

We keep hearing that “Summer is Here!” now that Memorial Day is over but the temperatures have fluctuated so much that we’re not sure what season it is! But whatever season it is, it’s a great season to read a book!

The Summer Reading Program has officially started and “Level Up at your Library” is creating a lot of people ready to get started! The program is open to children (Grade K-12) and adults. Chrisman Public Library is, rather than counting books, having our readers count minutes! Children in K-3 will have to read or be read to for 200 minutes, children in grades 4-12 will have to read 500 minutes and adults will have to read 1,000, to win a prize. Come into the library for the “rules” and to pick up an invite from State Senator Chapin Rose to submit a list of 8 books to earn a certificate from the Illinois Senate!

Calling all Jr. Chefs! University of Illinois Extension is offering a Jr. Chef Cooking School for boys and girls, ages 9-13! It runs from Monday – Friday, June 23-27, from 10 am to 12 noon. The children will need to attend each and every day! Each lesson builds off the lesson before, with hands-on techniques and cooking skills. Cooking School will be held at the Chrisman Christian Church and the cost is FREE!!! If you would like to sign your child/children up for this, please call the Crawford-U of I Extension office at 618-546-1549 to reserve your child’s spot. Remember, you are signing them up for ALL 10 hours. We have flyers available at the library if you need more information.

We held our monthly Great Puzzle Race on Thursday, May 29 and had 17 people/6 teams attempt to get their 300-piece puzzle completed in the fastest time! The winning time was 31 minutes, 7 seconds for the team of Barb, Beth, Connie and Gloria! Congratulation ladies! Our next Great Puzzle Race will be June 26 at 5:30pm and we have space for one more team so let us know if you’re interested! Fun night for all!

State Representative Adam Niemerg’s representative, Linda Lane, was at our library on May 27 to chat with the residents providing answers to questions asked in April and helping with new questions. Very informative discussion regarding Illinois Museum and Library Services and rural communities! We would recommend that if any resident has questions regarding Edgar County, the city of Chrisman or even the State of Illinois, that you attend any future meetings.

FUTURE JUNE EVENTS

June 12 is Chrisman Public Library Board Meeting at 6pm.

June 14 is Flag Day.

June 15 is Father’s Day.

June 18 Illinois State Treasurer’s Office (I-Cash program) will be at the Chrisman Public Library from 1:30pm – 3:30pm to help people see if they have unclaimed cash or property held by the treasurer’s office. All area residents are invited to attend.

June 19 is Story Time at 3:30pm.

June 26 is the Great Puzzle Race at 5:30pm.