Effingham County Community Events June/July 2019

Story Time

Tuesday at 10am and 11am, Every Friday at the Effingham Library for ages 0-5 with an adult. Join us for our regular Tuesday Story Time fun! No Registration Required. For more information, call 217-342-2464 or visit www.effinghamlibrary.org.

Story and Treats

June 6 at 10am at Ballard Nature Center. Come out to Ballard Nature Center to listen to a story, participate in related activities and make a special cherry pie treat! Be sure to wear comfy shoes for the walk. If you have questions or would like to register, please contact Ballard Nature Center at 618-483-6856.

Ainad Shriners Circus

June 6th, 7-10pm at the Effingham County Fairgrounds in Altamont. \$15.00 Adult, \$10.00 Children, One Adult Ticket equals two children's tickets. Tickets are good for any performance at any location (no refunds). You can purchase tickets at the gate or at any Moto Mart or Schnucks in our area or S&W Supermarket in Altamont. You can also purchase tickets online @ www.ainadshriners.org/circus *Gates open one hour before show times. For more information contact Ainad Shriners at 618-874-1870.

VW Welcome Fest Downtown Party

June 7th, 5-8pm, downtown Effingham. All residents are invited to join in welcoming Volkswagen enthusiasts to Effingham! Mid America Motorworks: Air-Cooled Volkswagen's Fun Run Road Tour will end in downtown Effingham with Volkswagens set to come down Jefferson Avenue around 5:30-6:00 p.m. We invite residents to come out for the parade of VWs!

We try to make this event something the whole family can enjoy and we hope residents and visitors alike will come down to enjoy this fun event! Activities will include food from Lickin' My Chicken & Pullin' My Pork BBQ, The Lunch Box, Aunt Kim's Kettle Corn and Toppins Soft Serve, along with live musical entertainment from Fairly Odd Duo, great giveaways, a chance to win a Fujiflim Instax Mini Camera and of course, you'll get to see a variety of Volkswagens! We have more fun planned for the kids too, including coloring books, bubbles and sidewalk chalk and FREE face painting by Stang Arts.

Watch Out Weather

June 10 at 6 pm at Ballard Nature Center. Hear about the five worst storms in US history. There will be weather experiments and a walk. Family program. Call to register. 618-483-6856.

Family Campfire

June 14th, 6:30pm at Ballard Nature Center. Come out to Ballard Nature Center to learn about animals that fly in the night, play a game, make a treat and hike on a trail! This event will start at 6:30 p.m. and if you have any questions or would like to register, please call 618-483-6856.

Teutopolis KC Cruise Night

June 14th, 5:30-8:30pm at the Teutopolis KC Hall parking lot. All vehicles welcome, Live DJ, food and refreshments available for purchase, proceeds to benefit rebuilding of Teutopolis Banquet Hall. No registration or entry fee required.

Teens Black Light Paint Party

June 14th, 5:30-7:30pm at StangArts. Bring the teens to StangARTS and let them paint in black lighting! Tickets are \$30 per painter and can be found at https://stangarts.com/events/list/. There will be plenty of pizza and refreshments! For information on this event, please contact the StangART crew.

Paint at the Park with StangArts

June 15th at Community Park. Join the StangARTS crew out at Community Park in the Blue Pavilion to paint your own flower or herb clay pot from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Be sure to get your tickets at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/painting-at-the-park-tickets-61304383060

Downtown Sculpture Walk

June 15th at 9am, beginning at the Effingham Library. Go on a guided tour of all the new artwork in downtown Effingham. Meet at the library's west entrance. Be dressed to walk for about an hour. Registration Required, register here:

http://engagedpatrons.org/EventsExtended.cfm?SiteID=4680&EventID=375226&PK=

Father's Day Family Paint Party

June 16th, 2-4pm at StangArts. Bring Dad and the whole family to StangARTs for day of fun! Pick between a wooden tractor or paint your favorite activity together! To save your spot and to pick your option please go to https://stangarts.com/events/list/

Watercolor Paint Class

June 18th at 6pm at Ballard Nature Center, \$5 per person. A fun stress-buster class for adults. Deb Scholes will lead in painting a picture in the great outdoors. Bring your friends and have a good time! For more information or to register, please call Ballard Nature Center at 618-483-6856.

Downtown Sculpture Walk

June 22nd at 9am, beginning at the Effingham Library. Go on a guided tour of all the new artwork in downtown Effingham. Meet at the library's west entrance. Be dressed to walk for about an hour. Registration Required. June 22nd register here:

http://engagedpatrons.org/EventsExtended.cfm?SiteID=4680&EventID=375227&PK=

Sacred Heart Parish Picnic

June 23rd: 5:00 p.m. - Midnight, June 24th: Noon-11 p.m. Carnival Rides, Bingo, Live Auction, Flea Market, Food & Drinks, Wine & Beer Garden, Chicken & Ham Dinner, Music, Games for all ages, Big Cash Prizes

City of Effingham Fireworks

July 4th at dusk, Enjoy the City of Effingham's annual Fireworks show on July 4th starting at dusk (around 9 p.m.) at the Effingham High School Sports Complex. Rain date: July 5.

Mustang Sally Rocks

July 4th 7:30-11pm at the Effingham Event Center. Mustang Sally will be performing in conjunction with the City of Effingham Fireworks.

Breakfast in Nature Fundraiser

July 4th 8am at Ballard Nature Center. Come out to Ballard Nature Center for breakfast! There will be biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, donuts, fruit and a yogurt bar. Plenty of activities for the kids. Best part is the cost is only a donation!

Encore Puppet Show

July 5th at 1pm at Ballard Nature Center. "The Big-mouthed Frog" puppet show is back at Ballard Nature Center. Learn about frogs, play games and make crafts! Call to register 618-483-6856

Escape Room Night

July 2nd at 6pm at Ballard Nature Center. Will your family figure out the combination to break out? There will be three escape rooms to decipher at Ballard Nature Center. For more questions or information, please call 618-483-6856.

Duck & Doughnuts

July 20th at Ballard Nature Center. Listen to a story about ducks while enjoying donuts! There will be a short walk and some activities as well, so make sure you're at Ballard Nature Center at 9:30 a.m. Call to register 618-483-6856.

The Best of Summer

July 24th at Ballard Nature Center. Summer brings playing outside, lemonade & ice cream! Ballard Nature Center will be doing all of this and more at 6 p.m. Call to register 618-483-6856.

EffingHAM Jam BBQ Cookoff

July 26-27, downtown Effingham. Hometown Throwdown local competition sets the stage for a great weekend of delicious BBQ, music, food and fun! We'll have great music, food and beverages.

Teen Volunteer Training

June 5, 10am, Effingham Library Workman Room, Ages 12-18. Interested in volunteering at the library over summer break? The first step is to attend a teen volunteer training! Volunteering gives you valuable experience to add to future college and employment applications and is lots of fun. Registration Required, call 217-342-2464.

DIY Instruments

June. 5, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to learn how to make instruments out of household items. Ages 5-9, Registration Required, call 217-342-2464.

Guardians of the Pen - Introduction to Camp

June 11, 2 p.m at the Effingham Library, Teen Department, Ages 10-15. Love to write stories? Join Rachael Kemme at the library to find out about Camp NaNoWriMo and begin brainstorming ideas for a story. No Registration Required.

Music and Mindfulness for Teens with Stacey Rhodes

June 13, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Mindfulness is an enjoyable practice that is great for stress reduction and focus. Teenagers in this group will learn about mindfulness through a fun experience....Music!! In this class, teens will have the opportunity to play in a drum circle, explore different instruments, sing and learn how to create a growth mindset!! This is sure to be a fun group that will inspire teens to grow and give them the confidence to handle the day to day stress that comes their way! Ages 13-18, Registration Required, call 217-342-2464.

Harry Potter Movie Experience

June 14, 1 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Join us for an interactive showing of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (PG, 159 minutes). Costumes encouraged. Ages 10+, Registration Required, call 217-342-2464.

Teen After Hours - Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Jun. 14, 5 to 8 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Think you've got skills when it comes to Super Smash Bros. Prove it at this teen after hours event sponsored by TAB, our Teen Advisory Board. We'll have food and prizes. Come dressed as your favorite character for another chance to win! Ages 13-18, Registration Required, call 217-342-2464.

Movie Make and Take - Lego Movie 2 (PG, 107 minutes)

Jun. 19, 1:30 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Join us for a craft and a movie! Movie begins at 2 p.m., All Ages, No Registration Required.

Song Writing with Stacey Rhodes

Jun. 20, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Do you have an interest in songwriting? Join us for a songwriting workshop where participants can learn tips on how to start writing a song. The group will have a chance to write a song together as well as share some of their own original songs or songwriting tips. Bring an instrument and a pencil and paper and let's get to writing! Ages 10-15, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Lego Challenge for ages 6 to 9

Jun. 20, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Using your building skills to conquer the challenge! Ages 6-9, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Lego Challenge for ages 10 to 15

Jun. 20, 4 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Using your building skills to conquer the challenge! Ages 10-15, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Magic Workshop with Glen Foster

Jun. 21, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Foster, a cruise ship magician, will host a short hands on workshop. Ages 6-12, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Effingham Farm Bureau for ages 5 to 12

Jun. 24, 10 a.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join the Effingham Farm Bureau for a lively program and a yummy treat that you make yourself! Ages: 5-12, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Galaxy Slime for ages 6 to 9

Jun. 24, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to make some out-of-this-world slime! Ages 6-9, Registration Required, call 217-342-2464

Galaxy Slime for ages 10 to 15

Jun. 24, 4 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to make some out-of-this-world slime! Ages 10-15, Registration Required, call 217-342-2464

Star Wars Science for ages 6 to 9

Jun. 26, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to do some Star Wars-inspired science experiments. Ages 6-9, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Star Wars Science for ages 10 to 15

Jun. 26, 4 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to do some Star Wars-inspired science experiments. Ages 10-15, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Paint Party with Danielle

Jun. 27, 6 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. It's a Stars Wars themed paint party! Join Danielle Harden to create a masterpiece. Ages 10+, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Guardians of the Pen - Camp Prep

Jun. 28, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Teen Department. It's time to start outling our stories for Camp NaNoWriMo. Work with fellow writers to flesh out your characters, plot and setting for your story. Ages 10-15, No Registration Required.

Effingham Farm Bureau for ages 5 to 12

Jul. 8, 10 a.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join the Effingham Farm Bureau for a lively program and a yummy treat you make yourself! Ages 5-12, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Movie Make and Take - How to Train Your Dragon 3 (PG, 104 minutes)

Jul. 8, 1:30 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Join us for a craft and a movie! Movie will begin at 2:00 p.m. All Ages, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Ferocious Wild Beasts! by Ballard Nature Center for ages 5 to 12

Jul. 9, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Ferocious Wild Beasts! Have you found any? Are some wild animals as ferocious as we think? Learn about some "beastly" animals and their special features and abilities. You will also create and name your own beast. This is an approximately 45 minute program. Ages 5-12, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Strut Your Stuff by Douglas Hart Nature Center for ages 5 to 12

Jul. 10, 10 a.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Strut Your Stuff! Get acquainted with the best show on earth...nature! Animals love to move it, move it! Get into character by practicing the sounds and movements of show stopping animals like the beautiful peacock. You will definitely get the chance to strut your stuff during this nature-inspired program. Craft and live animal encounter included. Ages 5-12, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

The Hidden World Sparkle Slime for ages 6 to 9

Jul. 10, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to make adorable slime filled jars inspired by Toothless and Light Fury. Ages 6-9, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

The Hidden World Sparkle Slime for ages 10 to 15

Jul. 10, 4 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Children's Programming Room. Join us to make adorable slime filled jars inspired by Toothless and Light Fury. Ages 10-15, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464.

Stranger Things Teen After Hours

Jul. 12, 5 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Come join us for a Stranger Things party! We'll make crafts, play games, and enjoy a waffle bar! Allergen Awareness: Peanut Butter is being used at this program. Registration required, call 217-342-2464

Orpheum Science Museum Animal Adventures for ages 7 to 10

Jul. 13, 11:30 a.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. The Orpheum returns with their Ornate Box Turtle, Bearded Dragon, Corn snake, and Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches. Ages 7-10, Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464

Guardians of the Pen - Camp is Underway!

Jul. 15, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Teen Department. How is your story coming along? Meet up with fellow writers to work on your stories. There will be time to share your progress so far. Ages 10-15, No Registration Required.

Rhythm and Reading with Stacey Rhodes for Families

Thursday, Jul. 18, 2 p.m. at the Effingham Library, Workman Room. Bring your whole family to this group that uses music and storytelling to promote reading! We will use music to engage young readers in activities that will help boost their reading success!! Participants will have the chance to play drums, sing, dance and listen to stories. This group will be fun for grandparents, parents and siblings. Encourage family reading with this fun group! Families of All Ages. Registration Required. Call 217-342-2464