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**Walt Branch Library**  
**6701 S. 14th St. 402-441-4460**

**Weekly, starting June 1, Make Your Choice – Build Your Voice**  
Batman or Superman? Oceans or mountains? What are your preferences? Express yourself and see what others think. Cast your opinion on a new topic each week during June and July.

**Weekly, Wed., June 7, through July 26, 1 and 3 p.m., Mid-Week Movies**  
Join us for a family favorite movie on the big screen every Wednesday in June and July. Two showings each day!

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**MON., June 26, 10:30 a.m., Library Dance Party!**  
Get ready to wiggle and giggle at the Library Dance Party. Thirty minutes of toe-tapping fun will get your week off to a super-duper start.

**MON., July 3, 10:30 a.m., 1:30 and 3:30 p.m., Fourth of July Frenzy - Breakout Box**  
Celebrate Independence Day working the clues and unlocking the locks on the Breakout Box. Select one of the three sessions and work in a team of up to 10 people. **This program is intended for youth in grades 2 through 5. Pre-registration is required; call Walt Branch at 402-441-4460.**

**THURS., July 6, 5:30-7 p.m., Construction Zone**  
Get in the zone -- the construction zone that is. The library will be "under construction" with cool crafts and activities to keep your summer building with fun.

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**SAT., July 29, 10:00 a.m.-4 p.m. LEGO® Display**  
Members of Lincoln Omaha LEGO® User Group (LOLUG), an adult group of LEGO® fans, will be displaying some of their unique creations. Come see what kind of cool things can be built with LEGO® pieces.

**Williams Branch Library**  
**5000 Mike Scholl St. 402-441-8580**

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**TUES., June 20, 2:30-4 p.m., Video Game Day**  
Build your skills! Play a variety of video games.

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As part of the Nebraska Book Festival, Lincoln City Libraries is sponsoring performances of the puppet show **The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs by A. Wolf**, performed by the professional theater company Mesner Puppet Theater, on Saturday, July 15, at 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The performances will take place at Union Plaza, 250 N. 21st Street.

Think you know the real story behind the huffing and puffing? Think again. There's only one individual who knows the true story about one wolf, three houses and three little pigs: Alexander T. Wolf. In this revealing no-squealing adaptation of Jon Scieszka's popular book, A. Wolf has a chance to tell his side of the story. He only wanted a cup of sugar and he did have a cold. For years we have only known this story from the pigs' point of view. Mr. A. Wolf tells all about what really happened to those three little houses made of straw, sticks and bricks and the three pigs that lived in them.



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**LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES**  
**CHILDREN'S**  
**2017 SUMMER**  
**READING PROGRAM**  
**MAY 25 TO JULY 31, 2017**

All events are designed with elementary-age children in mind and last 45 minutes, unless otherwise indicated.

## Bennett Martin Public Library

**136 S. 14th St. 402-441-8566**

### FRI., May 26, 2-4 p.m., Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Grab your hard hat, and join the staff for a summer reading kickoff party. Show your world-building skills with crafts, construction and more!

### WED., June 7, 10:30 a.m., Kokyo Taiko Drummers

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### WED., July 5, 10:30 a.m., Gardening Bash

Children and families are invited to the library to learn about and try their hand at basic flower gardening. Beds will be prepared in the library courtyard for our young gardeners to practice planting. Children will also learn how flowers grow and plant a seed to take home.

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### WED., July 26, 10:30 a.m., A Visit from the Canine Team

Meet the Lincoln Police Department canine team, and find out how dogs help the police officers with their work.

## Anderson Branch Library

**3635 Touzalin Ave. 402-441-8540**

### THURS., June 1, 3-5 p.m., Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Grab your hard hat and join library staff for a summer reading kickoff party. Show your world-building skills with crafts, construction, and a whole lot of other fun activities!

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### MON., June 26, 6:30 p.m., Theatre Arts For Kids **CANCELED**

Theatre Arts For Kids brings you SINGING, DANCING and ACTING through interactive activities including improvisation, stage combat, choreography and more. Audience members can sit back and enjoy the performance or take part and become performers themselves!

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### MON., July 31, 2-4 p.m., Prepare for the Solar Eclipse!

Prepare for the solar eclipse on August 21st! Join us at the library for games, crafts and fun. Take home your very own pinhole viewer to watch the eclipse!

## Bethany Branch Library

**1810 N. Cotner Blvd. 402-441-8550**

*Due to limited building capacity, Bethany Branch events will be held at the Cotner Center, 1540 N. Cotner Blvd.*

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## Eiseley Branch Library

**1530 Superior St. 402-441-4250**

### SUN., June 4, 6-7:30 p.m., Family Bingo

B12 is more than a vitamin -- it might just be the lucky number you need to call Bingo! Bring everyone, and join us for a fun evening of Bingo. Light refreshments will be served.

### MON., June 5, 1:30 p.m., Lincoln Chinese Music Ensemble

Learn about the history and unique sound of some traditional Chinese instruments.

### THURS., June 8, 1:30-3 p.m., Not a Box

What can you do with a box? Using your imagination, markers, crayons and found materials you can transform boxes into dinosaurs, robots and rockets.

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Build a better you through yoga! Join us Wednesday and Thursday mornings to practice yoga in the place of Library Learning Time. Please wear comfortable clothing.

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### WED., June 28, and Thurs., June 29, 11 a.m., Build a Better World

Join us after Library Learning Time to build, connect and play with our cool Makerspace toys!

### WED., June 28 1:30-3 p.m. Movie Day

Set sail with a young woman and a shape shifter as they go on a grand adventure.

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If you love music, you’ll love this animated movie about a musical contest with contestants who sing everything from punk to Pavarotti.

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Pit your bibliographic skills against the evil geniuses at Eiseley Branch at this scavenger hunt designed specifically for families.

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Pack your sunscreen and towel, and join us for sprinkler day! We’ll have bubbles, sidewalk chalk and sprinklers set up for fun in the sun.

### WED., July 26, 1:30-3 p.m., Let’s Face It, You’re Crafty

Join us for a craft day with face painting, collages and other crafts that focus on the face.

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## Gere Branch Library

**2400 S. 56 St. 402-441-8560**

**THURSDAYS, June 1-July 27, 1-3 p.m., Try It Thursdays**  
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<b>Mondays, June 12 and July 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Read Aloud Please (RAP)</b> RAP is a parent-child book group for students in grades 1 through 3 and their parents. Call 402-441-8560 to register.
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## South Branch Library

**2675 South St. 402-441-8570**

*Due to building capacity, some of South Branch events will be held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2110 Sheridan Blvd. Enter through the east doors.*

### TUES., May 30, 10 a.m.-Noon, Second Annual Summer Fun Field Day

Bring your brains and your muscles to test your skills with wacky games and activities. Dress to get messy.

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