**Maker Mondays**

Maker Mondays will continue this fall for all independent children ages 3-6. This is a story/activity program which will be held on Mondays at 10:30 AM. Topics for the weekly program are as follows:

- **Sept** 14 Back to School
- 21 Football Fun
- 28 Leaves are Falling
- **Oct.** 5 Apples Are Great!
- 12 Columbus Day
- 19 Itsy Bitsy Spider
- 26 Jack-o-Lantern Fun
- **Nov.** 2 Scarecrows
- 9 Veggie Tales
- 16 Turkey Treats
- 23 It’s Thanksgiving
- 30 Reindeers
- **Dec.** 7 Christmas Magic

Come join the fun on Monday mornings.

**Books ‘N Brews Book Club**

The inaugural meeting of the Minot Public Library’s Books ‘n Brews Book Club occurred on Wednesday, August 19th at the Tap Room, a craft beer bar in downtown Minot. The club’s first book was the popular non-fiction story about Louie Zamperini, *Unbroken*. There were lively discussions and tasty beverages.

MPL is happy to continue the Books ‘n Brews Book Club well into the future. On Thursday, October 15th at 7:00 pm the book club will discuss *12 Years a Slave* by Soloman Northrup and on Thursday, December 17th we will discuss Erik Larson’s *Thunderstruck*. Copies of these books are available at the library and through Interlibrary Loan - details regarding the location of the book club meetings will be announced soon on the Library’s website (www.minotlibrary.org), Facebook page and in advertisements around the library and at the meeting location.

If you have any questions or suggestions for possible future titles, please feel free to contact Brendan Chella, the Adult Services Librarian, at 701-852-1045 or brendan.chella@minotnd.org.

**Fall Story Times Planned For Children**

The Minot Public Library offers story times for children of all ages.

**BABY PLAY** is a story time and sensory play activity for children ages 12 months to 3 years of age and their caregivers. There will be stories with an opportunity for children to play after the story time. This story time will start October 2nd at 10:00 AM and continue through November 20th.

**SIDE by SIDE STORIES,** will be held on Tuesdays at 10:00 AM for children accompanied by parents or other caregivers September 15th through December 8th.

**WHIMSICAL WEDNESDAYS,** a puppet story time will be held on Wednesdays at 10:30 AM for independent children ages 3-6 September 16th through December 9th.

For more information about story times contact the Children’s Library at 838-0606.
**Movie Matinees!**
Come spend your afternoons off with us watching movies on the big screen in the Imagination Station of the Minot Public Library. We will be showing movies at 2:00 PM on the following days:

- Sept 28  Paddington
- Oct 14  Home
- Nov 18  Inside Out

Children may bring their own snacks and drinks if they wish.

**ASK Programs for School Age Children**
After School Kids Programs are scheduled for Mondays at 3:45 PM starting October 5th in the Imagination Station. The activity-based programs are geared for school age children (K-5). The program for the fall session is as follows:

- Oct. 5  Apple Science Fun
- Oct. 12  Cooking Magic
- Oct. 19  Spooky Science
- Oct. 26  Halloween Craft
- Nov. 2  Rainsticks
- Nov. 9  Cooking Magic
- Nov. 16  Cranberry Science
- Nov. 23  Turkey Treats
- Nov. 30  Minecraft Games
- Dec. 7  Cooking Magic
- Dec. 15  It’s Beginning to Look Like Christmas

For more information about the ASK programs contact the Children’s Library at 838-0606.

**Puppet Shows For Pre-School Children Scheduled**
Independent children ages 3-6 are invited to join Flash and his friends for special holiday puppet shows this fall. You’ll be scared silly at the Halloween puppet show that will be held on Saturday, October 31st at 10:30 AM in the Imagination Station. A Christmas puppet show will be held on Saturday, December 12th at 10:30 AM. Parents may relax and browse the library while their child attends the puppet show. For more information contact the Children’s Library at 838-0606.

**Lego Club to Continue to Meet**
The LEGO Club will meet the second Tuesday of the month throughout the fall at 7:00 PM in the Imagination Station of the Minot Public Library. The first meeting of the new school year will be September 8th. Children four years of age to Grade 5 and parents interested in building are encouraged to attend. At each meeting children will have the opportunity to create different structures and vehicles with LEGO. Each month their structures are on display in the Children’s Library. Contact the library for more information.

**Vacation Day Programs**
Make plans now to spend a few hours of your vacation with us. We are planning all sorts of fun programs for school age children (K-5) to be held on days when children are not in school.

Join us Thursday, October 22nd at 2:00 PM for Pumpkin Science. We will be doing all sorts of fun things with Pumpkins! Come have fun and learn at the same time.

Let’s be engineers! We will have all kinds of building challenges at our engineering program on Wednesday, November 11th starting at 2:00 in the Imagination Station. For more information on any of these programs contact the library at 838-0606.

**READ Dog Available for Children**
Sisu, a Reading Education Assistance Dog, will be available for children to read to on the first Tuesday of the month at 4:00 PM. Sisu is a standard poodle and LOVES listening to children read. Children may read for 15 minutes and it is on a first come first serve basis. For more information about the READ dog contact the Children’s Library at 838-0606.

**Guys Read**
Learn how to set up an aquarium and find out what fish are compatible with each other. A representative from Petco will be here on Monday, October 26th to put on this fun program.

Come November 30th at 7:00 PM and find out about all the neat things that you can do in our new Makerspace. Pam, our teen librarian, will show you how all the new programs in the Makerspace work. For more information contact the Children’s Library at 838-0606.

**Teen Gaming**
We love video games here at MPL! We have a game collection for checkout located in the teen section. Games go out for a week, limit 2 games per patron. It’s a great way try out a new game and see if you like it. MPL also offers a wide gaming array at our gaming events! We have several different tablets, a Wii and a Wii U, 2 Xbox360 and 2 Kinect! Bring your peeps and get your GAME ON! Bring a game from home or play one of ours. We always have a marvelous time. No registration is required - drop on in! We are holding our Fall Gaming Tournament on October 27th. Jonah from Gorilla Games is our favorite gamemaster and there will be prizes for the top three gamers!

The second Saturday of the month we hold GAME ON SATURDAY from 1:00-4:00 PM! Dates are: Sept. 12th, Oct. 10th, Nov. 14th and Dec. 12th. Afterschool Gaming is held from 3:30-5:30! Dates are: Sept. 22nd, Oct. 27th, and Nov. 24th.
Welcome to Our Newest Databases!

The MPL would like to announce the purchasing of two new databases that carry with them names people know and trust: Chilton Library and National Geographic Virtual Library.

Chilton is THE authority on auto repair and their books are a mainstay of any library or auto enthusiast’s collection. The online version provides repair information, diagrams, repair time estimates, and maintenance schedules for more than 70 years’ worth of vehicles of all makes and models, including American domestics, Asian imports, and trendy European brands.

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Unmask! Reading Challenge

We are so proud: 167 students took part in the Unmask Reading Challenge this summer and 81 finished the challenge! An additional 22 students got to at least the half-way. At least 152,822 pages were read by Minot area teens! Ten teens also submitted writing contest entries! Way to Go!

The winners of the Unmask! Teen Writing Contest are: Nathan Demme, 1st place with “Sword of Death”, Elizabeth Hurteau, 2nd place with “Giren”, Rose Bateman, 3rd place with “The Candlestick”, and Dylan Fosburg, Honorable Mention with “Death’s Blade”. We are thrilled with the response we’ve received and enjoyed reading all 10 contributors’ stories!

Summertime Reading Heroes

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the annual Summer Reading Program, “Every Hero Has A Story”. Nearly 900 children and 200 teens participated this summer! Special thanks to this year’s sponsors: KXMC-TV, Johnson Eyecare and Eyewear, The Roosevelt Park Zoo and Super Duper Fun Time Entertainment. A big thanks from our teens goes to Home Depot, Minot Aircraft Modelers, Roosevelt Park Zoo and Kent Johnson for making the summer truly special! Home Depot got us building bird houses, MAM treated us to high-flying adventures, our Roosevelt Park Zoo tour was a WILD adventure and Pokemon University was quite a treat! A super-duper reading fun day was held to mark the end of the program where nearly 500 children and teens were able to play games, bounce in bounce houses, sumo wrestle, see a clown and have their faces painted. Prize-winners and prizes include: Danica Z., $100 Visa gift card from Johnson Eyecare and Eyewear, Thomas S., $50 gift card from Main Street Books provided by Ward County Public Library, Lauren P., zoo pass from Roosevelt Park Zoo, Ava K., Child’s Party from Super Duper Fun Time Entertainment and Madison E. and Jack W., $25 gift cards from Barnes & Noble (both provided by Friends of the Minot Public Library). Congratulations to ALL the children who participated, they are all winners.

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Tech Tutors: One-on-One Computer Help for Adults

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Library Materials Delivered to Your Door

The Minot Public Library offers a Special Services Program to individual residents of Minot. The eligibility requirements are as follows: individuals who are homebound, have a visual or physical disability or are living in an assisted living or extended care facility. Library materials are delivered each month to these individuals by volunteers or staff. Participants can receive fiction and nonfiction books, regular print or large print books, audiobooks and music CDs. If you or anyone you know is interested in receiving materials delivered to them, please contact Lacey at 852-1045.

Meet and Greet with Local Author

Berthold author Sandi Whipple will be at the Minot Public Library Thursday, Oct. 22nd at 7:00 PM in the Library lobby. Sandi, a self-proclaimed “reader and writer of romance”, will be selling and autographing copies of her latest book, Tarnished Romance, and will share a reading from the book. Refreshments will be provided.

Holiday Open House

Join the Minot Public Library staff as we wish you the happiest of holidays at our annual Holiday Open House. The Open House will be held on Thursday, Dec. 17th from 3:30-5:30 PM and we will serve cookies and drinks while listening to live holiday music played by students from the Minot High orchestra!

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Fri. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sun. 1 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER
8  LEGO Club 7:00 PM
12 Maker Monday 10:30 AM ASK 3:45 PM
14 Maker Monday 10:30 AM
15 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
16 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
21 Maker Monday 10:30 AM
22 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
23 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
28 Maker Monday 10:30 AM
29 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Science Club 3:45 PM (Pre-registered children only)
30 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM

OCTOBER
2  Baby Play 10:00 AM
5 Maker Monday 10:30 AM ASK 3:45 PM
6 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Teen Maker Space 4:00 PM
READ Dog 4:00 PM
7 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
9 Baby Play 10:00 AM
10 Teen Gaming 1:00-4:00 PM
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ASK 3:45 PM
13 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Science Club 3:45 PM (Pre-registered children only)
Teen Maker Space 4:00 PM
LEGO Club 7:00 PM
14 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
Movie Matinee 2:00 PM
Teen Program – Icing on the Cake - 2:00 PM
Library Board Meeting 4:15 PM
Books ’n Brews - 7:00 PM
16 Cat in the Hat visits the Library 10:00 AM
19 Maker Monday 10:30 AM
ASK 3:45 PM
20 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Teen Maker Space 4:00 PM
21 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
22 Vacation Fun (grades K-5) 2:00 PM
Teen Movie 2:00 PM
Sandi Whipple Book Signing 7:00 PM
23 Baby Play 10:00 AM
Spooky Teen Trivia 2:00-4:00 PM
26 Maker Monday 10:30 AM ASK 3:45 PM
Guys Read 7:00 PM
27 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Science Club 3:45 PM (Pre-registered children only)
Teen Gaming 3:30 PM
28 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
30 Baby Play 10:00 AM
Halloween Puppet Show 10:30 AM (Children ages 3-6)

NOVEMBER
2  Maker Monday 10:30 AM ASK 3:45 PM
3 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Science Club 3:45 PM (Pre-registered children only)
READ Dog 4:00 PM
Teen Maker Space 4:00 PM
4 Whimsical Wednesday 10:30 AM
6 Baby Play 10:00 AM
9 Maker Monday 10:30 AM
ASK 3:45 PM
10 Side by Side Stories 10:00 AM
Teen Candle Creations and TAG 4:00 PM
LEGO Club 7:00 PM
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26 LIBRARY CLOSED – HAPPY THANKSGIVING
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ASK 3:45 PM
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READ Dog 4:00 PM
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