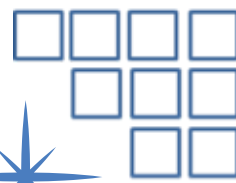
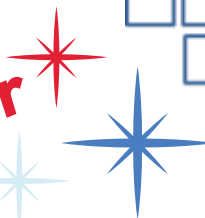


# BETHALTO PUBLIC LIBRARY

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**JULY**  
**Newsletter**  
**2025**



Bethalto Public Library

## ***FAMILY FUN MOVIE NIGHT*** *A Minecraft Movie - Rated PG*

***July 11 at 6PM***

Four misfits are suddenly pulled through a mysterious portal into a bizarre, cubic wonderland that thrives on imagination. Popcorn, drinks, and movie candy provided. Doors open at 5:45pm.



## ***OUTDOOR MESSTIVAL***

***July 12 at 1PM***

When we say messy, we mean it! Join us for a variety of messy outdoor activities. Swimsuits encouraged! Please bring a towel and a change of clothes.



## ***BYO CRAFTERNOON***

***July 13 at 2PM***

Enjoy a welcoming environment to explore your crafting ideas. You can bring any type of craft to work on; painting, junk journaling, knitting, embroidery, crochet, drawing, etc. Light refreshments will be provided.



## ***READ WITH MAUI***

***July 17 at 12PM***

***July 21 at 4PM***

Ask about our Maui Loyalty Program. Read to Maui and win prizes!



## ***ADULT/TEEN ART NIGHT Embellished Glass Jars***

***July 23 at 6PM***

Choose a glass jar (or two) from a wide array of shapes and sizes to decorate. All supplies will be provided. Registration required. Each project will cost \$5.00.



## ***ADULT BINGO NIGHT***

***July 25 at 6PM***

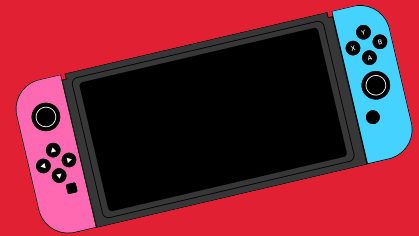
We provide daubers, light refreshments, fun and prizes. You have to bring your own good luck! Adults only, please. Doors open at 5:45pm.



## ***VIDEO GAME OPEN PLAY***

***July 26 at 2PM***

Visit the Library for a turn with our Nintendo Switch. Have your own switch? Bring it with you to go head to head against other library patrons!



## ***PRESCHOOL STORYTIME***

***Tuesdays at 10AM and 1PM***

These weekly storytimes build children's early literacy skills with stories, songs, movement, and crafts. The program lasts 30 minutes followed by craft time.

## ***BABY/TODDLER STORYTIME***

***Thursdays at 10AM***

Baby Storytime is an interactive storytime that includes early literacy fun with books, songs, fingerplays, and body movement. Best for 0-23 months old.

**It is summertime, bring the siblings! All ages welcome. We will have an activity for the older kids.**

## ***FAMILY FUN THURSDAYS***

***Thursdays at 3PM***

July 3 - Outdoor Water Games : Bring a towel and maybe a change of clothes.

July 10 - Lego Derby: Like the Pinewood Derby, but the cars are all Lego. Build a car and race your friends!

July 17 - Minute to Win It Games: Challenge a friend to see who can complete the tasks the fastest.

July 24 - Kids in the Kitchen: Miss Amy shows you simple snacks you can make on your own. This month we are making a beachy pudding cup and a magic slushie.

July 31 - Crafternoon: In honor of a young wizard's birthday, we will be making glitter wands and other magical crafts.





The 2025 Summer Reading Challenge began on May 28<sup>th</sup> and continues through July 28<sup>th</sup>.

For each day you read, all you have to do is record that you read. That's it. Really! Any amount of reading counts. Simply log that you read in the Beanstack App or check off the day on the paper calendar logs. We are not requiring a certain number of minutes, pages, or books. We simply want you to read.



The Summer Reading Challenge is available in the Beanstack App and on paper logs now through July 28<sup>th</sup>.

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

### CARNIVAL

August 2, 2025 at 6PM

Join us for our Summer Reading Finale Carnival. We will have Carnival Games to win tickets to buy fun prizes. Each child can get one face painting of their choice. We will be serving up carnival favorites like hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, and cotton candy - come ready to snack!



## Little House Used Book Sale

Mondays 4-6PM

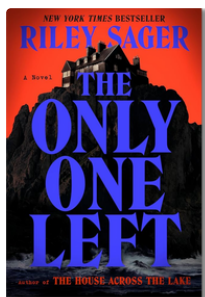
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Our Used Book Sale features a variety of used books and DVDs with prices from \$0.25 to \$4.00. Book Sale proceeds go directly to the Library for programs and new books.



Thank you for supporting your local library.

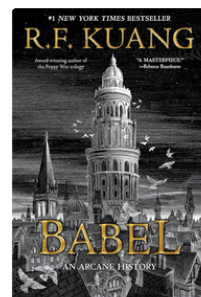
# Join our Book Clubs!



**August's Title**  
*Homecoming*  
by Kate Morton



**August's Title**  
*Furious Hours*  
by Casey Cep

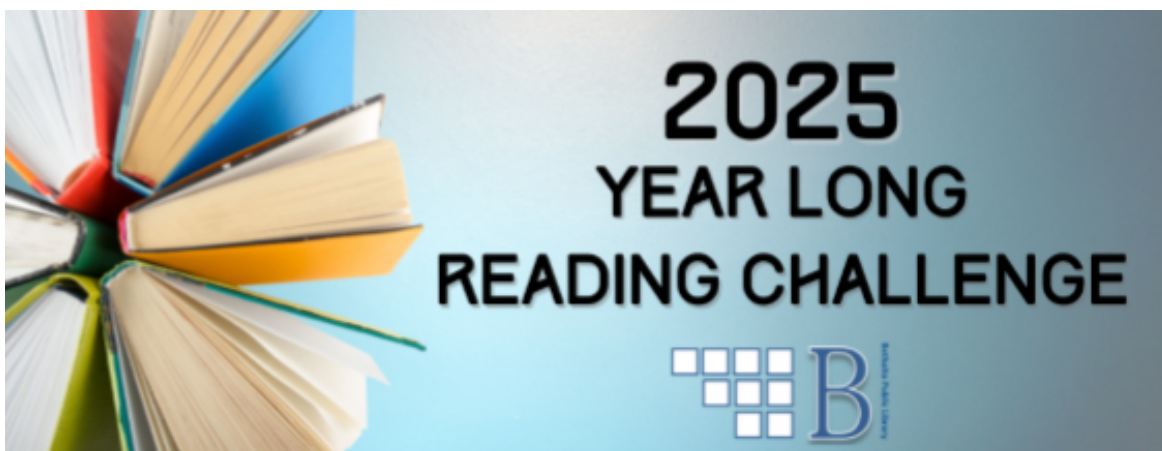


**August's Title**  
*Nothing to See Here*  
by Kevin Wilson

Tuesday  
July 1<sup>st</sup> | 6:30PM

Thursday  
July 3<sup>rd</sup> | 6PM

Wednesday  
July 16<sup>th</sup> | 10AM



This reading challenge is for everyone! Pick any book that meets one of the month's prompts, then log your reading in the Beanstack app or on the paper forms, and you are automatically entered for that month's prize drawings. Winners will choose from a prize basket filled with goodies, including book themed gifts, gift cards, and more. (Eligible to win up to 3 times during the year.)

## JULY



Book is part  
of a series



A building  
on the cover



A thriller or  
scary book



A seven letter  
word in the title



Book is under  
300 pages (16+)



Book is under  
50 pages (0-15)



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### Days Closed

**Independence Day**  
July 4, 2025

### **Labor Day**

Aug. 31, 2025 & Sep. 1, 2025

### Hours

Mon - Thu: 10:00am to 7:00pm  
Fri, Sat: 10:00am to 4:00pm  
Sun: 12:00pm to 4:00pm