March-May 2015

Have you tried out our SPARK Lab makerspace, yet? Perhaps this spring will be your chance. We have loads of classes and crafts taking place inside the lab, including these amazing programs.

4-LEAF CLOVER 3D PRINTING
Learn the basics of 3D design and printing by making a lucky charm. Register at LafayettePublicLibrary.org beginning Monday, February 23.

Wednesday, March 11
4:30 - 6:00 PM
South Regional Library SPARK Lab
981-1028

3D SIGNATURE ART
Turn your signature into a three-dimensional work of art! No registration required - stop by any time during the program hours below.

Thursday, March 19
3:30 - 5:30 PM
South Regional Library SPARK Lab
981-1028

BEEKEEPING BASICS
Learn about beekeeping from the Acadiana Beekeepers Association's Michael Smith, including a demonstration with live bees (enclosed in a glass case) and honey samples.

Tuesday, April 14
6:00 - 7:00 PM
South Regional Library
981-1028

RECYCLED BOOK WREATH
Use book pages and ribbon to make a beautiful wreath. All supplies will be provided. Register starts Monday, April 6 at LafayettePublicLibrary.org.

Tuesday, April 21
1:00 - 3:00 PM
South Regional
981-1028
Local author, Master Gardener and medicinal herb enthusiast Lanier Cordell will explain how ordinary kitchen items can help keep you well! This program is presented by the Lafayette Public Library and Alexandre Mouton House/Lafayette Museum. Refreshments will be served.

**Bayou State Book Talks**

Presented by the Center for Louisiana Studies.

**South Regional Library**

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**Classical Guitarist Peter Fletcher**

The Phillip Truckenbrod Concert Artist will perform a 70-minute program (plus intermission) and meet the audience after.

**South Regional Library Auditorium**

**Sunday, March 15**

**2:30 PM**

**981-1028**

Honor the women in your life with a meaningful shadow box. Bring your photos and mementos and we’ll provide the craft supplies. **Registration starts Monday, February 16 at LafayettePublicLibrary.org.**

**Tuesday, March 10**

**1:00 – 3:00 PM**

**South Regional Library**

**981-1028**

**Get Passionate About Your Health!**

Unsure where to start when it comes to getting fit? City Club fitness director Dextria Sapp can help! Join this informative and motivating lecture on self-care and total health.

**Wednesday, March 25**

**6:00 – 7:00 PM**

**South Regional Library**

**981-1028**

**Making Medicine: Finding Health in Your Kitchen**

Local author, Master Gardener and medicinal herb enthusiast Lanier Cordell will explain how ordinary kitchen items can help keep you well! This program is presented by the Lafayette Public Library and Alexandre Mouton House/Lafayette Museum. Refreshments will be served.

**Sunday, April 19**

**2:00 – 3:00 PM**

**Alexandre Mouton House/ Lafayette Museum**

**Eggs-Traordinary Eggs**

Make something for your Spring decor! **Registration starts Monday, March 2 at LafayettePublicLibrary.org.**

**Tuesday, March 31**

**1:00 – 3:00 PM**

**South Regional Library**

**981-1028**

**Discover Genealogy**

Anyone interested in genealogy is welcome to attend Lafayette Genealogical Society’s “Genealogy 101” series and monthly meetings.

**South Regional Library Meeting Room**

**981-1028**

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### Chess Club

All playing levels (including beginners) welcome. Register at LafayettePublicLibrary.org.

- **Monday, March 23**: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
- **Monday, April 20**: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
**Rainbow Mobile**
Registration begins Monday, February 23.

- **South Regional Library**
  - Thursday, March 12
  - 981-1028
  - 4:00 PM
- **Youngsville**
  - Tuesday, March 17
  - 856-9385
  - 4:00 PM
- **Milton**
  - Wednesday, March 18
  - 856-5261
  - 4:00 PM
- **Jefferson Street**
  - Tuesday, March 24
  - 261-5787
  - 4:00 PM
- **North Regional Library**
  - Tuesday, March 24
  - 896-6323
  - 4:00 PM

**Take It and Make It Craft**
Pick up a craft kit, while supplies last, March 16 - 20 at these libraries: Broussard, Butler, Chenier, Duson, and Scott.

**Pipe Cleaner Ninja and Kunoichi** Ages 7-12
Registration begins Thursday, February 19.

- **Thursday, March 12**
  - 4:00 PM
  - Jefferson Street Branch
  - 261-5787

**Popsicle Stick Bird Feeder**

- **Tuesday, April 7**
  - 2:30 PM
  - Jefferson Street
  - 261-5787

**Birds of Spring**
Registration begins Monday, March 23.

- **South Regional Library**
  - Thursday, April 7
  - 981-1028
  - 2:00 PM

- **Jefferson Street**
  - Tuesday, April 21
  - 261-5787
  - 4:00 PM

- **Youngsville**
  - Tuesday, April 21
  - 856-9385
  - 4:00 PM

- **Milton**
  - Wednesday, April 22
  - 856-5261
  - 4:00 PM

- **North Regional Library**
  - Tuesday, April 28
  - 896-6323
  - 4:00 PM

**Take It and Make It Craft**
Pick up a craft kit, while supplies last, April 20 - 24 at these libraries: Broussard, Butler, Chenier, Duson, and Scott.
Lego Club
Ages 7 & up
Children must be accompanied by an adult. Register at LafayettePublicLibrary.org.

North Regional Library 896-6323
Saturday, March 21 2:00 – 3:00 PM
Registration begins Saturday, March 14.
Saturday, April 18 2:00 – 3:00 PM
Registration begins Saturday, April 11.

Youngsville 856-9385
Monday, March 30 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Registration begins Monday, March 23.
Monday, April 20 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Registration begins Monday, April 13.

A Moving-Tale Presentation of Peace and Quiet
Ages 5-12
Tuesday, March 31 4:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323
Registration begins Monday, March 9.

POPCORN THEATER
South Regional Library
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad
Day (2014) 81 min, PG
Friday, March 20 4:00 PM
Big Hero 6 (2014) 102 min, PG
Monday, April 6 2:00 PM
Annie (2014) 118 min, PG
Thursday, April 30 4:00 PM

Students in grades K–12 are invited to submit original creative writing pieces for our Writes of Spring writing contest. The submission deadline is Tuesday, March 31. Call 261-5787 or visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org for details and contest guidelines.

Drop Everything and Read Day
Ages 7-12
Party with Ramona and Beezus! Enjoy activities followed by a movie presentation.

Thursday, April 9 2:00 - 4:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028
Friday, April 10 2:00 - 4:30 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Family Spring Break Anime
LouisIANIME is bringing anime fun for the whole family! Anime fans of all ages can enjoy games, crafts and food tasting during the event. Registration starts Monday, March 16.

Saturday, April 11 1:00 - 4:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Escape the Ordinary and read this summer with the Lafayette Public Library’s Summer Reading Program. Win prizes for reading and enjoy a full lineup of free entertaining and educational activities. Register at LafayettePublicLibrary.org or at any of our libraries starting Monday, May 18.

Summer Kickoff Celebration
Friday, May 29 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
South Regional Library

Internationally known for her Louisiana style, Johnette Downing's movin’ and groovin’ “Singable Stories for the Hero in You” will start the kickoff. There will also be crafts, a fun jump, Zoo-Zoom petting zoo and more. For details, call 981-1028.

Programs for all ages will be held at many of our libraries in June and July. Check LafayettePublicLibrary.org in May for updates.

*Reading Programs for Teens and Adults also start May 18. For details on the teen summer reading program, visit LPLteen.net. Adults and teens who log books online could win weekly prizes in drawings throughout the summer. Children and adults also have the chance to win grand prizes.
Broussard Branch
Storytime: 10:00 AM
March: 3, 17, 31
April: 14, 28

Chenier Branch
Storytime: 10:00 AM
March: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
April: 13, 20, 27

Duson Branch
Storytime: 10:00 AM
March: 5, 12, 19, 26
April: 2, 16, 23, 30

Jefferson Street Branch
Story Castle: 10:30 am
March: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
April: 14, 21, 28

Milton Branch
Storytime: 10:30 AM
March: 5, 12, 19, 26
April: 2, 16, 23, 30

North Regional Library
Storytime: 10:30 am
March: 4, 11, 18, 25
April: 1, 15, 22, 29

South Regional Library
Baby Time: 9:30 AM
March: 3, 4, 11, 24, 25, 31
April: 1, 14, 15, 21, 22

Storytime: 10:30 AM
March: 4, 5, 11, 12, 25, 26
April: 1, 2, 15, 16, 22, 23

Pajama Party: 6:30 PM
March: 5, 12, 19, 26
April: 2, 9, 16, 23

Youngsville Branch
Storytime: 9:30 AM
March: 5, 12, 19, 26
April: 2, 16, 23, 30

**STORY CASTLE** Begin your child’s literacy education early with a star-studded lineup of storytelling, music, fingerplays and other educational activities. Ages 3–6.

**BABY TIME** is designed to introduce mothers, fathers or caregivers and babies ages 9-18 months to nursery rhymes, songs, fingerplays and early literacy information.

**PAJAMA PARTY** Held on designated Thursdays at 6:30 pm at the South Regional Library. Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas and enjoy some night-time stories.

**STORYTIME** is a special time for families to enjoy stories together. Check out the various programs at the different library locations listed in this calendar. Ages 3–6.

Storytime with Kappa Delta Pi
South Regional: 11:00 AM
March: 7, 21
March Madness Teen Book Tournament
Round 1: Vote March 1 – 17 for the Sweet Sixteen
Round 2: Vote March 19 – 24 for the Elite Eight
Round 3: Vote March 26 – 31 for the Final Four
Round 4: Vote April 2 – 7 for the final two titles
Round 5: Vote April 9 – 14 for the Book Champion
March Madness is here, but instead of basketball, we’re all about the books! Help us pick the 2015 LPL Teen Book Grand Champion by voting online at LPLTeen.net from a list of 32 popular teen books. Voters will have a chance to win a signed copy of a teen book!

Gaming @ Your Library
Wednesday, March 18  4:00 – 5:30 PM
Jefferson St. Branch
Saturday, March 21  3:00 – 4:30 PM
South Regional Library
Wednesday, April 8  2:00 – 3:30 PM
Jefferson St. Branch
Saturday, April 18  3:00 – 4:30 PM
South Regional Library
Teens, get your game on at the library! Play Super Smash Bros., Mario Kart or bring games from home. Registration begins Wednesday, March 4.

Teen Library Corps
Thursday, March 5  12:00 – 2:00 PM  North Regional
Thursday, April 2  12:00 – 2:00 PM  North Regional
Give a little TLC to your library and community! Volunteer to help make props and assist in creating a life-size game of Candyland! Registration begins Monday, February 16.

Divergent Movie Showing
Friday, March 13  4:00 – 6:20 PM  South Regional
Watch Divergent (2014, 139 min., PG-13) before the sequel Insurgent opens in theaters! Adults welcome.

Teen Performance Troupe
Rehearsal:
Saturday, March 14  10:30 AM – 12:30 PM  South Regional
Rehearsals & Performance:
Tuesday, April 7  9:00 – 11:30 AM  South Regional
Wednesday, April 8  10:00 – 11:30 AM  South Regional
Thursday, April 9  10:00 – 11:30 AM  South Regional
Teen volunteers are needed for voice actors, puppeteers and behind-the-scenes help for puppet shows to be performed for families and children. Registration begins Monday, March 2.

Family Spring Break Anime
South Regional Library
Saturday, April 11  1:00 – 4:00 PM
LouisiANIME is bringing fun for the whole family! Registration starts Monday, March 16.

Teens Go Green with Recycled Crafts!
North Regional Library
Thursday, April 23  6:00 – 7:00 PM
Celebrate Earth Day by re-purposing old magazines and wall calendars into unique coasters and envelopes. Registration begins Sunday, April 12.

Writes of Spring Writing Contest
Entries Due Tuesday, March 31
Students in grades K – 12 can submit original pieces of short fiction, nonfiction, drama (high school only) or poetry in English or French. First place winners will be published in UL Lafayette’s Literary Journal, the Southwestern Review, and all winners will get a Writes of Spring 2015 Anthology donated by Touche Printing & Signs. Teen author Sarah Guillory will also do a reading at the awards ceremony. Call 261-5787 or visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org for details and contest guidelines.
Who’s Your Hero?

All Ages

May 1 – June 30
South Regional Library  981-1028

Every hero has a story, and every person has a hero. We want to honor yours! Adults may bring photos (4" x 6" or smaller), momentos and short bios depicting their hero for a special display. All items will be returned. Color sheets will also be available in the library or at LafayettePublicLibrary.org for children to draw their heroes.

Lafayette Public Libraries

JEFFERSON STREET BRANCH
538 Jefferson St., Downtown
Phone  261-5787
Mon – Thurs  8:30 – 6:30
Friday  8:30 – 6:00
Saturday  10:00 – 4:00
Sunday  1:00 – 5:00

MILTON BRANCH
108 W. Milton Ave.
Phone  856-5261
Monday  10:00 – 7:00
Tuesday – Friday  8:00 – 5:00

NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY
5101 N. University, Carencro
Phone  896-6323
Mon – Thurs  9:00 – 8:00
Friday  9:00 – 6:00
Saturday  10:00 – 5:00
Sunday  12:00 – 6:00

BROUSSARD BRANCH
100 W. Main St.
Phone  837-3936
Monday  10:00 – 7:00
Tuesday – Friday  9:00 – 6:00

SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY
6101 Johnston St.
Phone  981-1028
Mon – Thurs  9:00 – 7:00
Friday  9:00 – 7:00
Saturday  9:00 – 5:00
Sunday  12:00 – 6:00

SCOTT BRANCH
5808 W. Cameron St.
Phone  232-9321
Monday  10:00 – 7:00
Tuesday – Friday  9:00 – 6:00

YOUNGSVILLE BRANCH
506 Lafayette St.
Phone  856-9385
Monday  10:00 – 7:00
Tuesday – Friday  9:00 – 6:00

*See What I See*
Watercolors by Tony Cutrera
Exhibit Dates: February 25 - April 27, 2015
Galerie Lafayette

*The World is Your Oyster*
Art by Cezanne Nails
Exhibit Dates: April 28 - June 29, 2015
Galerie Lafayette
2014-13 Friend of the Year Honored

Each year, we search our minds to come up with new and entertaining ways to announce “The Friend of the Year.” We have come up with some doozies in the past, but this year was quite easy, to tell the truth. Our Friend is an anomaly, a mixture of the old and the new (she is in charge of the Old and Unusable sorting category, but is VERY up-to-date with technology).

If you were unable to attend this past year’s Author Dinner, here is what you missed (as presented by Flossie Turner and Dee Nolan):

“Are any of you familiar with ‘Words with Friends?’ It’s basically Scrabble that you play on your smart phone with one or more opponents. It has become my addiction. We’ll explain how it works, in case you want to get hooked, too.

“First across, FRIEND – that’s a double word bonus scoring 22 points. What an appropriate word to start since tonight we honor our Friend of the Year!

“First down, NATIVE, using the N in Friend, for another 22 points – yet another double word score! Again, appropriate, as our Friend is not a native of Louisiana but rather a Texas transplant.

“Next across, WHITE, using the I in Native, for just 10 points – no bonuses. White is the color of the uniform our Friend wore while working at Lafayette General Medical Center.

“Next down, NURSE, for 7, the occupation of our Friend after graduating from nursing school at Lamar.

“Next across, TRAVEL, for 10 points. Our Friend has enjoyed traveling to many exotic places, such as Morocco, Spain and Portugal, as well as several states, including Alaska and Oklahoma.

“Next down, BAYOU, since she tasted the bayou water and decided to stay here. Lots of points there with the B and Y, so a total of 30.

“Next across RELIABLE – a biggie for 26 points with double letter bonus for the B. A good word to describe our Friend, who shows up weekly to sort books and is always there for setup and working shifts at the sale.

“Next down – MARRIAGE, for 33. Hmmmm, the same number of years that she has been married.

“Next across – GRANDMOTHER – for 39. Again, what a coincidence - the number of grandchildren (22) and great grandchildren (17) who call our Friend ‘Mimi.’

“Next down – UNUSUAL, for 14. For those of you who don’t know, we sort books into many different categories, one of them being ‘Old and Unusual.’ If you look around at all of us Annies and Andies, lots of us fit into that category. But our Friend is the person responsible for that one. (See, I told you!)

Okay, let’s add up the points. The winner is our Friend of the Year, Natalie Delahoussaye. Natalie is married to Robert Delahoussaye and has 8 stepchildren and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is also an awesome “Word with Friends” competitor.
Our (Almost) Spell-a-bration Victory

Once again the fearless team of Dee Nolan, Dennis Sullivan and Flossie Turner represented the Friends of the Library in the Lafayette Public Library Foundation’s Spell-a-bration. Armed with great spelling knowledge, we faced a field of fourteen additional teams. Due to new rules, there were three heats and we could only have three team members, so Sarah Billeaud from last year’s team, instead cheered us on with President Alverta Hasling and Friends members Jack Turner and Deborah Amy. Also in attendance was Dee Nolan’s brother, Bob Clark, who was visiting all the way from England!

We were victorious in the first heat, spelling words such as soliloquy, apotheosis, fuchsia and kielbasa. We anxiously awaited the final round when we could test our spelling prowess against the winners from the second and third heat. As we took our places, we were prepared for words such as diminuendo, pleurisy and incunabula. However, we were very “embarrassed” when we misspelled embarrassed. Although chastened a bit, we still placed second among fifteen teams. We eagerly await next year’s contest, when we will be ready to spell among champions again.

Book Sale News

We are proud to announce that last fall’s Friends Book Sale raised more than $13,000. As usual, there was a flurry of excitement on Friends Night that lasted throughout the three-day sale. And as usual, we are already gearing up for the Spring sale, which will be March 12-14, with Friends Night on Wednesday, March 11.

The process of culling and sorting goes on year-round with a devoted cadre of volunteers. The Friends accept donations at the library’s warehouse facility on Pinhook and will continue to accept donations there even after the Main Library reopens.

Book Sales will also continue to be held at the Heymann Center through at least 2016. Please consider joining the Friends to gain access to the first night of our very popular sale. Please also consider “recycling” your gently used books at the warehouse so they can be resold to raise funds for the library.

For donation and sale information, call the Friends’ phone at (337) 510-9209 or visit our website at FriendsOfTheLafayetteLibrary.org.

Thanks to you, our Friends Book Sales earned a whopping $27,543.67 in 2014. To date, the Friends have given more than $705,000 to the Lafayette Public Library System!

Connect with the Friends

(337) 501-9209
friends@FriendsoftheLafayetteLibrary.org
www.FriendsoftheLafayetteLibrary.org
www.Facebook.com/LafayetteFriends
Author Rheta Grimsley Johnson

Quiet and “not a speaker,” this year’s guest author was nevertheless humorous and entertaining. She is an award-winning journalist (earning accolades from the National Headliner Award for commentary to Scripps Howard’s Ernie Pyle Memorial Award for outstanding human interest reporting, to being one of three finalists for the Pulitzer Prize for Commentary) who loves Henderson Swamp (she had a house there for years). The columnist regaled us with stories from her adventures across our wonderful country.

Her books include an authorized biography of Charlie Brown creator Charles Schultz, titled Good Grief, the Hank Williams tribute, Hank Hung the Moon and Warmed Our Cold, Cold, Hearts, and the better known Poor Man’s Provence, Finding myself in Cajun Louisiana.

We have had some stunningly good authors; Ms Johnson is among the best. If you have not attended the Friends’ Annual Author Dinner, I can only say, you are missing some wonderful entertainment and pretty good food. The next dinner will be on October 8 with local author John Francois. Mark your calendars.

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