

Connect with Nature Summer Library Programs

Summer Library Program 2022

All programs are on Tuesdays from 9:30am – 11:00am

REGISTRATION REQUIRED! Registration begins on **Friday, May 6.**

June 7 - Fairy Gardens Galore

Join us at the library on Tuesday, June 7th at 9:30 AM to learn about fairy gardening. To build your fairy garden, you may bring your own special container (a flowerpot or clay saucer, a bucket, a wooden box, large bowl or other item) or we will furnish one. We will provide samples, pictures and everything else you need to get started (potting soil, a whimsical figurine, small plants, pebbles and other natural items). Let your creative juices flow!! (Ages 5 and up)

June 14 - Days of the Past - Farm Museum Tour

Join us on Tuesday, July 14th at 9:30 AM at the Pleasant Grove Farm Museum (behind the house and across from the bathrooms). We will tour the Farm Museum and learn about farming in Fluvanna during the 1800's and early 1900's. We will see tools and machinery used by farmer's who lived off the land and play Farm Museum Bingo for a prize. (All ages)

June 21 - Butterflies, Bees, and Bluebirds

Join us at the Pleasant Grove Butterfly Garden behind the Pleasant Grove House and near the Community Garden on Tuesday, June 21st at 9:30 AM. We will learn why this week is National Pollinator Week, about butterflies, bees, and other pollinators and about the plants that attract them. We will go on a scavenger hunt and create native bee boxes and butterfly puddling stations. We will also learn about the enchanting Bluebird, its habitat, nesting and flight habits. Dress for outdoors and bring a water bottle. (All ages with an adult/guardian present)

June 28 - Spiders: Fierce Foes or Amazing Friends

Join us at the library on Tuesday, June 28th at 9:30 AM to learn more about spiders. Should we be afraid of spiders or not be afraid? We will explore some myths and fables about spiders; how ancient people felt and people around the world today feel about spiders. We will discuss books and movies in which spiders play key roles, e.g. Charlotte's Web, Harry Potter, and Spiderman. We will play *Spider Trivia* and make a special *spider* craft. (All ages)

July 5 - Plants Are Amazing

Join us on Tuesday, July 5th at 9:30 AM at the library as we learn all about plants and what they need to grow. We will talk about some techniques for propagating plans, i.e. grow new plants from others. We will get to plant some new plants to take home and grow. (All ages)

July 12 - The Lives and Wonder of Trees (take a hike and get to know some trees)

Join us on Tuesday, July 12th at 9:30 AM at the library as we learn all about trees and their importance to us, nature, and life in a forest. We will go outside and walk the tree arboretum trail behind the library, learn how to identify trees, and the children will complete a scavenger hunt worksheet that they can turn in at the library for a prize. Wear comfortable walking shoes (no flip flops, please) and bring a water bottle. (All ages)

July 19 - Survival Skills 101

Join us at the picnic shelter nearest the Pleasant Grove Dog Park at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, July 19th where we will see a 30-minute presentation of the 4 basic survival skill sets: shelter, water, fire, and food, followed by an hour and half of demonstrations of activities related to each skill set. Bring a lunch and water bottle. Rain or Shine event. (Ages 9 and older with an adult/guardian present)

July 26 - Off the Beaten Path Meadow Trail Hike

Join us on Tuesday, July 26th at 9:30 AM at the library. We will talk about wildlife and how meadows are great places for lots of wildlife. As we hike along the meadow trail in front of the library, we can look for all sorts of wildlife and wildlife artifacts such as feathers, antlers, and tracks. We can all share our experiences with one another. Wear comfortable walking shoes (no flip flops, please) and bring a water bottle. (All ages)

All programs are sponsored by the Fluvanna Master Gardeners, Master Naturalists, and Friends of the Fluvanna Library.

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