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Racine Public Library

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Library Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Also known as "Emancipation Day" or "Freedom Day," Juneteenth commemorates June 19, 1865 when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas and gave word to enslaved African Americans that they were free — more than two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed.

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Library News & Updates

They see me rollin': New book bikes



Our new pair of book bikes are ready to hit the pavement! Our thanks go to [Racine Rotary Club](#) for funding the new additions to our **Library GO! fleet**. The fleet is still growing, with a new Techmobile to join us later this year.

The top bike in the photo was crafted by Icicles Tricycles. It has storage for



materials in the front, electric assist and a giant chalkboard to share fun library information.

The bottom bike was designed and built by community member Mark Heiser. Formerly a rickshaw, this bike has been revamped to bring the library all around town.

If you spot these bikes out in the wild, come say "hi!" At the bikes, you can check books out, sign up for a library card and hear what the library's up to.

The Library GO! bikes would love to visit your school, organization or event. Please email Outreach and Marketing Assistant [Julia Heiser](#) to plan a visit.

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🌻Bring your Garden Gloves and Floppy Hats🌻

We did it — plants incoming! On Thursday, [Taylor Creek Restoration Nursery](#) will deliver 700 plants for our new garden. Thank you to everyone who helped make this garden possible by donating to the plant fund, prepping the new bed and more.

Onto step two: planting the garden. Join us Friday, June 24 at 11 a.m. to help these plants take root. Please bring your own trowels, gardening gloves and hats. Watch the [Facebook event](#) for updates on food trucks, storytimes and crafts to check out at the planting party.



The new garden will be planted in the circle of wood chips around our book drops outside the library, with the help of [Root-Pike Watershed Initiative Network](#). This project will support a healthy ecosystem for birds, butterflies and bees.

Sponsor Plants

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**CARRY YOUR
BOOKS WITH**





For decades, public libraries have stood up for LGBTQ+ literature and safe spaces. Your Racine Public Library is a proud participant in the work for LGBTQ+ safe, inclusive communities. Books, movies and other materials representing LGBTQ+ people are challenged daily across the country — including at your library in Racine. Rest assured that the Racine Public Library supports its LGBTQ+ community members and firmly stands on the side of keeping affirming, diverse books on our shelves where they belong.

So carry your books with **pride!** Support our work against censorship and celebrate yourself and your LGBTQ+ loved ones with one of our new Pride totes. [Online ordering and shipping are now available.](#)



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Lunch Break at the Library

LUNCH BREAK AT THE LIBRARY

Pick up lunch and your next read.

11:00AM-2:00PM | LIBRARY DRIVE

May 25	Blue Badger Grill
June 1	Picos Tacos
June 8	Jaramillos Food Truck
June 15	Pina Mexican Eats
June 22	T & N's Eggroll House
June 29	TBD
July 6	Pina Mexican Eats
July 13	Jaramillos Food Truck
July 20	T & N's Eggroll House
July 27	TBD
August 3	Hydn Grilled Cheese
August 10	Picos Tacos
August 17	Fork N' Fry
August 24	TBD

Pick-up your lunch from a Wednesday food truck then join the tech team to learn something new!

11 a.m. - Bilingual STEM Storytime
12 p.m. - Tech Informational Session

Topics Include: Tech Help Drop-in, Libby, hoopla, SHARE everywhere, Cutting the Cord, LinkedIN Learning, CreativeBug and more!

Wednesday, June 1 - Wednesday, August 31
Circle of Library Dr.

Next on the menu: T&N's Eggroll House and Inmoxicated



Red Cross Blood Drive

Lifesaving care starts with one person being willing to give blood. Donated blood is essential to help patients survive surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses and traumatic injuries. The need for blood is constant, but only about 3% of those old enough to give end up donating. Want to help fill the gap?

Racine Public Library Blood Drive

Tuesday, June 21 | 1-6 p.m.

BLOOD DONATION FACTS



Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. requires a blood transfusion

One blood donation has the possibility to save up to three lives



Less than 38% of the population is eligible to donate blood

Every day, about 36,000 units of red blood cells are needed in the U.S.



A vibrant poster for the Racine Public Library's 125th Anniversary Block Party. The background is divided into three large triangular sections: light blue on the left, yellow on the right, and white in the center. The text is primarily in blue and purple. At the top, 'RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S' is in blue. Below it, '125TH' is in large, gold, foil-like balloons, followed by 'ANNIVERSARY' in blue. The words 'BLOCK PARTY' are in very large, bold, blue letters with a purple shadow. Below this, 'SATURDAY, JULY 16' and '10 A.M.-8 P.M.' are in purple. The location 'LAKE AVE. IN FRONT OF THE LIBRARY' is in blue. On the left, a light blue box contains 'CLASSIC CAR SHOW 10:00-4:00' and a drawing of a green classic car. Below that, another light blue box contains 'BEER TENT 12:00-8:00' and a drawing of two beer mugs. On the right, a light blue box contains 'LIVE MUSIC' in large blue letters, followed by three acts with their times: 'GEORGIA RAE 2:30-4:00', 'SPIRIT SHAKERS 4:30-6:00', and 'INDIGO CANYON 6:30-8:00'. To the right of the live music text is a drawing of a hand holding a microphone. At the bottom center is a small logo for the 125th anniversary.

RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY'S

125TH ANNIVERSARY

BLOCK PARTY

SATURDAY, JULY 16
10 A.M.-8 P.M.

LAKE AVE. IN
FRONT OF THE
LIBRARY

CLASSIC
CAR SHOW
10:00-4:00

BEER TENT
12:00-8:00

LIVE MUSIC

GEORGIA RAE
2:30-4:00

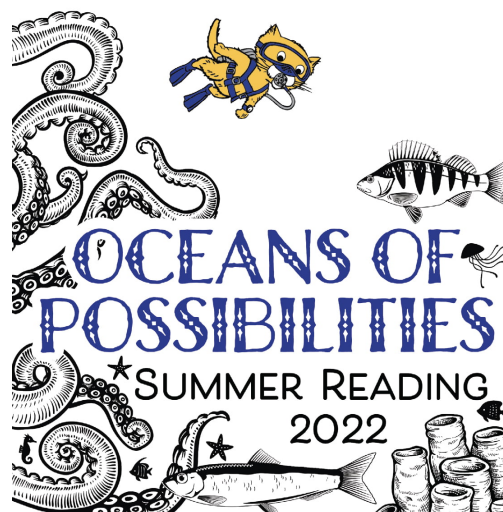
SPIRIT SHAKERS
4:30-6:00

INDIGO CANYON
6:30-8:00

RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY
125th
ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATING 125 YEARS

Rediscover your love of reading this summer.

Our 2022 Summer Reading Program is sponsored by the [Friends of the Racine Public Library](#).



Participating adults can win a kayak, a fishing kit and more!

Start Reading

Storytimes are Back!



Tuesdays

Lap-Sit Storytime: 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday Tales: 10 a.m.

Musical Family Storytime: 6 p.m.

Wednesdays

Bilingual Storytime: 11 a.m.

Noche de Cuentos: 6 p.m.

Thursdays

Preschool Dance Party: 10 a.m.

RAINBOW FISH STORY WALK

Take a walk while reading the story of Rainbow Fish as he learns how to make friends and share his sparkly scales.

11 am | Wednesday, June 22
Outside, Library Lawn
Registration Required

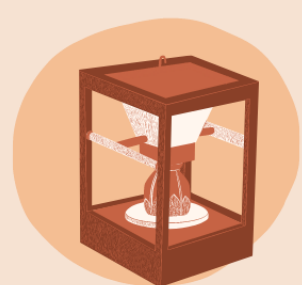


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3D PRINTING MODELS





What can you make with a 3D printer? The possibilities are endless. We'll show you how to



Children will learn how to find and even make your own models to take home.


Wednesday, June 22 | 5 p.m.
Innovation Lab | Grades 4-8
Registration Required

Sea Creature Science

Learn about different ocean creatures through fun facts, activities and crafts!

2 pm | Mondays
June 6 - July 25 | Youth Services



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girls who code

Girls Who Code Clubs are meant for girls to join our sisterhood of supportive peers and rolemodels and use Computer Science to change the world!

Grades 3 - 5

11:30 | Tuesdays
JUNE 14 - AUGUST 23
REGISTER

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MINECRAFT CLUB

Minecrafters, we want to see what you've got! Come hang out with us on the library's Minecraft server. Depending on your playstyle, this server can focus on minigames, competitions, building a massive city, and more. We can't wait to host you!

Thursdays, May 5 - August 25 | 5 p.m.
Grades 4-12 | Martin Room
Registration Required



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STORY WAGON

Snake Discovery
Slither into the world of reptiles to learn what species call Wisconsin home!
10 am | Thursday, June 16

Kids Musicians
"The Figureheads"
The Figureheads will be playing songs from their new record "Stars."
10 am | Thursday, June 23

Fitting Into Fitness!
Two fitness experts from Kidsplay give a completely unique and hilarious look into the world of health and fitness.
10 am | Thursday, June 30



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Donate to the Library

