

**Librarian's Report**  
**Freedom Public Library**  
**June 14, 2018**

The summer reading materials and summer calendar are finally ready. I am assembling promotional packets to distribute at the school and Chris has sent a mailing to the teens. The kickoff is at the school next Wednesday, June 20 at 2:00 and everyone is encouraged to attend. The performer is John Higby who has performed his comedy yo-yo act around the world and has 5 Guinness World Records to his credit. It looks like the weather will cooperate for our "School's Out!" Party next Thursday at 1:00. The children are excited about the bouncy house and ice cream sundaes. The Freedom Public Library has been added as an additional insured on the insurance that covers Magical Moonwalks, the bounce house company, but I am also requiring a liability release form completed by a parent or guardian in order for children to bounce.

I am excited about the summer raffle: 12 shows at Stone Mountain Arts Center including dinner. [Shows \$50 and under and dinner = the entrée.] I think people will want to win this prize and it will be a successful fundraiser for the library. The iPad raffle has raised \$365 so far and I'm hoping to find someone to sell raffle tickets at the library on Saturday for a final push before the drawing on June 21. The money has been designated to benefit the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program. We have added the infants, toddlers and preschoolers as an additional age group for summer reading. It will be the same 1000 Books program, but they will also earn raffle tickets for prizes I purchased using some of the raffle money.

Alex the Jester will be the performer on Friday August 10 during Old Home Week. I looked into the portable planetarium program but it was not available that date. I have booked it for 2019 when it also will fit the summer reading theme, "A Universe of Stories."

In other news, our carpets were cleaned this week. Matt Welch has done the spring cleanup, installed the new irrigation timer purchased in the fall, and has the sprinkler system up and running. Volunteers from the Mountain Garden Club came to weed and plant annuals and the grounds look nice. We have moved Easy Readers out of the general Children's Picture Book area into their own corner in the Children's Room with their own call number. There were 9 at cribbage last week, so we will continue offering drop-in cribbage on Tuesdays at 4:00.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Rhymer  
Library Director