What can parents and care givers expect from **Story Time?**

Story Time programs introduce young children to books, rhymes, songs, crafts, and other fun activities. Library Story Times incorporate the early literacy skills that children must master before they can learn to read.

Story Times are designed for children 3-5 years old, though all ages are welcome. The program lasts approximately 45 minutes and caregivers are asked to participate with their children.



Story Time Schedule September 6 Through December 21, 2016 **Ages 3-Preschool**

> Tuesday at 10 AM Wednesday at 10 AM

Mother Goose on the Loose Toddler Time Schedule September 9 Through December 23, 2016 **Ages Birth-2**

Friday at 10:30 AM

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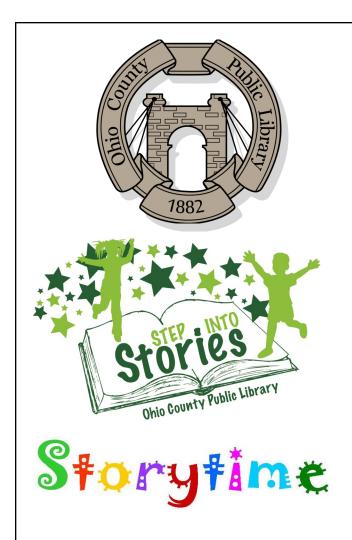
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September





Gowboy Gamp Week of September 5

Giddyup, kids, and gallop right over to hear *Cowboy Camp*, a rootin' tootin' tale of an unlikely would-be hero. Avery's at

camp, trying hard to saddle up and master his lasso, but he's just not like the other cowboys. He's allergic to the horses and can't stand the grub. But when a bully threatens all the campers, Avery proves his mettle in his own unique way. Children will make a cowboy boot craft and learn the "Western Animal Song" to the tune of "The Wheels on the Bus."

The Library will be closed on Monday September 5 in observance of Labor Day.

Week of September 12



A freshly baked gingerbread cowboy escapes from the rancher's wife's kitchen and eludes his pursuers in this week's story, *The Gingerbread Cowboy*. Children

will make a cowboy paper bag puppet and do the Five Little Cowboys finger rhyme.



Week of September 19

A cowboy poet who can't rope, whip, or ride? Who would believe that? Slim

knows he could be a real cowboy if the ranch hands would just give him a chance. This week, our story will be *Cowboy Slim*. Children will make a cactus craft, and learn the song "I'm a Little Cowboy."



Week of September 26

In *Every Cowgirl Needs a Horse*, Nellie Sue does everything with a western flair. Whether it is cleaning up the animal pen

(picking up her stuffed animals) or rounding up cattle (getting the neighborhood kids together for her birthday party), she does it like a true cowgirl. All she really needs is a horse. So when Dad announces at her birthday party, "I got a horse right here for you," Nellie Sue is excited. But when her horse turns out to be her first bicycle, it will take an imagination as big as Texas to help save the day. Children will make a paper bag horse and sing Five Little Ponies.



October



Bats, Cats, and Witch's Hats



Week of October 3

In this week's story, *Bat Loves the Night*, Bat wakes up, flies into the night, uses the echoes of her voice to navigate,

hunts for her supper, and returns to her roost to feed her baby. Children will make a bat sponge art craft and sing The Bat Song.



Week of October 10

Through the seasons, Cat and Mouse work together in the garden. Together, they watch seeds that turn into plants in

the spring, plants that turn into flowers in the summer, and flowers that turn into pumpkins in the fall. When the pumpkins are ready, Mouse gives the best surprise of all to his friend, Cat in our story, *Pumpkin Cat*. Children will make a paper plate silhouette craft and sing Five Little Pumpkins.



Week of October 17

Poor Druscilla. Her sore, ancient knees are so creaky and loud that she can't sneak up on anyone to play witchy tricks on Halloween. She and her faithful cat, Drizzle, try to find ways for her to sneak quietly, riding her donkey, enchanting her wheelbarrow, and making wings. All the ways fail miserably. But when Druscilla picks up a broom to sweep up scattered feathers, she has an idea that just might work! *Druscilla's Halloween* finally solves the mystery of why witches fly on broomsticks. Children will make a paper bag witch puppet and sing Three Little Witches.



Week of October 24

Mouse's appetite leads him on a Halloween adventure when he hitches a ride in a trick-or-treat bag of candy and

finds himself alone in a haunted house in this week's book, *Haunted House*, *Haunted Mouse*. We will sing Here We Come to Trick or Treat as we Trick or Treat around the library. Children may wear costumes. Note: Families are invited to bring a snack to share for this week's Halloween Party.

