## BFOHS Literary Kick-Off



First They Killed My Father

By Loung Ung



The perils of life under the brutal Pol Pot regime in Cambodia change a young woman's life forever as she and her family find them-

selves fugitives of war, without even their names to remind them of what they lost.

Rockingham Library is partnering with the Bellows Falls High School for their Literary Kick-Off. This summer, the library will serve as a community site for the Project, hosting programs and activities including:

- Books: Pick up your copy here
- Discussion Groups
- Exhibit: Cambodian Culture & History
- Movie: The Killing Fields (R)
- Speaker presentations

## Top 10 Reasons to Read for the Fun of It

- 10. Books don't get caught in braces.
- 9. Unlike gym, you don't have to shower afterwards.
- 8. Reading won't cause pimples.
- 7. Magazines don't crash.
- 6. Graphic novels look good with whatever you're wearing.
- 5. It's cheaper than a new video game and there is no subscription fee.
- 4. You can drown out your parent's cheesy music listening to an audio book.
- 3. You'll learn words even your teachers don't know.
- 2. It'll confuse your parents.
- 1. It'll make you a more interesting person—introducing you to new people, places, and ideas.

#### **Rockingham Free Public Library**

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Email: info@rockingham.lib.vt.us Email Youth Dept: bfyouth@sover.net IM: AIM, MSN, Yahoo: RFPLSam

#### **Library Hours:**

Mon - Wed: 10:00—7:00 Thur & Fri: 10:00—5:30

Sat: 10:00-2:00





July 5 - August 13

### Teen Summer Reading Program

Register any time after June 15th by signing up at the Library.

Summer Reading Prize drawings will be held after every Monday night Family Fun Program.

Be there to choose your prize!

It's true: The more you read, the more you win!









# 7 Free Things you Can Do This Summer

#### Read & Win



The Teen Summer Reading program is open to youth ages 13 and up. Sign-up starts Monday, June 14th; to sign up, stop by the Library or send an email to bfyouth@sover.net. During the Summer Reading Program keep track of how much time you spend reading anything from books, magazines, and graphic novels, to online fanfiction, blogs, and audiobooks. Log your time and earn prizes!

You'll earn a reading record stamp and prize entry for every program you attend, every hour you spend reading or listening to a book being read, or for every hour you volunteer anywhere in the community.

Don't feel like reading? You can also participate this year by writing and submitting reviews for music, movies, tv shows, and video games. Have you seen or heard something good, who is in it, what's it like, who might like it? Each review (minimum of a paragraph in length) will earn you a reading record stamp and can be submitted in person, IM, Facebook, or by email.

## 2. Make a Magnet (Co.



Digi-art magnets, what? Create a digital masterpiece and take it with you wherever you go. We'll make art on the Library PC's - or you can hand draw your pieces then make magnets of your beautiful work. This project doesn't take a lot of time, but takes about a week to really finish, so plan on coming in for a few minutes every couple of days or over the summer to finish your pieces

Starts July 12th

#### B. Get Your Game On

Every Friday night at the Library during the Summer Reading Program is gaming from 5-9. The always-popular Dungeons & Dragons will be continuing (ages 13+ only); registration is required, but there are spots available so sign up quickly before they're taken! In addition to D&D, there will be other special game nights:



7/16 - Wii competitions

7/30 - Never bored with Boards - from Settlers of Cataan to Heroscape, learn a new game or have fun with a favorite

8/13 - Card games - Magic, Pokemon, Killer Bunnies, Munchkin - Bring what you've got and challenge others

#### 4. Get Animated

The Anime Club will take over the Youth Dept's movie room during a couple of special Tuesday evenings: July 20th at 6:00 and August 3rd at 6:00 (what we're watching will be a surprise;)

#### 5. Volunteer

Whether you're in need of community service or just want something to do you can volunteer at the Library! Did you know you can also volunteer to pay off overdue fines? (Overdues only, ILL and replacement fees can't be paid in volunteer time)

### 6. Bead Yourself Some Foot Bling

Shopping for jewelry is the best... but MAKING jewelry is the bestest-er. If you need new jewelry to wear this summer, come bead yourself some foot bling and make yourself a pair of beaded barefoot sandals. You bring yourself, we'll bring the beads. July 27th 5:00 pm



## 7. Library Overnight - Read-A-Thon

Instead of the usual Teen Lock-In this summer, the Library is holding its first-ever Annual Summer Read-A-Thon fundraiser!

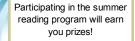
A 24-hour event beginning Friday, August 6th at noon and ending Saturday, August 7th at noon, to raise money for the Rockingham Library.

Everyone can participate! Pick up sponsor sheets at the Library then ask your friends, neighbors, and relatives to sponsor you for reading (by yourself, or with an adult reading to vou) on the sponsor pledge sheet. People may sponsor vou with a set amount, or may pledge money for every hourly increment that you spend engaged with a book (audio books count!) during the 24-hour Read-a-Thon.

Readers can stay for the full 24 hour event or just part of it. During the event there will also be food, games, celebrity readers, prizes, and more! After the Read-A-Thon, return your forms and donations to the Library no later than August 31st.

Help support your Library and all the programs we offer!

## Win Prizes



All prize drawings will be held on Mondays after the Family Fun Event—about 6:15 pm.

if you're there, you will get to pick your prize out of what's being awarded that week, otherwise you will receive a phone call and be able to pick up your prize at the Library. This summer we're giving out loads of new books, games, tickets, gift certificates, and more!

