

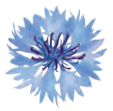


BookTALK

Lafayette Public Library System
Newsletter
LafayettePublicLibrary.org

March – May
2018

Friends Book Sale



Public Sale
March 21–24
Heymann
Convention

Center Ballroom
1373 S. College Rd.
Silent Auction

March 11 – April 6
South Regional Library
6101 Johnston St.
501-9209

(A3.) 11,467 people.

Upcoming Library Closures

Friday, March 30
(Good Friday)
All locations closed.

Sunday, April 1
(Easter)
All locations closed.

Wednesday, April 25
(Festival International)
Main Library closes at 5 PM.

Thursday, April 26
(Festival International)
Main Library closes at 4 PM.

Friday, April 27
(Festival International)
Main Library closes at 4 PM.

Saturday, April 28
(Festival International)
Main Library closed.

Sunday, April 29
(Festival International)
Main Library closed.

Monday, May 28
(Memorial Day)
All locations closed.

LAFAYETTE READS TOGETHER is a community-wide reading experience from the Lafayette Public Library, the Lafayette Parish School System and many local organizations. This year's selected novel is **The Crossover by Kwame Alexander**. We hope that you will take part by reading, discussing and sharing this story in our community. Join us for one or more of these LRT-related programs:



The Crossover: Book Discussion

Take part in a discussion of Kwame Alexander's **The Crossover** which won the Newbery Medal and the Coretta Scott King Award for children's literature.

Thursday, March 1
Main Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
261-5778

Style It Up!

From crown braids to double dutch, faux side-shave braids and more! Try different braiding techniques with stylist Vera Taylor.

Tuesday, March 6
Main Library

Ages 12–18

4:30 – 6:00 PM
261-5778

LRT Film Screening

More Than a Game (PG, 2008, 105 minutes)
Follow future NBA superstar LeBron James and his teammates as they dominate Ohio youth basketball.

Tuesday, March 6
East Regional Library

6:00 – 7:45 PM
445-3168

History of Jazz

Dr. Garth Alper, Coordinator of Jazz Studies at UL Lafayette, will discuss what makes jazz so interesting and rewarding at the same time.

Wednesday, March 7
Main Library

6:30 – 7:15 PM
261-5787



WRITING CONTEST

Students in grades K–12 can submit original pieces of short fiction, nonfiction, drama (high school only) or poetry in English or French. 7th–12th graders must submit entries with online form. Visit LafayettePublicLibrary.org for more information and submission guidelines.

All entries due Thursday, March 29, 2018.



Celebrate the rich universe of Star Wars with various games, activities, trivia and fun. Wear your best costume or make one with us. May the Force be with you!

Friday, May 4
Main Library

3:30 – 5:00 PM
261-5787

Calling all rebels and Sith lords! Join us for a fun-filled day of Star Wars-themed crafts and activities for the whole family.

Saturday, May 5
North Regional Library

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
896-6323



Notes from the Library Director

I love library trivia and statistics. Even though the new year is up and running, we are still reviewing 2017. So let's have a little fun. Let's see how much you know about the library system and library materials. **Can you answer the questions below? The answers can be found hidden inside this issue of BookTalk.**

- Q1. How many items did patrons check out from the library system (*not including items that were renewed*) in 2017?
- Q2. What was the most popular e-book title checked out in 2017?
- Q3. How many people signed up for a library card for the first time to check out items in 2017?
- Q4. Do we check out more adult books or children's books? (*Place your bets now.*)
- Q5. There is an item in our collection that has the record for the number of times checked out. Can you guess what type of item it is; what the title is; and how many times it has been circulated? (*Good luck with this one!*)
- Q6. How much money did the library spend on books last year, and how many books did we buy?
- Q7. Which library location is the busiest in terms of items checked out?
- Q8. Did you use the library last year?

— Teresa Elbertson



Lafayette Mini Maker Faire

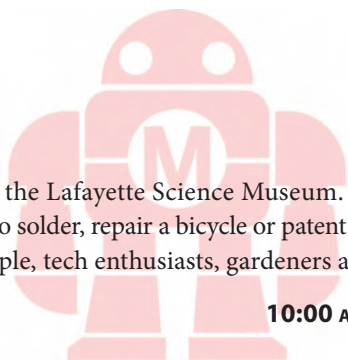
Celebrate the maker movement with us at the Lafayette Science Museum. Make a 3D design, bristelbot or whirlybird. Learn how to solder, repair a bicycle or patent a new idea. Get inspired by hanging out with craftspeople, tech enthusiasts, gardeners and knitters.

Saturday, March 24

Lafayette Science Museum

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
261-5779

All Ages



GET OUT AND FISH!

Join us for a fun fishing event for all ages. Southside Regional Park will be stocked with 600 lbs. of adult-sized channel catfish! Bring a fishing pole and bait. For more information about this event, visit www.wlf.la.gov/get-out-and-fish-1.

Saturday, April 7 **6:30 AM – noon**
Southside Regional Park **445-3168**
(next to East Regional Library)

Board Game Basement

Ages 15 & up

Saunter down to the basement to enjoy board games and tabletop gaming. Feel free to bring your own board games. Refreshments will be provided.

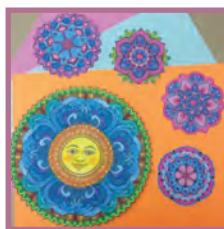
Wednesdays **5:30 – 8:30 PM**
March 7, 21; April 4, 18; May 2, 16

Thursdays **5:30 – 8:30 PM**
March 8, 22; April 5, 19; May 3, 17
Main Library **261-5787**

Tuesdays **6:00 – 8:00 PM**
March 13; April 10; May 15
South Regional Library **981-1028**

COLORING It's Not Just for Kids!

Adults everywhere are rediscovering coloring as a way to reduce stress and have fun! Refreshments will be provided.



Wednesdays **1:30 – 2:30 PM**
March 14; April 11; May 9
North Regional Library **896-6323**

Wednesdays **2:00 – 3:00 PM**
March 21; April 18; May 16
Main Library **261-5787**

Saturday Morning RETRO CARTOONS

Bring your family to the East Regional Library for breakfast and a selection of classic Saturday morning cartoons from the '80s, '90s and beyond! Be sure to bring pillows, blankets and wear your PJs.

Saturday, April 14 **10:30 AM – noon**
East Regional Library **445-3168**

Main Library comes in second place at 25%.
busiest branch circulating 39% of all items;
(A7.) The South Regional Library is our

Trivia Time

Think you know trivia? Gather a team together then test your skills against other teams in a monthly-themed trivia contest.

Mondays 6:00 – 7:00 PM

March 5: Sports

April 9: 20th Century Literature

May 7: U.S. History

South Regional Library 981-1028



Create your own nest of book-decoupled Easter eggs with ribbons, glitter and more! Registration begins Monday, February 19.

**Tuesday, March 6
Main Library**

**1:30 – 3:30 PM
261-5787**

Handmade Hershey Roses



Give the best Mother's Day gift of all: handmade roses! Learn to craft lovely roses using Hershey's Kisses and craft supplies. Registration begins Monday, April 23.

**Wednesday, May 9 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787**

Design-It-Yourself!



Celebrate March as Women's History Month by creating an expressive painting using acrylic paints and clear contact paper masking. Registration begins Monday, February 26.

**Thursday, March 8 2:00 – 4:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168**



DNA Bootcamp

How DNA Helps Find Pathways to Your Acadian and Native American Ancestry

Learn about types of DNA tests as well as the tools and techniques that help with genealogy questions. Presented by Marie Rundquist and Deadra Doucet Bourke of the Acadian Amerindian Ancestry DNA Project.

**Saturday, March 10
South Regional Library**

**9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
981-1028**

Bayou State Book Talks

Meet authors and discover new books in this series from the Center for Louisiana Studies.

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:30 PM

March 13: John Laudun – The Amazing Crawfish Boat

April 10: Dennis Ward – Mademoiselle Gigi and Madame Gigi

Main Library 261-5787

Master Gardening Series

presented by the

Lafayette Parish Master Gardeners

Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM

March 13: Native Plants for the Home Landscape

April 10: Attract Birds and Butterflies

May 8: Year Round Color

East Regional Library



445-3168

Creative in the Kitchen: Cooking with Herbs

Learn how to add tons of flavor to your favorite recipes without the extra calories. Herbalist and Master Gardener Lanier Cordell.

**Tuesday, March 13 6:00 – 7:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323**

Mini Easter Baskets



Turn garden peat pots into charming baskets and plastic eggs into extraordinary speckled ones. Registration begins Monday, February 26.

**Monday, March 12
Wednesday, March 14
Tuesday, March 20
Thursday, March 22
Tuesday, March 27**

**1:00 – 3:00 PM
6:00 – 8:00 PM
2:00 – 4:00 PM
2:00 – 4:00 PM
2:00 – 4:00 PM**

**Chenier Branch
Main Library
South Regional
East Regional
North Regional**

Alexandre Mouton House/Lafayette Museum and the Lafayette Public Library present

Robert Dafford – Master Muralist



Prominent mural artist Robert Dafford will be talking about his career in murals and the stories behind them. Seating is limited and admission is free. Refreshments will be served.

**Sunday, March 18 2:00 – 3:00 PM
Alexandre Mouton House/ Lafayette Museum (doors open at 1:30 PM) 234-2208**

CBD & Essential Oils 101

Learn from Charles Kountz of Aromatic Infusions how therapeutic grade essential oils can be used to support wellness.

**Tuesday, March 20 6:00 – 7:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168**



Fabulous Fermented Foods!



Taught by microbiologist Kaitlynn Fenley of Cultured Guru, you will learn to create nourishing, probiotic-rich, fermented foods.

Saturday, March 24 3:00 – 5:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Make a Terrarium

Get your hands dirty and celebrate Earth Day 2018 by creating a mini-ecosystem. Registration begins Monday, March 26.

Thursday, April 19 1:00 – 2:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

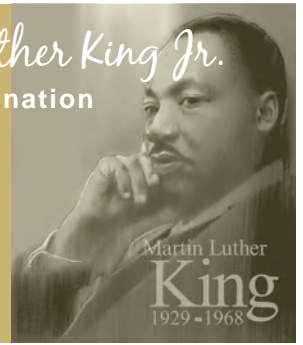
Saturday, April 21 10:30 am – noon
North Regional Library 896-6323

A Commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on the 50th Anniversary of his Assassination

Dr. Michael Martin, Director of the Center for Louisiana Studies at UL Lafayette, will discuss local reactions to the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Wednesday, April 4
Main Library

6:30 – 7:30 PM
261-5787



Mexican Snacks

Sunday, April 8 2:00 – 3:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Want to learn about some of the most popular Mexican snacks? The owners of the Crazy Oasis will show you! You will also learn how to make a snack or two at home.

EXPRESS YOURSELF! BLACKOUT POETRY



Transform printed materials, such as newspapers, books and more, into original poetry and artwork as we celebrate National Poetry Month.

Wednesday, April 11
Main Library

6:00 – 8:00 PM
261-5787

Make a Wooden Spring Plaque

Registration begins Monday, March 26.



Monday, April 9 1:00 – 3:00 PM
Chenier Branch 291-2941

Tuesday, April 10 1:00 – 3:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Wednesday, April 18 2:00 – 4:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Tuesday, April 24 2:00 – 4:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Thursday, April 26 2:00 – 4:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Saving for Retirement

Thinking about retirement? Join Terry McGlothen with National Retirement Solutions for a discussion about every stage of the retirement planning process.

Thursday, April 12 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Tissue Paper Flowers



Use tissue paper and pipe cleaners to create a colorful floral arrangement. Registration begins Monday, April 23.

Monday, May 14 1:00 – 3:00 PM
Chenier Branch 291-2941

PINE NEEDLE BASKETRY

Learn the ancient art of pine needle basket making. Taught by Kim Hollier, Louisiana State Arboretum naturalist. All materials supplied. Registration begins Monday, May 8.

Wednesday, May 23 1:00 – 4:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

In the Mind of the Maker

Writer and filmmaker C.E. Richard will talk about this tribute film to Edward Couvillier, an 86-year-old master boat builder. Admission is free, but seating is limited. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday, April 22 2:00 – 3:00 PM
(doors open at 1:30 PM)
Alexandre Mouton House/
Lafayette Museum 234-2208

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Computer Classes

Adults Only

March

Registration begins Monday, February 19.

SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY		981-1028
Basic Computing	March 5 & 7	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Word	March 12 & 14	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Excel	March 26 & 28	9:30 – 11:30 AM
MAIN LIBRARY		261-5787
Basic Computing	March 13 & 15	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Basic Internet	March 27 & 29	2:00 – 4:00 PM
NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY		896-6323
Online Security Basics	March 28	3:00 – 5:00 PM
CHENIER BRANCH		291-2941
Intro to Excel	March 14	2:00 – 4:00 PM

April

Registration begins Monday, March 12.

SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY		981-1028
Basic Computing	April 2 & 4	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Power Point	April 16	9:30 – 11:00 AM
Intro to Excel	April 23 & 25	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Google Docs	April 30	9:30 – 11:00 AM
EAST REGIONAL LIBRARY		445-3168
Basic Computing	April 2 & 4	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Power Point	April 16	2:00 – 3:30 PM
Intro to Excel	April 23 & 25	2:00 – 4:00 PM
MAIN LIBRARY		261-5787
Intro to PowerPoint	April 10	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Excel	April 12	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Intro to Google Docs	April 24	2:00 – 4:00 PM
CHENIER BRANCH		291-2941
Intro to Google Docs	April 11	2:00 – 4:00 PM
NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY		896-6323
Intro to Excel	April 25	3:00 – 5:00 PM

(A5.) One DVD of "Notting Hill" has recorded 560 checkouts!
(Have you seen it?)

May

Registration begins Monday, April 23.

SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY		981-1028
Basic Computing	May 7 & 9	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Word	May 14 & 16	9:30 – 11:30 AM
Intro to Excel	May 21 & 23	9:30 – 11:30 AM
MAIN LIBRARY		261-5787
Basic Computing	May 8 & 10	2:00 – 4:00 PM
Basic Internet	May 22 & 24	2:00 – 4:00 PM
CHENIER BRANCH		291-2941
Intro to PowerPoint	May 9	2:00 – 4:00 PM
NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY		896-6323
Intro to PowerPoint	May 23	3:00 – 5:00 PM

We offer a full set of courses to instruct participants in the use of various computer skills. Register online at LafayettePublicLibrary.org or by phone!

LPL Coding Club

Meet up with other young people who like computers and are interested to learn more about different programming languages! Ages 7 – 17. Registration begins Monday, February 26.

Tuesdays: March 20; May 1 4:30 – 6:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Tuesday, April 17 4:30 – 6:00 PM
Chenier Branch 291-2941

HOMEWORK HANGOUT

Get homework assistance using library resources. Open to Ages 7 – 18.

Tuesdays: March 13, 27; April 10, 24 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Chenier Branch 291-2941

TECH assistance

Drop in for one-on-one help with your mobile device or learn how to access the library's collection of eBooks, audiobooks and magazines! No registration required.

Tuesdays: March 13; April 10; May 8 2:00 – 4:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Tuesdays: March 20; April 17; May 15 2:00 – 4:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

CHESS CLUB

A chance to practice your chess moves on others. All playing levels (including beginners) welcome. Ages 8 and up. Registration begins Monday, March 12.

Thursday, April 19 6:00 – 7:00 PM
North Regional Library 896-6323

Wednesday, April 25 6:00 – 7:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Wednesdays: March 28; May 23 6:00 – 7:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Homeschool Hangout

An afternoon of learning stations for Homeschooling Families revolving around different themes! Ages 5 – 12. Registration begins Monday, February 26.

March: Poetry Workshop with Josie Scanlan
April: Polar Exploration

Wednesdays: March 14; April 25 2:00 – 3:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779



Did you know that you can get free homework help online with your library card?

Visit homeworkla.org for online tutoring 24/7!



Makerspace Open Access

Work on your own projects independently. All Ages.

Main Library 261-5787
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 12:30 – 7:30 PM

Saturdays 9:30 AM – 4:30 PM
March 17; April 14; May 12

South Regional Library 981-1028
Wednesdays 3:00 – 6:00 PM

Thursdays 3:00 – 6:00 PM
March 1, 15; April 12, 26; May 10, 24

Garbage Bag Easter Wreath

Make a pretty wreath for Easter out of colorful garbage bags. *Registration begins Monday, February 19.*

Friday, March 16 10:00 – 11:00 AM
Main Library 261-5787

Stop Motion Animation Workshop

Bring objects to life through the magic of animation! We'll work in teams to storyboard, film and edit original stories. Afterwards, family members will be invited to join us for popcorn and a film screening! Ages 8 – 12. *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Tuesday, April 3 2:00 – 4:00 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

3D Printing 101

Learn the basics of creating and printing on our 3D printers using Tinkercad. Ages 9 and up. *Registration begins Monday, February 26.*

Tuesdays: 4:30 – 5:30 PM
March 6; April 3, 17; May 1, 15
South Regional Library 981-1028

(A2.) *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins. (Did you read it?)

Laser Cut Crawfish

Put together a cute laser-cut crawfish puzzle! All Ages. *Registration begins Monday, March 26.*

Friday, April 6 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Faux Stained Glass Craft

Create an amazing faux stained glass sun catcher using epoxy resin, pigment, and a laser cut wooden design. Come back another day to pick up your own dried creation. *Registration begins Monday, April 9.*

Friday, April 20 10:30 – 12:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

Mother's Day Clay Leaf Bowls

Make a small bowl with a leaf print out of air-dry clay for your very deserving mama. All Ages. *Registration begins Monday, April 23.*

Friday, May 4 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

DREAM IT... MAKE IT!



Patrick, a regular patron of the Main Library's Makerspace, shows off his remarkable build: a model of McDonald's!

Needle Arts Club

Do you have an interest in crocheting, knitting, sewing or other needle arts? Bring your own project and get new ideas. All skill levels welcome! *No registration required.*

Thursdays: 6:00 – 7:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

Thursdays: 5:30 – 7:00 PM
Main Library 261-5787

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
April 5, 12, 19, 26*
May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

*This date is for the East Regional Library only.



Ages 5 & up

Build unique brick creations based on a given theme.

Registration opens Monday, February 19.

Milton Branch

Saturday, April 5

Thursdays: March 3; May 3

856-5261

4:00 – 5:00 PM

4:00 – 5:00 PM

South Regional Library

Fridays: March 2; April 6

981-1028

4:00 – 5:00 PM

East Regional Library

Saturdays: March 3; April 7; May 5

445-3168

2:00 – 3:00 PM

Scott Branch

Wednesdays: March 14; April 11

232-9321

4:00 – 5:00 PM

North Regional Library

Saturdays: March 17; April 21

896-6323

2:00 – 3:00 PM

Duson Branch

Tuesdays: March 20; April 17

873-3521

4:00 – 5:00 PM

Main Library

Saturdays: March 31; April 14

261-5779

2:00 – 3:00 PM



Ages 7 – 12

Explore the basics of robotics engineering with easy-to-use LEGO WeDo kits!

Registration opens Monday, February 19.

Main Library

Thursday, March 1

261-5779

4:30 – 6:00 PM

Chenier Branch

Tuesday, April 3

291-2941

2:00 – 3:30 PM

South Regional Library

Wednesday, March 14

981-1028

4:30 – 5:30 PM

North Regional Library

Tuesday, March 20

Tuesday, April 10

896-6323

4:00 – 5:30 PM

4:00 – 5:30 PM

East Regional Library

Tuesday, April 17

445-3168

4:30 – 6:00 PM

(A6.) We spent just over \$400,000 on books and bought over 33,000 books for the system! Our average price was \$12.06 per item. We spent \$145,600 for eBooks, but only purchased about 4,800 since the average price of an eBook is higher at \$30.34 per item.

BOOK CLUBS

Classics

South Regional Library

This group meets the first Thursday of each month at 11:30 AM.

March 1

The Power and the Glory
by Graham Greene

April 5

A Confederacy of Dunces
by John Kennedy Toole

May 3

Tarzan of the Apes
by Edgar Rice Burroughs

Mystery

South Regional Library

This group meets these Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 PM.

March 27

A Thief of Time
by Tony Hillerman

April 17

House of Silk
by Anthony Horowitz

May 15

A Killing at Cotton Hill
by Terry Shames

East Regional Library

This group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:00 PM.

March 27

The Lovely Bones
by Alice Sebold

April 24

Sharp Objects
by Gillian Flynn

May 22

My Sister's Keeper
by Jodi Picoult

Golden Age of Mysteries

Main Library

This group meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM.

March 21

Crime at Black Dudley
by Margery Allingham

April 18

Detection Unlimited
by Georgette Heyer

May 16

Bats in the Belfry
by E.C.R. Lorac

North Regional Library

This group meets the third Wednesday of each month at 1:30 PM.

March 21

Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane
by Lisa See

April 18

Big Little Lies
by Liane Moriarty

May 16

Thrones, Dominations
by Dorothy Sayers and Jill Walsh

Books & Bites:

Tween Book Club

East Regional Library

This group meets one Monday each month at 5:30 PM.

March 5

The War with Grandpa
by Robert Kimmel Smith

April 9

Because of Winn-Dixie
by Kate DiCamillo

May 7

The Terrible Two
by Mac Barnett and Jory John



Read Across America

All Ages

Read Across America is making a stop at the Main Library! Join the Cat in the Hat for stories, crafts and cake. Sponsored by the Lafayette Association of Educators.

Saturday, March 3 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Main Library 261-5779



Meet a new American Girl each month and enjoy activities based on her interests. Dolls welcome! (American Girl or other) *Registration begins Monday, February 19.*

Tuesdays 4:30 – 5:30 PM
March 6: Kitt Kittredge
April 10: Rebecca Rubin
May 8: Grace Thomas
South Regional Library 981-1028

French Fun Day **Ages 5–12**

Join us for workshops, activities and special guests presented en français. *Registration begins Monday, February 26.*

Saturdays 10:30 – 11:30 AM
March 17:
Land Art with Julina Castellás
April 21:
Culinary Critique with Kelon George
"The Youngest Food Critic in Town"
Main Library 261-5779

Pixelate It!

Registration begins Monday, February 19.



Challenge your child to design and build a video game using our hands-on Bloxels boards.

Ages 7–12

Tuesday, March 6 4:30 – 6:00 PM
Main Library 261-5779
Thursday, March 22 4:30 – 6:00 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168
Wednesday, April 11 4:30 – 5:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Marshmallow Engineering **Ages 5–12**

Construct towers and whatever else you can dream up using marshmallows and toothpicks. *Registration begins Monday, February 26.*

Wednesday, March 14 4:30 – 5:30 PM
East Regional Library 445-3168

(A8.) We hope you did, and if not, we urge you to visit one of our locations and see what we have to offer!

Nocturnals by Day **Ages 5–12**

If you haven't read the books, now's your chance to learn about this great series and investigate things that go bump in the night! *Registration begins Monday, February 26.*

Thursday, March 22 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779

Tape Town **Ages 2–5**

Zoom down the roads of Tape Town and make stops at the car wash, post office, bakery and more! Please bring a small toy car to participate. *Registration begins Monday, February 26.*

Friday, March 16 10:30 – 11:30 AM
South Regional Library 981-1028

Spanish Language Family Night **All Ages**

Calling all families! Come to a bilingual storytime and enjoy crafts, snacks and other activities en español.

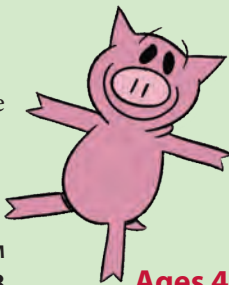
Thursday, March 29 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Main Library 261-5779



IT'S AN ELEPHANT AND PIGGIE PARTY!

Celebrate all that is great about the awesome Mo Willems' books! Come play games, hear stories, snack and much more. *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Monday, April 2 2:00 – 3:30 PM
South Regional Library 981-1028



Ages 4–7



Ages 5–12

Join us for creative play and use tracks, ramps and loops to create the ultimate Hot Wheels race car experience! *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Tuesday, April 3 2:00 – 3:00 PM
North Regional 896-6323

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Harry Potter Puzzle Room

Ages 7-12

Can you solve a series of Hogwarts-themed puzzles to escape detention? Find out in our newest puzzle room made for kids! *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Monday, April 2
Main Library

1:00 – 4:00 PM
261-5779

Thursday, April 5
East Regional Library

1:00 – 4:00 PM
445-3168

Saturday, April 7
North Regional Library

1:00 – 5:00 PM
896-6323

Into the Wild **Ages 5-12**

Local artist Mary Morgan will lead a face-painting workshop and discuss animals of different ecosystems. Children will get the opportunity to paint their own face! *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Wednesday, April 4
Main Library

2:00 – 3:00 PM
261-5779

Fairy Lights

Ages 7-12



Light up your room! Come make your very own fairy jar to keep your fey folk safe and warm. *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Wednesday, April 4 **2:00 – 3:30 PM**
South Regional Library **981-1028**

Spring Break Spa Day

Ages 7-12

Ready for an afternoon of pampering and relaxation? Get your nails done; try a facial mask; and even make your own bath and body products! *Registration begins Monday, March 12.*

Thursday, April 5 **2:00 – 3:30 PM**
South Regional Library **981-1028**



LOVE OUR EARTH

Ages 5-12

Watch Disney's *Born in China* at the South Regional Library and make a craft in honor of Earth Day.

Tuesday, April 24 **4:00 – 5:30 PM**
South Regional Library **981-1028**

Sprout Scouts: Growing Gardeners

All Ages

Join our friends from Townfolk at the Victory Garden, 217 Olivier Street, to get plantin' in the community garden. *(If there is inclement weather, meet at the Main Library.)*

Thursday, April 5
2:00 – 3:00 PM
The Victory Garden, 217 Olivier Street
261-5779

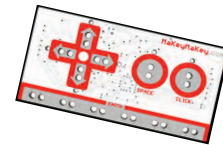


Edible Bunny Racecar

Ages 5-12

Vroom, Vroom! Yum, Yum!! Create an edible racecar for a marshmallow bunny with Twinkies, Oreos and other sweet treats! *Registration begins Monday, March 26.*

Friday, April 6 **2:00 – 2:45 PM**
East Regional Library **445-3168**



MAKEY-MAKEY SOME MUSIC!

Ages 9-12

Get in the mood for Festival International by building an instrument to hook up to a Makey-Makey to play music. *Registration begins Monday, March 26.*

Thursday, April 19 **4:30 – 5:30 PM**
Main Library **261-5779**

Secret Agent Training

Ages 7-12

Learn everything you need to know to become a secret agent, including disguises, laser dodging and code cracking. *Registration begins Monday, March 26.*

Friday, April 13 (AFTER HOURS)
SECRET LOCATION (Main Library)

5:30 – 7:00 PM
261-5779

Fuse Bead Creations

Ages 7-12

Melt colorful fuse beads into a work of art! Use patterns or create your own design. *Registration begins Monday, March 26.*

Wednesday, April 11;
Tuesday, May 15
East Regional Library

4:30 – 5:30 PM
4:30 – 5:30 PM
445-3168

(A4.) Children's books. We checked out 495,252 Children's books and 440,232 Adult books. (Did you guess correctly?)

TEENS ONLY

(AGES 12 – 18)

SNACK ATTACK

Learn to create some easy recipes! Amaze your friends and families with the things you can make.

Registration begins Monday, February 26.

North Regional Library **896-6323**
Thursday, March 15 4:00 – 5:00 PM

Main Library **261-5778**
Wednesday, March 28 4:30 – 5:30 PM

FANDOM FRIDAYS

Calling all fandoms! Join us for an afternoon full of cosplay, trivia and more. *Registration begins Monday, February 26.*

Main Library **261-5778**
Friday, March 16 4:30 – 6:00 PM
Friday, April 20 4:30 – 6:00 PM

East Regional Library **445-3168**
Friday, March 23 4:30 – 6:00 PM
Friday, April 27 4:30 – 6:00 PM

ACT PRACTICE TEST

Take an ACT practice test provided by the Princeton Review in a fully-proctored test-like environment.

Registration begins Monday, April 9.

East Regional Library **445-3168**
Saturday, April 21 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM

North Regional Library **896-6323**
Saturday, May 19 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM

WRITE A KILLER COLLEGE ESSAY

Let Alisha Dalvin teach you how to write a college admissions essay that stands out from the crowd!

Registration begins Monday, February 26.

South Regional Library **981-1028**
Friday, March 16 4:00 – 5:00 PM

Main Library **261-5778**
Saturday, March 17 1:00 – 2:00 PM

SCHOOLS OUT FOR SUMMER!

Party with us to celebrate the end of another school year!

Main Library **261-5778**
Friday, May 18 4:00 – 6:00 PM

WEAR YOUR FANDOM ON YOUR SLEEVE

Adrian Guidry with Adorn will show you how to create a bracelet based on your favorite character or fandom!

Registration begins Monday, March 12.

Main Library **261-5778**
Tuesday, April 3 2:30 – 3:30 PM

South Regional Library **981-1028**
Tuesday, April 10 3:30 – 4:30 PM

HENNA 101

Learn all about the art of henna from expert Laura Westbrook.

Registration begins Monday, March 12.

North Regional Library **896-6323**
Thursday, April 5 2:00 – 4:00 PM

South Regional Library **981-1028**
Friday, April 6 2:00 – 4:00 PM

East Regional Library **445-3168**
Saturday, April 14 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Main Library **261-5778**
Saturday, April 21 2:00 – 4:00 PM

TIE-DYE WORKSHOP

Join us for hands-on tie-dye fun at the library! We'll provide all the materials including a bandana, but feel free to bring a plain white cotton t-shirt of your own!

Registration begins Monday, March 12.

East Regional Library **445-3168**
Tuesday, April 3 4:00 – 5:00 PM

South Regional Library **981-1028**
Wednesday, April 4 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Main Library **261-5778**
Friday, May 4 4:30 – 5:30 PM

#FESTIVALREADY

Everything you need for Festival International!

Registration begins Monday, April 9.

Main Library **261-5778**
Tuesday, April 24 4:30 – 6:00 PM

COMMUNITY COLORING

Come add your own splash of color to our new mural! We will now have a community coloring sheet for everyone to leave their mark at both the Main Library and South Regional!

Storytime Calendar

March – May 2018

Main Library

Baby Time: Tuesdays, 9:30 AM

Toddler Time: Tuesdays, 10:30 AM

March: 6, 13, 20, 27

April: 10, 17, 24

Story Castle: Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

March: 7, 14, 21, 28

April: 11, 18, 25

Pajama Party: Thursdays, 6:30 PM

March: 1, 8, 15, 22

April: 12, 19

Bibliobop: Fridays, 10:30 AM

March 16

April 27

Stay & Play: Tuesday, 9:30 AM

April 3

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Sensory Friendly: Saturdays, 2:00 PM

March 3

April 7

North Regional Library

Storytime: Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

March: 7, 14, 21, 28

April: 11, 18, 25

Bibliobop: Fridays, 10:30 AM

March 9

April 13

Stay & Play: Wednesday, 10:30 AM

April 4

Duson Branch

Storytime: Thursdays, 9:30 AM

March: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April: 12, 19, 26

Chenier Branch

Storytime: Mondays, 10:00 AM

March: 5, 12, 19, 26

April: 9, 16, 23, 30

South Regional Library

Baby Time: Tuesdays, 9:30 AM

March: 6, 13, 20, 27

April: 10, 17, 24

Toddler Time: Wednesdays, 10:00 AM

March: 7, 14, 21, 28

April: 11, 18, 25

Bibliobop: Thursdays, 11:00 AM

March: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April: 12, 19, 26

Pajama Party: Thursdays, 6:30 PM

March: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April: 12, 19, 26

Stay & Play: Wednesdays, 10:00 AM

May: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Kappa Delta Phi Storytime: 10:00 AM

March: 3, 17

April: 14, 21

Milton Branch

Storytime: Thursdays, 9:30 AM

March: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

April: 12, 19, 26

East Regional Library

Toddler Time: Tuesdays, 9:30 AM

March: 6, 13, 20, 27

April: 10, 17, 24

Toddler Time: Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

March: 7, 14, 21, 28

April: 11, 18, 25

Storytime: Tues. & Thurs., 10:30 AM

March: 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29

April: 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26

Baby Time: Wed. & Thurs., 9:30 AM

March: 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29

April: 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26

Stay & Play: Wednesdays, 9:30 AM

April 4

May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Baby Time is designed to introduce parents or caregivers and babies ages birth to 18 months to nursery rhymes, songs, fingerplays and early literacy.

Sensory-Friendly Storytime

is a storytime designed to be inclusive and sensitive to children with special needs. Open to families.

Stay & Play Informal play and social time for babies and toddlers up to 3 years old and their caregivers during times when regular storytimes are not available.

Toddler Time is an opportunity for children ages 18 months to 3 years and their caregivers to partake in stories and pre-literacy activities.

Story Castle/Storytime

Begin your child's literacy education with a star-studded lineup of storytelling, music, fingerplays and other activities. Ages 3-6.

Bibliobop Shake out your sillies with a morning of dance, movement and singable books. Ages 2 - 6.

Pajama Party Held on designated evenings at certain library locations. Children are encouraged to wear pajamas, bring a stuffed animal and enjoy night-time stories.



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215 La Neuville Rd., Youngsville
Phone 445-3168
Mon - Thurs 9:00 - 8:00
Friday 9:00 - 6:00
Saturday 10:00 - 5:00
Sunday 12:00 - 6:00

BUTLER MEMORIAL BRANCH

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Phone 234-0363
Mon - Thurs 3:00 - 7:00

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Mon - Thurs 9:00 - 7:00
Friday 9:00 - 6:00
Saturday 11:00 - 3:00

NORTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

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Phone 896-6323
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Friday 9:00 - 6:00
Saturday 10:00 - 5:00
Sunday 12:00 - 6:00

SOUTH REGIONAL LIBRARY

6101 Johnston St., Lafayette
Phone 981-1028
Mon - Thurs 9:00 - 9:00
Friday 9:00 - 7:00
Saturday 9:00 - 5:00
Sunday 12:00 - 6:00

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Monday - Friday 9:00 - 6:00

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108 W. Milton Ave., Milton
Phone 856-5261
Monday - Friday 9:00 - 6:00

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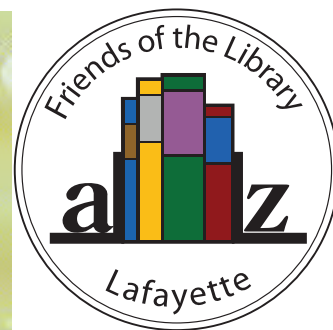


**SUMMER READING PROGRAM
FOR CHILDREN,
TEENS & ADULTS!**

**REGISTRATION STARTS
MONDAY, MAY 14**

**SUMMER READING KICKOFF
SATURDAY, JUNE 2
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
MAIN LIBRARY**

Between Friends



Newsletter of the Friends of the Lafayette Public Library

Spring 2018

Friend of the Year Celebrated

Our Friend of the Year is a steady, reliable part of the Annies and Andies group. A native of Abbeville and lifelong resident, he drives in each week to volunteer. He is our fiction specialist, boxing and culling all of the fiction that appears at each sale. He also works as our box mover and “condenser”, and you need to be a part of the Annies/Andies to appreciate those terms.

He graduated from Abbeville High and got his Bachelor of Science and Master's degree from USL. He taught as a Physics Lab professor there for over thirty years.

I found out that he is a creature of routine – no surprises there – jigsaw puzzles on Tuesdays and Jeopardy on Thursdays with his cousin, after a long afternoon of sorting.

Our Friend loves movies, music and his favorite time of the year is the Academy Awards. We spend lots of time on Thursdays discussing the movies. He also loves word games and delights in coming to work with some type of word quiz.

Our Friend of the Year for 2017 is Nason Sonnier.



**Friend of the Year Nason Sonnier (left)
with President Alverta Hasling.**

Save the Date...



Friends of the Lafayette Public Library
Annual Meeting

**Monday, March 5th
12:00 PM**

**South Regional Library
6101 Johnston Street**

Author Dinner a Joyous Occasion

The Friends of the Library hosted its thirty-second annual Author Dinner on Thursday, November 2nd at the Petroleum Club of Lafayette.

Each year, the Friends of the Library recognizes an author at the dinner. The Friends have expanded the search for author guests, but the focus is still on Louisiana authors. So many interesting books are published here. The Friends plan the Author Dinner to thank their supporters by bringing in someone who will entertain and teach with the added benefit of supporting the authors.

Over the years, the dinner has hosted historians, cooks, travelers, mystery writers, politicians, and sports writers. Some of the authors honored at past dinners include John Ed Bradley, James Lee Burke, Ernest Gaines and Rick Bragg. Co-chairs of the event this year read many books to choose an author. They were delighted that Diane Dempsey-Legnon accepted their invitation to speak at the dinner. Diane began her career as a teacher and librarian, so many people know and respect her outside her recent work as an author. Both of her published books were written from an historical perspective about Acadiana and its people.

This year's author Dianne Dempsey-Legnon is an Evangeline Parish native and Lafayette resident. Dianne spoke about her beginning as an author and the process she followed. This began when she became a member of the National Writing Project of Acadiana and with the help of one of its founders Dr. Ann B. Dobie, retired Professor of English at UL Lafayette.

She further told the group about her two books: *Belair Cove: A Novel of Life, Love, and Loss in a Prairie Cajun Village*, based loosely on the life and courtship of her grandparents who lived in Evangeline Parish; and *A Louisiana Soldier: Willis A. Fontenot*, acknowledging her father, his military service and his struggles during World War II and afterward. After her presentation, Diane sold and autographed her books.



Fall Sale a Triumphant Success

The Friends Fall Book Sale was a success, earning the Friends over \$15,000 for our efforts. The Annies and Andies work all year so that the books at the sale are in good condition and in the correct categories. To date, we have given the library a total of \$817,817.33 for items that are not included in their budget. Our ultimate goal is one million dollars. This would not be possible without your support at our sales. Thanks for shopping with us. And as always, thanks to the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, the staff of the Heymann Center, Coca Cola and all of our volunteers who give of their time twice each year to make the sale a success.



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Corral Those Books! ...and Other Book Sale Tips

On Friends Night, we provide a “Box Corral” for those who are purchasing lots of books. To use the corral, make your selection of books and bring them to the box corral. Then you can continue to browse, knowing that your books are safe and you don’t have to carry them along with you.

While you are browsing, the people in charge of the corral will measure your books to make the check out process easy. This is a great shopping feature for those who purchase large numbers of books. Just remember, once they are in the corral they must be purchased so please make the selection beforehand.

There are other tips to help you (and us) enjoy the sale. If you need to join or renew, please come to the foyer of the Heymann Ballroom immediately upon arrival at the sale. This prevents a huge crush of people at 6 PM trying to deal with membership issues instead of entering the sale.

Please refrain from sitting along the edge of the ballroom to sort through your books. This is against fire marshall rules and causes problems with patrons. Please decide on your books before leaving the sale table so that other patrons can peruse those books that you don’t choose to keep. Remember that we only accept cash and checks at the sale. Bringing your own boxes is always a plus as we seem to run out each year.



The fearless team (l-r): Dee Nolan, Dennis Sullivan and Flossie Turner.

Our Spelling at Work

Again the fearless team of Dee Nolan, Dennis Sullivan and Flossie Turner took to the stage for the Lafayette Public Library Foundation’s Spell-A-Bration. Battling some experienced teams we did our best but alas, we did not succeed. Words were plentiful that evening and we did well with acquiesce, sagacious and pulchritude. But who knew irascible had only one “r”? And that the “i” in reveille was before the double “ll’s”. Obviously we didn’t. As they say, wait until next year. We shall return.

Silent Auction



In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the death of Gary Alexander, board member of the Friends of the Library. Gary joined the board in 1993 and had been vice president since 1994. He was also one of the friendly faces you saw if you put books in the Box Corral on Friends night. He was co-owner of Alexander's Books with wife Barbara. Gary's book knowledge, compassion and kindness were incredible and hard to find. He was a true gentleman and loved and respected by all who knew him. He will be greatly missed.

Countdown to the Friends Book Sale

The Friends prepare year round for their sales. Look for our next sale at the Heymann Convention Center in March. Friends Night is Wednesday, March 21st, from 6 PM until 8 PM. The sale is open to the public on Thursday, March 22 from 9 AM until 8 PM, Friday, March 23rd from 9 AM until 6 PM and Saturday, March 24th from 9 AM until 2 PM.

We are on our way to having between 550 and 600 boxes of books ready. So please come check out our sale. As always, postcards will be mailed to current members the week before. You may join at the door as we set up the membership desk one hour before opening on Wednesday. To avoid the last minute rush, please renew or join before getting in line.

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Friends Night
Wednesday, March 21
6:00 – 8:00 PM

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Thursday, March 22
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Saturday, March 24
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