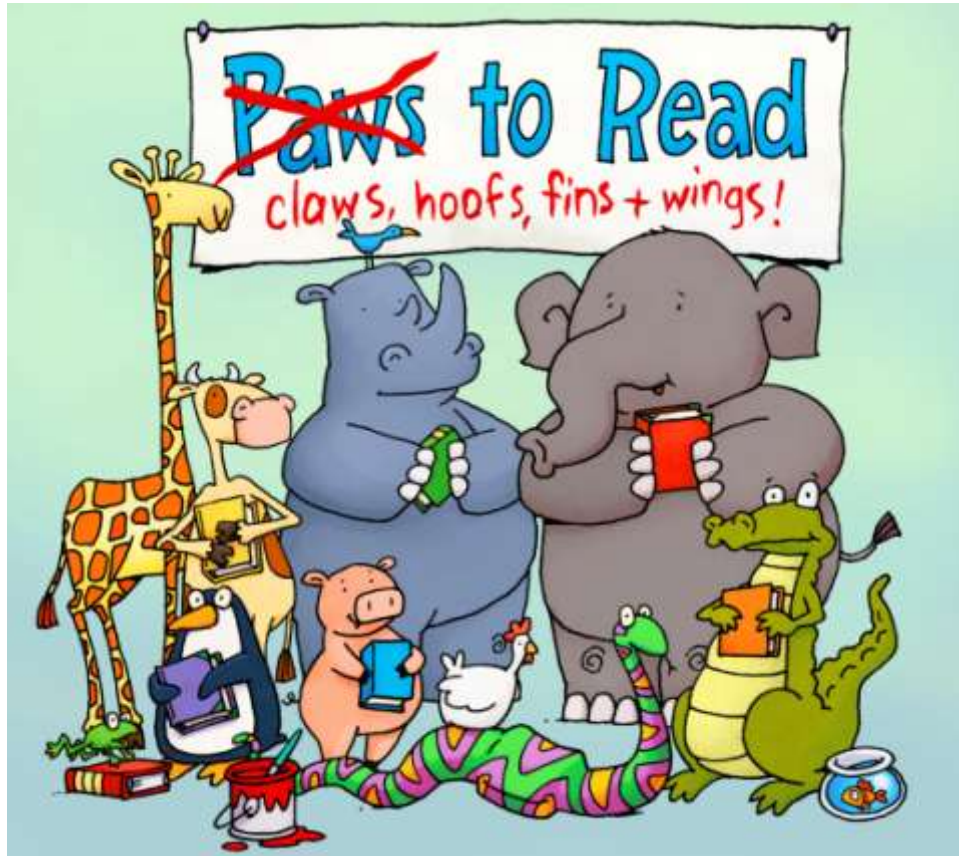


Hutchinson Public Library



Hutchinson Public Library urges families to gallop, crawl, slither, or fly to the library for *Paws to Read!* The library launches its Summer Reading Program with registration from June 9-14, 2014. During the summer the library will host a range of free activities for children and teens that encourage and support a love of reading. Participants also can win prizes for reaching their reading goals. A wonderful program has been planned for kids ages 2-12 to make the library a great place to “paws” and discover what’s available for their enjoyment. Registration will be open until June 28. The program runs until August 30.



Stories in the Park will be held Thursday mornings at 10:00am for June 19-August 14. Pre-school and early elementary age children with their parents will enjoy books and other activities together. So come bring a blanket to the park in front of the library and join our guest readers. Pre-registration is a not required, but shady spots go fast.



Heart of Minnesota Animal Shelter will be at Stories in the Park on July 10 at 10:00am with some of their animal friends. They will be talking about what they do and how animals are adopted. This would be a great day for bringing a monetary donation or treats, food, toys, etc. to help them out. How many of you have an animal adopted from Heart of Minnesota Animal Shelter?



Puppet Show for the tenth year in a row, the Friends of the Library have again invited the Schiffelly Puppets to the library for an outside show in Library Square on Thursday, August 14, at 10:00am. This year they will be presenting a brand new show called: "Rapunzel, Rapunzel Let Down Your Golden...Stair? Or This Isn't a Mother Goose Tale Folks." This parody of the classic fairy tale of the girl with the long hair gets an updated twist. Join us for some great storytelling, audience participation and the mystery of what Rapunzel does with all that hair.

This humorous and fun-filled show is appropriate for the entire family!



R.E.A.D. Kids, grab your favorite book or choose one at the library and enjoy reading to a registered therapy dog. Research has shown that reading over the summer prevents summer reading loss. With this in mind we are offering the R.E.A.D. program to a limited number of children on Thursday evenings from June 26-July 31. This fills up fast so sign up June 9-14.





The library and 4-H are working together again this year to bring you the following programs. The programs are open to all ages and pre-registration is not required.

Animal Talks is coming back for the third year. It will start off Stories in the Park on June 19 at 10:00am. This will be an experience that is filled with stories and facts from around the world that will be sure to keep you guessing throughout the entire program. I wonder what animals will come visit us this year.

Zoo Mobile will be here on July 24 at 10:00am to present the program **All Things Connected**. Using a variety of animals, props, and activities, the Zoomobile naturalist leads students through a process of discovery to recognize the relationships that connect all life on earth.



For more information on these programs contact Sherry Lund, Children's Librarian or Kris Jones, Young Adult Librarian at 320-587-9640, or email at sherry.lund@pioneerland.lib.mn.us or kris.jones@pioneerland.lib.mn.us. You may also contact us through the new website: <http://www.hutchinso.lib.mn.us>. "Check us out" on Facebook or Twitter. These programs are free and open to children of all abilities. Hutchinson Public Library hours are Monday-Thursday 10:00am to 9:00pm & Friday – Saturday 10:00am to 5:00pm.

