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2007
LICENSE TO READ

**Area Kids & Teens Gather
"Reading Intelligence"**

This Summer from the Public Library

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Why should kids and teens have an ordinary summer when they can embark on a mission to remember? Those longing for non-stop intrigue and adventure can go on special assignment through the Public Library of Cincinnati & Hamilton County. Chocked full of fun prizes and programs (like making their own secret codes, disguises and gadgets or going behind the scenes with law enforcement agencies and learning about spy science), operation *ReadQuest 2007: License to Read* is the perfect summer mission.

Kids of all ages recently got briefed on the Library's exciting, action-packed summer reading program at a special 007 kickoff. But there's still plenty of time to complete the mission at any of the Public Library's 42 locations around Hamilton County. Through July 31, "special agents" who participate in fun programs and spend time reading, earn prizes, books, and a chance to win the grand prize. For kids it's a brand new bike. For teens it's a brand new digital camera. One bike and one camera will be awarded at each of the 42 neighborhood libraries at the end of the program.



"Pod-Squad" Blasts ReadQuest Communiques



Starting June 18, tune into the Library's "Pod-Squad" for an ongoing series of ReadQuest podcasts recorded by kids and teens from around the area. These special recordings combine upbeat "spy" music and inspirational messages about participating in ReadQuest to help encourage others to read for fun. Students from St. Cecilia School (Oakley), students from Harrison Junior High, and the Main Library's Teen Advisory Board recorded the first set of

podcasts. To listen to the podcasts, simply click on the MP3 links on



<http://www.cincinnati-library.org/summerread/src2007/podcasts.html>

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