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## GI Library Journal

### SHOEMAKER ELEMENTARY

#### THIRD TIME IN A ROW ... WINNER OF THE CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM

"Build a Better World!" Children's Summer Reading Program at the Grand Island Public Library is over for the 2,703 children registered to read and lots of others participating in our summer literacy-based activities.

Winning first place and getting the end-of-program pool party is Shoemaker Elementary. They will also get to showcase the traveling summer reading trophy three years in a row. Shoemaker had 47 percent of students who read 100 minutes or more throughout the summer months.

The second place winner was Engleman Elementary and third place went to Gates Elementary.



Total minutes read by children was 621,493. That's an average of 230 minutes read this summer by each registered child. Way to go EVERYONE!

**More summer reading recap inside**



#### WEEKLY STORY TIMES STARTING SEPTEMBER 5

Monday, 10 AM  
*Play & Read Lapsit*

Tuesday, 10:30 AM  
*Rock & Read Baby Lapsit*

Tuesday, 6:30 PM  
*Family (pajama)  
Storytime*

Wednesday, 10 OR 11 AM  
*Ready to Read Storytime*

Wednesday, 2:30 PM  
*Bookbop for all ages*

Saturday, 11 AM  
*Rotating: Paws to Read,  
Family Building Time,  
World Neighbors  
(Multicultural Coalition),  
Bookbop and Stories &  
Crafts (if 5th week)*

Sunday, 2 PM  
*1000 Books Before  
Kindergarten Storytime*



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Hours**

Sunday 1 PM—5 PM

Monday—Thursday

9:30 AM—8 PM

Friday 9:30 AM—6 PM

Saturday 9:30 AM—5 PM

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**MORE ABOUT THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

The Teen Summer Reading Program was a huge success with 185 registered and a reading total of 168,942 minutes. That's 913 minutes per participant or about 15 hours each.




With the help of the Grand Island Public Library Foundation, local businesses and a very creative staff, we made summer reading even more fun for all ages. Thank you all for making this a very successful summer!

**Reminder to Prize Winners:** if you haven't picked up your prize, do so soon. Congratulations!



The Adult Summer Reading Program was less structured but had a registration of 92 and a reading total of 82,573. That's about 898 minutes per participant or about 15 hours each.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Children's	92	6,032
Teens	25	660
Adults	8	126



**Tuesday  
August 29**

Runza will donate 10% of sales to purchase books for children!  
*benefiting Grand Island Public Library*

**GREAT BOOKS FOR GREAT KIDS**

## STAFF REORGANIZATION HELPS DURING TIGHT BUDGET TIMES: PART ONE



Welcome **Shaun Klee**, our new **Adult & Technical Services Librarian**. Shaun had a similar job in Beatrice before joining us this July. He's also worked at public libraries in North Dakota and Oklahoma,

and has a Masters Degree in Library Science.

Shaun and **Celine Swan**, our **Youth & Family Services Librarian**, make a dynamic duo with daily supervision of all the staff and services benefiting you.

Shaun comes to us at a critical time after the retirement of two long-time Librarians, Gerianne Pickering and Kathleen Nonneman. We decided to go with only two Librarians instead of three due to tight budget times.



But this isn't the first time we've done staff reorganization. Our library hasn't had an Assistant Director since 2011. And at one time we had four Librarians and an Assistant Director. This would be consistent with other libraries our size.

Much has happened since tight budget times started in 2010. We've had reductions in our staffing, a variety of schedule changes, lost our bookmobile outreach services, lost and regained free library card services to Hall County residents, reduced our budgets for books, audiovisual/electronic databases and magazines, changed systems to reduce our public access catalog/checkout system costs, and much more.

Still through it all our philosophy has not changed: continuing to provide you with the best in library services, resources, programming and staff assistance that we can possibly do within our budget. Our remarkably resilient, creative and hardworking staff members make this happen every day!

Next month we will feature the valuable coordination role of our Library Assistant II's.

# 2017 Pre-Eclipse Youth Program

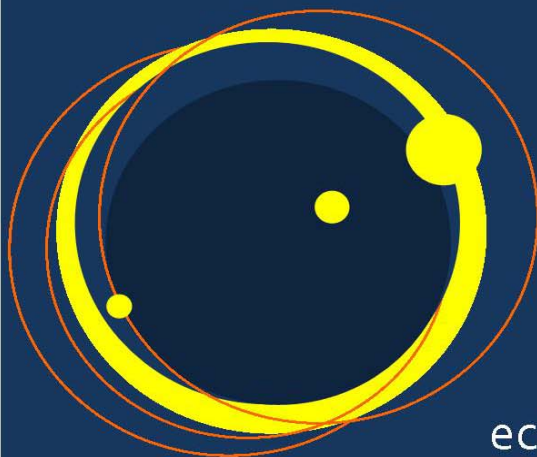
Monday, August 21

9:30-10:15 a.m.

Grand Island Public Library  
211 N Washington Street

eclipse-themed reading, crafts, and snacks

Free for kids and families!





## COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER

THE ONLY THING MORE POWERFUL  
THAN A TEEN TITAN?

**A LIBRARY CARD!**

September is Library Card  
Sign-up Month!

ALA American Library Association



## *Edith Abbott Victorian Tea Party*



The Edith Abbott Memorial Library  
requests the company of 3rd & 4th grade girls on

*Sunday, September 24, 2017*

Two to four o'clock

Contact library for future program schedule