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## AUGUST'S MESSAGE



**LESLIE FITCH**  
Chief Librarian

Somehow it is that time of the summer when we start to think about the fall again, and all that entails: school starting up, registration for children's programs here at the Library, and the pace of work moves from summer mode (busy) to autumn mode (really busy). I hope everyone had a good summer, despite the rain which dampened activities here and there, and has certainly affected local farmers. On the plus side, I don't think I've ever seen gardens look so green this time of year since I moved to Ontario twenty-four years ago. It is reminiscent of growing up in Victoria.

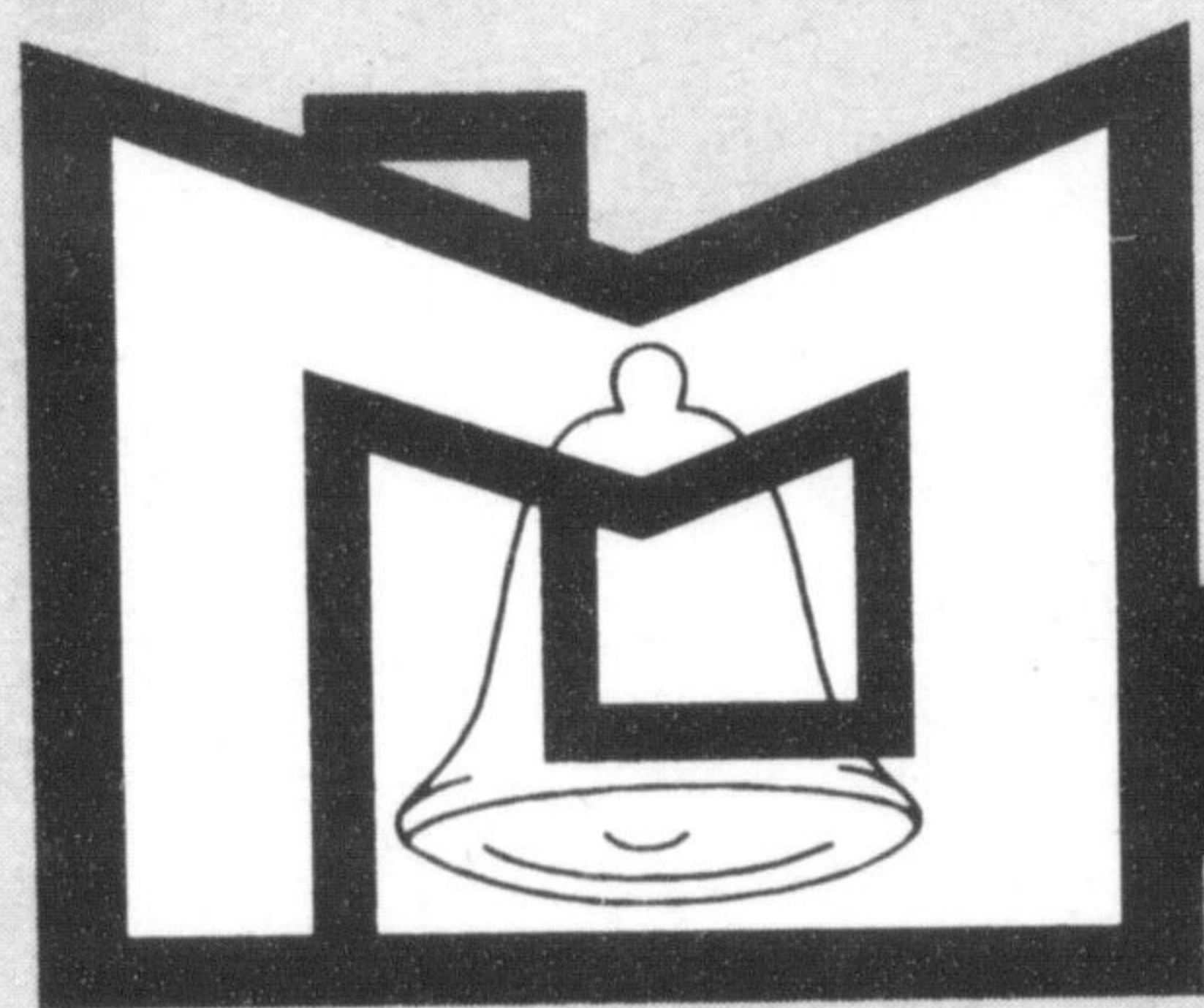
I'd like to take this opportunity to remind you that registration for Children's programs is September 23 - 28. Continuing on a children's theme, don't forget to mark your calendar for the

upcoming Milton Book Festival for Children at Bruce Trail Public School on November 2nd. The committee (on which the Library is a member) has done an exceptional job in organizing an exciting array of presenters. It is a great event to attend.

Last month I reported that the contractors were 99% confident that the Beaty Branch project would be completed on time, despite the unavoidable delays related to the vagaries of the steel industry. I'm sorry to have to say that this is now not possible. The contractors are working on developing a new schedule, which we will share with you as it becomes available. It is safe to say that while we are all deeply disappointed by the need to adjust the schedule, we are confident that this Library Branch will be worth the wait.

I look forward to talking again with you next month.

Leslie Fitch  
Chief Librarian



## Back To School Book List... Starting School For All Ages

### KINDERGARTEN

We share everything  
*Robert Munch*  
Welcome to kindergarten  
*Anne Rockwell*  
The twelve days of kindergarten  
*Deborah Lee Rose*  
Off to kindergarten  
*Tony Johnston*  
The kissing hand  
*Audrey Penn*

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Arthur's Back to School Day  
*Lillian Hoban*  
I Don't Want To Go Back To School  
*Marisabina Russo*  
It's Back To School,  
Charlie Brown  
*Charles Schulz*  
Back-To-School Stories [DVD]  
The Berenstain Bears Go Back To School

### COLLEGE

The Canadian Student Financial Survival Guide  
*G. McWaters and W. Sheldon*  
How To Study And Other Skills For Success In College  
*C. Morgan*  
It's OK If You're Clueless: And 23 More Tips For The College Bound  
*T. McMillan*

### HOMESCHOOLING

A parent's guide to homeschooling  
*Tamra Orr*  
A homeschooling handbook  
*Mary Griffith*  
The homeschooling almanac

### AND FOR THE PARENTS...

You're On Your Own (But I'm Here If You Need Me): Mentoring Your Child During The College Years  
*M. Savage*  
I'm Still Your Mother: How To Get Along With Your Grown-Up Children for the Rest Of Your Life  
*Jane Adams*



## MILTON'S BOOK FESTIVAL for Children

Sunday Nov. 2, 2008

12 noon to 4:30 p.m. (rain or shine)  
Adults \$5 - Children \$2 - Family \$12  
Bruce Trail School (1199 Costigan Road)

Reading with Canadian authors, illustrators and storytellers, featuring:  
Kit Pearson, Kevin Sylvester, Bill Slavin, Andy Spearman, Richardo Keens-Douglas, Sharon McKay, Michael Wade & Images Puppet Productions  
[bookfestival.mpl.on.ca](http://bookfestival.mpl.on.ca)



## WANTED Student Volunteers!

Looking for a way to earn your high school community service hours?  
**Why not join the Library's Teen Advisory Group?**  
Meetings are approximately an hour long and held once a month. The commitment will be a minimum of one semester. Help develop the Library's programs and services for teens!  
**Our next meeting will be September, 18<sup>th</sup>, 3:15 - 4:30.**

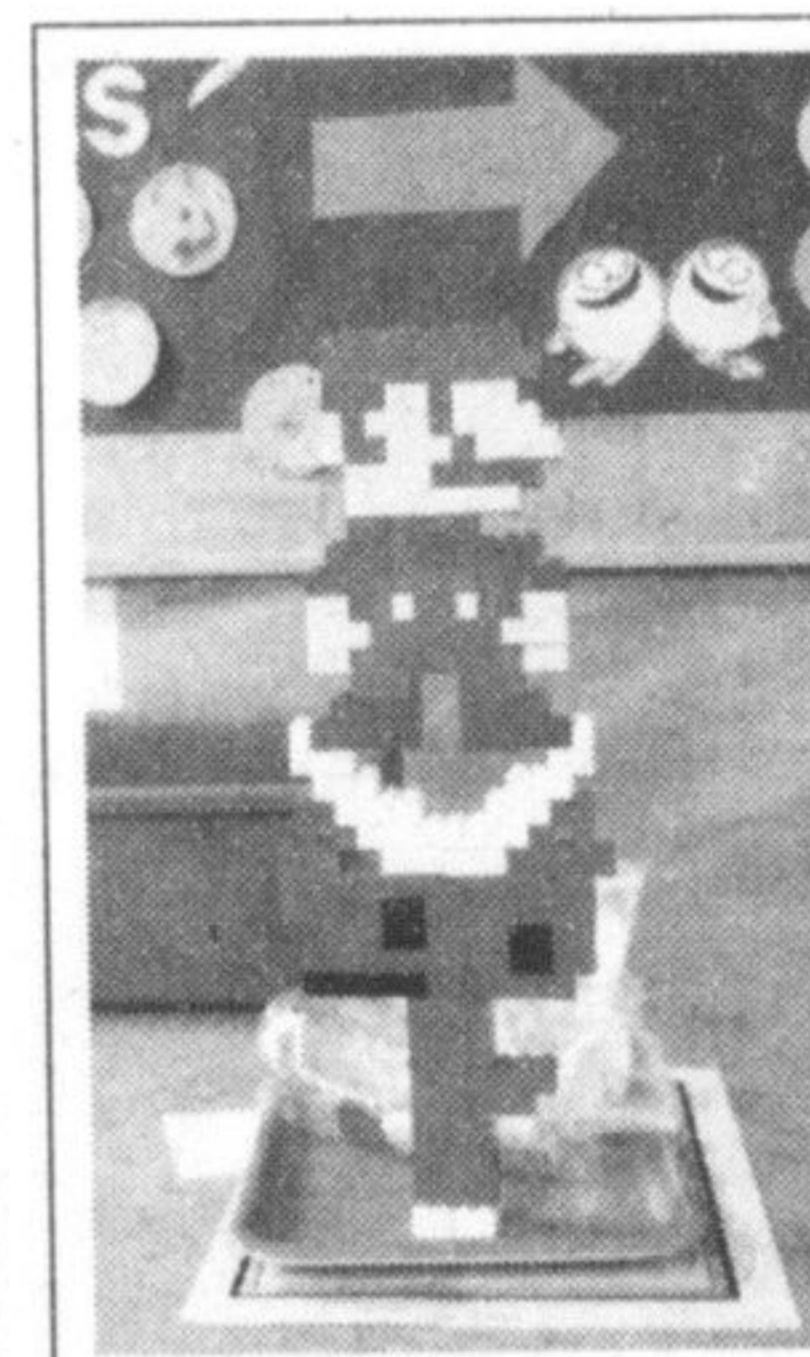
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## PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS at Milton Public Library

Registration week:  
September 23-28, 2008



Programs start October 14, 2008  
Last program December 6, 2008



## CHILDREN'S SUMMER PROGRAMS

71 programs with over 1450 participants.

Bookclubs, Wednesday special events, drop-in storytimes, Library sleepover - were all a huge success.

Thank you to all our participants and staff for making the summer of 2008 special at the Library.

## TOP 10 FICTION READS FOR SUMMER 2008

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|---|---|
| Stone cold<br><i>David Baldacci</i>             | Fearless fourteen<br><i>Janet Evanovich</i>       |
| Remember me<br><i>Sophie Kinsella</i>           | Chasing Harry Winston<br><i>Lauren Weisberger</i> |
| The appeal<br><i>John Grisham</i>               | Devil bones<br><i>Kathy Reichs</i>                |
| Sundays at Tiffany's<br><i>James Patterson</i>  | Double cross<br><i>James Patterson</i>            |
| Love the one you're with<br><i>Emily Giffin</i> | World without end<br><i>Ken Follett</i>           |

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