

System-Wide Programs

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Ongoing Programs	Read and Play Every Day	As of June 30, 163 children have registered for Read and Play Every Day. A total of 547 activities have been completed with 281 books read. Walkerton has registered the most children (40) so far.
June Programs	Pride Month - Love is Love Story Times	Most branches participated in a special story time to support all types of families for Pride month. 86% of survey respondents indicated they were more aware of library services. Respondents also found guest reader Fort Papalia from Kincardine Pride engaging and liked the inclusive selection of books.
	Senior's Month Fraud Awareness Presentations	The Library hosted experts from the Canadian Anti-Fraud and Ontario Securities Commission in June. 38 people total attend 5 sessions in 5 different communities.
	Get Your Summer Read on Day - June 22	This kick-off event for summer reading club saw 69 children register at our locations.
July and August Programs	Summer Reading Club	This year the library is running TD Summer Reading Club for kids as well as a teen and adult summer reading club. All registrants and reading will be tracked using Beanstack. Kids and teens will track the time spent reading, while adults will track the number of books read. Each badge earned will count as a ballot for our draws. Each municipality will have a draw for kids August 1. Prize package includes book, comic, bookmark, bag and some Explore the Bruce swag. The grand prize for kids will be drawn the end of August. The winner for each municipality will have the opportunity to sponsor an animal of their choice from the Canadian Wildlife Federation. For teens, the grand prize is a Fujifilm Instax Mini 9 camera and for adults, a \$50 Chapters gift card.
	Summer Performers	We have several special performers and presenters this summer.

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mystic Drumz offers performance and hands on learning with various instruments from around the world. Performances will occur in Port Elgin and Walkerton and the workshop takes place in Wiarton. 2. Panzerotti and Sunshine are back in Wiarton, Port Elgin and Mildmay with their string instruments and participatory folk singing. 3. Parks Canada presents their “On the Road to Recovery” program in Wiarton, Sauble Beach, Tobermory and Lion’s Head. 4. Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre visits Kincardine, Ripley and Wiarton with their outreach program, “Let’s Celebrate”. 5. Andre’s Alpacas will stop by the Walkerton and Teeswater branches with two of their alpacas.
	ROM kits	To enhance the “Natural World” summer programming theme, we rented three kits from the ROM. Each municipality is scheduled to have at least one kit in their branches for a week of programming. The kits are focused on nature: skulls, fossils and hands-on nature studies.
	Author Andy Potter	Andy’s book “Bay of Blood” is a fictional work based on the death of Tom Thomson. Andy will visit Tobermory, Lion’s Head, Port Elgin and Wiarton branches in July and August.
	Author John Gardiner	John Gardiner is a former newspaper editor who penned, “Memories for Sale: Tales from a Small Town”. John will visit Kincardine and Port Elgin branches.
	Authors Catherine Graham and Jeanette Lynes	These two nationally recognized authors will visit Southampton and Port Elgin Branches July 23 and 24 th . Jeanette’s first novel, “The Factory Voice” was long listed for the 2009 Scotia Giller Prize. Catherine’s poetry collection “The Celery Forest” was named a CBC Book of the Year.

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	Essential Oils Workshop	Shelley Rounq will talk about the uses and benefits of essential oils. Participants can mix handmade scrub or salts. The workshops take place in Port Elgin, Southampton, Walkerton and Sauble Beach.
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