

creativity. Please do not bring your own Legos. Be sure to bring your camera to record your creation—all pieces used to make the projects remains property of the Pikes Peak Library District.

Come to a birthday party for our own Dewey the Fish on Tuesday, July 31, at 10:30 a.m. There will be lots of fun, including birthday cake and fishy stories and crafts. Wear your party clothes!

Special summer reading programs will continue in July.

On Tuesday, July 10, at 10:30 a.m. join the Val-deri sisters as they work their way through the wish list of dreams they have always wanted to do. But, the sisters have no clue how to go about achieving their dreams. The results: hilarious!

On Tuesday, July 17, at 10:30 a.m. Dream Big with—Baskets of Bunnies. Have you dreamed of having a rabbit as a pet? Join Laura Foye and her bunnies for this fun program. You will learn some facts about rabbits, pet a sweet, soft (real) bunny, and visit the craft table to make your own rabbit creations.

On Tuesday, July 10, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. is a 7 Up program for school-age children titled What's Under Your Bed? Something creepy, that's for sure. We'll play Mummy Wrap, have a Body Part Treasure Hunt, and make a gooey eyeball craft.

Thursday afternoons on the 5th and 12th at 2 p.m.

will feature Stories and Crafts sessions for school-age children in conjunction with the summer reading program.

The big event of the summer reading season is the Monument and Palmer Lake Summer Reading Party. Don't miss this summer celebration of Dreaming Big and Reading. The Summer Reading Party will take place at the Palmer Lake Village Green and will include animals, music, face-painting, games, treats, and more. Bring your sunscreen and your umbrella to the Palmer Lake Village Green on Friday, July 20, 10:30 to noon.

On the walls during July will be photographs by Kimberly Sharples.

In the display case during July will be a collection of kachina dolls shared by Lucy M., a local patron.

Palmer Lake library events

There will be a special evening program for all ages on Tuesday, July 10, at 7 p.m. The theme is celestial stories of the night sky. Why is the moon dark one night a month? Enjoy hearing the answer to that question and more during the program for all ages. Heather Lyle shares humorous and dramatic tales of the moon and stars. View the night sky and take home a craft. The program will be outside on the Palmer Lake Village Green.

Blast off with Stella the Star Polisher and her friend Luna as they take you on a cosmic journey of fun in Adventures in the Imagination Constellation. This program

will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 11.

On July 12 at 4:30 p.m. come read to Misty, the tiny sheltie. Research has shown that young readers can improve their fluency by reading to a quiet, patient dog. Read with Misty and select a prize.

Palmer Lake's Summer Reading Program on Wednesday, July 18, is Basket of Bunnies. Join Laura Foye and her bunnies for this fun program, where bunny petting is definitely allowed.

The Palmer Lake Knitting Group meets each Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon. Knitters of all levels are welcome. Bring your project and enjoy the company of other knitters.

Kirby, the golden retriever Paws to Read dog, will be on hand Saturday, July 28, from 11 a.m. until noon.

The Palmer Lake Book Group will meet on Friday, Aug. 3, at 9 a.m. to discuss The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer. New members are always welcome.

The event of the year will be the Summer Reading Program Party on July 20 on the Palmer Lake Green from 10:30 to noon. See the Monument Library segment above for details.

Photographs by Laurisa Rabins will be displayed on the walls.

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Palmer Lake Historical Society, May 17

Historical Society, families celebrate Father's Day



Left (L to R): Volunteers Georgia Follansbee and Maggie Williamson served ice cream at the Palmer Lake Historical Society's Father's Day celebration in Palmer Lake and enjoyed it as much as those receiving it.



Right: The Jessum Bud group entertained the attendees at the Palmer Lake Historical Society's annual Father's Day celebration. They played bluegrass and country music.



Left (L to R): Nathan Clark and Luke Clark are served by volunteer Pat McCarthy.

Bernard L. Minetti

The Palmer Lake Historical Society's annual Father's Day tradition of free ice cream and pie was attended by many families June 17. The crowd enjoyed the music of the Jessum Bud group, who played bluegrass and country music.

During the festivities, Historical Society board member retired Air Force Lt. Col. Jack Anthony announced that the Palmer Lake Star had passed the first and most important step to being registered as a state and national historical site. A representative from the Colorado State Registry of Historical Places deemed that the site was eligible for the title of "Historical Monument." This placed

the star in the eligibility line for further recognition at the state and national level.

Anthony noted that residents Charlie Krueger and Gary Coleman were instrumental in the registry's decision. Krueger's father was involved in the construction of the original star and had passed down the facts about the initiation and construction of the star. Coleman provided some of the technical data necessary for the star's recognition.

Anthony was given the assignment of having the star recognized as a state and national monument by the Historical Society board. He declared that this was perhaps the most important designation for the star, because it opened the door for future designations.

The next meeting will be on July 19 at 7 p.m. at the Palmer Lake Town Hall. The public is invited to attend. The title of the presentation is "Eating Houses on the Midland Railroad." Tom Van Wormer will talk about how train-

loads of passengers were fed during the brief train stops.

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