Red, Write, and Blue!

The Red, Write, and Blue letter-writing campaign’s aim is to inspire the community to write letters to members of the United States Armed Forces who are stationed abroad and look forward to mail from home. For letter-writing guidelines, visit www.amillionthanks.org/send-letter-guidelines-get-started. You can drop off your letters at the Library.

For more information, call (225) 231-3710.

One Book ONE COMMUNITY

Hear Karen Zacharias, Author of the Summer OBOC Selection

This summer’s One Book/One Community selection is A Silence of Mockingbirds by Karen Zacharias.

Want an opportunity to meet the author and discuss the book? Zacharias will come to Baton Rouge on Thursday, July 26, for a free program at LSU’s Cox Communications Center for Student Athletes.

The program starts at 7:00 p.m. Check it out!

For more information about One Book/One Community, visit www.ReadOneBook.org. There, participants can learn more about both the book and the author, download a discussion guide and obtain a complete schedule of events.

For more information, call (225) 231-3710.

Book it With Big Baby!

Glen “Big Baby” Davis, former LSU star and current basketball pro in the NBA, once again will return to his hometown of Baton Rouge to promote reading and literacy!

Big Baby will visit some of our libraries and participate in several other Library and community events, including an outreach at Cortana Mall and the Mall of Louisiana.

Check out the list of events on our web site, www.ebrpl.com.
Religious and Scholarly Language Collection

Our online database Mango Languages offers so many languages for you to learn, with in-depth courses from Mandarin Chinese to French. Now, you can learn Koine Greek, Ancient Greek, Latin and Biblical Hebrew with Mango, via their Religious and Scholarly Language Collection!

According to Mango, these particular courses “focus on passages from historical books, poems and religious documents, providing insight into the cultures in which the languages were spoken.”

All you need to log on to Mango Languages is your library card! Get started by going to ebrpl.com and clicking Online Databases.

Stick People Art Cartooning

Join us at the Scotlandville Branch for an inspiration treat! M.C. Wells will share her technique of using stick people cartooning to inspire and motivate on Saturday, July 28, from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

She will give a demonstration of her work and an instructional workshop so you can learn how to draw her amazing cartoons too!

For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7550.


Library Closing

The Library will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Maintenance and Construction Update

On June 6, the first concrete slab pour for the new Main Library began in the early morning hours! Dozens of cement mixers cycled in and out to pour concrete for one section of what will be the new library.

Left: Construction on the new Fairwood Branch is progressing on Old Hammond Highway.

Right: The lighting retrofit project for Jones Creek Regional Branch is now complete. Energy savings and better illumination result in a win-win.

New Board Members
Melanie Way and Travis Woodard at their first meeting as new members of the Library Board of Control.
BR Garden Club Presents Book to Library

President Clara Earl (center) and Jo Ann Fryling (left) of the Baton Rouge Garden Club present the book *Designing by Types* to Mary Stein and the East Baton Rouge Parish Library.

This book shows readers unique and inspiring ways to design with plants. This donation corresponded with National Garden Week, which took place in June.

GED Prep Classes for Adults

Do you need to improve your scores on the GED? Is there one area of the test that is troubling you? Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch and get some helpful tips and pointers on how to take the GED on Saturday, July 14, at 3:00 p.m.

Doris Grimes, a certified adult educator, will be at the library on the second Saturday of every month to assist adults with preparation for the GED. She will also give a practice GED at these sessions. Can’t make it? Check out the online classes on Ed2Go; each course is 24 hours of instruction. For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4440.

Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life Book Discussion Group

The Main Library will host a monthly discussion group of Karen Armstrong’s *Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life*, which focuses on instilling the Golden Rule in a secular way in our everyday lives. This month’s meeting will cover steps 6 and 7 on Tuesday, July 31, at 7:00 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 231-3710.

We Geek Summer Reading 2012

It’s not too late to participate in Summer Reading! All locations of the Library have reading logs for each age group (Children, Teens, and Adults). These logs will be available until Tuesday, July 31. While each group has a different theme and guidelines – the goal is the same – to READ! For more information, call (225) 231-3710.

• **Dream Big – Read!** is this year’s theme for the Children’s Summer Reading Program. Summer activities will feature events that spotlight the performing arts, visual arts, literature, and science – all showing children how to tap into their creative side. Win prizes, incentives, and a free book!

• The theme for the Teen Summer Reading Program this year is **Own the Night**. Teens ages 12 to 18 may start their journey by signing up at any library location to begin their quest. Win prizes and incentives.

• The Adult Program, **I Geek Reading**, for ages 18 and older, will be filled with a variety of exciting events. Adults are asked to read three books in order to receive a summer prize pack.

Bingo!

Come to the Carver Branch on Monday, July 30, at 10:00 a.m. for a morning of Bingo! Prizes will be awarded.

For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Adult Study Skills

Need to brush up on your study skills? Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch and get help from professional tutor Kathleen Mattox Johnson.

She will discuss ways to improve your study skills on Saturday, July 21, at 3:00 p.m. Can’t make it? Check out Ed2Go, our new online learning resource.

For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4440.

Crafter’s Coffee Klatch

“Klatch” = a group of people sharing a common interest and relating together socially. Do you craft at home but have too many distractions? Do you want to chat and exchange ideas with other crafters? Whether you knit, crochet, bead, scrapbook, draw or anything else, bring your latest project and work on it away from home, at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch.

We will share ideas, materials and fun with fellow craftspeople and artists on Saturday, July 28, at 10:30 a.m. This is the first meeting of a monthly get-together that will meet the fourth Saturday morning of each month. Coffee will be served.

For more information, call (225) 274-4440.
Building A Strong Financial Future: Strategies for Age 45-Retirement

Are you confused or anxious about planning for retirement? If so, this program is for you!
Pat Talamo, a Gulf Coast Bank Retirement Advisor with 13 years of experience, will cover planning for retirement, managing multiple financial goals and estate planning essentials at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 10, at 6:00 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4440.

AnDERECCO – Love To Luv

Meet and greet the author AnDERECCO, a powerful voice of a generation, at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 24, from noon to 2:00 p.m.
AnDERECCO’s insightful projects tackle the themes of family, loyalty, love, danger and identity.
His novel, Love to Luv is filled with drama and scandal, mixed with intrigue and suspense! A book signing will follow his presentation.
For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Scrapkin’ at the Library with Nancy Jamerson

Do you love scrapbooking? Come personalize a unique scrapbook design by adding photos, then embellishing and journaling to your heart’s delight.
Join Nancy Jamerson at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch as she demonstrates the newest techniques in scrapbooking on Sunday, July 22, at 3:00 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4440.

El Jueves Feliz! (Happy Thursday!)

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch for an evening of Mexican delight!
On Thursday, July 26, at 6:30 p.m., learn how to make simple, yet delicious Mexican treats your whole family can enjoy.
For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1150.

Puttin’ the Pieces Together

On Saturday, July 21, at 2:00 p.m., families will compete with families to see who can complete the giant floor puzzle first!
This is a part of our continuing “fun for the whole family” series at the Jones Creek Regional Branch.
For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1150.
Bridge Training Class

Charley Handy of the Vernon Williams Duplicate Bridge Club will be at the Scotlandville Branch on Tuesdays and Thursdays in July and August to conduct training for newcomers to the game of bridge. The class will cover the bridge basics for beginners. The class dates and times are:
- Tuesday, July 10 and Thursday, July 12: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 17, 19, 24, 26, 31: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7540.

Louisiana Vintage Dancers

The Louisiana Vintage Dancers is a talented group who dons splendid period costumes and whirl through waltzes and polkas, reels and quadrilles, set to the music of fiddle, banjo and guitar. Come and see the dancers perform at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, July 14, at 2:00 p.m.

Onlookers are always welcome to join the dancers and learn the steps! The Vintage Dancers generously give their talents to entertain at various venues in the community.

For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Tissue Paper Flowers

Learn how to make beautiful tissue paper flowers at the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, July 7, at 2:30 p.m.
Come and create your very own bouquet of flowers.
For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7550.

Let’s Celebrate Bastille Day

Patrons of all ages are invited to the Zachary Branch on Saturday, July 14, from 10:00 a.m. to noon to celebrate Bastille Day.
French music and culture will be on hand, as will the French band, Chere Mom!
For more information, call (225) 658-1840.

The Basics of Crochet

Diane Forrest Taylor will teach the basic stitches of crochet, as well as more complex stitches used in various designs and patterns, at the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, July 26, Friday, July 27, and Saturday, July 28, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Each participant should bring a skein of 4-ply yarn and an I or H crochet needle.
For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7540.
The following computer classes will be held throughout the month of July. Registration for some classes is required.* The Main Library will hold classes at 9:00 a.m. on July 7, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26. For class information, check the Computer Education InfoGuide at www.ebrpl.com.

For more information or to register, call the individual library branch.

**Baker Branch**

**Introduction to Excel 2007**
Saturday, July 14, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Gmail**
Thursday, July 19, 2:00 p.m.

**Introduction to Computers**
Thursday, July 26, 2:00 p.m.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

**Introduction to the Library’s Online Databases**
Saturday, July 7, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007**
Thursday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.

**Computers without Fear**
Tuesday, July 10, 10:00 a.m.

**Intermediate Microsoft Word 2007**
Thursday, July 19, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to the Internet**
Tuesday, July 24, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Publisher 2007**
Thursday, July 26, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007**
Saturday, July 28, 10:00 a.m.

**Carver Branch**

**Setting up an E-mail Account**
Wednesday, July 18, 1:00 p.m.

**Database Overview**
Wednesday, July 25, 10:00 a.m.

**Visit a library branch near you for free wireless Internet!**

**Delmont Gardens Branch**

**Computers without Fear**
Wednesday, July 11, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word**
Monday, July 16, 10:00 a.m.

**Advanced Microsoft**
Thursday, July 19, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to the Internet**
Monday, July 23, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to E-mailing**
Wednesday, July 25, 10:00 a.m.

**Eden Park Branch**

**Introduction to Publisher**
Wednesday, July 11, 10:30 a.m.

**Learning Express**
Thursday, July 19, 3:00 p.m.

**Computers without Fear**
Saturday, July 21, 10:30 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Excel**
Monday, July 23, 11:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word**
Tuesday, July 31, 3:00 p.m.

**Greenwell Springs Regional Branch**

**Introduction to the EBRPL Web Catalog**
Thursday, July 5, 2:00 p.m.

**Introduction to Computers**
Saturday, July 7, 10:00 a.m.

**How to Set Up and E-mail Account**
Tuesday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

**Internet Basics**
Thursday, July 19, 3:00 p.m.

**Jones Creek Regional Branch**

**Introduction to the Online Catalog and Databases**
Saturday, July 7, 10:00 a.m.

**Ebook Workshop**
Wednesday, July 11, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to the Internet**
Saturday, July 14, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to PowerPoint 2007**
Tuesday & Saturday, July 17 & 21, 10:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Word 2007**
Tuesday & Saturday, July 26 & 28, 10:00 a.m.

**Pride-Chaneyville Branch**

**Computer Basics**
Saturday, July 7, 11:00 a.m.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word**
Saturday, July 21, 11:00 a.m.

**River Center Branch**

**Computers without Fear**
Tuesday, July 10, 3:30 p.m.

**Résumé Assistance through Microsoft Word and Internet**
Wednesdays, July 18 & 25, 1:00 p.m.

**Scotlandville Branch**

**Introduction to PowerPoint**
Thursday, July 12, 1:00 p.m.

**Computer Review Session**
Thursday, July 26, 1:00 p.m.

**Continue Your Education with Ed2Go**

The Library is excited to offer you Ed2Go, a free Online Database! Ed2Go is an online learning portal that offers full, six-week courses on a variety of topics — there are over 300 courses available, ranging from computer classes to leisure to workforce development. New classes begin each month.

The classes were developed and are led by real instructors. Coursework is text-driven, but there are discussion areas available to students. Work is graded and students who complete a course will get a certificate of completion.

These classes are offered free to you, our patrons!
To check out Ed2Go, visit our Online Databases page at www.ebrpl.com.
Teen Book Clubs

Teens can get together at the Central Branch on Thursday, July 12, at 3:00 p.m. We’ll talk about what we think of the last books we read, and decide what book to read for the next meeting.

You can also come to the Baker Branch on Wednesday, July 18, at 3:00 p.m. where you can tell everyone what you’re reading, give others tips on some good titles, and let them know which books you didn’t enjoy.

For more information or to register, call (225) 262-2660 or (225) 778-5960.

Healthy Snacking

Learn what snacks are healthy and what you should not eat at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Thursday, July 19, at 10:00 a.m. Come and sample yummy snacks that you can make for yourself!

For more information, call (225) 658-1550.

Teen Haiku Walk

This is not just any nature walk—it’s a haiku walk! We’ll use the beautiful scenery on the grounds of the Bluebonnet Regional Branch as inspiration. Join us on Thursday, July 12, at 3:00 p.m. to walk and write. Afterward, we’ll meet up to share the haikus we’ve written over refreshments.

For more information or to register, call (225) 763-2270.

Teen Bastille Day Party

Ooh la la! Visit the River Center Branch on Saturday, July 14, at 2:00 p.m. to celebrate Bastille Day, France’s national holiday. We will listen to French music while making felt berets! You’ll even enjoy French-themed refreshments.

For more information or to register, call (225) 389-4959.

Amazing Anime Antics

Teens, if you love anime, check out these programs we’ll offer throughout the month of July. For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

• **Anime Lunch**: You’re invited to the Scotlandville Branch on Monday, July 23, at 12:00 p.m. to have lunch and movies with us! Feel free to dress as your favorite character, prizes will be awarded!

• **Anime Film Fest**: Teens will watch episodes from different anime series at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Monday, July 23, at 2:30 p.m.

• **Anime Dinner**: Teens are invited to watch anime films and enjoy tasty Ramen noodles and lemonade at the Main Library on Monday, July 23, at 6:00 p.m.

• **Anime Afternoon**: Teens are invited to watch anime films and enjoy tasty Ramen noodles and lemonade at the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, July 24, at 2:30 p.m.

• **Anime Club**: Join us at the Central Branch on Monday, July 2, at 4:00 p.m. where you can get together with other teens for the monthly Anime Club meeting!

Hula Hoop Tournament

Teens can visit the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Thursday, July 5, at 2:30 p.m. to compete in a hula hoop tournament.

For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4470.

Greek Life

Have you ever thought about joining a fraternity or sorority? Here’s your opportunity to meet members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, a group of nine historically Black Greek letter organizations. Collectively, these organizations are called the Divine Nine.

Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, July 14, at 1:00 p.m. where they’ll perform and show you how they create rhythm and beat with their feet!

For more information, call (225) 354-7500.

Spooky Skull Jewelry

Teens, come make your very own spooky skull jewelry. We’ll use white clay and markers to create unique necklaces. Start a trend with your new spooky jewelry! For more information or to register, call the individual library branch.

River Center Branch
Thursday, July 5, 2:00 p.m.

Baker Branch
Monday, July 9, 2:30 p.m.

Main Library
Wednesday, July 11, 2:00 p.m.

Bluebonnet Regional Branch
Monday, July 16, 2:00 p.m.
Teen Summer Parties!

All good things must come to an end, so join us as we celebrate what has been a great summer! For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

• End of Summer Glow Party: Join us at the Zachary Branch and hang out with your friends, make a cool lava lamp, eat snacks, and play fun glow-in-the-dark games! The party starts at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 26, so don’t miss it!

• Party! Party! Party!: The summer is almost over and we want it to go out with a bang! Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Wednesday, July 25, at 2:00 p.m. where there’ll be plenty of food, fun and games.

• End of the Summer Reading Party: Join us at the Main Library on Thursday, July 26, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for an end of the summer celebration! Come and enjoy pizza, crafts, games and fun prizes!

• The Great Sleep Under: We’re having an end of summer slumber party at the Carver Branch, and tweens and teens are invited! You’ll have a blast making a homemade facial scrub, painting your nails, making glow jars and more! The fun starts at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 31.

Rappin’ Buds

Hands and tangle-free ear buds that can’t be beat! Make them bright, make them wild, make them perfect for your style! Bring your own or use ours, either way these beats will be sweet.

For more information, call the individual library branch.

Central Branch
Thursday, July 5, 3:00 p.m.

Carver Branch
Thursday, July 12, 3:00 p.m.

Baker Branch
Monday, July 16, 3:00 p.m.

Scotlandville Branch
Tuesday, July 17, 3:00 p.m.

Just For Teens

Arts and Crafts

Let out your inner artist with these fun craft programs, many which allow you to recycle one thing into something else! For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

• Fun with Mod Podge: We’ll be doing two fun craft projects at the Baker Branch using “Mod Podge,” a cool glue that also acts as a sealant and makes your project look smooth and shiny! Come to the Library on Wednesday, July 25, at 3:00 p.m. where you can make a colorful votive candle and refrigerator magnets with your favorite images from magazine pages.

• Monster Hair Bows: Come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 3, at 2:30 p.m. where you can use all kinds of ribbon to make stylist hair bows!

• Hemp Bead Bracelets: Create your own wristbands with hemp cord and beads at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch! The fun starts at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 5, so don’t miss it!

• Colored Sand Jars: Teens can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 10, at 4:30 p.m. where they can create colorful sand jars using chalk and salt.

• Stencil T-Shirts: Custom-design your own T-shirt using stencils and fabric paint at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, July 19, at 2:30 p.m.

• Sweet Soles: Bring a pair of canvas shoes or flip-flops to the Central Branch on Friday, July 13, at 3:00 p.m. where you can decorate them to fit your personality!

• Teen Tags: Join us at the Central Branch on Thursdays, July 19 and 26, at 4:00 p.m. when we paint a mural to be displayed in the Teen section of the Library.

• Tiger Nails: Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 10, at 2:30 p.m. and learn how to paint tiger stripes on your fingernails using a variety of cool colors!

• Decorative Light Switch Plates: Teens can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 24, at 3:00 p.m. to design a brand new switch plate for their bedrooms!

• Dream Journals: Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Monday, July 16, at 2:30 p.m. where teens will decorate “dream journals” with a variety of embellishments like beads, jewels, ribbons, stickers and more!

• Kusudama Flowers: Teens can come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 3, at 2:30 p.m. to learn how to make Kusudama flowers by folding paper petals and gluing them together.

• Bouncy Balls: Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 10, at 2:30 p.m. to make your own bouncy ball using household items!

• Cherry Blossom Art: Create your own cherry blossom art using soda bottles at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, July 12, at 2:30 p.m.

• Hair-A-Palooza: Creativity meets function as you make your own hair bow and two jeweled hair pins at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Sunday, July 15, at 2:30 p.m.

• Glow Jars: Create a cool glowing jar using glow-in-the-dark paint at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, July 26, at 2:30 p.m.
• **Folding Comic Strip:** Teens can come to the **Main Library** on Monday, July 2, at 2:00 p.m. to design a comic strip with two different endings!

• **Fluorescent Feather Earrings:** Join us at the **Main Library** on Tuesday, July 3, at 2:00 p.m., just in time for the Independence Day festivities, when we make stylish feather earrings out of fluorescent duct tape!

• **Duct Tape Wallets:** Teens come to the **Main Library** on Monday, July 16, at 2:00 p.m. where we’ll make cool wallets out of duct tape in various colors and designs.

• **Magnetic Mirrors:** Design a one-of-a-kind magnetic mirror at the **Main Library** on Wednesday, July 18, at 2:00 p.m.

• **Felt Keychain Friends:** Come to the **Main Library** on Saturday, July 21, at 2:00 p.m. where you can make a felt keychain friend so you’ll never lose your keys again!

• **Own the Night Glow Jars:** Make your own glowing jar using glow-in-the-dark paint! This cool craft will be fun to create, so come to the **Pride-Chaneyville Branch** on Tuesday, July 3, at 10:00 a.m. to have a blast making this eerie looking jar to light up your room at night!

• **Bottle Cap Rings:** Teens are invited to the **Pride-Chaneyville Branch** on Tuesday, July 10, at 1:00 p.m. to make their own fashion rings using bottle caps from glass bottles, acrylic paint, hot glue and super glue.

• **Teen T-Shirt Shredding:** Bring some of your T-shirts to the **River Center Branch** on Thursday, July 26, at 2:00 p.m., and we’ll show you how to shred them for a new look!

• **Zombie Felties for Teens:** Come to the **River Center Branch** on Tuesday, July 31, at 2:00 p.m. and make zombie felties, perfect for carrying around in your backpack or for decorating your desk.

• **Stained Glass Votive Candle Holder:** Candle lovers can come to the **Zachary Branch** on Tuesday, July 24, at 2:00 p.m. and decorate a glass jar with tissue paper to make a votive candle holder with a cool stained glass look!

• **Shrinky Dink Key Chains:** We’re making shrink dink key chains at the **Zachary Branch** on Tuesday, July 3, at 2:00 p.m. This is a super easy, super cool craft that you’ll want to do again and again!

• **Scratch Board CD Art:** Come to the **Zachary Branch** on Tuesday, July 10, at 2:00 p.m. where teens will be making scratch board art using recycled CDs!

**Teen Digital Media Challenge**

Got what it takes to be a star? Come express yourself with the Teen Digital Media Challenge and you, too, can Own the Night! If music or poetry is your thing, record your trills using GarageBand on our iPads. If acting is more your style, produce your own short film or music video using our Flip cameras.

What you decide to create is up to you! All submissions will be uploaded to YouTube (www.youtube.com/user/EBRPLTeens) on July 16 and YOU pick the winner (voting ends July 23, winner announced July 26). You could win an iPod Shuffle or Flip camera, so start thinking! This is your chance to go viral! Remember to bring a flash drive if you want to save your files.

For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

**Media Lab Dates – 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

- **Tuesday, July 10** – Eden Park Branch
- **Tuesday, July 11** – Baker Branch

**Crocheting With Plarn**

If you know how to crochet, but want to do something different, join us to learn how to make and crochet with “plarn”!

You’ll learn how to make the plarn out of ordinary plastic grocery bags, and learn how to crochet them into a fun bag for summer or a cool candy dish!

For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

**Main Library**
Tuesday, July 10, 2:00 p.m.

**Zachary Branch**
Tuesday, July 17, 2:00 p.m.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**
Wednesday, July 25, 2:30 p.m.

**No-Sew Bandana Bags!**

Don’t know how to sew but would like to have an awesomely cool bag to carry this summer? Come make a bandana bag with bandanas that have the coolest designs, including multi-colored bandanas, bandanas with owls and bandanas with peace signs!

No sewing, just tying up loose ends and putting on beads. Lots of fun!

For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

**Baker Branch**
Monday, July 2, 3:00 p.m.

**Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**
Monday, July 23, 2:30 p.m.

**Pride-Chaneyville Branch**
Tuesday, July 24, 1:00 p.m.
Dance, Dance, Dance

If you think you’ve got what it takes to be the last dancer standing, then we’re looking for you. Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, July 19, at 4:00 p.m. where we’ll be holding a dance, dance, dance off! For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7500.

Want another dance challenge? If you love to dance and you know that you are a better dancer than the rest, then come to the Central Branch on Tuesday, July 24, at 3:00 p.m. and show everyone what you’ve got! Come and play Dance Central on the Library’s new Xbox Kinect!

For more information or to register, call (225) 262-2660.

Teen Memory Boxes

Teens will paint and decorate a recycled wooden cigar box to create a personalized keepsake to store their summer memories.

For more information, call the individual branch.

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
Monday, July 2, 2:30 p.m.

Delmont Gardens Branch
Tuesday, July 3, 2:30 p.m.

Main Library
Thursday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.

Eden Park Branch
Thursday, July 19, 2:30 p.m.

River Center Branch
Thursday, July 19, 2:30 p.m.

Carver Branch
Tuesday, July 24, 2:30 p.m.

Gaming at the Library

There’s no excuse for being bored this summer! We have so many games going on at our libraries, surely you’ll find something you like! For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

- **Twilight Jeopardy:** We’re playing a special Twilight-themed game of Jeopardy at the River Center Branch on Tuesday, July 17, at 2:00 p.m.

- **Draw Something:** Like the game on the iPhone, we’ll take the fun to a big, white board for a game of Pictionary! If you love this game, come on down to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Monday, July 16, at 1:00 p.m. and get in on the action!

- **Minute to Win It:** Just like the television program, teens will have only one minute to accomplish one silly task after another. Come and join the fun at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Thursday, July 12, at 10:00 a.m.

- **Teen Game Day:** Come rock out at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, July 18, at 2:30 p.m. where teens will play Guitar Hero.

- **Minute to Win It:** Teens will break up into groups and compete in several different 60-second challenges at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, July 5, at 2:30 p.m.

- **Super Smash Brothers Brawl:** Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, July 24, at 2:30 p.m. to have one last hurrah before summer is over! Teens will play Super Smash Brothers Brawl on the Wii!

- **Board Game Day:** Teens come and hang out at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Wednesday, July 18, at 2:30 p.m. where you can play a variety of games!

- **Draw Something:** Teens will be divided into teams at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Monday, July 9, at 2:30 p.m. where they’ll have one minute to draw an object for their team to guess.

- **Bingo:** Come to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Wednesday, July 18, at 10:30 a.m. and enjoy a tasty snack while playing Bingo!

- **Retro Game Day:** If you’re great at board games, here’s your chance to show it off! Come and test your skills at the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, July 3, at 2:30 p.m. where teens will be blasting into the past with some retro board games.

- **Super Smash Brothers on the Wii!** Teens and tweens are invited to the Central Branch on Tuesday, July 17, at 3:00 p.m. for two hours jammed-packed with fun on the Wii, playing Super Smash Brothers!

- **Battle Tekken:** Tweens and teens are invited to do video game combat at the Carver Branch on Monday, July 2, at 3:00 p.m. We’ll be playing Tekken on the Xbox 360!

- **It’s Old School Night:** Get all dressed up in clothes from your favorite period of the past and come to the Library for a fun game night! We’ll be blasting into the past at the Zachary Branch on Thursday, July 12, at 6:30 p.m. while listening to the Beatles and other classic music.

Steampunk Boxes

Do you geek steampunk? Do you know what steampunk is? Either way, join other teens as they turn Altoid tins into steampunk boxes in which to store their tiny treasures at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Monday, July 9, at 2:00 p.m. Materials supplied or you may bring your own small items with which to decorate the tins.

For more information or to register, call (225) 763-2270.
There’s No Place Like Outer Space

It’s that time of year again! Staff from the Highland Road Park Observatory return to present space displays and science demonstrations for children ages 8-11 to enjoy. Families will also learn about viewing the Sun safely, skygazing for children, “ham” radio, and meteors!

If you love all things outer space, you’ll have a blast at this program!

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Harvey Rabbit and Friends!

Join Harvey Rabbit, Cecil the Orangutan, Miss Laura and Mr. Tim as they bring fun and mayhem to the library with live action, puppetry, music and more! It just wouldn’t be summer without a visit from this group!

Dates and times are listed below.

Registration is required. For more information or to register, contact the individual library branch.

This program is supported in part by a Decentralized Arts Funding Grant from the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge in cooperation with the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, and Louisiana State Arts Council.

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Disney Dance Dance Revolution

Do you love Disney? Do you love to dance?

Get ready to dance your heart to some favorite Disney tunes and hang out with your fellow dancers at the Scotlandville Branch on Monday, July 2, at 3:00 p.m.

Want more Disney dancing? Come and express yourself again at the Carver Branch on Monday, July 16, at 4:00 p.m. where we will again provide Dance Dance Revolution: Disney Edition for kids to play!

We’re going to have a blast, Disney-style!

For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7560 or (225) 389-7460.
Dream Big, Asleep and Awake

We’re still in Summer Reading mode, and that means we’re still dreaming BIG! We have lots of storytimes and crafts for you this month, all about dreaming, whether asleep or awake! Registration is required for some programs. For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

- **Counting Sheep Storytime & Craft:** Children ages 3-8 are invited to the **Baker Branch** for an evening storytime featuring bedtime stories about sheep, including *Russell the Sheep* by Rob Scotton, on Thursday, July 5, at 6:00 p.m.

- **Sleepytime Bear:** Come listen to a bedtime story at the **Baker Branch** and make a paper bear and a bed to tuck your teddy bear in on Saturday, July 14, at 3:00 p.m. For children ages 3-8.

- **Nighty-Night Storytime:** Join us at the **Central Branch** for a special nighty-night storytime on Tuesday, July 3, at 6:30 p.m. Stay to make a special moon and stars wreath. For children ages 2 and up.

- **Nighty-Night Wreath Make and Take Craft:** Children ages 2-11 can come to **Delmont Gardens** any time between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, to Friday, July 20, and make their own nighty-night wreath.

- **Dream Pillow:** Children ages 8-11 will listen to *Dream Hop* by Julia Durango at the **Jones Creek Regional Branch** on Tuesday, July 3, at 2:30 p.m. After the story, each child will make a dream pillow.

- **Bedtime Wreath:** Children will hear the book *Time for Bed* by Mem Fox at the **Jones Creek Regional Branch**, and then make a bedtime wreath on Thursday, July 5, at 10:30 a.m.

- **Goodnight Bear:** Staff will read *The Three Bears* by Byron Barton to children ages 3-7 at the **Jones Creek Regional Branch** on Monday, July 9, at 10:30 a.m.

- **Count Sheep into Dreamland:** Children ages 4-6 will listen to the stories, *When Sheep Cannot Sleep* by Satoshi Kitamura, and *Counting Sheep* by John Archambault at the **Pride-Chaneyville Branch**, and then create their very own dreamy, soft sheep on Wednesday, July 18, at 2:30 p.m.

- **Dream of Flowers:** On Monday, July 9, at 3:00 p.m., children ages 6-11 will listen to the story, *Chrysanthemum* by Kevin Henkes at the **Carver Branch**, and then design their own flower.

- **Dreamcatcher:** Children ages 8-11 will read *Buffalo Dreams* by Kim Doner at the **Jones Creek Regional Branch** and then make a dreamcatcher on Monday, July 16, at 2:30 p.m.

- **Dream Cloud Mobile:** After hearing the story *It Looked Like Spilt Milk* by Charles Shaw, children ages 6-11 will make a dream cloud mobile at the **Jones Creek Regional Branch** on Wednesday, July 18, 2:30 p.m.

- **Dot Dream Painting:** Children ages 8-11 will read the story *Ready to Dream* by Donna Napoli at the **Jones Creek Regional Branch** and then create a dreamtime painting on Thursday, July 19, at 2:30 p.m.

- **Royal Dreams - Stories and Crowns:** To celebrate the beauty of dreams, we’ll read royal stories at the **Main Library** and construct our very own crowns on Thursday, July 19, at 2:30 p.m.

- **Create a Dream Flower:** After listening to the story, *The Little Seed*, by Eric Carle, children will create a colorful dream flower at the **Pride-Chaneyville Branch** on Monday, July 2, at 2:30 p.m.
• **Dream Big Story and Craft:** At the **Baker Branch**, we will have a reading of the inspiring book, *Long Shot: Never Too Small to Dream Big* by basketball player Chris Paul Thursday, July 17, at 4:00 p.m.

• **Catch a Dream:** At the **Bluebonnet Regional Branch**, children ages 8 and up will listen to the story, *Buffalo Dreams* by Kim Doner, and then learn to make a Native American dreamcatcher on Monday, July 16, at 2:30 p.m.

**Storytimes about Space and the Sky!**

Make your own rocket ship or learn about star patterns! Registration is required for some programs. For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

• **Rocket to Space Storytime:** At the **Baker Branch**, a storytime for young children ages 2-5 will feature books and rhymes about rockets on Saturday, July 7, at 3:00 p.m.

• **Rocket Story Craft:** Join us at the **Delmont Gardens Branch** to hear the stories, *This Rocket* by Paul Collicutt and *Happy Birthday, America* by Marsha Wilson Chall on Monday, July 2, at 3:00 p.m. Afterwards, we will build our very own rocket ships out of construction paper and paper towel rolls.

• **Space Explorers’ Extravaganza:** Join us as we play games, do experiments, and learn lessons about space and space exploration at the **Scotlandville Branch** on Thursday, July 5, at 10:00 a.m.

• **Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star – Gator:** Children ages 3-5 will learn about star patterns at the **Main Library** as they join us for stories and a constellation craft on Thursday, July 12, at 10:30 a.m.

• **What the Sun Sees, What the Moon Sees:** Nancy Tafuri’s lovely book, *What the Sun Sees, What the Moon Sees,* will be read to children ages 3-6 at the **Bluebonnet Regional Branch**, and then we’ll make a night and day craft with the sun, moon, and stars on Tuesday, July 10, at 10:30 a.m.

• **Ladybug Love**

  Check out these storytimes and crafts all about ladybugs! Registration is required for some programs. For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

  • **Little Hands Craft Time – Ladybug:** Children ages 2-5 are invited to join us at the **Zachary Branch** to learn about ladybugs and to make one to take home on Wednesday, July 11, at 10:30 a.m.

  • **Ladybug Storytime:** Children ages 4-8 will read *Can You Make a Scary Face?* by Jan Thomas and then read other ladybug books at the **River Center Branch** on Monday, July 2, at 10:00 a.m.

  • **Ladybug Girl Storycraft:** Join us for a special reading of David Soman’s *Ladybug Girl* and a ladybug craft based on the story at the **Central Branch** on Saturday, July 7, at 3:00 p.m.

• **Dog Days of Summer**

  Members of the Louisiana Capital City Obedience Club along with their canine friends will demonstrate and share tips for obedience, agility training, and socialization at the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, July 14, at 10:00 a.m.

  For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7560.

**Let’s Learn about Fire Safety!**

Parents, you have two chances this month to learn about fire safety with your kids!

First, you can come to the **Central Branch** where Capt. Derek Glover of the Central Fire Department will speak on Thursday, July 5, at 10:00 a.m.

Then, you can come and enjoy a visit from Patches the Fire Dog and see a real fire truck from the Baton Rouge Fire Department at the **Scotlandville Branch**, where David Sevier and his robot partner Patches will share important fire safety tips on Tuesday, July 10, at 10:30 a.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 262-2660 or (225) 354-7560.

**Toys and Games from the Past**

John O’Neill from the Centenary State Historic Site will present and discuss children’s games from the past at the **Central Branch** on Thursday, July 12, at 10:00 a.m. Then he will join us at the **Pride-Chaneyville Branch** to discuss Toys and Games from the Past and Civil War Medicine on Thursday, July 12, at 1:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 262-2660 or (225) 658-1560.
Dream Big—Read With Mary Jo Kelly, the Book Doctor

Local librarian, Dr. Mary Jo Kelly will be presenting a delightful hour of storytelling at three of our Library branches for Children’s Services in July. Mary Jo will entertain the audience with dreamy tales and stories!

Please see list below for performance dates, times and locations. For more information or to register, contact the individual branch.

Carver Branch
Wednesday, July 18, 10:00 a.m.

Delmont Gardens Branch
Tuesday, July 17, 10:00 a.m.

Greenwell Springs Regional Branch
Thursday, July 12, 10:00 a.m.

Christmas in July

Ever heard of Christmas in July? Whether the idea is weird or interesting to you, come join us! Registration is required for some programs. For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

• Christmas in July: We’re having Christmas in July at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch! Come hear Arthur Yorinks’ humorous story, Christmas in July, and then make a festive paper ornament with multicolored lights on Monday, July 2, at 3:00 p.m.

• Librarian’s Night Before Christmas: We are going to celebrate Christmas in July at the Delmont Gardens Branch with the story, Librarian’s Night Before Christmas by David Davis on Thursday, July 5, at 2:00 p.m.

• Snow in July: The Snowy Day by Jack Ezra Keats recently celebrated its 50th birthday – why not come to the Eden Park Branch and celebrate snow in July on Wednesday, July 11, at 2:00 p.m.

Tri-Parish Ballet Presents Sleeping Beauty

Join us as the Tri Parish Ballet’s young dancers spin the enchanting tale of Sleeping Beauty for children ages 3 and up at all 13 of our library locations.

The Tri-Parish Ballet Company includes children from East Baton Rouge Parish, Livingston Parish and Ascension Parish.

This ballet is sure to both delight and enchant our audience.

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Lucky Lacowski’s Really Big Dream

Playmakers of Baton Rouge will present Lucky Lacowski’s Really Big Dream at several of our Library branches for Children’s Services in July.

Luke Lacowski has the worst luck! It seems like he’s always getting into trouble for something someone else does. Certain he is jinxed, he locks himself in his room with a pile of his favorite books. After an adventurous and exciting night with Hip Hop Dream Cloud, he wakes up refreshed and hopeful he can finally turn his luck around.

Please see list below for performance dates, times and locations. For more information about the Playmakers of Baton Rouge, visit their website www.playmakers.net.

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Celebrate the 4th of July

Independence Day is here! Celebrate the holiday and America with these fun programs. Registration is required for some programs. For more information or to register, call the individual branch.

4th of July Dream Big Star: Celebrate the upcoming 4th of July at the Eden Park Branch with a reading of Hat’s Off to the Fourth of July by Harriet Ziefert and by making a “Dream Big Star” pendant to hang around your neck on Monday, July 2, at 3:00 p.m.

My Heart Belongs to the USA: Visit the Main Library’s Children’s Room between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 2, for a make and take craft to commemorate Independence Day.

Hooray for the Red, White, and Blue: Did you know the flag which flew over Ft. McHenry and which served as inspiration for The Star Spangled Banner was 30 by 40 feet? Join us at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch to learn just how big this is on Tuesday, July 3, at 10:30 a.m. Then we will sing patriotic songs and make handprint flag pictures.

Police Animals

See how animals help police officers!

First, come to the Carver Branch and watch a demonstration by the Baton Rouge City Police Department featuring their incredible K-9 units on Monday, July 9, at 10:30 a.m. The handlers will talk about their dogs, explain how they help law enforcement and demonstrate some of their special skills.

Then, the Baton Rouge Police Force is ready to trot out the Mounted Patrol Unit at the Scotlandville Branch to provide us with a demonstration of their day to day activities. Families are welcome to come meet the officers and their equestrian partners on Tuesday, July 17, at 11:00 a.m.

Groups must register. For more information or to register, call (225) 389-7460 or (225) 354-7560.

Kids’ Book Clubs

Get together with other kids and read! Check out these kids’ book clubs:

- Scotlandville Children’s Reading Club: Join us every Thursday afternoon for our Scotlandville Children’s Reading Club! This month’s meetings will take place on Thursdays, July 5, 12, and 19, at 4:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7560.

- Children’s Book Club: Children ages 7-11 are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch to participate in our book club meetings Thursdays, July 5 and 19, at 2:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4460.

- Reading Garden Club: Children ages 5-11 will share a book together, plant vegetable and flower seeds and care for the plants as we watch them grow throughout the summer at the Carver Branch! This month, we’ll meet on Tuesdays, July 3 and 17, at 4:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call (225) 389-7460.

The Three Little Cajun Pigs

Be a pig or wolf for a day! Children ages 5-9 will listen to the amusing story, The Three Little Cajun Pigs by Mike Artell at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch, and then make an adorable pig or wolf mask to bring home on Thursday, July 12, at 10:30 a.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 763-2260.

There’s No Such Thing as Monsters?

After listening to Amanda Noll’s I Need My Monsters, children ages 6 and up will make salt dough monsters at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Monday, July 9, at 2:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 763-2260.

So You Want to be President?

Children ages 7-11 will read the book So You Want to be President? by Judith St. George, at the Carver Branch, and then they will make a paper star pendant on Tuesday, July 3, at 3:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 389-7460.

Wild Things

Join us at the Carver Branch to read Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak and make our own “Wild Things” masks using paper bags and paint on Thursday, July 5, at 3:00 p.m.

Monsters aren’t so scary when you’re one too!

For more information, call (225) 389-7460.
Good Ole Summertime Pinwheel
Children ages 5-11 will listen to the story *The Wind Blew* by Pat Hutchins at the Jones Creek Regional Branch and then make a colorful pinwheel on Thursday, July 12, at 2:30 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1160.

Summer Chess
Volunteers from the Baton Rouge Chess Club will teach the basic moves and strategies for children ages 9 and older at the Main Library on Saturdays, July 14 and 28, at 10:00 a.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 231-3760.

Of Moving Colors
Of Moving Colors will perform dances from their repertoire along with a special performance from their “Dream and Dance Corp” at the Main Library on Saturday, July 21, at 11:00 a.m.
For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Owl Puppet
Children ages 4-8 will listen to *Little White Owl* by Tracey Corderoy at the Jones Creek Regional Branch and then make an owl puppet on Wednesday, July 11, at 2:30 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1160.

Summer Party Movie Day
Wear your PJs, bring a morning snack, and join us at the Delmont Gardens Branch as we watch some videos for a fun Slumber Party Movie Morning on Saturday, July 7, at 10:45 a.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7060.

Library Olympics
Children ages 2-11 can join us at the Delmont Gardens Branch for the Library Olympics, where we’ll test our skills at relay races, candlestick jumping, ring tossing, and so much more on Saturday, July 21, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Group registration required.
For more information, call (225) 354-7060.

Kool Smiles General Dentistry for Kids and Parents
Gwendolyn Battiste, hygienist and “tooth fairy” from Kool Smiles, will speak to children about keeping their pearly whites healthy and clean at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Monday, July 9, at 10:30 a.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4460.

Prince/Princess Story/Craft
Children ages 5-11 are invited to come and be a prince or a princess for the day at the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, July 10, at 2:30 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 231-3260.

Paper Plate Raccoon Story/Craft
Children ages 6 and up will enjoy making an adorable raccoon craft and then listening to *Ready for Anything!* by Keiko Kasza on Wednesday, July 11, at 2:00 p.m. at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch.
For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4460.

Plastic Water Bottle Flower
At the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch, children ages 5 and up will turn ordinary plastic water bottles into works of flower art and then learn more about living green from the book, *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle* by Cecilia Minden on Wednesday, July 18, at 2:00 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 274-4460.

Alien Headband
Children ages 4-11 will listen to *I Love You Stinky Face* by Lisa McCourt at the Jones Creek Regional Branch and then make an alien headband on Tuesday, July 10, at 3:00 p.m.
For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1160.
Create a Slithery Snake!

Children ages 6-9 will listen to the story *Slithery Snake* by Rose-Marie Provencher, and then create a springy python snake at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, July 21, 2:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 658-1560.

Glow Bug Storytime and Craft

Children ages 4-8 will read *Fireflies in the Night* by Judy Hawes and other nighttime stories at the River Center Branch on Thursday, July 5, at 10:00 a.m. Afterwards, children will make their very own glow bugs using plastic eggs, LED tea lights, pipe cleaners, eye stickers, duct tape and markers.

For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Campfire Storytime and Craft

Children ages 7-11 will read *Tacky Goes to Camp* by Helen Lester and other campfire stories at the River Center Branch on Monday, July 9, at 10:00 a.m. Then we will make a sit-upon out of duct tape and polyester pillow stuffing for your next camping trip.

For more information or to register, call (225) 389-4959.

Rope Storytime and Craft

Join us at the River Center Branch for a rope storytime and craft on Thursday, July 12, at 2:00 p.m. We will read *The Rope* by Jor Kuika and other outdoor stories. After, children will learn how to make rope and learn a special trick using the new rope that they have made.

For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Pirates Storytime and Craft

Children ages 3-9 will read *Blackbeard: Pirate for Hire* by Matthew McElligott and other pirate books at the River Center Branch on Monday, July 16, at 10:00 a.m. Then, children will make their own pirate hats, eye patches, treasure and treasure maps. Group registration required.

For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Superhero Storytime and Craft

Come to the River Center Branch for a special superhero storytime where we will read *The Astonishing Secret of Awesome Man* by Michael Chabon and other superhero stories on Wednesday, July 18, at 2:00 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Kaleidoscope of Colors Storycraft

Children ages 3-5 will create a beautiful crayon etching while they listen to colorful books like Alison Jay’s *Red Green Blue* and *Color Chaos* by Lynn Rowe Reed on Monday, July 2, at 10:00 a.m. at the Scotlandville Branch.

For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7560.

**Book Buds**

Zachary Branch teens will become reading buddies with children in grades 1-4, meeting weekly through July 12 in an effort to help the younger children retain their reading skills over the summer vacation. The teens will share their love of books as they listen to the younger children read Thursdays, July 5 and 12, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 658-1870.

**Star Wars Trivia**

Fourth, fifth and sixth graders, it’s your time to shine! Think you know your *Star Wars*? Compete in a trivia contest at the Zachary Branch based on the three children’s books in the *Star Wars* trilogy by Ryder Windham. Bring your family and friends to cheer you on Wednesday, July 18, 2:00 p.m. Come by the library to check out the books.

For more information or to register, call (225) 658-1860.

**The Wartville Wizard**

The Baton Rouge Garden Club will perform their play, *The Wartville Wizard*, for children of all ages at the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, July 12, at 10:00 a.m. Children will be entertained by the wizard and his “Power Over Trash” as they learn about keeping the environment clean and green for the future.

For more information or to register, call (225) 354-7560.
Contemporary Craze!

The Kris Cangelosi Dance Project performed “Contemporary Craze” at all of our branches in June. The Dance Project joins us each summer with this exciting program for children.

Construction Junction!

Children get to take an up-close-and-personal look at the construction going on behind the current Main Library in our program series, “Construction Junction.” In June, kids learned about the crane and made cement. Keep your eye out for future programs just like this as we continue to watch the new Main Library appear before our eyes!
Storytime at the Library

Storytime gives children an excellent introduction to books and the library, increases their attention spans, and develops their social skills by involving them in stories, poetry, and songs. The Children’s Services staff hopes Storytime will be an enjoyable experience for each child, leading to a lifelong love of books and reading.

You are always welcome to attend Storytime with your child. We offer seven different Storytime formats. Since children develop at different rates, you may talk with one of our library staff members to place your child in a younger or older group.

For more information, call your local library. Organized groups must reserve a date and time other than those listed below.

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Ol’ Bloo’s Boogie Woogie Band and Blues Ensemble

Children ages 6-9 will listen to Ol’ Bloo’s Boogie Woogie Band and Blues Ensemble by Jan Huling at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, July 5, at 10:30 a.m., and then color, cut and glue their favorite character to a popsicle stick to bring home.

For more information or to register, call (225) 763-2260.

Cheese Making

Professor Chuck Boeneke will explain the cheese-making process and share a wonderful cheese story with children ages 6-11 at the Carver Branch on Thursday, July 12, at 10:30 a.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 389-7460.

Brown Bear Brown Bear What Do You See? Story/Craft

Come and join the fun at the Central Branch when we read Brown Bear Brown Bear What Do You See? by Bill Martin, Jr., and make brown bear stick puppets at the Central Branch on Tuesday, July 17, at 10:30 a.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 262-2660.

Tae Kwon Do Demonstration

Join us at the Central Branch when area Tae Kwon Do expert Jacob Langston and his Tae Kwon Do students demonstrate some basics of Tae Kwon Do for children ages 5 and up on Thursday, July 19, at 10:00 a.m.

For more information, call (225) 262-2660.
Baker Branch
Mary Wells
Artist Mary Wells will exhibit her work.

Bluebonnet Regional Branch
Inspired by Van Gogh’s “Starry Night”
Works based off of “Starry Night” will be displayed.

Carver Branch
Ribbons Through Time
A literary and pictorial history of the Carver Branch.

Eden Park
Baton Rouge Contribution to Louisiana Flavor
In celebration of the Louisiana Bicentennial.
Emerson Bell
Selected works of the late artist Emerson Bell.

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
Faith Works
Lesley Jeanpierre displays her artwork.
The Hat Parlor Collection
Vintage hats, gloves, handbags, jewelry and scarves.

Jones Creek Regional Branch
2012 American Girls Doll Wardrobe
Red Stick Smocking and Fine Needle Art Guild display their handmade wardrobe for McKenna, 2012 American Girls Doll.
Baton Rouge Historical Mural
A rendering in oil paint depicts the history of Baton Rouge.

On View at the Library