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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### June Marks Kick Off for Library's Summer Reading Club 2013

*Summer Reading at Memphis Public Libraries Runs June 1 - July 27*

School bells rang, dismissing students for the summer. And, there's no better place to spend it than at Memphis Public Libraries for **Summer Reading 2013**. Children, tweens, and teens can join the fun at their local Library branch for the highly-anticipated Summer Reading Kick Off events taking place in early June throughout the Library system.

#### Summer Reading Kick Off Events for CHILDREN:

Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library  
**Saturday, June 1, 2013, 1 pm**  
3030 Poplar Avenue  
Memphis, Tennessee 38111

Frayser Branch Library  
**Saturday, June 1, 2013, 11 am - 3 pm**  
3712 Argonne Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38127

East Shelby Branch Library  
**Wednesday, June 5, 2013, 11 am**  
7200 East Shelby Drive  
Memphis, Tennessee 38125

Randolph Branch Library  
**Thursday, June 6, 2013, 10 am**  
3752 Given Avenue  
Memphis, Tennessee 38122

Cornelia Crenshaw Branch Library  
**Saturday, June 1, 2013, 12 pm - 1 pm**  
531 Vance Avenue  
Memphis, Tennessee 38126

Gaston Park Branch Library  
**Saturday, June 1, 2013, 12 pm - 3 pm**  
1040 South Third Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38106

South Branch Library  
**Wednesday, June 5, 2013, 1 pm - 2pm**  
1929 South Third Street  
Memphis, Tennessee 38109

## Summer Reading Kick Off Events for TEENS:

Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library  
**Saturday, June 1, 2013, 1 pm**  
3030 Poplar Avenue  
Memphis, Tennessee 38111

Randolph Branch Library  
**Thursday, June 6, 2013, 11 am**  
3752 Given Avenue  
Memphis, Tennessee 38122

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## Second Editions Bookstore is One-Stop Shop for Signed Book Lovers

An author's signature adds a personal touch to a book turning it from printed words on bound pages to its owner's treasured possession.

"People develop strong feelings for their favorite authors and having a signed book means that the author actually held it long enough to sign it," said Sherman Dixon, Friends of the Library volunteer.



Starting in **June 2013**, hundreds of these valued items will be available for sale during the Bookstore's first **Signed Book Sale**. It will be held the first week of each month throughout the remainder of the year. For a limited time, signed book lovers can take advantage of this sale at **Second Editions Bookstore**, located in the lobby of the **Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)**.

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## Corporate Knowledge Bowl 2013 Coming Soon to Central Library

Calling the best and brightest, the Memphis Public Library and Information Center issues a citywide challenge to all companies and businesses for a test of mental prowess. It's the survival of the fittest, and only the strongest men and women will be left standing. Together, they will be called the



2012 Corporate Knowledge Bowl Winners - Buckeye

"Smartest Company in Memphis".

**Corporate Knowledge Bowl 2013** will be held at the  
**Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)**

September 16 - 20, 2013 with a special event kick off and  
happy hour on Friday, September 13 at 5:30 pm, also at  
Central Library. Now is the time for companies to register for

this contest and Library fundraiser by calling (901) 415-

2831. The **deadline** is **Friday, August. 2**. Companies that sign up before the deadline will receive a discounted  
rate. Proceeds from the event will help to support Library collections, programs, and departments.

Only the strong-minded will survive this bracket-style trivia competition whose theme this year is Brain Matters. For  
more information about how your company can participate in Corporate Knowledge Bowl 2013, call the Memphis  
Library Foundation at (901) 415-2831.

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## **CHILDREN**

### **StoryWalk Takes Kids on Adventure While Reading**

Local children and their families no longer have to choose  
between reading and physical activity. Now, kids visiting  
Overton Park can exercise their growing brains and bodies  
at the same time with The StoryWalk® Project, an  
interactive learning experience for children to enjoy.

As families walk along a trail lining the East Parkway  
Playground, they'll see wooden posts each with a page



*Photo taken from [www.OvertonPark.org](http://www.OvertonPark.org)*

from author Mem Fox's book "Whoever You Are". Kids must take an adventure for the story to unfold page by page.

"StoryWalk® is an effective way to combine several things that are so necessary for growing healthy children - physical activity, time outdoors in nature, family time, and reading," said Library Youth Services Coordinator Mary Seratt about the inaugural StoryWalk® Project in Memphis. "It is a simple but unique service to families in Memphis," she said.

Director of Libraries Keenon McCloy added: "We cannot move the needle on literacy in our community without going outside the walls of the Library. This is a new initiative to ensure we reach our people where they are."

The Memphis Public Library System teamed with Overton Park to bring this family attraction to Memphis. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle and Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.

For a complete list of Children's Activities at the Library, [click here!](#)

## TWEENS & TEENS

### Teen Tech Camp Quickly Approaching for Young Techies



Teens, wouldn't it be cool if you could create and program your own video game? Now you can at **Teen Tech Camp**, an **interactive five-day workshop** at the **Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)**. From **July 15 - 20, 2013**, twenty lucky teens - ages 13 to 15 - can learn the fundamentals of computer programming with hands-on training from field professionals.

"Teen Tech Camp is very valuable because it could open the door to a young person's technological career," noted teen librarian Keshia Williams. "Campers will have a lot of fun, while meeting friends from all over the city and learning the basics of running a business."

Computer professionals from the Memphis chapter of the Society of Information Management (SIM) will teach and assist teens throughout the workshop, helping them to achieve three specific goals: 1.) To develop a better understanding of IT career choices before graduating high school; 2.) To experience fun aspects of technology; and 3.) To interact with good role models currently working in IT careers.

For more information on Teen Tech Camp, call (901) 415-2732.

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For a complete list of Teen's Activities at the Library, [click here!](#)

## ADULTS

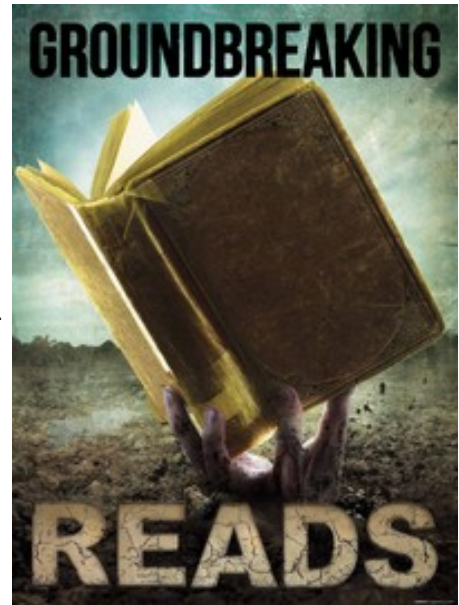
### Adult Summer Reading 2013 Offers a New Twist for Participants

*Summer Reading at Memphis Public Libraries Runs June 1 - July 27*

Take kids to school. Go to work. Cook dinner; do homework. Bedtime. Do it again and again. Adults can break the daily routine this summer with **Summer Reading 2013!** Not just for children and teens, Summer Reading offers adults a chance to escape into a book, magazine, e-book, article, or literature of their choice, while winning prizes.

Themed "Groundbreaking READS," the fun starts at all Library locations on June 1 - July 27, 2013 for ages 18 and older. Adults can register for Summer Reading individually or in groups (i.e. book clubs) by completing an entry form at any Library location in the Memphis Public Library System or [click here](#) to apply online.

The **official Summer Reading Kick Off event for adults** and the whole family will be held on **Saturday, June 1, 2013, 1 pm - 3 pm** at the **Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue)** in meeting rooms A - C. Author Ashton Lee will be on hand to help launch Adult Summer Reading with a discussion of his book *The Cherry Cola Club*. Also during this informational session, adults will learn all about Summer Reading, along with details on the new "**Book Club of the Year**" Contest!



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## ON THE AIR

### WYPL FM 89.3 Radio

Let's talk about books during Book Talk! Tune in to WYPL FM 89.3 Radio for Book Talk.

Join the conversation!

**Each Sunday, 6 pm** - Johnnie Walker's "Memphis Music Revealed"  
Johnnie Walker is affiliated with the Memphis Music Commission

**Saturday, June 15, 2013, 6 pm** - "A Step of Faith" with special guest Richard Paul Evans

[Book Readings](#)

**Weekdays, 2 pm, June 25 - July 12** (Mystery) - Nevada Barr's "The Rope"

**Weekdays, 3 pm, June 13 - 20** (Biography) - Bruce Feiler's "The Council of Dads"

**Weekdays, 4 pm, July 1 - 17** (Best Sellers) - Erin Morgenstern's "The Night Circus"

WYPL is located at the Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library (3030 Poplar Avenue).

For more information, visit [WYPL](http://www.wypl.org) online.

## **BRANCH HIGHLIGHT**

### **Frayser Library is Staple in Community**

Built in 1961, the Frayser Branch Library (3712 Argonne) is a staple in the Frayser community, offering nearly 33,000 items in its collection to more than 91,000 customers annually. Open Mondays through Thursdays from 10 am to 6 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm, the Frayser Library provides academic support for students attending 16 elementary schools, five middle or junior high schools, and four high schools in the area.



These students and their families routinely enjoy several Library programs and services, such as Career Week, teen job readiness seminars, and Childcare Provider Workshops that offer training for more than 100 licensed daycares in the Library's service area. "The (Childcare Provider) program allows daycares convenient access to quality accredited training," said Frayser Library Manager Dean Moore. "These workshops are well attended and greatly appreciated."

On **Saturday, June 1, 2013, 11 am - 3 pm**, customers to the Frayser Library will enjoy the **14th Annual Frayser Fun Fest**, the official kick-off event for **Summer Reading 2013**. "Frayser Fun Fest celebrates our community heroes, community service agencies, the Library, and children," Moore said.

Frayser Library customers also have access to a list of resources, such as 11 desktop computers, 11 laptop computers, and a literacy station for young readers. Moore said customers frequently check out laptops for use. "Our customers search for jobs, complete online applications, submit publications, and even create businesses," he said. "College students and professionals also take online exams," he added. The Library offers a meeting room for public use, an ideal quiet place for students to study.

"The Frayser Library provides all citizens of our community open access to the information superhighway that may be unavailable to them otherwise," Moore commented. "Our friendly and professional staff serves each customer with a strong commitment to "satisfy the customers' need to know".

For more information on Frayser Branch Library, call (901) 415-2768 or visit <http://www.memphislibrary.org/branches-north/frayser>.

## **PLAN AHEAD**

## Upcoming Events to Calendar

**Anti-Bullying Program with Miss Tennessee Jr. High America** - Saturday, June 8, 2 pm @ East Shelby Branch Library. All ages are welcome.

**Summer Reading Club Program: Dinosaurs!** - Tuesday, June 11, 11 am @ Cordova Branch Library

**First Time Home Buyers' Workshop** - Saturday, June 15, 10 am - 5 pm @ Raleigh Branch Library

**Family Movie Day** - Saturday, June 22, 1 pm - 3 pm @ Poplar-White Station Branch Library

**Author Laura B. Johnson Program** - Saturday, June 29, 1 pm - 2:30 pm @ Levi Branch Library

**Dig Into Reading!** - Tuesday, July 2, 1:30 pm @ Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library

**Summer Reading Club: Dig Into Reading Storytime** - Wednesday, July 10, 2:30 pm & 4 pm @ Bartlett Branch Library

**City Beautiful Program** - Tuesday, July 23, 10:30 am @ Cherokee Branch Library. Ages 3 - 12

**Teen Book Club** - Thursday, July 25, 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm @ Parkway Village Branch Library

[Click here](#) for more events happening in the Memphis Public Library System.

The Memphis Public Library is in the business of satisfying your need to know! We will see you again in August!

Visit [memphislibrary.org](http://memphislibrary.org) for more information.

## Contact

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