



**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023  
5:00 P.M.  
NORTHWEST RENO LIBRARY  
2325 Robb Dr, Reno, NV 89523**

**Library Trustees**

Amy Ghilieri, Chair  
Frank Perez, Vice-Chair  
Lea Moser  
Al Rogers  
Vacant

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**Public Comment.** Public comments are welcomed during the Public Comment period at the beginning of the meeting for all matters, whether listed on the agenda or not. Additionally, public comment specific to the action item being considered will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. During the "Public Comment" items, anyone may speak pertaining to any matter either on or off the agenda. Anyone wishing to provide live public comment may do so in person, or by teleconference by logging onto the Zoom webinar by accessing the above link. To provide public comment via Zoom, log into the meeting at the above link and utilize the "Raise Hand" feature during any public comment period. Additionally, persons are invited to submit comments in writing by emailing L J Burton at [LJBurton@washoecounty.gov](mailto:LJBurton@washoecounty.gov). The County will make reasonable efforts to send all email comments received by 4:00 p.m. on the business day before the meeting to the Trustees prior to the meeting.



**Response to Public Comment.** The Board can deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During the public comment periods, speakers may address matters listed or not listed on the published agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comments by the Board. However, responses from the Board members to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. To ensure the public has notice of all matters the Board will consider, Board members may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for Staff action, or to ask that a matter be listed on a future agenda. The Board may do this either during the public comment item or during the following item: “Board Comment – limited to announcements, strategic plan activity updates, or issues proposed for future agendas and/or workshops.”

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**Possible Changes to Agenda and Timing.** The Library Board of Trustees may take agenda items out of order, may consider two or more items in combination, may remove one or more items from the agenda, or delay discussion on an item. Items scheduled to be heard at a specific time will be heard no earlier than the stated time but may be heard later.

**Posting of Agenda.** Pursuant to NRS 241.020(4)(b), the agenda for the Trustees’ meeting has been posted at the following locations: Washoe County Courthouse, Washoe County Administration building, Downtown Reno Library, Incline Village Library, North Valleys Library, Northwest Reno Library, Sierra View Library, South Valleys Library, Spanish Springs Library, and Sparks Library. Further, in compliance with NRS 241.010, this notice has been posted on the official website for the Washoe County Library System at [www.washoecountylibrary.us](http://www.washoecountylibrary.us) and at <https://notice.nv.gov>.

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**LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION**

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The Board of Trustees may take action only on the items below that are preceded by the words "For Possible Action." The Board will not take action on any other items.

- 1) Roll Call [Non-Action Item]
- 2) Public Comment – Three Minute Time Limit Per Person [Non-Action Item]  
*No discussion or action by the Board may be taken upon any matter raised under this public comment section until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda.*
- 3) Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a) Approval of Minutes from the Library Board Meeting of June 21, 2023 and July 19, 2023 [For Possible Action]
- 4) Old Business [Non-Action Item]  
None
- 5) New Business
  - a) *None*
- 6) Reports
  - a) Northwest Reno Library Presentation by Branch Manager Kristin Reinke [Non-Action Item]
  - b) Youth Services and Library Events (YSLE) Team Presentation [Non-Action Item]
- 7) Staff Announcements [Non-Action Item]  
*No discussion or action may be taken upon any matter raised under this comment section until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda.*
- 8) Board Comment [Non-Action Item] – Limited to Announcements, Strategic Plan Activity, Updates or Issues Proposed for Future Agendas and/or Workshops
- 9) Adjournment



**LBOT Minutes for Approval – June 21, 2023 (corrections) & July 19, 2023**

These documents will be provided at the meeting.



# **Shia Szrut Holocaust Memorial Collection**

**Northwest Reno  
Library**



## Lloyd and Edythe Katz

*“It is not what you get back but  
what you give that counts”*

*Katz-Yarchever, 2011 Review-Journal.*

# Mississippi of the West



Image source: AAIHS

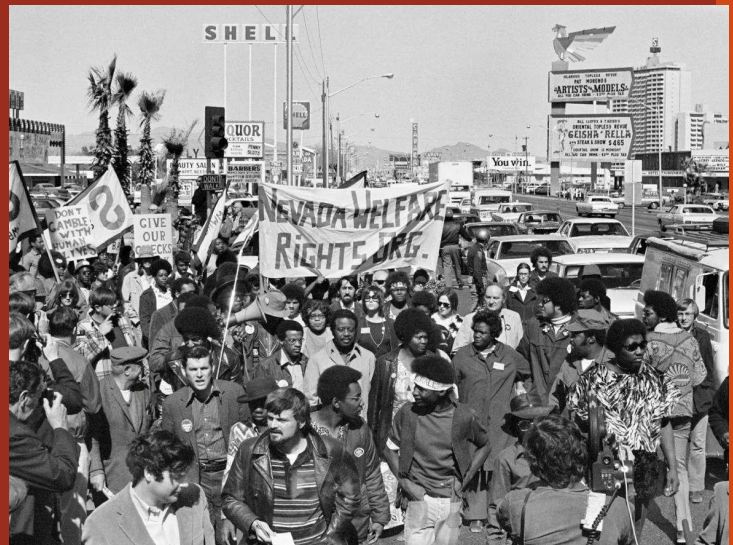
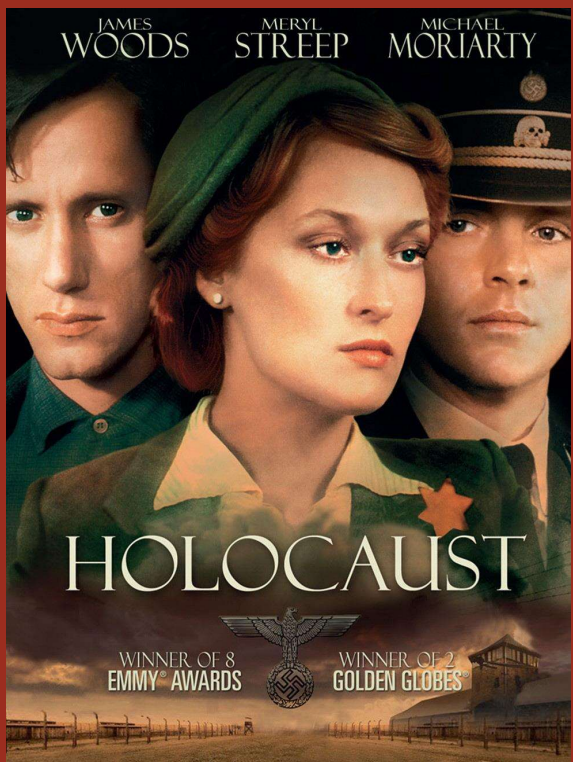
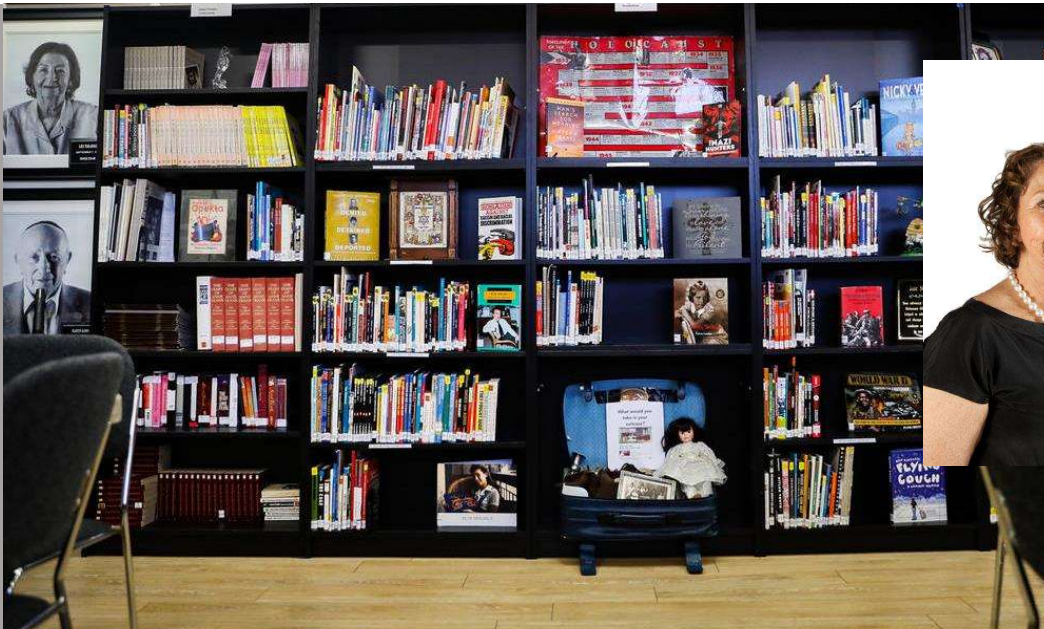


Image Source: Nevada Public Radio







# The Sperling Kronberg Mack Holocaust Resource Center

Image source: Las Vegas Review Journal

## **Governor Robert Miller**



**Governor's Advisory Council on  
Education Relating to the  
Holocaust**

# Judy Mack

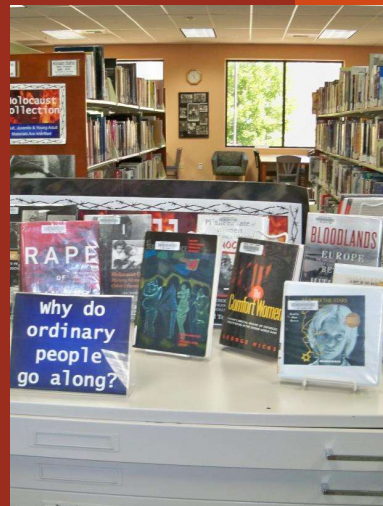
December 11, 1937 - September 12, 2021

First member of the Nevada Governor's Council  
on Education Relating to the Holocaust

Founding member and supporter of the  
Shia Szut Holocaust Memorial Collection



# Shia Szrut Holocaust Memorial Collection 2009



2023

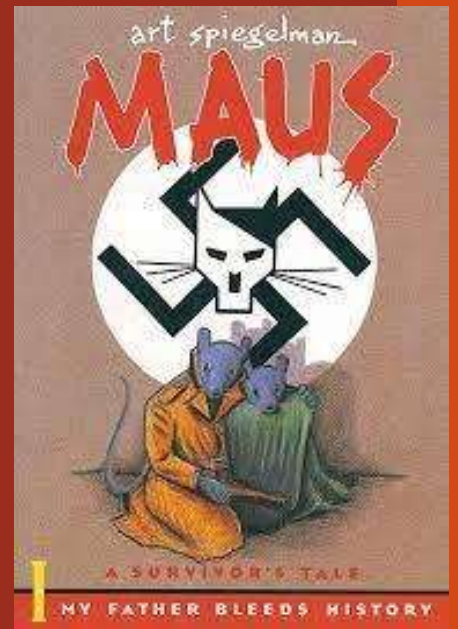
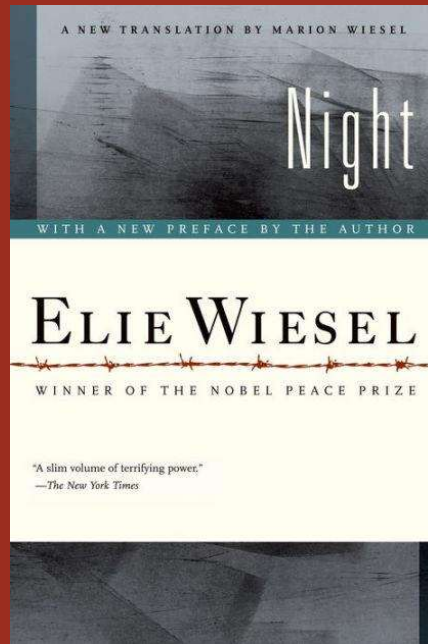




# ANNE FRANK

The Diary of a Young Girl

With an introduction by Eleanor Roosevelt





Where they  
have burned  
books they will  
end in burning  
human beings.

Heinrich Heine, from his play  
Almansor (1821)

# Hélène Berr: A Stolen Life

March 1—April 30, 2017





# How Did You Survive?

April 1 - May 31, 2022





ALA  
American  
Library  
Association

UNITED STATES  
HOLOCAUST  
MEMORIAL  
MUSEUM

PRESENTED BY:  
WASHOE COUNTY  
LIBRARY SYSTEM  
www.washoelibrary.org

# AMERICANS

## AND THE HOLOCAUST

July 7 – August 18, 2023  
Northwest Reno Library

# Americans and the Holocaust

July 7 - August 18, 2023



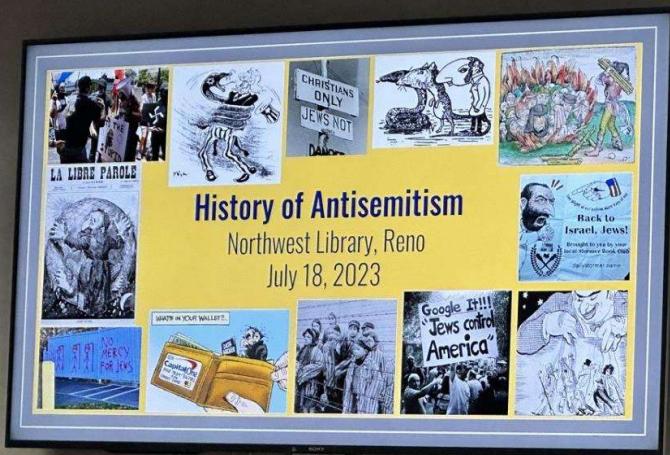
## Americans and the Postwar Legacies of the Holocaust

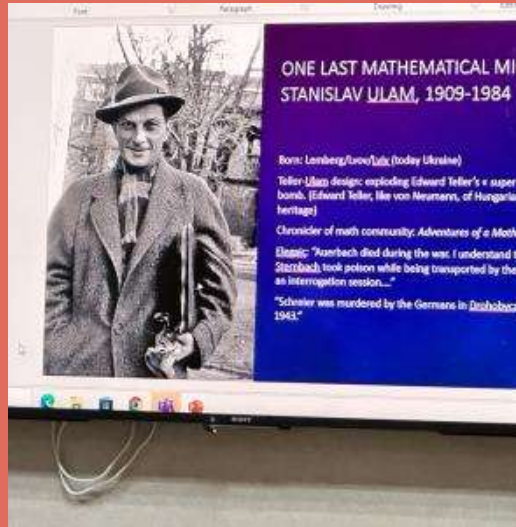


## Racism, Eugenics, and the Holocaust



# The History of Antisemitism





# Jewish Mathematicians



**Families During  
WWII Story Time  
and Activity**



**All Together  
Now Story Time  
and Craft**

NORTHWEST RENO  
LIBRARY

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL  
COLLECTION

IN MEMORY  
OF  
SHIA SZRUT

AND THUS THIS MAN DIED,  
LEAVING HIS DEATH FOR AN EXAMPLE  
OF A NOBLE COURAGE,  
AND A MEMORIAL OF VIRTUE,  
NOT ONLY UNTO THE YOUNG,  
BUT UNTO ALL HIS NATIONS.

- *BOOK OF MACCABEES*







YOUTH SERVICES &  
LIBRARY EVENTS  
**YSLE DEPARTMENT**  
JUNE-AUGUST 2023

**SUMMER**



# YSLE DEPARTMENT



**STRATEGIC PLAN 2022-2025**  
WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

Our **Mission** is to connect people with information, ideas, and experiences to support an enriched and engaged community, one person at a time

Our **Vision** is that all Washoe County residents benefit from the library's support of literacy and self-education

Washoe County Library Stimulates Imagination	Washoe County Library is a Welcoming Space	Washoe County Library Provides Workforce Building	Washoe County Library Provides School Support	Washoe County Library Provides Lifelong Learning
<b>Stimulate Imagination:</b> Enhance Washoe County Library System's Collection based on patron interest and proximity.	<b>Welcoming Spaces:</b> Enhance Washoe County Library System's Spaces through renovations, spaces, furniture, fixtures, and equipment.	<b>Workforce Building:</b> Provide Workforce Training and Virtual Space Opportunities for a COVID and Post-Covid Environment	<b>School Support:</b> Ensure Washoe County Library System supports in-school children to help them succeed.	<b>Lifelong Learning:</b> Improve the welfare and provide more resources for Lifelong Learners and Seniors in Washoe County.

Washoe County Library Celebrates Our Diverse Community

**Celebrate Our Diverse Community:**  
Ensure we are serving everyone and celebrating everyone in our community.

Washoe County Library Promotes the Library

**Promote the Library:**  
Renew Tax Initiative and ensure the library is financially secure.

- Oversight of the YSLE Team-The YSLE team supports the YSLE department in the oversight of the systemwide services, initiatives, and directives
- Develop and implement guidelines, policies, and procedures
- YSLE budget oversight
- Event planning
- Staff training
- Building connections throughout the community
- Community collaborations and partnerships
- Educational initiatives

**YSLE Annual Planning Meeting  
September 2023**

The purpose of our annual planning meeting is to create an environment that synergizes creativity and collaboration among colleagues with a focus on team building, setting goals, and strategic planning.

# COMMUNITY COLLABORATIONS & PARTNERS FY 22/23

THANK  
YOU

Thank you to all of the organizations that have collaborated with us over the past year. Your support has benefited our community through all the resources, knowledge, and experiences that you have brought to the region through your Washoe County Library System.

## Educational Incentives

- The Children's Cabinet
- Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council
- Head Start
- Nevada Department of Education
- Nevada State Library, Archives and Public Records
- Renown Medical Center
- Truckee Meadows Community College
- United Way of Northern Nevada and the Sierra's Reading Coalition
- University of Nevada Reno
- Washoe County School District

- Artown
- Arts 4 all Nevada
- City of Reno
- City of Sparks
- Community Foundation of Northern Nevada
- Community Services Agency
- Down Syndrome Network of Northern Nevada
- The Discovery
- Education Renaissance of Nevada Initiative
- Facilitate Joy
- Family Navigation Network
- Food Bank of Northern Nevada
- Historic Reno Preservation Society
- KUNR
- Nevada Department of Wildlife
- Nevada Historical Society
- Nevada Humanities
- Nevada Museum of Art
- Nevada State Parks
- Northern Nevada Literacy Council
- Northern Nevada Pride
- Our Center
- Paws 4 Love
- PBS Reno
- Pioneer Center Youth Programs
- The Radical Cat
- Reno Arts Consortium
- Reno Sparks Indian Colony
- Sierra Nevada Watercolor Society
- Washoe County



# SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

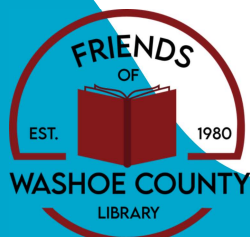
June 1 - July 31, 2023

♥ kindness

♥ friendship

♥ unity

The library is the perfect place to COME TOGETHER and create shared experiences.



# Summer Reading Challenge Statistics Ages 0-5



 **REGISTRATIONS** **611**

 **MINUTES READ** **143,839**

 **BADGES EARNED** **5,935**



## BINGO Ages 0-5

To play, complete the categories listed below in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line.



 Level 9 Read for 60 minutes	 TumbleBook Library Listen to a book on TumbleBooks Library	 Go outside and explore nature	 Level 1 Read for 60 minutes	 Attend a story time
 1000 Books Sign up for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	 Take a sensory walk in your neighborhood	 Level 2 Read for 60 minutes	 Read a book with your pet or stuffed animal	 Level 7 Read for 60 minutes
 Level 5 Read for 60 minutes	 Level 6 Read for 60 minutes	 REGISTER NOW!	 Dance to the beat of music	 Tell someone a story
 Read a book set in another country	 Level 10 Read for 60 minutes	 Read a funny book	 Write or draw a kindness card	 Level 3 Read for 60 minutes
 Read under a tree	 Read at a park	 Level 4 Read for 60 minutes	 Level 8 Read for 60 minutes	 Read in your pajamas

# Summer Reading Challenge Statistics Ages 6-11



 **REGISTRATIONS 1,129**

 **MINUTES READ 298,090**

 **BADGES EARNED 9,845**





## BINGO

### Ages 6-11

To play, complete the categories listed below in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line.

 <p><b>Level 9</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 1</b></p> <p>Make a bookmark themed 'All Together Now'</p>	 <p><b>Level 10</b></p> <p>Use our World Book database to read about 'symbiosis'</p>	 <p><b>Level 11</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 12</b></p> <p>Draw a picture of a scene in your favorite book</p>
 <p><b>Level 13</b></p> <p>Build a fort with a friend, and read inside it together</p>	 <p><b>Level 14</b></p> <p>Read a book about a place you want to visit</p>	 <p><b>Level 15</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 16</b></p> <p>Learn about community helpers working near you</p>	 <p><b>Level 17</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>
 <p><b>Level 18</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 19</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>REGISTER NOW!</b></p>	 <p><b>Level 20</b></p> <p>Attend a library event or find your closest library</p>	 <p><b>Level 21</b></p> <p>Bake and deliver a treat to a neighbor</p>
 <p><b>Level 22</b></p> <p>Find something you can donate to a good cause</p>	 <p><b>Level 23</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 24</b></p> <p>Ditch your screens day. Go outside and play</p>	 <p><b>Level 25</b></p> <p>Show someone your library card</p>	 <p><b>Level 26</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>
 <p><b>Level 27</b></p> <p>Play a new game with a partner</p>	 <p><b>Level 28</b></p> <p>Make a card and give it to someone special</p>	 <p><b>Level 29</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 30</b></p> <p>Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 31</b></p> <p>Try one of our STEAM Spark projects on our website</p>

# Summer Reading Challenge Statistics

## Ages 12-18



 REGISTRATIONS **233**

 MINUTES READ **73,427**

 BADGES EARNED **2,333**





## BINGO

### Ages 12-18

To play, complete the categories listed below in a horizontal, vertical, or diagonal line.

 <b>Level 9</b> Read for 60 minutes	 Attend a library event	 <b>KIND</b> Help someone	 <b>Level 1</b> Read for 60 minutes	 Watch the sunrise, sunset, or stars
 <b>SELF-CARE CHECKLIST</b> Stretch for 10 minutes	 <b>SAY YES!</b> Say yes to something new	 <b>Level 3</b> Read for 60 minutes	 Exchange a book with a friend	 <b>Level 7</b> Read for 60 minutes
 <b>Level 5</b> Read for 60 minutes	 <b>Level 6</b> Read for 60 minutes	<b>REGISTER NOW!</b>	 Start a gratitude journal	 <b>BFF</b> Have lunch with a friend
 Teach someone something new	 <b>Level 10</b> Read for 60 minutes	 Take a walk	 Unplug from technology	 <b>Level 3</b> Read for 60 minutes
 Recommend a book to someone	 Call your favorite person	 <b>Level 4</b> Read for 60 minutes	 <b>Level 8</b> Read for 60 minutes	 Sit quietly for 5 minutes

# Summer Reading Challenge Statistics Ages 19+



 **REGISTRATIONS** **480**

 **MINUTES READ** **263,103**

 **BADGES EARNED** **4,458**



## BINGO Ages 19+

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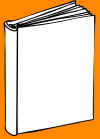
 <p><b>Level 10</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>MANGO</b> Learn a polite greeting in a new language with Mango Languages</p>	 <p>Read a YA or middle grade novel</p>	 <p><b>Level 2</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p>Attend a library event in person or online</p>
 <p>Reread a book you loved</p>	 <p>Follow us on social media or subscribe to our newsletter</p>	 <p><b>Level 4</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p>Check out a magazine through Libby</p>	 <p><b>Level 7</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>
 <p><b>Level 1</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 9</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>REGISTER NOW!</b></p>	 <p>Read a graphic novel</p>	 <p>Try a new recipe from a cookbook</p>
 <p>Recommend a book to a friend</p>	 <p><b>Level 6</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p>Read a book by an author who is new to you</p>	 <p>Browse course offerings in LinkedIn Learning</p>	 <p><b>Level 5</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>
 <p>Log into the The New York Times or The Wall Street Journal and read one article</p>	 <p>Check out and listen to an audiobook in Libby</p>	 <p><b>Level 3</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p><b>Level 8</b> Read for 60 minutes</p>	 <p>Read a book set in a country you have never visited</p>



# Summer Reading Challenge Statistics All Ages



REGISTRATIONS **2,453**



MINUTES READ **778,459**



BADGES EARNED **22,571**



# EVENTS

## Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff Parties



**Downtown Reno Library**



**Gerlach Community Library**



**Duncan/Traner  
Community Library**

# Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff Parties



**Incline Village Library**

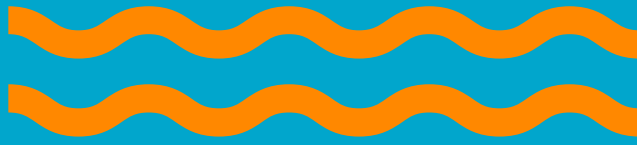


**North Valleys Library**



**Northwest Reno Library**

# Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff Parties



**Sierra View Library**

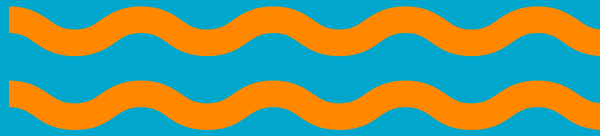


**South Valleys Library**



**Spanish Springs Library**

# Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff Parties



Sparks Library



Prize Selection!



Verdi Community Library

# EVENTS—Stimulate Imagination



## All Together Now Friendship Pins

Washoe County Library branches will be offering special pins during the Summer Reading Challenge.




How many will you gather?




## Write Like an Animal

with local author  
**Terri Farley**

Sparks Library	Sunday, June 11, 2 pm
South Valleys Library	Wednesday, June 21, 11 am
North Valleys Library	Wednesday, June 21, 3:30 pm
Northwest Reno Library	Thursday, June 22, 4 pm



For young writers, grades 6-10. Registration recommended. For more information, visit [washoe.org/animal-tales](http://washoe.org/animal-tales)



## Our Connection with the Environment

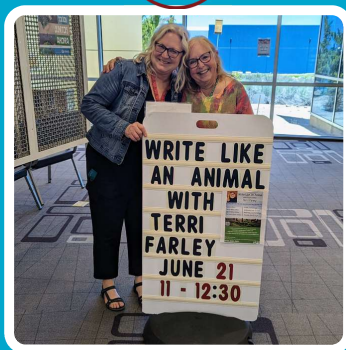
Presented by the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.



Learn about our human connection with the environment and the principles of Leave No Trace.

North Valleys Library	Wednesday, July 5, 4:30 pm. All ages.
Sierra View Library	Friday, July 7, 4:30 pm. Ages 5 and up.
Incline Village Library	Saturday, July 8, 2 pm. Ages 18 and up.
South Valleys Library	Monday, July 10, 4 pm. All ages.
	Thursday, August 3, 4 pm. Ages 8 and up.

For more information, visit [washoelibrary.org/connection](http://washoelibrary.org/connection)

# EVENTS

**YOUNG SHAKESPEARE:  
As You Like It**  
PRESENTED BY D.G. MENCHETTI EDUCATION PROGRAMS

A ONE-HOUR, INTERACTIVE, FAMILY-FRIENDLY ADAPTATION OF SHAKESPEARE'S COMEDY.

SOUTH VALLEYS LIBRARY	JULY 24, 11 AM
SPARKS LIBRARY LIBRARY	JULY 25, 1 PM
SPANISH SPRINGS LIBRARY	JULY 26, 3 PM
NORTH VALLEYS LIBRARY	JULY 27, 3:30 PM
INCLINE VILLAGE LIBRARY	AUGUST 2, 4 PM
DOWNTOWN RENO LIBRARY	AUGUST 3, 3 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED.  
FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [WASHOELIBRARY.ORG/SHAKESPEARE](http://WASHOELIBRARY.ORG/SHAKESPEARE)

**PAWS 2 READ**

Practice reading with friendly therapy dogs and receive a free book. All ages welcome.

[washoelibrary.org/paws2read](http://washoelibrary.org/paws2read)

<b>2nd Thursday of every month</b> 4 pm Incline Village Library	<b>2nd Sunday of every month</b> 1:30 pm Spanish Springs Library
<b>2nd Saturday of every month</b> 10:30 am Sierra View Library 10:30 am Sparks Library 11 am Northwest Reno Library 11 am South Valleys Library 2 pm North Valleys Library	<b>3rd Sunday of every month</b> 11 am Downtown Reno Library

**Paws 2 Read**  
HEAD 2 WE OWN

**WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM**



Kindness Cards

**Conservation Ambassadors' Wild Things**

**FRIENDS OF WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY**  
EST. 1980



**Spark the IMAGINATION**  
featuring **Bethany Ann**

Sunday, August 13  
11 am - noon  
Sparks Library

Best for ages 6-12  
Registration recommended.  
Visit [washoecountylibrary.us/events](http://washoecountylibrary.us/events) for more information.

**City of Sparks**

# COMMUNITY HELPERS

## Community Helpers Animal Services

South Valleys: Friday, June 16, 10:30 am  
 Sierra View: Friday, June 30, 11 am  
 Sparks: Tuesday, July 18, 1 pm  
 Downtown Reno: Friday, July 28, 11 am

Registration is required.  
 Visit [washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers](http://washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers) to register.



Come meet firefighters, see a fire truck up close,  
 and learn about the amazing work they do!  
 Best for ages 2 and up.



## Community Helpers Fire Department

To register, visit [washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers](http://washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers)

Sierra View: Tuesday, June 6, 2 pm  
 Downtown Reno: Tuesday, July 25, 11 am

## Community Helpers

### Roads Department

Incline Village: Thursday, June 29, 10:30 am  
 South Valleys: Monday, July 10, 10:30 am  
 Sparks: Tuesday, August 1, 1 pm

Registration is required.  
 To register, visit [washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers](http://washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers)



## Community Helpers

### Meet Sheriff Balaam

Downtown Reno: Wednesday, June 28, 11 am  
 South Valleys: Monday, July 31, 11 am



Registration is required. To register,  
 visit [washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers](http://washoelibrary.org/communityhelpers).






# STORY TIME




**story time**  
with the County Manager!

Join us for a special family story time with Washoe County Manager Eric Brown!



Incline Village Library  
Thursday, July 13  
10:30 am

Registration is recommended.  
Register now at  
[washoelibrary.org/managerbrown](http://washoelibrary.org/managerbrown)



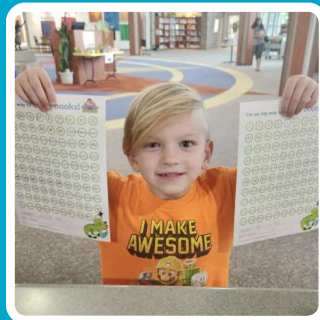


**story time**  
at the  
**Wilbur D. May Arboretum & Botanical Garden**

Join your favorite Washoe County librarians for family-friendly outdoor story times in the Burke Garden at the Arboretum!

**Thursdays, 10-11 am**  
June 1 - August 10

visit [washoelibrary.org/arboretum](http://washoelibrary.org/arboretum) for more information

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten  
Spanish Springs Library



- Baby Story Time
- Bilingual Story Time
- Family Story Time
- Preschool Story Time
- Rainbow Story Time
- STEAM Story Time
- Toddler Story Time



KINDERGARTEN CAMP AT THE SIERRA VIEW LIBRARY

Tuesday, August 8  
 Wednesday, August 9  
 Thursday, August 10  
 Friday, August 11

Registration required at [washoelibrary.org/kindercamp](http://washoelibrary.org/kindercamp)




- School Outreaches
- Educator Outreaches
- Baby Library Cards

# Celebrate Neurodiversity with Tiffany Hammond



To register for library events, scan the QR code or visit [washoeilibrary.org/tiffanyhammond](http://washoeilibrary.org/tiffanyhammond)

## Why Race Matters When Talking About Neurodiversity - Virtual Event

Friday, September 1, noon-12:45 pm

Tiffany Hammond - Autistic and AAC Advocate, and New York Times #1 bestselling author - will discuss why practitioners need to consider all aspects of an individual's identity when talking about neurodiversity. Service providers, therapists, educators, and anyone who works with autistic youth are encouraged to attend.



To register for this virtual event, scan the QR code or visit [bit.ly/whyracematters](http://bit.ly/whyracematters)



## Healing the Divide Between Autism Parents and Autistic Self-Advocates

Downtown Reno Library

Saturday, September 2, 12:30-1:30 pm

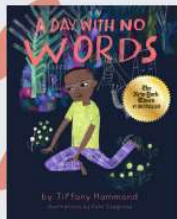
Online spaces have turned into battlegrounds between autistic self-advocates and parents raising individuals with autism. Heated arguments over language, symbols, and support methods have resulted in division in the community. How can we heal this divide so our community can work together? Books will be available for purchase thanks to The Radical Cat bookstore. Registration is required.

## On the Kids' Shelf from KUNR

On the Kids' Shelf is a regular feature in partnership with KUNR. A Washoe County librarian will feature Tiffany Hammond's book *A Day With No Words* on the series. You can find this recording on our website at [washoeilibrary.org/otks](http://washoeilibrary.org/otks).

## Find a variety of titles on our Neurodiversity Awareness book list at [washoeilibrary.org/neurodiversity](http://washoeilibrary.org/neurodiversity)

This project is supported by a mini-grant from the Nevada Center for Excellence in Disabilities at the University of Nevada, Reno and these community partners: Facilitate Joy! LLC, JUSTIN HOPE Foundation, Structures3C, The Radical Cat, and the Washoe County Library System.



## Sensory Story Time & Craft

Downtown Reno Library

Saturday, September 2, 10-11 am

Join author Tiffany Hammond for a special reading of her book *A Day With No Words*. This fun, interactive, and educational Sensory Story Time centers the needs of children with autism and/or sensory processing differences. A special craft will follow the Story Time. Books will be available for purchase thanks to The Radical Cat bookstore. Everyone is welcome. Registration is required.

## Celebrate Down Syndrome Awareness Month with this special Story Time presented by Down Syndrome self-advocates. Enjoy stories, songs, and a fun craft centered around acceptance, kindness, and supporting one another.

Saturday, October 7  
Sparks, 11 am

**CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY**

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## RAINBOWFEST!

This year's celebration of Drag Story Hour features fun for families, friends, and allies of all ages at three different library locations. Don't miss the arts and crafts, music, food, stories, and fun on **June 15** and **17**, and **July 15**!



Thursday, June 15 - Downtown Reno Library

10 am - noon: Crafts, stories

10:30 - 11 am: Drag Story Hour



For more information, visit [washoelibrary.org/rainbowfest](http://washoelibrary.org/rainbowfest)

Saturday, June 17 - North Valleys Library

10 am - 2 pm: Crafts, music, food, and stories

10:30 - 11 am & 1 - 1:30 pm: Drag Story Hour

Saturday, July 15 - Sparks Library

10 am - 2 pm: Crafts, music, food, and stories

10:30 - 11 am & 1 - 1:30 pm: Drag Story Hour



## Event Attendance Totals

Drag Story Hour

357

Rainbowfest

537

ALL TOGETHER NOW



CELEBRATE DIVERSITY



Ballet Folklórico Raíces Del Fuego

melody OF CHINA

Yangqin of Melody of China Concert




Catch soloist, Yangqin Zhao, member of the award-winning group, Melody of China, as she performs on her namesake instrument, the yangqin.

South Valleys Library • Tuesday, August 29, 4 pm  
North Valleys Library • Wednesday, August 30, 10:30 am  
Spanish Springs Library • Wednesday, August 30, 4 pm

Registration recommended. To register, scan the QR code or visit [washoelibrary.org/melodyofchina](http://washoelibrary.org/melodyofchina)

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WASHOE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM [washoelibrary.us](http://washoelibrary.us)



*Art and Spanish Conversation for Kids*

TAMBORES DE MANO / HAND DRUMS  
martes, 11 de julio / Tuesday, July 11  
Sparks Library, 4 pm

[washoelibrary.org/artandspanish](http://washoelibrary.org/artandspanish)



**RAINBOW FAMILY STORY TIME**

AUGUST 2 • 10:15 AM  
SPARKS LIBRARY

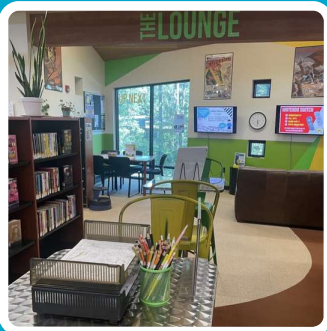
A STORYTIME TO CELEBRATE ACCEPTANCE, LOVE, INDIVIDUALITY, RESPECT, AND BELONGING

<https://www.washoelibrary.org/rainbowfamily>

# Teen Engagement Group

## UPCOMING

- TeenTober
- The Holland Project Outreach
- Volunteering Program
- Teen Survey-Teen Library Spaces



Teen Spaces-Passive Activities  
Creative Drawing Prompts & Positive Affirmations



### Teens Only SRC Party

Sierra View - Come sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge while enjoying fun activities and pizza!  
Thursday, June 1, 5:30 pm

### Summer Teen Wellness Series

Sierra View - focuses on self-care and self-expression

Tuesday, July 11, 3:30 pm - DIY heated rice pack  
Wednesday, July 12, 3:30 pm - Beeswax candle making  
Thursday, July 13, 3:30 pm - Painting and pizza

Downtown Reno - Join us at 4 pm every Thursday in July for a self-care activity and learn about resources to help support your overall well being.

Thursday, July 6, 4 pm - Teen Guerilla Poetry Party  
Thursday, July 13, 4 pm - Sublimation  
Thursday, July 20, 4 pm - STEAM: Teen Wellness Edition  
Thursday, July 27, 4 pm - Teen Wellness Paint 'n' Pizza

### Teen Zone Fun

South Valleys - Stop by the Teen Zone at the South Valleys Library all summer long for fun crafts and activities. A different project will be featured every week.

### Teen Zone

Sparks - Wednesdays, 3 pm  
Drop by the Sparks Teen Zone on Wednesdays for chill activities and conversation. Ages 13-18 are welcome. Each week has a different theme. Check them out!

- 1st: All Things Anime - Watch and discuss anime.
- 2nd: Create - Make something cool and take it home.
- 3rd: VR Studio - Go on a fun Virtual Reality adventure.
- 4th: Art Studio - Explore a different art medium.
- 5th: Mystery Activity - Show up to find out!

### Are you following the library yet?

@WashoeLibrary on Twitter  
@washoecountylibrary on Facebook  
@washoecountylibrary on Instagram



### Teen Career Building Miniseries

Sierra View - Hoping to get a summer job? Register for our three-part career-building program for teens!

Tuesday, June 20, 3:30 pm - Resume Writing  
Wednesday, June 21, 3:30 pm - Navigating Job Boards  
Thursday, June 22, 3:30 pm - Interviewing Skills and Strategies

### Teen Tuesday

Northwest Reno - Just for teens! Enjoy a variety of activities on the fourth Tuesday of the month, 3:30 pm.

### Teen Summer Movie Series

Incline Village



Tuesday, June 6, 4 pm - Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse  
Tuesday, June 20, 4 pm - Justice League: The Flashpoint Paradox  
Tuesday, July 11, 4 pm - Captain Marvel  
Tuesday, July 25, 4 pm - Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark

### Teen Crochet Workshop

Spanish Springs - At this workshop, we will learn the basics of crochet. Beginners and those needing support or to refresh their memories are welcome! Supplies will be provided. Join us for instruction, stay to finish off your craft. and make some friends!

Monday, June 26 - Wednesday, June 28, 1-3 pm

### Get Involved!

To learn about volunteering for a branch and to complete an application, visit:  
washoecountylibrary.us/volunteer





Nevada Historical Society presents  
High Noon with Neal Cobb:

*Our Journey Through Time at the Newlands Mansion*  
with Melinda and Dan Gustin



Thursday, July 20  
noon

Register for the Zoom event, or watch LIVE on Facebook

# Adult Events



NEVADA HUMANITIES PRESENTS

**THE THISTLEFOOT  
TRAVELING PUPPET SHOW**

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023, 3:00 PM  
NORTH VALLEYS LIBRARY  
1075 N Hills Blvd, Reno, NV 89506



Join us for a special live book talk and puppet show by Nevada Reads 2023 featured author **GennaRose Nethercott** as she brings her acclaimed novel *Thistlefoot* to life with hand-crafted shadow panoramas and puppetry! Nethercott's debut novel weaves Eastern European folklore with Jewish history in a tale about the ancestral hauntings that stalk us, and the uncanny power of story. Book signings to follow.

Free and open to the public. Best for ages 12 and up.  
Learn more about Nevada Reads at [nevadahumanities.org](http://nevadahumanities.org)

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Historic Reno Preservation Society  
Karen Burns - Downtown Reno Library



Make & Mingle - Sparks Library



## Upcoming Events

- Book Speed Dating
- Holiday Crafts for Adults
- Pioneer Center for the Performing Arts - Golden Encore Series
- Senior Bingo
- Senior Social Club
- UNR Performing Arts Series
- Cryptocurrency, Scams, and You



Americans and the Holocaust Exhibition  
Northwest Reno Library

# Galleries



Truckee Meadows Quilters Art Exhibit  
Downtown Reno Library



Faith Almasi Art Exhibit-South Valleys Library



## Event Statistics Fiscal Year 2022/2023



 **Total Events**  
**3,625**

 **Total Attendance**  
**46,614**



**THANK  
YOU!**

