre-registration is required for this program. Maximum of 15 children.

BANGOR Story Time

Mondays at 10:15 am

Themes:

September 10: On Top of Spaghetti

September 17: Dinosaurs September 24: **Apples**

October 1: ABC at the Library

October 8: **Busy Bears** October 15: Niftv Names

October 22: Let's Take a Trip October 29: Happy Halloween!*

November 5: **Bunny Money** November 12: **Cookie Capers** November 19: Thanksgiving Fun

CAMPBELL Story Time

Thursdays at 6:30 pm

Themes:

September 13: Let's Take a Trip September 20: **Bunny Money** September 27: **NO STORY TIME**

Torchlight Parade October 4: **Cookie Capers**

October 11: ABC at the Library

October 18: **Apples** October 25: Dinosaurs

November 1: Happy Halloween!* November 8 On Top of Spaghetti

November 15: Nifty Names

November 22: **CLOSED** for Thanksgiving

HOLMEN Story Time

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm Wednesdays at 10:15 am

Themes:

September 11 & 12: **Busy Bears** September 18 & 19: **Cookie Capers** September 25 & 26: On Top of Spaghetti

October 2 & 3: **Dinosaurs** October 9 & 10: **Bunny Money** October 16 & 17: Let's Take a Trip October 23 & 24: **Nifty Names** Happy Halloween!* October 30 & 31:

November 6 & 7: **Apples**

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November 13 & 14: ABC at the Library November 20 & 21: Thanksgiving Fun

ONALASKA Story Time

Mondays at 6:30 pm Thursdays at 10:15 am Fridays at 10:15 am

Themes:

Sept. 10, 13 & 14: Let's Take a Trip Sept. 17, 20 & 21: **Bunny Money** Sept. 24, 27 & 28: **Busy Bears** October 1, 4 & 5: **Cookie Capers** October 8, 11 & 12: ABC at the Library

October 15, 18 & 19: **Apples** October 22, 25 & 26: **Dinosaurs**

Oct. 29, Nov. 1 & 2: Happy Halloween!* On Top of Spaghetti November 5, 8 & 9: November 12, 15 & 16: Nifty Names November 19: Thanksgiving Fun

November 22 & 23: **CLOSED** for Thanksgiving

WEST SALEM Story Time

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm Wednesdays at 10:15 am

Themes:

September 11 & 12: On Top of Spaghetti

September 18 & 19: **Dinosaurs** September 25 & 26: **Apples**

October 2 & 3: ABC at the Library

October 9 & 10: **Busy Bears** October 16 & 17: **Nifty Names** October 23 & 24: Let's Take a Trip Happy Halloween!* October 30 & 31:

November 6 & 7: **Bunny Money** November 13 & 14: **Cookie Capers** November 20 & 21: Thanksgiving Fun

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*Wear a Halloween costume to Story Time if you like.

Hazel Brown Leicht

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Wednesdays	10 - 8	Wednesdays	10 - 8
Thursdays	1 - 6	Thursdays	10 - 8
Fridays	10 - 5	Fridays	10 - 5
Saturdays	9 - 1	Saturdays	9 - 2

Locations and Hours F.J. Robers Library

Campbell 783-0052 Mondays 1 - 8 Tuesdays 1 - 8 Wednesdays 1 - 5 Thursdays 3 - 8

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Fridays

Saturdays

2548 Lakeshore Drive

Holmen Public Library 121 W. Legion St.

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Onalaska Public Library 741 Oak Ave. S.

Onalaska 781-9568: 781-9599

Mondays	9 - 9
Tuesdays	12 - 9
Wednesdays	9 - 9
Thursdays	9 - 9
Fridays	9 - 5
Saturdays	9 - 2