



LIVINGSTON PARISH
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SUMMER READING KICKOFF!

This summer, Adventure Begins at YOUR Library

This summer, we hope you and your family will go on an adventure at YOUR Library! We invite you to sign up for Livingston Parish Library's annual Summer Reading Program, which runs May 20 – August 4.

This year's SRP theme is Adventure Begins at Your Library. Patrons of all ages are invited to participate by attending fun events hosted by the Library and completing reading challenges. The program consists of four age groups: Read-to-Me (babies – age 5), Youth (ages 6-12), Teens (ages 13-18), and Adults (ages 18 and older).

Don't miss your chance to sign up for the Library's Summer Reading Program at your local branch during our special kickoff day on Tuesday, May 28! Kids can make a fun summer reading-themed craft while caretakers handle sign-up for the entire family.



Along with receiving a registration prize when you sign up for this year's Summer Reading Program, those who attend Kickoff Day will receive a special gift!

The Summer Reading Program is always loaded with fun activities and special events for all ages, and this year is no exception!

Some of our programs include escape rooms, art workshops, circus shows, crafts, gardening programs, DIY classes, and trivia sessions.

We'll also have performances from Harvey Rabbit, Crescent Circus, Louisiana State Parks, Baton Rouge Youth Ballet, Hey Now Hooping, Heidi Lindsley, Drum Life, Didgeridoo Down Under, and more!

Be on the lookout for our June/July newsletter for a complete listing of all our summer events!



PICTURE BOOKS CELEBRATING MOMS ON MOTHER'S DAY!

There isn't a better way to celebrate Mother's Day than by sitting down with mom to read a wonderful book!

In honor of Mother's Day, we're offering a few selections that are all about moms! These picture books can be enjoyed by the entire family, and we hope you'll read them with mom this Mother's Day!

For more recommendations, visit www.mytpl.info/ReadersAdvisory.



Llama Llama Mother's Day Present by Anna Dewdney

A Mother's Day-themed story based on an episode of the animated series finds Llama Llama struggling in relatable ways to make the holiday as special as possible for his mama.

My Mum is the Best by Penguin Young Readers

Bluey and Bingo praise all of Chilli's mum skills, including how she teaches them that the world is a magical place, in this adorable paper-over-board picture book starring everyone's favorite Heelers.

Dinosaur vs. Mommy by Bob Shea

Spending a busy day helping his mommy wake up, go shopping, sort laundry and more, little Dinosaur wonders if he is becoming too much for his mommy, who gets very, very tired.

Mom & Me by Kalikolehua Hurley

Moana and her mother Sina build a kite for the annual kite festival.

USE YOUR LIBRARY CARD TO ACCESS AWARD-WINNING DIGITAL NEWSPAPERS

THE ADVOCATE | The Times-Picayune

The New York Times

The Livingston Parish News

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

Have you heard the news? Some of the top newspapers in Louisiana and across the country are available FREE OF CHARGE through YOUR Library!

With an LPL card, you can catch up on your local and state news through *The Advocate*, the state's premier newspaper.

If you're interested in what's going on nationally or abroad, your card allows you to read top publications such as *The New York Times* or *The Wall Street Journal*.

And if you're curious about the history of your home parish, the Library's Digital Archives houses complete, text-searchable issues of *The Livingston Parish News* dating back to January 1925.

These digital newspapers are available in your local library or from the comfort of home. All you need is your Livingston Parish Library card.

So grab your LPL card and visit www.mytpl.info/databases to start exploring today!

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS & TEENS

MAY 2024

MAIN BRANCH IN LIVINGSTON

5/1	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/1	2:30p	Teen After School	Ages 13-18
5/6	2:30p	Teen After School	Ages 13-18
5/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/8	2:30p	Teen After School	Ages 13-18
5/13	2:30p	Teen After School	Ages 13-18
5/14	5:00p	Teen Advisory Board	Ages 13-18
5/15	2:30p	Teen After School	Ages 13-18
5/23	5:30p	Spring Bugs and Flowers Quilling	Ages 8-18
5/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

ALBANY - SPRINGFIELD

5/1	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/16	5:30p	Spring Bugs and Flowers Quilling	Ages 8-18
5/24	1:00p	Leaf Rubbings Booklet	Ages 5-12
5/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

SOUTH

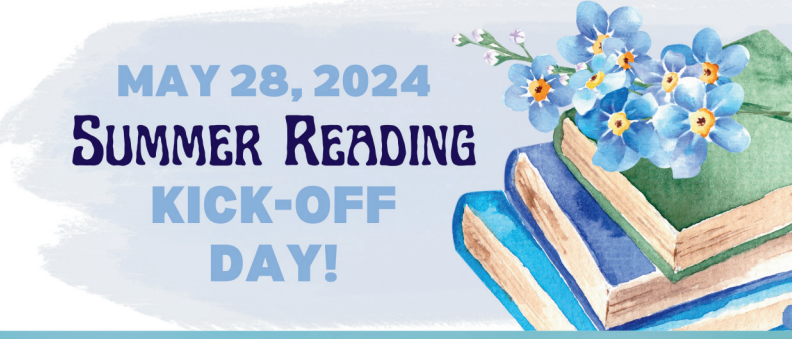
5/1	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/7	4:00p	Spring Bugs and Flowers Quilling	Ages 8-18
5/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/13	4:00p	Creative Krewe	Ages 8-18
5/14	5:00p	Leaf Rubbings Booklet	Ages 5-12
5/20	4:00p	Creative Krewe	Ages 8-18
5/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

DENHAM SPRINGS - WALKER

5/1	5:00p	Teen Hangout	Ages 13-18
5/2	6:00p	Leaf Rubbings Booklet	Ages 5-12
5/6	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
5/6	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/9	6:00p	Spring Bugs and Flowers Quilling	Ages 8-18
5/11	10:00a	Tea with Tiaras	All Ages
5/15	5:00p	Teen Advisory Board	Ages 13-18
5/16	6:00p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12

WATSON

5/1	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/2	5:00p	Teen Advisory Board	Ages 13-18
5/2	5:30p	Teen Hangout	Ages 13-18
5/3	10:30a	Wiggle Worms Music and Movement	Ages 0-5
5/8	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/9	5:30p	Leaf Rubbings Booklet	Ages 5-12
5/16	5:30p	Teen Hangout	Ages 13-18
5/23	5:30p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
5/29	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
5/30	5:30p	Spring Bugs and Flowers Quilling	Ages 8-18



PROGRAMS & EVENTS

★ EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 18+

MAIN BRANCH IN LIVINGSTON

5/16	5:30p	Stamped Washer Necklace	Ages 18+
5/23	9:30a	Veterans Connect	Ages 18+
5/28	10:30a	Main Branch Book Club	Ages 18+

ALBANY - SPRINGFIELD

5/3	6:00p	Stamped Washer Necklace	Ages 18+
5/6	10:00a	Microsoft Word Basics for Beginners	Ages 18+
5/11	1:00p	Crafting Club	Ages 18+
5/20	10:00a	Albany-Springfield Book Club	Ages 18+

SOUTH

5/3	10:00a	Microsoft Word Basics for Beginners	Ages 18+
5/4	10:30a	Friends & Needles	Ages 16+
5/7	10:30a	Joyful Reads Book Club	Ages 18+
5/23	5:30p	Stamped Washer Necklace	Ages 18+
5/30	5:30p	Bookies Book Club	Ages 18+

WATSON

5/7	10:30a	Blossom Buddies: Yoga for Moms & Tots	Ages 18+
5/7	5:30p	Stamped Washer Necklace	Ages 18+
5/9	9:30a	Veterans Connect	Ages 18+
5/14	11:00a	Watson Sunny-Side Up Inspirational Book Club	Ages 18+
5/14	6:00p	Watson Spine Tingle Book Club	Ages 18+

DENHAM SPRINGS - WALKER

5/2	6:00p	Adult Writers' Club	Ages 18+
5/3	12:00p	Alzheimer's Services Caregiver Support Group	Ages 18+
5/6	5:00p	Windows 10	Ages 18+
5/7	2:00p	Using Email	Ages 18+
5/8	1:00p	Seaux Easy	Ages 18+
5/11	1:00p	Afternoon Board Games	Ages 18+
5/14	9:00a	The Job Resource Fair	Ages 18+
5/14	2:00p	Word Basics	Ages 18+
5/15	2:00p	Hooks & Loops Crochet Club	Ages 18+
5/16	10:00a	Adult Writers' Club	Ages 18+
5/16	10:30a	Box of Chocolates Book Club	Ages 18+
5/21	2:00p	Excel Basics	Ages 18+
5/22	2:00p	Master Gardener: Southern Shade Gardening	Ages 18+
5/25	1:00p	Afternoon Board Games	Ages 18+
5/28	2:00p	PowerPoint	Ages 18+
5/29	6:00p	Stamped Washer Necklace	Ages 18+



All in-person events in red require pre-registration. To register, please call your preferred branch or visit www.mypl.info and click on events.

KIDS CORNER

SPRING BUGS AND FLOWERS QUILLING

April showers bring May flowers (and bugs!) C'mon over and join our paper quilling class as we roll, squish, and glue paper to make spring insects and flowers come to life. Registration is required. *For ages 8-18.*

STH	Tuesday, May 7	4:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, May 9	6:00 pm
AS	Thursday, May 16	5:30 pm
MAIN	Thursday, May 23	5:30 pm
WAT	Thursday, May 30	5:30 pm



THE CREATIVE KREWE

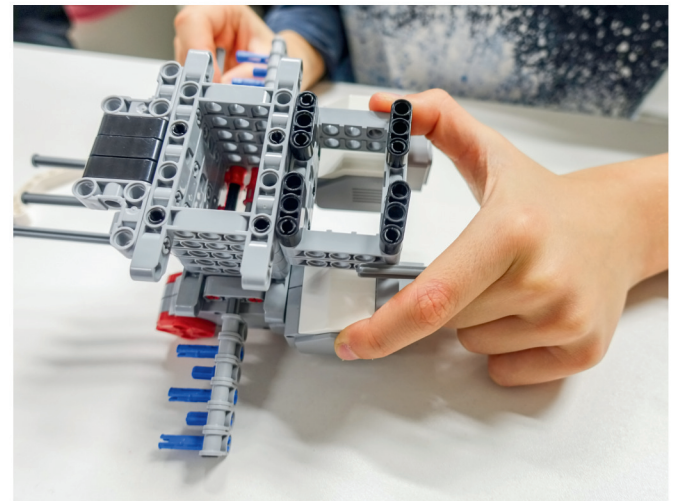
Creativity starts here: Imagine. Draw. Paint. Come along with us as we learn about various types of art. We will try new mediums and techniques throughout the year. All skill levels are welcome, from beginner to advanced artists. Registration is required. *For ages 8-18.*

STH	Monday, May 13	4:00 pm
STH	Monday, May 20	4:00 pm

LEGO CLUB

Calling all LEGO lovers! Each month we will host LEGO Club with a different theme. LEGO will be provided. *For ages 5-12.*

DSW	Thursday, May 16	6:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, May 23	5:30 pm



LEAF RUBBINGS BOOKLET

Discover the unique textures of leaves using a fun and simple art style. Use your artwork to make a booklet and let your creativity "leaf" you with something beautiful! Registration is required. *For ages 5-12.*

DSW	Thursday, May 2	6:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, May 9	5:30 pm
STH	Tuesday, May 14	5:00 pm
AS	Friday, May 24	1:00 pm



TEEN SCENE

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Do you want to help out at the library? Join a Teen Advisory Board and make a difference! TAB volunteers suggest programs you would like to see, volunteer at the branch, and help choose books for our young adult sections. Apply at the Library Today! *For ages 13-18.*

WAT	Thursday, May 2	5:00 pm
MAIN	Tuesday, May 14	5:00 pm
DSW	Wednesday, May 15	5:00 pm

TEEN AFTER SCHOOL

Looking for something to do after school? Join us at the library! Bring your friends or come to make new ones where everyone is welcome! Video games, activities, snacks, and more. *For ages 13-18.*

MAIN	Wednesday, May 1	2:30 pm
MAIN	Monday, May 6	2:30 pm
MAIN	Wednesday, May 8	2:30 pm
MAIN	Monday, May 13	2:30 pm
MAIN	Wednesday, May 15	2:30 pm

TEEN HANGOUT

Join us at Teen Hangout! Bring your friends or come to make new ones where everyone is welcome! Video games, activities, snacks, and more. *For ages 13-18.*

DSW	Wednesday, May 1	5:00 pm
WAT	Thursday, May 2	5:30 pm
WAT	Thursday, May 16	5:30 pm



TEA WITH TIARAS: A MOTHER'S DAY TEA PARTY

Join us for a magical Mother's Day tea party filled with elegance, enchantment, and cherished moments! The New Orleans Princess and Beauty will graciously lead you through a delightful tea time experience where you'll sip out of tea cups, sing along, hear an enchanting story or two, and learn a little tea time etiquette along the way. Capture the magic of the moment with a special photo opportunity. Give Mom the royal treatment with this fun celebration of family! Registration is required. *For all ages.*

DSW	Saturday, May 11	10:00 am
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**ALL
AGES**



ADULT PROGRAMS

FRIENDS & NEEDLES: A FIBER ARTS CIRCLE

Do you quilt, embroider, sew, crochet, knit, cross stitch, or do felting, tatting, or leatherworking? South Branch will be a meeting place where like-minded needle and fiber artists will gather to discuss the trials and triumphs of various kinds of fiber arts. Bring one of your latest projects to work on during this social circle of Friends & Needles as we ask questions, answer concerns, and maybe even learn a new needlecraft. This homage to an old-fashioned sewing circle will meet monthly for two hours of discussion, demonstration, and camaraderie. *For ages 16+.*

STH Saturday, May 4 10:30 am



JOB RESOURCE FAIR

Livingston Parish Library along with Geaux Jobs Livingston and Capital Area Agency on Aging is hosting a FREE Job Resource Fair for the community of Livingston Parish and the immediate surrounding area. The Job Resource Fair connects employers with job seekers from all age groups, 18 years or older (16 years old must have parental consent). Positions range from full-time to part-time to volunteer. Come see where you can plug in! *For ages 18+.*

DSW Tuesday, May 14 9:00 am



BLOSSOM BUDDIES: YOGA FOR MOMS & TOTS

Strengthen your special bond with your little one as you both engage in gentle yoga poses, soothing stretches, and calming breathing exercises tailored specifically for small children and their loving moms. Led by certified yoga instructor, Julie Williams, you won't want to miss this wonderful opportunity to bond with your little one while nurturing your own well-being. Please bring your own yoga mat. Dress in comfortable, athletic clothing. Registration is required. *For ages 18+ and their little ones.*

WAT Tuesday, May 7 10:30 am



MASTER GARDENER: SOUTHERN SHADE GARDENING

Looking for a blossoming garden where you can sip sweet iced tea in the shade? How about your own backyard? Join us to learn about the art and science of Southern Shade Gardening from a Master Gardener. You'll learn about the plants and practices necessary to create a garden in the shadows away from the hot Louisiana sun. This program is presented in partnership with the Livingston Parish chapter of the LSU AgCenter's Louisiana Master Gardener Program. *For ages 18+.*

DSW Wednesday, May 22 2:00 pm

CRAFTING CLUB

Need a place to work on your latest arts and crafts project away from home? Would you like a place to socialize with like-minded artists? Try out our new Crafting Club at the Albany-Springfield Branch Library! Bring your own project and utilize our selection of tools; create and socialize with other crafty adults. Registration is preferred. *For ages 18+.*

AS Saturday, May 11 1:00 pm

STAMPED WASHER NECKLACE

Join us as we explore metal stamping to create our very own stamped washer necklaces! All supplies are provided. Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

AS Friday, May 3 6:00 pm
WAT Tuesday, May 7 5:30 pm
MAIN Thursday, May 16 5:30 pm
STH Thursday, May 23 5:30 pm
DSW Monday, May 29 6:00 pm

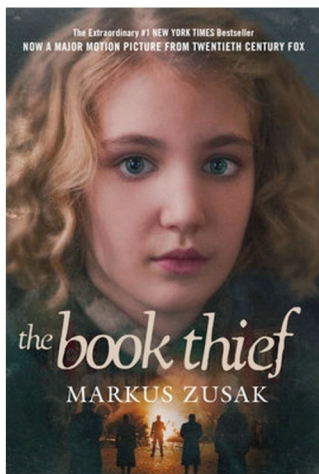
ALZHEIMER'S SERVICES CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

We know that being the caregiver of a loved one with Alzheimer's or related dementia can be tough. That's why, in partnership with the Livingston Parish Library, trained facilitators from the Alzheimer's Services of the Capital Area are here for you. Join a free, caring, non-judgmental meeting where families and friends share their experiences and learn essential information for coping with the disease. These meetings are open to all caregivers of persons affected by Alzheimer's or a related dementia and will typically last one hour. *For ages 18+.*

DSW Friday, May 3 12:00 pm



READERS CLUB MAY SUGGESTIONS



It's time to revisit the 1940s!

To complete May's reading challenge, read a book set in or published during the 1940s.

This is part of our "Reading Through the Decades" theme for Readers Club, a year-long reading challenge for adults.

If you haven't signed up for Readers Club, today's the day to do it! Register by visiting www.mylpl.info/ReadersClub.

Books of the 1940s

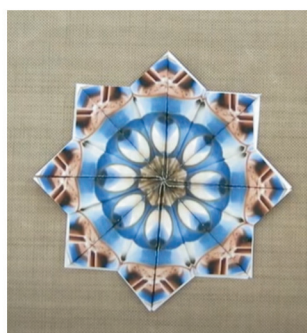
- **A Lesson Before Dying** by Ernest Gaines
- **Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl** by Anne Frank
- **The Pearl** by John Steinbeck
- **The Book Thief** by Markus Zusak
- **For Whom the Bell Tolls** by Ernest Hemingway
- **All the Light We Cannot See** by Anthony Doerr
- **Native Son** by Richard Wright
- **Under the Bayou Moon** by Valerie Fraser Luesse
- **The Atomic City Girls** by Janet Beard
- **1984** by George Orwell

TAKE & MAKES



Egg Carton Geodes - For Kids

Calling all young geologists! Explore the wonders of rocks and minerals by learning about and making Geodes! Kits are available at all branches while supplies last. *For ages 6-18.*



Tea Bag Folding Card - Adults

Tea bag folding is a simple origami craft that originally used the decorative papers that tea bags came in. Learn how to make a beautiful card for any occasion using this technique. Just drop by any branch to pick up your kit, complete with supplies and instructions, while supplies last. *For ages 18+.*

BRANCHES

Main Branch

20390 Iowa Street
Livingston, LA 70754
Phone: (225) 686 - 4160

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

South

23477 LA Hwy 444
Livingston, LA 70754
Phone: (225) 686 - 4170

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Albany - Springfield

26941 LA Hwy 43
Hammond, LA 70403
Phone: (225) 686 - 4130

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Denham Springs - Walker

8101 US Hwy 190
Denham Springs, LA 70726
Phone: (225) 686 - 4140

Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Watson

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Denham Springs, LA 70706
Phone: (225) 686 - 4180

Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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