

News from the Childrens Room

May 2012

Memorial Day:

The Library will be closed Monday, May 28TH in observance of Memorial Day.

For Your Child's Safety:

Our policy regarding the age that children can use the library without being accompanied by an adult has changed. **The new policy states that children under the age of ten (10) must be accompanied by and adult or caregiver, and that caregivers must be 18 or older.** The Library is a large building and is open to the public and while we try to keep the Children's Room as child safe as possible, we cannot monitor where every child is and what s/he is doing. Please also be aware that Library phones are not available for use by the public: if you allow you your child to come to the library by themselves, they should have a cell phone or change for the pay phone in the lobby. We want every child's visit to the library to be positive: please help us make that happen!

Free Comic Book Day:

Did you know May 5th is Free Comic book Day? Free Comic Book Day is a single day - the first Saturday in May each year - when participating comic book shops across North America and around the world give away comic books absolutely **FREE** to anyone who comes into their stores. The Rochester Free Comic Book Day Festival starts at 10:00 am. This year you can either pick up a map and list of participating businesses at Jetpack Comics or download it from their website. There will be Comic creators, guests and characters at several venues and each business will have free comics. Call Jetpack Comics at 330-9636 or go to www.jetpackcomics.com for more information.

"Cultivating Kids" Garden:

If you've been in the Children's Room lately, you may have seen that all the seeds we planted last month for the Children's Room Community Garden have begun to grow! The next couple of "Garden Days are:

May 19	Painting posts to use as plant supports
June 2	Planting Day!

Children can drop in any time between 9:30 and 11:30 to participate in these activities. Please remember to dress for the weather (and to get dirty!) Hats, water and sunscreen are highly recommended! The garden will be planted and cared for by children (with the assistance of the Children's Room librarians) and all produce will be donated to the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen.

Check Out our Newest Magazine:

“Chop Chop”! is a quarterly food magazine and website designed to encourage families to establish better eating habits for a lifetime of good nutrition. In addition to recipes, there are articles on growing your own vegetables, and keeping active. Best of all, the recipes and articles are fun, kid-friendly and never preachy!

May Holidays:

Here are some fun (and some silly) dates for you to celebrate at home!

Mother Goose Day	5/1
Brothers and Sisters Day	5/2
Comic Book Day	5/5
No Socks Day	5/8
Eat what you Want Day	5/11
Love a Tree Day	5/16
International Museum Day	5/18
Pick Strawberries Day	5/20
Lucky Penny Day	5/23
Tap Dance Day	5/25
Water a Flower Day	5/29



