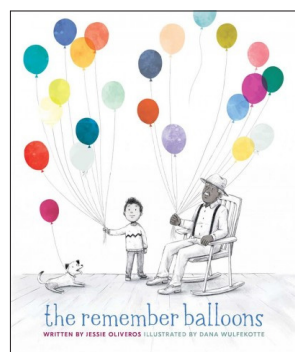




## STAFF PICKS for children

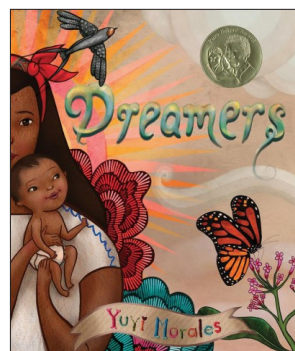


### "The Remember Balloons"

by Jessie Oliveros

This is such an amazing story to explain Alzheimer's Disease to children!

Picked by Audrey K.  
Spencer Branch Coordinator  
Details: [www.mcpl.us/sp85](http://www.mcpl.us/sp85)



### "Dreamers" by Yuyi Morales

Following a mother and son as they immigrate to the U.S., Yuyi Morales weaves an intricate tale of her own immigration story into this beautiful picture book!

Picked by Taylor W.  
Children's Librarian  
Details: [www.mcpl.us/sp85](http://www.mcpl.us/sp85)

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## Story Times: May-June

Bring your children to story time at MCPL! Story times are intended to introduce children to literature and reading through storytelling, songs, games, puppets and fingerplays.

Please note: Several story times take a break or change as we transition into summer, as indicated below.

### FAMILY STORY TIME

(for children of all ages; 30 minutes)

- Wausau – Weekly on Sat., 10:30am (will not meet 5/4-6/1)
- Athens – Weekly on Tue., 10am (will not meet 5/7, 6/25)
- Edgar – Weekly on Thu., 9:30am (will not meet after 5/9)
- Hatley – Weekly on Tue., 10:30am (will not meet 5/7)
- Marathon City – Weekly on Thu., 10:30am (will not meet 5/30, 6/27)
- Mosinee – Weekly on Wed., 10am (will not meet after 5/29)
- Rothschild – Weekly on Tue., 10:30am (will not meet 6/25)
- Spencer – Weekly on Wed., 10am (will not meet after 5/8)
- Stratford – Weekly on Wed., 10:15am

### PLAY & LEARN

(for children of all ages; 90 minutes)

- Wausau – Weekly on Fri., 9:30am
- Athens – Weekly on Tue., 10:30am
- Edgar – Weekly on Thu., 10am
- Hatley – Weekly on Thu., 10am
- Mosinee – Weekly on Wed., 10:30am
- Rothschild – Weekly on Tue., 11am (will not meet after 5/28)
- Spencer – Monthly on the 2nd and 4th Wed., 10:30am (changes to 10am on 5/22)
- Stratford – Weekly on Wed., 10:45am

### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

(for children ages 3-5 years; 30 minutes)

- Wausau – Weekly on Wed. & Thu., 10:30am (will not meet 5/8-6/6)

### TALES FOR TOTS

(for children ages 2-3 years; 30 minutes)

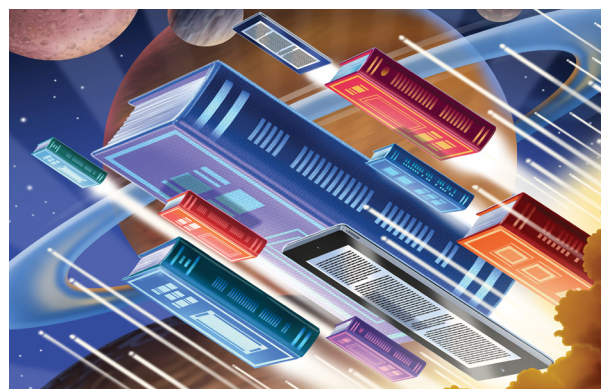
- Wausau – Weekly on Tue., 10am & 10:30am (will not meet 5/7-6/25)

### BOOK BABIES

(for children ages 0-2 years; 20 minutes)

- Wausau – Weekly on Mon., 10am (will not meet 5/6-6/3)
- Rothschild – Monthly on the second Tue., 10:30am (will not meet after 5/9)

[www.mcpl.us/story-times](http://www.mcpl.us/story-times)



## Let our Summer Program take you to outer space!

This year, MCPL will transport kids into the cosmos with its Summer Library Program! This year's theme is "A Universe of Stories," and we've planned three months of fun, entertaining and educational events for kids, tweens and teens!

May 28 through August 30, kids, tweens and teens can read books and submit reviews containing their thoughts about what they read. (Adults can do this, too!) Participants will receive a reward for each review they turn in. Younger children (pre-K) can instead complete a reading and activity sheet with their parent/caregiver and receive a prize once their sheet is complete!

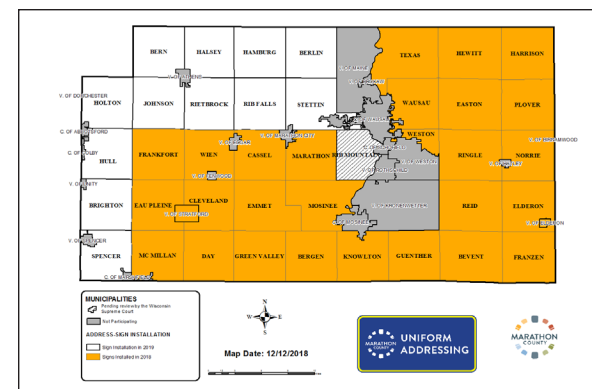
We also have a ton of great events scheduled at all nine MCPL locations, including visits from performers Tom Pease, Miller & Mike, Doc Ron, Randy Peterson, Magic Bob and others. We'll also offer several space-themed craft events, themed story times, free movie screenings and more!

For a list of events in May and June, check the inside of this newsletter. For our July and August events (and beyond), visit [www.mcpl.us/events](http://www.mcpl.us/events)!

Dan Richter, Library Marketing Specialist

## Upcoming Events

Did you know the library schedules a variety of fun and educational events for all ages every month? Check out the interior of this newsletter or visit [www.mcpl.us/events](http://www.mcpl.us/events) for the latest information!



## Uniform Addressing project set to resume!

Summer in Wisconsin is also known as "road construction season," but this year, it also brings the return of Marathon County's Uniform Addressing project!

The Uniform Addressing project began its implementation phase in 2018 and will resume in May 2019. From spring through fall, the municipalities of Berlin, Bern, Brighton, Halsey, Hamburg, Holton, Hull, Johnson, Rib Falls, Rietbrock, the Town of Spencer and Stettin will receive new Uniform Addresses, and MCPL is here to help! If you or someone you know lives in one of these municipalities and has questions, visit any MCPL location to pick up a free Quick Reference Guide, call the Reference Desk at 715-261-7230 or visit [www.MyMarathonCountyAddress.org](http://www.MyMarathonCountyAddress.org) for more information and project updates!

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## Holiday Hours

All MCPL locations will be closed Saturday-Monday, May 25-27, 2019.

## Upcoming Events

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## Plan a group visit to the library!

If your school, organization or daycare wants to bring students or members to see what the library is all about, you can plan a group visit! Groups of 10 or more can schedule a guided tour of any MCPL location and learn about the various materials and services we have to offer. Groups can also get an aquarium lesson, learn how to use the library catalog or attend a special story time just for them!

Group visit applications can be found and filled out at [www.mcpl.us/group-visits](http://www.mcpl.us/group-visits). For more information, call 715-261-7200



## Central Wisconsin Book Festival: Save the date!

The third annual Central Wisconsin Book Festival is currently in the planning stages and will be here before you know it! This year's festival is scheduled for September 26-29 and, like in past years, events will be held at MCPL Wausau, UW-Stevens Point at Wausau, and other locations around the Wausau area.

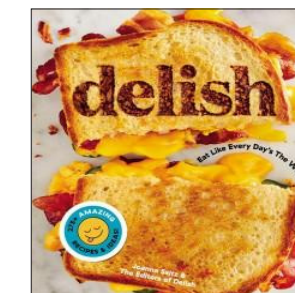
To see the events that have already been confirmed and for future updates, visit [www.mcpl.us/cwbf](http://www.mcpl.us/cwbf)!

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## Patron Survey

Take our "Location Hours" survey to help us learn more about the times you visit your local MCPL! Surveys will be available for a limited time at all MCPL locations and [www.mcpl.us/survey](http://www.mcpl.us/survey).

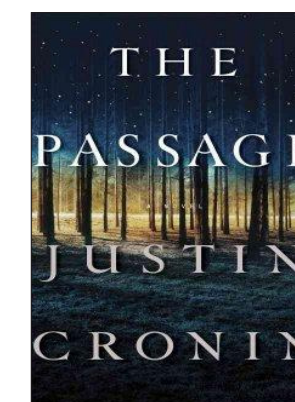
## STAFF PICKS for adults



### "Delish" by Joanna Saltz

Total honesty? I judged his book by it's delicious looking cover, and boy am I glad that I did! These recipes don't cater to a special diet or require special skills in the kitchen.

Picked by Ashley C.  
Branch Assistant  
Details: [www.mcpl.us/sp87](http://www.mcpl.us/sp87)



### "The Passage" by Justin Cronin

Not \*just\* another zombie-vampire-apocalypse genre novel (but yes, it is also that), this novel tells an epic, century-long tale of the downfall of modern civilization.

Picked by Ben K.  
IT Technician  
Details: [www.mcpl.us/sp88](http://www.mcpl.us/sp88)

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## Trail Tales

Walk along Wausau's scenic River Edge trail and read two children's books as you stroll!  
4/22-5/20 @ Kickbusch Plaza

## May Day Baskets

Kids are invited to create flower baskets!  
Tue., 4/30, 10am-8pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Nonfiction @ Night: "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks"

Wed., 5/1, 6-7pm @ MCPL Stratford

## Get Moving in May!

Take part in this lively health and wellness discussion!  
Thu., 5/2, 11:30am-12:30pm @ MCPL Athens

## Apple Blossom Flower Art

Celebrate spring by creating your own apple blossoms with a variety of craft supplies!  
Thu., 5/2, 2-7pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Needle Arts

Knitters and crocheters are invited to gather for crafting and socializing! Bring your own supplies.  
Thu., 5/2, 3-4:30pm & 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Wausau  
Wed., 5/15, 4-6:45pm @ MCPL Marathon City  
Tue., 3-6pm: 5/28, 6/25 @ MCPL Rothschild  
Tue., 1-4pm: 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28, 6/4, 6/11, 6/18, 6/25 @ MCPL Athens

## Pokemon Club

Join fellow Pokemon fans for a monthly gathering of all things Pokemon!  
Thu., 5/2, 4-4:45pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Book Sale

5/2-5/5 @ MCPL Wausau

## Learn to Line Dance

Join us for a fun introduction to line dancing!  
Thu., 5/2, 6:30-7:30pm @ MCPL Spencer

## Outside the Lines: A Family Coloring Party

Work on coloring projects for children and adults!  
Sat., 10am-2pm: 5/4 6/1 @ MCPL Hatley

## "Rock on Kindness" Author Stephani Curran

Wisconsin author Stephani Curran will visit us and talk about her book "Rock on, Kindness!"  
Sat., 5/4, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Wausau

## Create a Mother's Day Card!

Make a card for the maternal figure in your life!  
5/6-5/11 @ MCPL Hatley  
5/6-5/10 @ MCPL Mosinee

## Gardening With Kids

Adults can learn methods and activities to help interest kids in gardening!  
Mon., 5/6, 1-3pm @ MCPL Mosinee  
Mon., 6/10, 4-5:30pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## Make Your Own Mini Piñata

Create your own mini piñatas!  
Mon., 5/6, 3:30-4:30pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Disease

Alzheimer's Disease affects millions of people each year. Learn more about some of the warning signs.  
Mon., 5/6, 6-7pm @ MCPL Spencer  
Tue., 5/14, 12-1:30pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## LEGO® Block Party

Build creative LEGO projects! Blocks provided.  
Tue., 9am-5pm: 5/7, 6/4 @ MCPL Mosinee  
Sat., 11:30am-1:30pm: 5/11, 6/8 @ MCPL Rothschild  
Fri., 1-3pm: 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28 @ MCPL Marathon City  
Mon., 6/24, 3-6pm @ MCPL Hatley

## How Does Your Garden Grow?

Pick the brain of a master gardener!  
Tue., 5/7, 9-10am @ MCPL Spencer

## Mother's Day Story Time

Join us for a special story time and craft hour as we celebrate mothers ahead of their special day!  
Tue., 5/7, 10-11am @ MCPL Athens  
Tue., 5/7, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Hatley

## Home School Huddle

Families of homeschooled children can hear stories, read and participate in STEAM activities.  
Tue., 5/7, 1-2pm @ MCPL Edgar

## Tink Party

Join us for a fun fairy party with stories and a DIY light-up fairy jar. Costumes encouraged!  
Tue., 5/7, 4-6pm @ MCPL Wausau

## EMMET Makerspace

Experiment with various STEM and CT technologies with this mobile makerspace!  
Tue., 5/7, 6-7:30pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Teens are welcome to meet others, volunteer and help plan library programs!  
Tue., 5/7, 6:30-7:30pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Teen Star Search Karaoke Night

Bring your friends to sing the night away!  
Tue., 5/7, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Wausau

## A History of the Fromm Brothers Fur Farm

Learn the history of a local landmark that was, at one time, the largest silver fox and mink farm in the U.S.!

Wed., 5/8, 5-6pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## Flower Fairies

Join us to craft adorable fairies!  
Wed., 5/8, 6-7pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Book Club: "Three Cups of Tea"

Thu., 5/9, 11:30am-12:30pm @ MCPL Edgar

## Spring Wreaths

Make your very own spring wreath!  
5/9-5/10 @ MCPL Athens

## Book Club: "There There" by Tommy Orange

Thu., 5/9, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Athens

## Gardening With Pollinators in Mind

Discover research-based gardening techniques that support pollinating insects!  
Mon., 5/13, 2-4pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Medicare Basics

It's never too early to learn about Medicare!  
Mon., 5/13, 5-7pm @ MCPL Edgar  
Thu., 5/16, 5pm & Mon., 6/3, 2pm @ MCPL Wausau  
Tue., 6/11, 5-7pm @ MCPL Stratford  
Wed., 6/19, 10:30am-12:30pm @ MCPL Rothschild  
Wed., 6/19, 4:30-6:30pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## Book Club: "Unthinkable" by Helen Thomson

Mon., 5/13, 5:45-6:45pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## Understanding Dementia-Related Behavior

Join us for a presentation for those who help care for someone with Alzheimer's or dementia.  
Mon., 5/13, 6-7pm @ MCPL Spencer

## Book Club: "The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society"

Tue., 5/14, 2-3pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Charity on the Water

Outdoor enthusiast John E. Van Barriger will share his trip to Alaska's Yukon River!  
Tue., 5/14, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Aroma Therapy & Essential Oils

Join us to talk about aroma therapy, essential oils and natural or homemade health products!  
Wed., 4-5:30pm: 5/15, 6/19 @ MCPL Hatley

## Bottle Cap Bling

Create unique, artistic crafts using bottle caps!  
5/16-5/17 @ MCPL Athens

## Getting to Know American Muslims

Learn what day-to-day life is like for a Muslim woman living in central Wisconsin!  
Thu., 5/16, 6-7pm @ MCPL Spencer  
Tue., 5/21, 6-8pm @ MCPL Wausau  
Thu., 5/23, 6-7pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## Book Club: "The Underground Railroad"

Mon., 5/20, 1-2pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## Book Club: "Wild" by Cheryl Strayed

Mon., 5/20, 1-2pm @ MCPL Stratford

## Hobbies & Crafts Night

Hobby and craft enthusiasts are welcome to join us every month for a night of creating and socializing!  
Mon., 3-8pm: 5/20, 6/17 @ MCPL Hatley

## Women's Night Out "Truly Madly Guilty" by Liane Moriarty

Mon., 5/20, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Meet a Hatley EMT!

Help us celebrate our local emergency services!  
Tue., 5/21, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Hatley

## Ancestry & Genealogy

Learn how to find genealogy information through the library's Ancestry.com database.  
Tue., 5/21, 1:30-3pm @ MCPL Stratford

## Pull String Art

Tue., 5/21, 6-7pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Book Club: "Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine" by Gail Honeyman

Wed., 5/22, 11am-12pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Readers of Classic Literature "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" by Tennessee Williams

Wed., 5/22, 12-1pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Create Your Own Pinwheels

Wed., 5/22, 3-6pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Human Trafficking in Central Wisconsin

Learn about human trafficking in our area.  
Thu., 5/23, 6-7pm @ MCPL Spencer

## Foraging for Wild Edibles

Learn which local plants and fungi are safe to eat!  
Thu., 5/23, 6-7pm @ MCPL Athens

## Flash Fiction Story Project

Tweens will learn how to write very short stories - also known as "flash fiction"!  
Tue., 5/28, 3:30-4:30pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## Chromatography Butterflies

Preschoolers can use the science of chromatography to make a fun craft!  
Wed., 5/29, 11am-2pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Teen Book Club: "Ishmael" by Daniel Quinn

Thu., 5/30, 4-5pm @ MCPL Athens

## Book Club: "Little Fires Everywhere"

Thu., 5/30, 6-7:30pm @ MCPL Spencer

## Natural Body Care Recipes

Learn how to make natural beauty products!  
Thu., 5/30, 6-7:30pm @ MCPL Athens

## Walt Whitman 200th Birthday Celebration

Join us for a celebration of Walt Whitman! Bring your favorite Whitman poem to share.  
Thu., 5/30, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Torn Paper Planets

Create your own planet out of torn paper!  
6/3-6/7 @ MCPL Mosinee  
6/3-6/7 @ MCPL Stratford  
6/3-6/8 @ MCPL Rothschild  
6/10-6/14 @ MCPL Athens

## Weeks & Weeks of SLP Crafts!

Different craft projects every week!  
Mon., 1-7pm: 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24 @ MCPL Edgar

## Polio: Scourge of the 1950s

Rick Lohr will share a personal story about polio's impact on his family and Marathon County.  
Tue., 6/4, 9-10am @ MCPL Spencer

## Nonfiction @ Night: "Lost in Shangri-La"

Wed., 6/5, 6-7pm @ MCPL Stratford

## Outer Space Story Time!

Join us for space-themed stories and crafts!  
Thu., 6/6, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Marathon City

## Family Film Friday: "Finding Dory"

Fri., 6/7, 2-4pm @ MCPL Wausau

## World Oceans Day

Join us for stories, crafts and sea creatures!  
Sat., 6/8, 10:30am-12pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Create a Father's Day Card!

Make a card for the father figure(s) in your life!  
6/10-6/15 @ MCPL Hatley  
6/10-6/14 @ MCPL Mosinee

## Create Your Own Alien!

6/10-6/14 @ MCPL Marathon City

## Sidewalk Chalk Drawing

Help create fun chalk art outside of the library!  
6/10-6/14 @ MCPL Hatley

## Toddler Dance Party

Join us for a special story time and dance party!  
Mon., 11-11:30am: 6/10, 6/24 @ MCPL Wausau

## Ocean Suncatchers

Make your own ocean suncatcher!  
Mon., 6/10, 3-4pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## Book Club: "The Latecomer"

Mon., 6/10, 5:45-6:45pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## Tom Pease

Get ready for a great performance by this beloved children's musician!  
Tue., 6/11, 10:30-11:30am & 2-3pm @ MCPL Wausau  
Tue., 6/18, 10-11am @ MCPL Spencer

## Healthy Living for Your Brain & Body

Learn healthy aging tips and the research behind it!  
Tue., 6/11, 12-1:30pm @ MCPL Mosinee  
Tue., 6/18, 11am-12:30pm @ MCPL Edgar

## Book Club: "The Flight Attendant"

Tue., 6/11, 2-3pm @ MCPL Hatley

## PAWS to Read

Practice reading to well-behaved therapy dogs!  
Tue., 6-7pm: 6/11, 6/18, 6/25 @ MCPL Rothschild  
Thu., 1-2:30pm: 6/13, 6/20, 6/27 @ MCPL Wausau

## Magic Bob Presents: Lost in Space

Magic Bob will show kids that every time they open a book, they blast off on an adventure!  
Wed., 6/12, 10-11am @ MCPL Spencer  
Wed., 6/12, 1:30-2:30pm @ MCPL Stratford  
Thu., 6/13, 11am & 1:30pm @ MCPL Rothschild  
Tue., 6/25, 10:30am & 2pm @ MCPL Wausau  
Wed., 6/26, 10:30-11:30am @ Edgar High School  
Wed., 6/26, 2-3pm @ MCPL Mosinee  
Thu., 6/27, 10-11am @ Marathon Elementary  
Thu., 6/27, 2-3pm @ MCPL Athens

## Weird Science Comedy Show

Doc Ron will demonstrate crazy science experiments with fire, smoke and flying cheese curds!  
Wed., 6/12, 10:30-11:30am @ Edgar High School  
Wed., 6/12, 2-3pm @ MCPL Mosinee  
Wed., 6/26, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Hatley  
Wed., 6/26, 1:30-2:30pm @ MCPL Stratford

## GrapeVine Session: Better Bone Health

Learn more about bone health and osteoporosis.  
Wed., 6/12, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Rothschild

## Father's Day Cards & Coasters

Create a unique gift for your dad or grandpa!  
Wed., 6/12, 1:30-3pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Book Club: "Firestorm at Peshtigo"

Thu., 6/13, 11:30am-12:30pm @ MCPL Edgar

## Book Club: "Sourdough" by Robin Sloan

Thu., 6/13, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Athens

## Outer Space Craft Week

Make alien and planet craft projects!  
6/17-6/22 @ MCPL Hatley

## Book Club: "How to Walk Away"

Mon., 6/17, 1-2pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## Book Club: "Before We Were Yours"

Mon., 6/17, 1-2pm @ MCPL Stratford

Women's Night Out  
"The Waters of Star Lake" by Sara Rath  
Mon., 6/17, 6:30-8pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Moon & Stars Story Time

Tue., 6/18, 10-11am @ MCPL Athens

## Jim Lenz's Comedy Science Show

Jim Lenz infuses comedy, drama and his love of science into a unique performance!  
Tue., 6/18, 10:30am & 2pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Planetary Pasta Rovers

Create a rover using pasta and glue!  
Tue., 6/18, 11am-2pm @ MCPL Marathon City  
Tue., 6/18, 1:30-3:30pm @ MCPL Stratford  
Fri., 6/21, 11am-3pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Miller & Mike

Explore a cosmos of comedy with these former Ringling Bros. circus clowns!  
Wed., 6/19, 10-11am @ Marathon Elementary  
Wed., 6/19, 2-3pm @ MCPL Mosinee

## Paint the Night Sky!

Create your own artistic renderings of the night sky!  
Wed., 6/19, 2-3:30pm @ MCPL Wausau

## DIY Fairy Houses

Adults can decorate a wooden fairy house!  
6/20-6/21 @ MCPL Athens

## Randy Peterson

Blast off into a universe of music!  
Thu., 6/20, 11am & 1:30pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Create a Flying Saucer!

Make a UFO using household and craft supplies!  
6/24-6/28 @ MCPL Athens  
6/24-6/29 @ MCPL Rothschild

## Planets, Stars & Beyond!

Join us for a space-themed family story time!  
Tue., 6/25, 10:30-11:30am @ MCPL Rothschild

## A Journey Through the Heavens

Learn about constellations and stories of their origins!  
Wed., 6/26, 10-11am @ Lions Park (Spencer)

## Book Club: "The Alice Network"

Wed., 6/26, 11am-12pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Readers of Classic Literature

The Short Stories of Isaac Bashevis Singer  
Wed., 6/26, 12-1pm @ MCPL Wausau

## Galaxy in a Bottle

Combine art and science to make a mini galaxy!  
Wed., 6/26, 12-2pm @ MCPL Marathon City

## DIY Stress Balls

Kids can make their own stress balls for stress relief!  
Thu., 6/27, 2:30-3:30pm @ MCPL Rothschild

## Outer Space Sand Art

Use colored sand to make space-themed pictures, decorative bottles or colorful keychains!  
Fri., 6/28, 1-4pm @ MCPL Hatley

## Family Game Day

Bring your family for board and card games!  
Sat., 6/29, 11:30am-1:30pm @ MCPL Rothschild