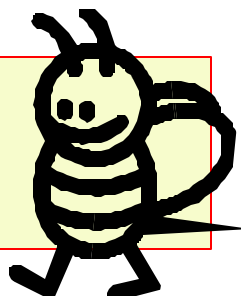


# The Library BUZZzz...

The newsletter for Children's Services at the  
Des Plaines Valley Public Library District



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## Mother's Day Tea Parties

Join us for finger sandwiches, fancy desserts, juice or tea, and stories, of course!

Registration required.

**Crest Hill: Thursday, May 7, at 1:00 p.m.**

**Lockport: Saturday, May 9, at 1:00 p.m.**

For mothers, grandmothers, and children (ages 3 and up).

### Library Hours

Mon—Thurs  
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Fri and Sat  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday  
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
Closed Memorial Day

### Locations

121 East 8th Street  
Lockport  
Ph: 815-838-0755

1298 Theodore Street  
Crest Hill  
Ph: 815-725-0234

## Green Thumb Gardening for Kids

Bring a spade and your garden gloves to the Crest Hill courtyard. Help us plant a garden. Parents need to stay with children 7 and under. Registration is required. Program will be rescheduled if it rains.

**Crest Hill Branch Only**

**Thurs., May 21, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

For children ages 5 and up.

## Story Teller Donna Dettman

In celebration of Children's Book Week, story teller Donna Dettman will appear at both of our branches.

Ms. Dettman's skillful storytelling captivates children of all ages and adults that are children at heart. No registration.

**Lockport Branch:**

**Sat. May 16 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

**Crest Hill Branch:**

**Sat. May 16 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.**

## Marvelous Mondays

Visit the **Crest Hill Branch every Monday from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.** for a new craft or activity. Registration required for Science Craft.

**Monday, May 4- Readers Theater:** We will read a variety of scripts and choose one to act out for family and friends in the library. Ages 8 and up.

**Monday, May 11- Science Craft:** Experiment with science to create a take-home craft. This month we will mix water and cornstarch to make Goo-Blek. Ages 6 and up.

**Monday, May 18- Board Game:** This month we will play the card game Uno and learn the more advanced Speed Uno. Ages 6 and up.

## Read on the Wild Side is coming!

This year's summer reading program is going to be WILD! Pre-registration starts June 8.

Jammer visits Lockport on June 15; Curious George visits Crest Hill on June 15 and Lockport on June 16.

Read more about the summer reading program on the back side of this month's newsletter!

## Monthly Programs

**Lego Group** — For kids who like to build. Finished work goes on display at the library until next month. Legos provided.

**Lockport: Tuesday, May 26, from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.**

**Crest Hill: Tuesday, May 19, from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.**

Recommended for ages 7 and up. Registration recommended.

**Wii Games for Kids** — Play the Wii games with other kids who love to play. (Games rated E for "Everyone").

**Lockport: Friday, May 1 and 29 from 3:30-4:45 p.m.**

**Crest Hill: Friday, May 15 from 3:30-4:45 p.m.**

Recommended for ages 7 and up. Registration recommended.

**Tween Crafts** — A different craft each month for kids in upper elementary and middle school.

In **May**, we will decorate flower pots and plant a flower! They will make a great Mother's Day gift or keep it for yourself.

**Lockport: Tuesday, May 5, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

**Crest Hill: Thursday, May 7, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

For ages 9-12. Please register.

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### Book Buddies

Book Buddies is a five-week program that pairs up Junior and Senior Book Buddies, who read together for 30 minutes once a week at the library. There are four times available: Monday or Wednesday at Lockport and Tuesday or Thursday at Crest Hill. All times are from 6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. The program begins with an orientation the first week. Registration begins June 1st and applications are due June 22nd. The program begins the week of June 29th and ends Monday, August 3rd (to make up for the library being closed Monday, July 13).

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## Summer Story Times and Toddler Times

The five-week sessions run from June 22 to July 24. The Toddler Times and Story Times are all free of charge during the summer. Each class is 30 minutes long. Registration begins June 1st. The program schedule is as follows:

### Lockport Branch

- **Story Times** (3 to 6 year-olds): Wed. @ 1:00 p.m. and Thurs. @ 10:00 a.m.
- **Toddler Times**  
(A lap-sit for children 3 mos. - 36 mos. accompanied by a parent/caregiver):  
Mon. @ 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Fri. @ 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

### Crest Hill Branch

- **Story Time** (3 to 6 year-olds):  
Mon. @ 6:30 p.m., Tues. @ 10:00a.m.
- **Toddler Time**  
(A lap-sit for children 3 mos. - 36 mos. accompanied by a parent/caregiver): Tues. @ 9:15 a.m.

## Read on the Wild Side! Summer Reading Program

Give your children a head start this summer. Sign them up for **Read on the Wild Side!** — the Des Plaines Valley Public Library District's summer reading program for children. Pre-registration begins Monday, June 8 on-line or in the library! There are now 3 levels of readers:

**Little Fishies** is for parents and their babies (0-36 months) and emphasizes early literacy skills.

The **Swing Into Reading** group is for beginning readers, who will read or have read to them 32 books.

**Roaring Readers** is for independent readers, who will read 16 chapter or other J books.

Children of all ages and their parents will have an opportunity to choose a reading program level that best suits them. Registration is open to everyone who wants to read. On June 8, a short online form will be available on our website at [www.dpvlib.org](http://www.dpvlib.org) or you can register at the library and pick up a reading log. All you have to do is keep track of the books completed. Then, visit the library often during the summer reading program (through July 25) to receive incentives and have fun every time you stop by!