

Interim Director's Corner

Fall is my favorite season so I look forward to September. Not only does September usher in cooler weather and pumpkin spice everything, it is also Library Card Sign-up Month. I hope if you are reading this, you have a card and use it on a regular basis. If you don't have a library card, what are you waiting for? A library card is one of the most powerful tools you can possess. Your card not only allows you to check out movies, books, and music, you can also use our computers, take home a tablet, check out video games, download songs from Freegal, read an eBook from OverDrive, learn a language using Mango, stream a movie from Hoopla, and much more!

We have many awesome events happening in September. Pat Lancet is back with American Sign Language classes in Rochester and Aubree. (She will be at Fulton in October!) These classes have been quite popular and I'm excited that we are able to offer another opportunity for the community to learn ASL. The Youth Services Department is beginning the *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten* program in September. This program stresses the importance of parents reading to their children and the bonding experience that reading creates. An information session is being held on September 8th at 6:00 pm. We will also be offering a nighttime story time on September 12th and 26th at 6:00 pm.

I will leave you with this final thought: You are our best advocate. We are here for everyone in the community so spread the word and tell your family and friends what they're missing at the library. We'd love to see them here! Remember: Having fun isn't hard when you have a library card! — **Andrea**



Learn: A Project

Fulton County Public Library

Noun, a writing class offered through Literacy, will be meeting Thursday, September 22nd at 6:30 pm in Meeting Room A. The subject will be a study in the language of graphic novels. How exactly does a picture paint a thousand words? Building on some of the foundational elements covered in previous classes, the aim will be to demystify graphic novels. The content will be from *Understanding Comics* by Scott McCloud. McCloud is an American cartoonist and academic comic theorist. Kristyn Childers will be introducing the new graphic novel book club entitled *Grub and Graphics*. Stop by the office or call Tim Roe at (574) 223-1008 for further details.



Graphic Novels @ FCPL

Comics and graphic novels are growing in popularity. At the FCPL, we have quite a collection of graphic novels located at the end of the adult science fiction section. The concept of juxtaposing images and words is being theorized in universities as an efficient and effective means of teaching and learning. It is also theorized that graphic novels are the evolution of mythology in modern time. Comics are defined as "Juxtaposed pictorial and other images in deliberate sequence, intended to convey information and/or to produce an aesthetic response in the viewer." Anthropologists, using the definition provided by Scott McCloud, author of the academic text *Understanding Comics*, trace the concept of comics back to Egyptian hieroglyphs, Neolithic cave painting, and even various image laden oral histories.

Visual iconography is considered the vocabulary of comics. The grammar of comics, according to McCloud, is closure. Closure is the "phenomenon of observing the parts but perceiving the whole, or interpreting the white space." In other words, closure is the act of mentally filling in the gaps of what we observe, comprehending the action and meaning between two seemingly unrelated panels. It is this white space that is being explored as a dynamic way of teaching.

Many genres are using comics as a medium; memoir is one of these. Check out *Maus*, Art Spiegelman's family memoir of the Holocaust or *Over Easy*, Mimi Pond's classic memoir of the being a hippy in the 70's. If you are interested in a psychology of dreams, check out Neil Gaiman's *Sandman*. If you are interested in philosophy or environmental concerns, you should read the works of Alan Moore, including *Watchmen*, *V for Vendetta*, or *Saga of Swamp Thing*. Check one out and experience it yourself.

**All Branches of the Fulton
County Public Library will be
closed Monday, September 5th in
observance of Labor Day.**



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7432 Olson Road
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Phone : 574-542-4859

September

Walking Exercise Class
Every Monday @ 11:00

Kids Craft Class
Saturdays: 9/10 & 9/24
11:00-2:00

American Sign Language
Fridays: 9/16, 9/23, 9/29,
10/7, 10/14, & 10/21
5:00

Tech Classes

Wednesdays: 9/14 & 9/28
5:00-6:00

Adult Craft Class
Wednesday, 9/21, 6:30
(Must sign up ahead of time)

3-D Paper Craft Class
Saturday, 9/17, 11:00-2:00
(Must arrive by 11:30 to have time
to complete the project)



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7420 Liberty Avenue
Fulton, IN 46931
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September

Kid's Craft
Thursdays, 9:30-5:30

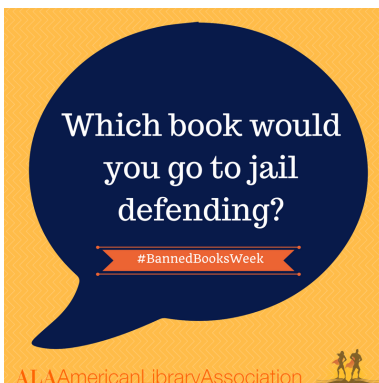
Adult Walking Class
Thursdays: 9/1, 9/8, & 9/22
Tuesdays: 9/13 & 9/27
9:30

Tech Classes
Wednesdays: 9/14 & 9/28
12:30-2:00

Kindra's Art Shop
Wednesday, 9/21, 12:30-2:00

Story Time with Duffy Waddles & Buttercup
Wednesday, 9/14
(Repeat performance Thursday, 9/15)
Wednesday, 9/28
(Repeat performance Thursday, 9/29)
10:00

All programs/crafts at FCPL are free and open to all unless otherwise noted.



Banned Books Week
September 25-October 1



Rochester Youth Services

September 2016

For more information about the *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten* program, please attend our informational meeting on **Thursday, 9/8 @ 6:00.**



Curiosity Day is Saturday, September 17th! Join us at noon for a celebration of Curious George's 75th birthday! We will have crafts, snacks, and activities.

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Afterschool Crew Lego Challenge 3:00-5:00 <i>1,000 Books Before Kindergarten</i> Story Time 9/12 & 9/26 6:00-6:30	Preschool Storytime & Craft 10:30 Afterschool Crew Coloring Challenge 3:00-5:00	Afterschool Crew Movie Day 3:00-5:00	Afterschool Crew Crafts/Board Games 3:00-5:00	Afterschool Crew Game Day 3:00-5:00

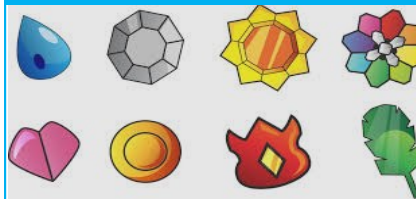


Grub & Graphics: A Graphic Novel Discussion

With the interest in graphic novels on the rise, Kristyn Childers thought it would be a great opportunity to offer a new book club on graphic novels. She is calling the offering *Grub and Graphics*. Join her on **Wednesday, 9/28 at 6:00 in Meeting Room B** for a bite to eat and a discussion on *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*.



Earn Pokémon Badges!



You are hereby challenged by our teen librarians, Kristyn and Skylier, to earn real Pokémon Badges. Those who step up

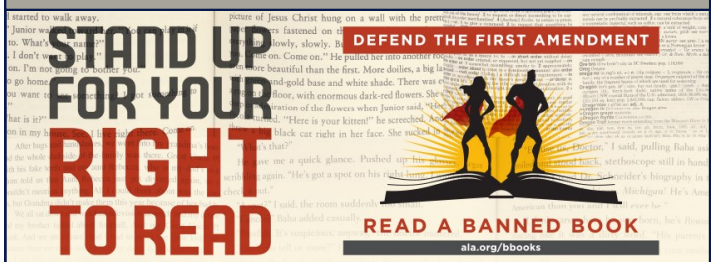
to the challenges put forth by our teen department can earn all eight badges. The badges are: Cascade, Boulder, Thunder, Rainbow, Soul, Marsh, Volcano, and Earth. Obtain all eight badges and win a prize. Only two badges can be won each week.

Magic: The Gathering Event



Collect your decks and join our gathering for some fun (not a tournament). The event is supervised and all ages are welcome!
Saturdays: 9/3 & 9/17, 10:00-3:00
Meeting Room A

Banned Books Week: September 25-October 1



September Adult Events @ FCPL Rochester

Thursday, September 1st

Movie Day: *Me Before You*

Meeting Room B, 2:00

Friday, September 2nd

Friends of the Library First Friday Book Sale

Meeting Room A, 10:00-5:30

Saturday, September 3rd

Magic: The Gathering

Meeting Room A 10:00-3:00

Thursday, September 8th

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Informational Meeting

Children's Department, 6:00

Monday, September 12th

Book, Bagel, and Brew

Meeting Room B, 10:15-11:15

Monday, September 12th

Board of Trustees Meeting

Indiana Room, 6:00

Tuesday, September 13th

Debbie's Dandies: Book Clock

Meeting Room B, 10:15

The class is free. Sign-up at the adult circulation desk.
18 and older.

Tuesday, September 13th

Bingo!

Meeting Rooms A & B, 6:00-7:00

Tuesday, September 17th

Magic: The Gathering

Meeting Room B, 4:30

All ages welcome!

Thursday, September 22nd

Noun: A Writing Project

Meeting Room B, 6:30

**Sassy Stitchers Cross-Stitch
and Crochet Club**

Mondays 6:00-8:00 PM

Indiana Room

All skill levels welcome!

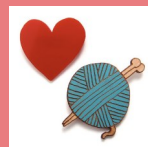


**Knitting Group
With Laura Ricketts**

Second Thursday
of each month

10:00-11:00 AM

Meeting Rm. B.



September Tech Classes

Tuesdays @ 6:00 PM

&

Thursdays @ 11:00 AM

Bring your own device or
use one of our laptops.

To schedule a one-on-one,
contact Zak at 223-1014.

**Whimsical Wednesday
Coloring Club**

Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 PM

Indiana Room

Supplies are provided, or
bring your own!



Calligraphy

A Saturday morning 5-week Adult Beginning Italic Calligraphy class begins October 1st. If you would like to register, call Tana at 765-473-5151 (please leave a message). The class is \$65, materials are included. Session must be paid for by Saturday, September 24th to reserve your place in this class.

American Sign Language

ASL classes taught by Pat Lancet are back at Rochester! This six-week class meets Thursdays, September 8, 15, 22, 29, and October 6 and 13 at 6:30 in Meeting Room B. The classes are FREE and are open to all ages. Sign-up at the Adult Circulation desk is suggested but not required.



**WHAT'S COOLER THAN
BEING COOL?**

HAVING A LIBRARY CARD.
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