Bruce County Public Library

Branch Activities Report

System-Wide Programs

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Ongoing Programs	Read and Play Every Day	This ongoing early literacy Beanstack program has 233 children registered; 17 of whom have completed the first 40 activities. Participants have read a total of 548 books.
	Book Nook	The library has provided some materials for enhanced reading based on current exhibits at the Museum.
July Programs	Summer Reading Club	269 children have registered for Summer Reading club, 169 of whom have logged a total of 87846 minutes. The names for the July draw were pulled on July 31. 1 winner from each municipality will receive a summer fun gift bag. 20 teens registered for summer reading club, 16 of whom have logged time and have read a total of 22692 minutes. 113 adults have registered for their summer reading challenge, 72 of whom have logged titles read, with a total of 372 books entered.
	Summer Performers	Andre's Alpacas were hugely popular with over 40 people interacting with the animals in Walkerton and over 80 in Teeswater. Mystic Drumz was a wonderful performance featuring unique instruments from around the world. While the workshop was full, the performances had a lighter turnout.
	Essential Oils Workshop	Shelley Roung was an excellent presenter and people really enjoyed making something to take home. We will host Shelley again in the fall.

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	Authors Catherine Graham and Jeanette Lynes	These writers happily shared their work and their connections to the Grey Bruce area at Southampton and Port Elgin branches. We hope to bring them back again next year for more readings or a writer's workshop. We received a lovely thank you from them: "We so appreciated the warm welcome we received and the laid-back fun conversations in an intimate setting Thank you for everything you do to enrich the cultural life of this part of Ontario and the community you nurture through your work!"
August and September Programs	Author Anna Dopico - August 17	Anna will be at Southampton Branch August 17 for a book signing. She wrote "To Make Riders Faster", which is the story of the Cervélo Bicycle company. Cervélo is a top-end bicycle used by participants in the Tour de France and the Olympics, developed in Canada by Gerard Vroomen and Phil White. Phil will be with Anna at the signing.
	Cris Kohl and Joan Forsburg - August 10 and 11	Cris and Joan are back to share their experiences diving in Lake Huron and Georgian Bay in a stunning visual presentation. They will visit Lion's Head Branch August 10 and Wiarton Branch August 11.
	Science Literacy Week - September 16- 22	Branches will participate in this national program by offering water-based science activities throughout the week.
	Culture Days presentation - September 28	Sue and David Williams share their experiences sailing on Lake Huron and Georgian Bay with a presentation based on their book, "Ready to Come About". They will present as part of our Culture Days theme of Bruce County on the Water. Sue and David will visit Kincardine and Tobermory Branches.
		Trip Beattie is a fly-fishing guide who will present in Southampton and Walkerton Branches about fly-fishing and conservation in our local waterways. Participants will observe a fly-tying demonstration.

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Healthy Smiles Story Times	The Library is working with Grey Bruce Public Health to help promote various health initiatives. In September, representatives from Grey Bruce Public Health will visit several story times to share information about the Healthy Smiles program. Healthy Smiles offers free dental care to families who qualify for the program.
Local Author Liz McLean	Liz will talk about her book, "Baking Cupcakes in Egypt" at Lion's Head, Port Elgin, Sauble Beach, Tobermory and Chesley Branches.