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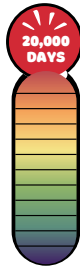
## READ EVERY DAY CHALLENGE: JUNE 1-AUGUST 1

Visit any Scott County Library branch to pick up a reading log- all ages can participate!

You can also track your reading online at [scottcountylibrary.beanstack.org](http://scottcountylibrary.beanstack.org)

Complete the "Read Every Day Challenge" and attend library events to earn prizes.

Can we log 20,000 days of reading this summer, Scott County? Help us reach our community goal!



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**NOTE:**  
 Events last for 1 hour, unless otherwise noted.

# JULY ELDRIDGE CALENDAR

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT			
*Registration required ^ Offsite ● ALL AGES, FAMILY   ● TEENS / TWEENS ● ADULT   ● YOUNG KIDS ● KIDS								
1		Baby's Morning Out 9 AM *Escape Room 9 AM-5 PM Romantasy Book Club 6 PM	2		3	ALL SCLS BRANCHES CLOSE @ 4:30 PM	4	ALL SCLS BRANCHES CLOSED TODAY
6	7	8	9	10	11			
*Ocean Odyssey: Shark Touch Tank 10 AM-12 PM Tech Connect 6 PM	Story Time 10 AM	Princess Palooza 10 AM	Intro to Mah Jongg 1-3 PM Stargazing & S'mores 8-10 PM	Sewcial Stitchers 9 AM-3 PM Paws & Crafts 3 PM				
13	14	15	16	17	18			
^ Popular Fiction Book Club @ The Vault 10 AM From Bad to Rad: The 'Bad' Seed Club 10 AM	Story Time 10 AM *Tween Summer Book Club 1 PM #Virtual Talk w Karin Slaughter 6 PM	Baby's Morning Out 9 AM New Mom's Support 10 AM ^ Scoops & Stories 2 PM Rock Island Arsenal in the Civil War 6 PM	#Virtual Talk w Rayna Grande 1 PM Teen Craft 2 PM	Reading Roadmap: A Route to Supporting Your Child's Reading 10 AM	*Card Class 10 AM-12:30 PM			
20	21	22	23	24	25			
From Bad to Rad: The 'Bad' Seed Club 10 AM Evening Book Club 6:30 PM	Story Time 10 AM *Moana Cooking Class with Linda Jones 1 PM	Baby's Morning Out 9 AM *Bloxels Camp 10 AM-12 PM	*Bloxels Camp 10 AM-12 PM Teen Craft 2 PM	*Bloxels Camp 10 AM-12 PM				
27	28	29	30	31	Aug 1			
Summer Finale Party 5:30-7 PM Edible Book Contest 5:30-7 PM	Story Time 10 AM	Baby's Morning Out 9 AM New Mom's Support 10 AM Novel Craft Hour 6 PM	*Intro to Ukulele 11 AM #Virtual Talk w Katherine Rundell 1 PM	Teen Advisory Group 2 PM	<b>LAST DAY FOR SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!</b>			

## EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

\*Registration required ^ Offsite

● ALL AGES, FAMILY ● ADULT ● TEENS / TWEENS ● KIDS ● YOUNG KIDS

### WED, JULY 1 & THURS, JULY 2

**\*Escape Room, 9 AM-5 PM:** Will you solve the clues and "escape" before your time runs out? Registration: [bit.ly/escapesum26](http://bit.ly/escapesum26). Best for adults, teens, and kids ages 8 & older. Max 6 participants per group.

### \*OCEAN ODYSSEY: SHARK TOUCH TANK

#### MONDAY, JULY 6, 10 AM-12 PM

Enjoy an amazing lesson on sharks from the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium, then line up to meet a few of their friendly sharks. The lesson is best for ages 8+ and requires registration: [bit.ly/sclsshark26](http://bit.ly/sclsshark26) Just want to meet the sharks up close? Drop in starting at 11 AM to visit the touch tank; no registration needed. Please note that wait times are likely.

### MONDAY, JULY 6

**Tech Connect, 6 PM:** Join us for our monthly Tech Connect Workshop. In this month's in-person workshop we will learn job search skills.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

**Princess Palooza, 10 AM:** Join us for a magical morning where beloved princesses come to life, brought to you by talented high school performers from Lancer Productions. Little ones can meet and greet their favorite royal characters, snap photos, and enjoy enchanting crafts and activities fit for a kingdom. For ages 2-8.

### THURSDAY, JULY 9

**Intro to Mah Jongg, 1-3 PM:** Learn to play Mah Jongg with experienced players. Players of all abilities are welcome. Cards are provided for those learning.

### STARGAZING & S'MORES

#### THURSDAY, JULY 9, 8-10 PM

Spend an evening stargazing with the Popular Astronomy Club! Telescopes and the mobile observatory will be available. Plus, roast a s'more around the campfire and take part in fun games and crafts. All ages are welcome to drop in! If it rains, this event will be rescheduled for July 16.

### FRIDAY, JULY 10

**Paws & Crafts @ 3 PM:** Stop by for a time of wagging tails and creativity! Meet the therapy dogs from QC CAN and craft. For all ages.

### From Bad to Rad: The 'Bad' Seed Club

#### Meeting @ 10 AM on Mondays: July 13 & July 20

Discover how even a "bad" seed can learn to grow! In this engaging program inspired by The Bad Seed by Jory John and Pete Oswald, kids will enjoy stories, hands-on activities, and creative exploration centered on kindness, confidence, and making positive choices. Presented in partnership with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. Best for children entering grades K-3.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

#### New Mom's Support Group @ 10 AM:

Connect with other moms, share stories, and get expert guidance from consultant Kim Hewlett. Open to all moms with babies ages 0-1; whether it's your 1<sup>st</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> baby, you're welcome! **Also meeting Wed, July 29.**

#### ^ Scoops & Stories @ Twists, 2 PM:

The Bookmobile is visiting Twists Ice Cream in Eldridge! All ages can browse; kids ages 2-7 join story time on the lawn at 2:10. Check out a book (library card required!) to receive a free kids cone courtesy of Twists.

#### Rock Island Arsenal in the Civil War, 6 PM:

Join Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for a presentation on the history of the Rock Island Arsenal as a Civil War POW prison. For adults 18+.

### THURSDAY, JULY 16

**Teen Craft: Book Vases, 2 PM:** Teens, come and make a book flower vase. Registration not required, but supplies are limited. First come, first serve For ages 13-17.

### FRIDAY, JULY 17

**Reading Roadmap, 10 AM:** Join us for a one-hour session for parents and caregivers led by a local teacher with extensive literacy experience. Grounded in Science of Reading research, you'll learn how reading develops and what truly helps kids succeed. Childcare is provided—teen volunteers will host a fun "playdate" for little ones while you learn.

### SATURDAY, JULY 18

**\*Card Class, 10 AM-12:30 PM:** Make homemade greeting cards. Cost is \$3 per card. Register by calling (563) 285-4794, option 0.

### TUESDAY, JULY 21

**\*Moana Cooking Class with Linda Jones, 1 PM:** We will create a fruit coconut tree snack, decorated fish cookies and a yogurt sand cup with a dolphin. Also enjoy a frothy tropical punch. Ages 8+; 6-7 with an adult. Registration required: [bit.ly/moanacook26](http://bit.ly/moanacook26)

### \*BLOXELS CAMP

#### WED, JUL 22 - FRI, JUL 24, 10 AM-12 PM

Build, play, and share your own video games, that YOU design! Space is limited and registration is required: [bit.ly/sclsblox26](http://bit.ly/sclsblox26). This is a three day camp; each session builds on the previous day. For ages 7-13 only.

### THURSDAY, JULY 23

**Teen Craft: Pet Cactus Rocks, 2 PM:** Teens, come and make a pet cactus rock. Registration not required, but supplies are limited. First come, first serve For ages 11-17.

### SUMMER FINALE PARTY!

#### MONDAY, JULY 27, 5:30-7 PM

Celebrate your summer of reading at the finale party! It's a foamy, bubbly dance party, plus bounce houses, alpaca petting zoo, refreshments, and more! All ages are welcome. Food trucks will be available to purchase dinner or drinks.

### MONDAY, JULY 27

**Edible Book Contest, 5:30-7 PM:** Turn your favorite books into delicious works of art! Join us during our Finale Party for an Edible Book Contest. Create an edible display inspired by a book, author, or literary character—then bring it to share, display, and compete for fun prizes. Whether you're a baker, builder, or book lover, this is your chance to combine creativity and cuisine! Sign-up will open July 1.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

**Novel Craft Hour, 6 PM:** Join us for a bookish craft on the last Wednesday every month! This month, we are making a book page canvas. For adults 18+.

### THURSDAY, JULY 30

**\*Intro to Ukulele, 11 AM:** Curious about the ukulele? Join us for a fun, beginner-friendly workshop where you'll learn the basics—how to hold, tune, and play a few simple chords. No experience needed! Ukuleles are provided, or bring your own. Ages 10+. Register: [bit.ly/sclsuke26](http://bit.ly/sclsuke26)

### FRIDAY, JULY 31

**Teen Advisory Group, 2 PM:** Earn volunteer hours by setting up the Scholastic Book Fair! For ages 11-17.

## BOOK CLUBS

Book Clubs with specific titles are at the Eldridge branch circulation desk to check out. New members are always welcome!

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

#### Romantasy Book Club @ 6 PM

Meet us at the Eldridge Branch to discuss "The Wren in the Holly Library" by K. A. Linde. For adults 18+.

### MONDAY, JULY 13

#### ^ Popular Fiction Adult Book Club @ 10 AM

Join us at The Vault in Eldridge for a discussion on "Society of Lies" by Lauren Ling Brown.

### TUESDAY, JULY 14

#### \*Tween Summer Book Club @ 1 PM

Take on an unforgettable summer challenge with "The Trouble with Heroes" by Kate Messner! Tweens ages 10-13 will discuss Finn's story at this second meeting. Registration required: [bit.ly/sclstween](http://bit.ly/sclstween)

### MONDAY, JULY 20

#### Evening Book Club @ 6:30 PM

Join us as we discuss "The Clodbuster Nine" by Anne R Keene.

## Story Time

### TUESDAYS AT 10 AM

**Story Time:** Join us for stories, songs, silliness, a craft, & more for ages 0-6 years old.

### WEDNESDAYS AT 9 AM

**Baby's Morning Out:** Songs, bounces, stories, and playtime for babies 0-24 months and their grownups. **NO event on JUL 8.**

## HOLIDAY CLOSURES

All SCLS Branches will have the following hours for the holiday:

**Friday, July 3 - Closing at 4:30 PM**

**Saturday, July 4 - CLOSED**