The Basque Influence in Louisiana

Mr. Goitia-Nicolas from the Louisiana Basque-American Society and Cultural Organization, (LABASCO) will present two lectures on the Basque influence in Louisiana at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, August 10, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The first lecture will be followed by a study of unique Basque names found around Louisiana.

While you may know that your ancestors came from France or Spain, many local families could actually trace their origins more specifically to this region. Names like Barbe, Cachere, Charbonnet, Gayarre, LeComb, Lemoyne and others, could all have Basque ties. Come and find out if you’re a part of this cultural group.

For more information and to register, call (225) 763-2283.

Fresh Ideas for the Fall Season!

Are you gearing up for the return of parties and entertaining this fall? Here’s your chance to check out what’s hot in food and party hosting this season. Come to the River Center Branch on Wednesday, August 7, at 12:00 p.m. where The Advocate Food Editor, Cheramie Sonnier will share new cookbooks that celebrate fall entertaining, including party planning ideas and fresh recipes for salads, drinks and other delectable dishes! For more information, call (225) 389-4967.

The Tudors on Film and Television

Dr. William Robison will discuss his latest book, The Tudors on Film and Television, at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 2:30 p.m. With a mix of family drama, sex and violence, Britain’s Tudor dynasty has long excited the interest of filmmakers and moviegoers. Since the birth of movie-making technology, the lives of kings and queens have remained popular cinematic themes. Come to the library to chat with Dr. Robison about book, and stay for the book signing after the presentation.

For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1150.
Carver Fit Club

Adults and young adults are invited to the library to get fit! Come to the Carver Branch on each Tuesday in the month of August, at 5:00 p.m. to observe and/or participate in monthly exercise demonstrations. This month’s focus will be on Pilates. Be sure to wear comfortable clothing, and bring your mats, towels, and bottled water. Let’s get moving! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Family Reunion Planning

Family gatherings and celebrations are so much fun! However, quite a bit of time and effort go into making your family event a success. Adults are invited to the Eden Park Branch on Saturday, August 3, at 3:00 p.m. to receive tips and guidance from reunion planner, Doris Grimes that will help to make your family get-together fun and festive, but most of all, memorable! Can’t make it? Check out online classes on event planning with Learn4Life, formally Ed2Go. Just visit our website, www.ebrpl.com. For more information and to register for this program, call (225) 231-3240.

Construction Update

Main Library

Signage goes up on the front of the new Main Library.

The new building contains lofty spaces for adults (above), as well as whimsical areas for children (left).

Greenwell Springs Branch

New automatic doors are installed at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch.

River Center Branch

Architect’s renderings of the new River Center Branch Library from Town Square and from Galvez Plaza.
The Sassi Strippers Quilt Guild Quilting Demonstration

The Sassi Stripper Quilt Guild will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 10:00 a.m. to present a demonstration on quilting for adults. We’ll be stuffing fabric bears and drawing on fabric squares to be included in a quilt that will be donated to Our Lady of the Lake Children’s Hospital. Feel free to come with your questions about quilting!

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

Alzheimer’s Caregivers Support Meetings

Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area sponsors caring meetings where families and friends can share their experiences and learn essential information for coping with Alzheimer’s or dementia. Caregiver Network Groups meet regularly and are free and open to the public. A new group will begin at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Monday, August 19, with one hour meetings starting at 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Diane Miller from Lifesource Hospice and Kathryn Schillings from Alzheimer’s Services of the Capital Area will be present to answer questions and offer support. For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Reach Your Life's Goals

Motivational speaker, Ed Bourgeois will offer ideas on reaching your life goals at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Bourgeois’ presentation is filled with humor and down-home advice for planning for successful endeavors.

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

Check Out the Library on Tumblr!

The library is now on Tumblr, and we’re excited to unveil our official East Baton Rouge Parish Library page!

You don’t need your own account to check us out, just visit http://ebrpl.tumblr.com/. Be sure to follow us for the latest on your library and other fun topics!

For more information, call (225) 231-3750.

Back to School Family Nite Bingo @ the Library

Summer vacation comes and goes too quickly but our back to school Bingo offers a FUN night for the whole family! Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, August 21, at 7:00 p.m. to enjoy an evening playing this classic game! Be sure to bring or wear something with an apple motif. Prizes will be given!

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

Meet the Mounted Police Patrol Unit

The Mounted Patrol Unit of the Baton Rouge Police Department is back, and they’re ready to trot out with a demonstration of their daily activities! Families and children of all ages are invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, August 3, at 10:30 a.m. to meet the officers and their equestrian partners! For their safety, children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult or responsible adolescent. For more information, call (225) 763-2260.

I’m a Poet and I Know It!

Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, August 8, at 6:00 p.m. to meet with other poetic minds and share your original poetry over coffee. Local author and poet, Sylvia Chatman will direct the presentations. Join us!

For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3250.
Three Chances to Play Bingo @ the Library!

Come and play the classic game of Bingo at the Carver Branch on Friday, August 16, at 10:00 a.m. For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

This game never goes out of style! Adults are invited to the Main Library on Tuesday, August 20, at 10:00 a.m. to hang out and play the classic game of Bingo! For more information, call (225) 231-3740.

Adults can hang out at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Wednesday, August 21, at 10:30 a.m. and play the classic game of Bingo! Winners will receive prizes. For more information, call (225) 354-7050.

Exploring Entrepreneurship

International business consultant, entrepreneur, author and founder of Virtual International Business Solutions, Tonia Askins will conduct a workshop at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, August 8, at 5:30 p.m. to discuss her book, You’ve Been Fired! Now What? and to provide advice and instruction on the ins and outs of entrepreneurship. Following the workshop, there will be a book signing of her book. Can’t make it? Check her out at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 31, at 1:00 p.m. For more information and to register, call the individual branch.

Start, Grow and Succeed in Your Own Business

Have you ever dreamed of becoming your own boss? Maybe you have a lot of business ideas, but you don’t know how to get started. Perhaps you already own your business but stuck in a rut. Business owner and Senior Business Coach for the Kauffman Foundation, Gary Anderson will explain what it takes to start, grow and succeed in your business at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Wednesday, August 28, at 11:30 a.m. Mr. Anderson’s presentation will address these issues and others, so come by to get the tips you need! For more information and to register, call (225) 381-8434.

Sweet Movies for Seniors

Seniors are invited to the Carver Branch on Monday, August 12, at 10:00 a.m. to watch a classic film set during World War II involving intrigue, danger and romance! For more information or to find out the title of the movie, call (225) 389-7450.

Movie Night @ Carver

Adults can join us for movie night at the Carver Branch on Thursday, August 15, at 5:30 p.m. We’ll kick off with a popular football movie about a high school team’s trials and triumphs. For more information or to find out the title of the movie, call (225) 389-7450.

Hot Moves to Latin Grooves!

Loosen up and learn some hot new moves at the library! Adults are invited to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 4:00 p.m. to join LaTosha Mullins and her friends from Salsa Social (You, Me and More), when they demonstrate and teach the basics of popular Latin dances like the Salsa, Merengue, and Bachata! You won’t want to miss this one! For more information, call (225) 354-7050.
Identity Theft: A Financial Seminar

You may be wondering what Identity Theft is exactly. How can you prevent becoming a victim? What if your identity is stolen, what should you do? Bennett Blackledge and Pat Talamo of the Gulf Coast Bank and Trust will conduct a financial seminar designed to answer all of these questions and more at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 6:00 p.m. For more information, call (225) 274-4440.

Ask a Lawyer

Take advantage of free and individual counseling sessions offered by the Pro Bono Project of the Baton Rouge Bar Association. Area attorneys will be available for private, one-on-one 15-minute sessions for legal advice on a first-come, first-served basis on Saturday, August 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Jones Creek Regional Branch. For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Your Social Security

Do you have questions about your Social Security? A representative from the Social Security Administration Office will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, August 15, 4:00 p.m. to answer your questions, and lead a discussion on topics like disability, Medicare, Medicaid, estimating your benefits, marriage requirements for survivor benefits, and more! For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1150.

Spilling the Beans:
Unintended GMO Health Risks

Baton Rouge resident, Lorenzo Murphy will present an informational program at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, August 15, at 2:00 p.m. on safe-guarding ourselves from environmental risks, and from food additives that can endanger our health. Murphy believes that we are taking risks daily with genetically modified foods, (GMO) added to our diet, making it hazardous to our health and the environment. For more information, call (225) 354-7050.

Self Defense Tactics

Deputy Antonio Carter from the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff’s Office will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 20, at 6:30 p.m. to teach participants some behaviors and moves that could save them if they were ever threatened or attacked. For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1150.

Scrapbook Your Special Memories

Join us at the Delmont Gardens Branch Library, on Saturdays, August 17 and 31, at 10:00 a.m. for a series of scrapbooking classes! Bring old and new photos, mementos from vacation and travel, bits of fabric from a favorite, but long gone outfit, or any other memory-bearing object, and scrapbook them! Scrapbookers on all experience levels are welcome! Please bring your own scrapbook paper. For more information, call (225) 354-7050.
Mindful Meditation

Enjoy an hour of relaxation and quiet your mind from the busyness of daily life. Come to the Eden Park Branch on Monday, August 5, at 10:00 a.m. to learn the art of meditation which has benefits including stress relief, mental clarity, focus and biofeedback. For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3250.

Aspiring Actors Interactive Workshop

Professional Acting Coach, Niesha Bently will conduct a two day workshop at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 3:00 p.m. and Sunday, August 25, at 2:00 p.m. to teach and demonstrate tools of acting including skit performance, stage movement as well as film and theatre exercises. Be sure to dress comfortably. For more information and to register, call (225) 274-4440.

Knitting Lessons @ the Library

Adults can learn the basics of knitting at the Fairwood Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 6:00 p.m. You’ll find out how to cast-on and create your first stitches! For more information, call (225) 924-9385.

Carver Crochet Club

Here’s a fun activity for adults and teens to enjoy! Come and participate in the Carver Branch crochet club on Wednesday, August 21, at 5:30 p.m. All levels of ability are welcome. Feel free to bring your own needles, yarn and projects to work on, but supplies will be available. For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Crochet & Knit Club

Get together with other yarn junkies at the Fairwood Branch on Tuesday, August 20, at 6:00 p.m. for conversation and to share your latest crafting ideas, and learn new ones! For more information, call (225) 924-9385.

Through My Eyes Art Club

Everyone’s an artist! Let your creative juices flow at the Eden Park Branch on Friday, August 16, at 3:30 p.m. when local artist Kim Lewis guides adults in a fun and creative project! For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3240.

Introduction to Chess

Adults can come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 11:00 a.m. to learn the basics of chess. For more information, call (225) 274-4440.

Afternoon Knights: Chess @ Carver

We’re continuing our monthly chess matchups! Players on all skill levels are invited to the Carver Branch on Monday, August 19, at 3:00 p.m. It doesn’t matter whether you’re a pawn or a king! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Bridge Training Classes

Charley Handy of the Baton Rouge Duplicate Bridge Club will be at the Scotlandville Branch on each Tuesday and Thursday in the month of August, at 10:30 a.m. to continue bridge training classes for newcomers to the game. The class will cover bridge basics for beginners and will get you started in learning the rules of the game. For more information and to register, call (225) 354-7540.

Scrabble Nite @ Jones Creek

Join us for a night of fun to see who is master of this popular word game! Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on every Tuesday in the month of August, at 6:30 p.m. to compete as a team, and challenge yourself in the game of Scrabble! For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1150.

Sign-up for the Library Elf!

Take advantage of the Library Elf, a free service available to all East Baton Rouge Parish Library patrons. With it, you can be notified by e-mail alerts before library materials become overdue and avoid late fees. There’s even a plan for families! Just sign-up at www.libraryelf.com and let Library Elf do the remembering for you!
The Stitcher Mixer

Tweens, teens and adults—guys and gals of every age and skill level are invited to The Stitcher Mixer! Yarn junkies can come to the Main Library on Tuesdays, August 6 and 20, at 7:00 p.m. to learn how to knit a simple ribbed scarf. If you would like to bring your project home with you, just bring a pair of size 9, 10 or 11 needles and one ball of worsted or bulky yarn. We’ll also have plenty materials and needles available for use! For more information, call (225) 231-3740.

Christmas Ornament Felties

Owls are so cute, and are all the rage in fashion this season! Come to the River Center Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 10:00 p.m. to create owl Christmas ornament felties! Make one with pointy ears or a beard like Santa. Be creative, the possibilities are endless! It’s never too soon to get a head start on holiday preparations! For more information and to register, call (225) 389-4967.

Learn How to Make an Apple Swan

A student from the Louisiana Culinary Institute will demonstrate how to cut a simple apple into a swan at the Central Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 1:00 p.m. Use your apple swan making skills to decorate your table for parties or holiday dinners. Take your creation home to enjoy! For more information or to register, call (225) 262-2640.

Tribal Bracelets

Join us at the River Center Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 11:00 a.m. and make a fashion statement! We’ll be making colorful tribal-influenced bracelets with thread and metal accents! Keep it for yourself, or give it away as a gift! For more information, call (225) 389-4967.

Strange Fruit

Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 3:00 p.m. to view Strange Fruit, a film that documents the history and legacy of the poem by Abel Meeropol, set to music and made famous by Billie Holiday. This look at the anti-lynching protest song includes footage of Holiday performing the song and tells the story of America’s troubled past in race relations. For more information, call (225) 354-7550.

The Backyard Astronomer and Our Sun

Outreach Volunteer for the Baton Rouge Astronomical Society, Stephen Boeker will speak about our sun, a type G spectral-class star at the center of our solar system at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 20, at 6:00 p.m. He’ll discuss the general principles of light and answer any questions you may have about amateur astronomy. If you cannot make it to the program but still have questions about astronomy, or would like additional information on the topic, contact Mr. Boeker at frisbsteve@cox.net. For more information about this program, call (225) 274-4440.

Starting a Nonprofit

Do you have a cause that you’re passionate about? Join us at the River Center Branch on August 24, at 2:00 p.m. for a special presentation on how to start a nonprofit organization. Learn the basics of the exciting world of nonprofits and get introduced to the great resources the library has to offer through our Grants Resource Center and our affiliation with the Foundation Center. For more information, call (225) 389-4964.

Homeschool Resources @ the Library

Parents or guardians who are homeschooling elementary, middle school and high school children are invited to the River Center Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 10:30 a.m. to discover what tools and resources the library has to offer you and your student! Please join us for information, questions and answers, and group discussion. For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Doll Making Lecture

Mrs. Barbara Franklin has been making African-American Primitive dolls for 35 years and will present a doll-making lecture at the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, August 22, at 5:30 p.m. She’ll also discuss her doll collection on display at the library this month. A reception celebrating her 73rd birthday will follow the lecture. For more information and to register, call (225) 354-7540.
In addition to free online classes in Learn4Life, the following computer classes will be held throughout the month of August. Registration for some classes is required.* For more information or to register, call the individual library branch.

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Visit a library branch near you for free wireless Internet!
GED Preparation and Practice Testing

If you will be taking the GED exam and need additional practice in Social Studies, Math, Reading or Science, come to the Eden Park Branch this month to take advantage of the resources your library has to offer. Participants will make use of GED preparation resources and take practice exams under the direction of a librarian. You’ll also learn how to access these resources from the comfort of your home. Test dates and times are listed below. Registration is required.

For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3250.

Social Studies Preparation
Tuesday, August 6, 4:30 p.m.

Mathematics Preparation
Tuesday, August 13, 4:30 p.m.

Reading Preparation
Tuesday, August 20, 4:30 p.m.

Science Preparation
Wednesday, August 28, 4:30 p.m.

Free ACT Practice Test

The Jones Creek Regional Branch will be hosting a free practice ACT test on Saturday, August 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You can also take advantage of this program at the Scotlandville Branch, on the same day, at 9:30 a.m. Space is limited, so be sure to register early at http://www.princetonreview.com. For more information, call the individual branch.

Back to School with Learning Express

Hey, teens! School is starting again, and what better way to further your knowledge about a particular subject area, like math, Microsoft Office, or ACT Prep? You can come to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Monday, August 5, at 2:00 p.m. where we’ll set up laptop workstations in our meeting rooms for a testing and learning period using Learning Express. We’ll introduce new users to all that is offered on this resource. For more information, call (225) 354-7070.
Educate to Eliminate:
HIV/AIDS Is Real

HIV/AIDS is a very real disease, and it’s important that we all be informed. Join us at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, August 3, at 1:00 p.m. for a teen-focused workshop to learn more about how the disease is affecting the teen community. For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3770.

Just for Teens

Teen Game Day

Compete with your friends and other teens on the Xbox at the Baker Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 3:00 p.m. Hang out and play Tekken and Halo 4. The competition will be tough! Will you prevail or lose it all? Refreshments will be served. For more information and to register, call (225) 778-5960.

Play Halo @ the Library!

Come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 2:00 p.m. Halo, the first person shoot ‘em up game on the Xbox 360. Bring your friends to increase the fun! For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1551.

Wii U @ the Library

Spend some down time gaming before you head back to school! Join other teens when they play Super Mario Bros. U and Nintendoland on the Wii U at the Central Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 4:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (225) 262-2644.

Read, Ride, & Win Contest

The Library is teaming up with the Professional Bull Riders (PBR) for the Read, Ride, & Win Contest! Just visit your local library branch and pick up a contest entry sheet. Read just five books, fill out the entry sheet and return it to the library to enter to win a pair of PBR vouchers!

Then, join us at the Zachary Branch on August 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to enjoy Bocephus the mechanical bull, the Wild West Showdown, fun activities and games, and to find out if you’ve won a chance to see professional bull riding legend, Chris Shivers in action at the River Center later this month!

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

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Teen Afternoon Movie Surprise!

We can’t give you the title here, and we won’t give you any clues because this month’s selection is a surprise! You’ll just have to meet other teens at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 20, at 3:30 p.m. to watch this really cool movie! For more information, call (225) 763-2270.

Baker Teen Books to Movies Parts I & II

Come to the Baker Branch on Tuesday, August 13, at 3:00 p.m. to watch a romantic tale based on a popular book about two teens with mysterious, dark backgrounds—and more than one secret. Then, on August 27, at 3:00 p.m., check out another film based on a book, that tests whether or not true love is possible after a zombie epidemic! Can humans and flesh-eating zombies fall in love? Come and find out! For more information, to find out the title of the movies, and to register, call (225) 778-5960.

Movie Madness

It’s movie time at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch! Come and hang out at the library on Saturday, August 3, at 2:30 p.m. to watch the recent blockbuster about all things paranormal! Here’s a clue: it’s based on the popular novel by Cami Garcia! For more information or to find out the title of the movie, call (225) 274-4470.

Zombie Movie Night

Stop by the Main Library on Saturday, August 24, at 2:30 p.m. for a cool afternoon movie! Come and enjoy refreshments while you watch a film that’s a funny take on zombies! This could possibly be the only animated picture featuring these undead characters, so you won’t want to miss it! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.
Hidden Poetry

Did you know that you could discover poetry in the pages of recycled books? Come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 13, at 3:30 p.m. and learn how to create poetry from the words that are already on the page! For more information, call (225) 763-2270.

Teen Nite: End of Summer Kick Back!

Come and kick back with other teens one last time before school starts! We’ll be hangin’ out at the Zachary Branch on Thursday, August 1, at 6:30 p.m. and enjoying an evening of cool games, delicious snacks and some much needed rest and relaxation with friends before the school bell rings! For more information, call (225) 658-1870.

Farewell to Summer Pizza Party

All things good must come to an end, but that doesn’t mean it can’t go out with a bang! Join your friends and other teens at the Fairwood Branch on Thursday, August 1, at 4:00 p.m. to celebrate the end of Summer Reading. Tell us about your favorite books and show off everything you’ve made during the summer programs. Enjoy delicious pizza while you do it! For more information and to register, call (225) 924-9387.

East Baton Rouge Parish Library
The Mortal Instruments Trivia

Are you revved up to watch City of Bones on the big screen? If you are, you’ll have a blast at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 2:00 p.m. when we test your knowledge of Cassandra Clare’s The Mortal Instruments series before the movie is released! For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1170.

City of Bones Book Club Meeting

In excited anticipation of the upcoming movie, teens are invited to the Fairwood Branch on Thursday, August 15, at 4:00 p.m. for a lively discussion of City of Bones, the first book in The Mortal Instruments series by Cassandra Clare. For more information, call (225) 924-9387.

The Game of Quelf

Tweens and Teens are invited to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Thursday, August 1, at 1:30 p.m. to play a game that’s probably the silliest, giggle-inducing game of all time! You may have to sing Wheels on the Bus for everyone or practice being a human pretzel. You never know! For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1551.

Main Library Teen Crew

Hey teens, this one’s for YOU! Join us at the Main Library on Saturday, August 10, at 2:30 p.m. to enjoy refreshments and discussion about what you want to do at the library! Join our teen crew and get to know your fellow teen patrons and have your voice be heard on what programs we have! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

Zachary Teen Council

It’s that time again! Join us at the Zachary Branch on Tuesday, August 8, at 6:00 p.m. for our monthly Teen Council meeting. We’ll work a little, play a little, and eat a little! Teens in grades 8 and up are invited to hang out with us! For more information, call (225) 658-1870.

We Geek Arts & Crafts!

Crafting with Duct Tape

Carver Branch teen patron and duct tape crafter extraordinaire, K. Golden will help teach teens the art of making things using duct tape! Come to the library on Monday, August 26, at 4:00 p.m. where you’ll learn to make bracelets, bow ties, coin purses and wallets! There’s something for everyone! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Faux Leather Journals and Pens

Make your own faux leather journals and pens at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Thursday, August 8, at 3:00 p.m. You’ll be amazed at what duct tape can do when you create these items, perfect for going back to school in style! All materials will be provided. For more information and to register, call (225) 763-2270.
Decorative Journals
Teens will personalize a journal with paint and decorative tape and paper at the Main Library on Wednesday, August 21, at 4:00 p.m. Join us for the crafting fun! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

Magnetic Photo Holders
Come to the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 3:00 p.m. to join other teens in making colorful magnetic photo holders from clothes pins, decorative paper, and small embellishments! Use them to decorate your locker at school, the refrigerator at home, or any metal surface! For more information, call (225) 924-9387.

CD Scratch Art
Make an iridescent work of art at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Wednesday, August 14, at 4:30 p.m. Get creative with other teens when they turn an old CD into a unique piece of statement art, using a scratch technique. For more information, call (225) 274-4470.

Comic Book Wallets
Do you love Archie comics? Then you should stop by the River Center Branch on Thursday, August 8, at 4:00 p.m. to make a really cool wallet using outdated comic books and colored duct tape. For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Easy Up-Cycled Earrings
If you’re low on cash and love fun and trendy new accessories, then we’ve got the perfect craft for you! Come to the Central Branch on Tuesday, August 27, at 4:30 p.m. where teens will create earrings from old soft drink bottles and milk jugs! Make little mustaches or funky chandelier earrings—let your imagination be your guide, the possibilities are endless! For more information, call (225) 262-2644.

Water Bottle Earrings
Be the envy of your friends and show your creative ability! Come to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Wednesday, August 21, at 3:00 p.m. where Teen Department staff members will help you create a one-of-a-kind pair of earrings using recycled water bottles! Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (225) 354-7070.

Bead Mosaics
Here’s a craft that’s just in time for back to school! Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 3:00 p.m. to create a colorful, one-of-a-kind piece of beaded mosaic art to hang in your locker! For more information, call (225) 274-4470.

Altered Composition Books
You can create a supercool composition book, perfect for back-to-school! Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 4:00 p.m. Use buttons, beads, paper and more for this unique craft, that’ll help you keep track of things your way! For more information, call (225) 354-7500.

Hex Nut Bracelets
Teens can come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, August 15, at 4:00 p.m. to make a cool new bracelet out of leather cording and hex nuts! Start the new school year in style with some brand new bling! For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3250.

Magazine Bowls
Have you ever wondered what you could do with an old magazine? Join other teens at the River Center Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 2:00 p.m. when they make bowls using glue and outdated magazines! For more information, call (225) 389-4959.
Online Databases for Students

Statewide and East Baton Rouge Parish Library databases available through the Library’s website offer great resources for students of any age, and any curriculum. Just visit www.ebrpl.com and click on the Online Databases link.

From outside the Library, you just need your Library Card number to log in. Check it out! Don’t forget our recommended sites for students, featured on the Children’s and Teen webpages and in the Research Guides section of our website.

Homework Help:
- Homework Louisiana offers Tutor.com + Skills Builder: Live homework help Sunday through Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Learning Express: Includes test prep, including the ACT, and video instruction for math.

General Resources for Students:
- Student Research Center
- Searchasaurus
- Kids Search
- Literati
- World Book Online Encyclopedia

Literature:
- Gale Literature for Students
- Literary Reference Center
- Gale Group Databases
- NoveList
- Tumblebook Cloud

Special Resources:
- Mango Languages
- Access Science
- Career Cruising
- Careers Internet
- Gale Virtual Reference Library
- Newsbank
- Opposing Viewpoints in Context
- Louisiana Digital Library
- National Geographic Magazine Archive
- Access Video On Demand
- Baton Rouge Digital Archive

BACK TO SCHOOL

Literati for Back to School!

Don’t let homework get you down this year. We’ve got your One-Stop-Shop for homework help—our Literati database! Not only can you find great information on any topic—you can also search our other great databases without having to leave Literati! What could be easier?

Need info on Shakespeare? No problem. Search Shakespeare in Literati. You’ll get lots of articles from great reference books. Need more information? Click on one of our literature or biography databases listed to the right of your Literati results and your search is automatically run in the new database! One-touch searching! This method will also work with our library catalog (you’ll see it listed), so you can get articles AND books without having to jump all over the place. Starting with Literati makes your homework research quicker and easier than ever before! Check it out!

Check out the Digital Library for Free Downloads!

Are you looking for a way to get free access to eMedia for back to school? The library has several options to choose from for all of your audiobook and eBook, music downloads and digital magazine needs, and you’ve only got to have your library card! Visit our website, www.ebrpl.com, and check out our Digital Library page.

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Learn4Life formally Ed2Go, is a popular online product that continues to offer hundreds of highly interactive courses on every topic including workforce development, life skills and leisure activities that can be taken entirely over the Internet. Each of these 6-week courses is developed and taught by expert instructors, many of whom are nationally known authors, and classes are fun, fast, and convenient. New sessions start every month, and online discussion forums enliven each course. Though these courses would cost hundreds of dollars elsewhere, all classes are free with your library card. Get easy access to Learn4Life from our Online Databases page at www.ebrpl.com. Library staff has also prepared an E-Learning Infoguide that can be found at http://ebrpl.libguides.com/e-learning with additional information about this and other options.

For more information, call (225) 231-3750.
**TumbleBooks @ the Library!**

Tumblebooks are e-books for children that are available through an icon click on our website’s Kids Page from either a patron computer at the Library, or from home! With TumbleBooks, you get a picture book with added animation, music, sound, and narration to create a unique story experience! Children can read the Tumblebook, read-along with our TumbleReadables or have it read to them. The TumbleBook Library has a wide variety of children’s favorite story books, with newer favorites, fairy tales, and old classics that are also available for your iPad!

For more information, call (225) 231-3760 or visit www.ebrpl.com.

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**Back to School Resources on the Library’s Kids Page**

The new school year is fast approaching, and students need to be ready when the first bell rings and throughout the semester. The library has so many resources for children and parents that will make school easier for everyone! Our Kids Page is a wealth of information and resources that include Homework Help, Homeschool Resources, eBooks and digital books, LEAP Practice testing and even fun stuff like programs, storytimes and Disney and Sesame Street online books!

Take a look at Tumblebooks and Tumblebooks Junior for Accelerated Reader information, and check out Muzzy for language learning! Visit our Kids Page at www.ebrpl.com to see what the library has for you and your little student! For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

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**The Library Can Help You with Homeschooling**

Is your family a homeschooling family? If so, the library has many resources for homeschool students and teachers. Homeschooling tools are available in circulating and non-circulating materials at the library. You and your student can take advantage of the library’s free-to-use computers, Internet access, and children’s educational programs, in addition to encyclopedias and word processing.

Information can be tailored to the needs of a particular group or a particular subject, and a wide range of programs for all ages is presented at libraries, and they may be hands-on arts and crafts, informational, educational, or just for fun! Free tutoring in science and math is offered at certain branches during the school year, and the library offers Online Databases like Tutor.com and Learning Express.

In addition to the informational program taking place at the River Center Branch this month, library staff are available to assist you in navigating through what your library has to offer, and can give you a tour of available resources to homeschool groups by prior arrangement with the librarian. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

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**Check out Zinio Magazines for Kids!**

We’ve got free downloadable magazines for children, too! Titles like ChickaDEE, Chirp and Zamoof! are there for your child to enjoy. Just visit our Online Databases page at www.ebrpl.com. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.
Meet the K-9 Unit of the BR Police Department

These amazing dogs will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 2:30 p.m., along with their police officer handlers. Children ages 3 and up, with their parents or guardian are invited to the library to meet the K-9 Unit! The officers will explain how the dogs help with law enforcement, and they’ll demonstrate some of the things the dogs have been trained to do. For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1160.

Puzzle and Game Party

Children ages 6-10 are invited to the Baker Branch on Thursday, August 15, at 4:00 p.m. to enjoy a good time with assorted picture puzzles, Connect Four, Barrel of Monkeys, Clue and checkers! For more information and to register, call (225) 778-5960.

Second Saturday Chess & Checkers

Children ages 6-11 are invited to the Zachary Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 2:00 p.m. to spend the afternoon with friends playing chess or checkers! For more information, call (225) 658-1860.

Summer Chess Tournament

We’re having a novice chess tournament at the Main Library on Saturday, August 3, at 10:00 a.m. as the grand finale of our summer chess classes! Children ages 9-13 are invited to come to the library and show off their newly acquired skills. For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3760.

Musical Petting Zoo: Getting to Know the Instruments!

Come to the library where members of the LSU Performing Arts Academy will give a short but formal presentation for children ages 5-11 to learn about different types of instruments, including facts about each and a demonstration on how they are played. Participants will even have the opportunity to tryout the instruments!

Dates, times and locations of the presentations are listed below. For more information and to register a group, call the individual branch.

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Apple Necklace Make & Take

We’re getting creative at the Delmont Gardens Branch! Children ages 3-11 can come to the library on Tuesday, August 27, at 3:00 p.m. to create an apple necklace from pom-poms, pony beads and ribbon! For more information, call (225) 354-7060.

Healthy Happy Pets

Members of The Humane Society of Louisiana will present a program for children ages 6-11 on pets and pet care at the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 2:00 p.m. Come and learn about how to take good care of cats and dogs, and discuss topics like exercising and playing with pets, dog versus cat needs, and bite prevention. We’ll also play a game of pet Bingo and take home handouts for quick reference. For more information and to register, call (225) 924-9386.

Back-To-School Rules Story/Craft

The new school year is starting, and it’s cause for celebration! Children ages 8-11 can come to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Wednesday, August 14, at 4:00 p.m. to hear the story Back-to-School Rules by Laurie Friedman. After the storytime, we’ll make personalized pencil toppers with colorful beads in your school’s colors or other cool design! For more information, call (225) 354-7060.
**Eliza’s Kindergarten Surprise Story/Craft**

We’re inviting children ages 4-6 to listen to the story *Eliza’s Kindergarten Surprise* by Alice B. McGinty at the Central Branch on Saturday, August 10, at 11:00 a.m. After the storytime, we’ll make cute mommy clothespin dolls to take to school and enjoy! For more information and to register, call 262-2660.

**Back to School Bookmark Make & Take**

Worm your way back to school and join us at the Main Library on Thursday, August 22, at 3:00 p.m. We’ll be makin’ and takin’ a back to school bookworm bookmark/magnet that you can use to attach your homework assignment to the refrigerator and mark your place in your assigned reading! How’s that for versatility?! For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

**My Pet Dragonflies**

Children ages 6-11 will make two colorful dragonflies using wooden clothespins, paper wings, and colored markers at the Baker Branch on Wednesday, August 28, at 4:00 p.m. Kids can name their dragonfly friends and keep them as pets! You’ll also enjoy a good book full of facts about this interesting insect! For more information and to register, call (225) 778-5960.

**Ladybug Magnet**

Did you know that ladybugs are an important part of our environment? In celebration of author Gail Gibbons’ birthday this month, children ages 7-11 can come to the Carver Branch on Thursday, August 1, at 4:00 p.m. to learn about ladybugs through her new book, *Ladybugs*. After the story, children will make a pretty ladybug magnet! For more information and to register, call (225) 389-7460.

**Owl Story/Craft**

Children ages 3-7 will enjoy hearing *Cock-A-Doodle-Hoooooo!* by Mick Manning and *The Little White Owl* by Tracey Corderoy at the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, August 17, at 2:00 p.m. After the storytime, we’ll make a cute paper bag owl puppet! It’s sure to be a hoot! For more information and to register, call (225) 924-9386.

**Clovis Crawfish Story/Craft**

A visit to the Carver Branch on Wednesday, August 7, at 4:00 p.m. will take children ages 5-9 down the bayou as Mary Alice Fontenot’s book titled *Clovis Crawfish and Echo Gecko* is shared. A few Cajun French words will be heard and after the story, each child will create a paper plate crawfish! For more information and to register, call (225) 389-7460.

**Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus Story/Craft**

Children ages 3-8 can come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 2:30 p.m. to hear the story *Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus* by Mo Willems. After the storytime, we’ll make a bus picture and draw a pigeon after a how-to-draw presentation. For more information and to register, call (225) 756-1160.

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Create a Sparkly Rainbow Fish!

Children ages 3-6 will listen to the story *Good Night Little Rainbow Fish*, by Marcus Pfister and the Pride-Chaneyville Branch, on Saturday, August 17, at 2:30 p.m. After the story, we’ll create a grassy, bubbly ocean scene with blue die-cut fish decorated by sparkly sequins. For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1560.

**Snakey Riddles Story/Craft**

After enjoying the book *Snakey Riddles* by Katy Hall and Lisa Eisenberg at the Carver Branch on Tuesday, August 20, at 4:30 p.m. children ages 7-11 will have fun making little snakes using pipe cleaners and beads! For more information, call (225) 389-7460.

**Growing Vegetable Soup Story/Craft**

The fall season is in full swing, and it’s the perfect time to enjoy a delicious bowl of vegetable soup! Children ages 3-8 are invited join us at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Friday, August 23, at 4:00 p.m. when we read *Growing Vegetable Soup* by Lois Ehlert. After the storytime, we’ll create a paper soup pot overflowing with colorful vegetables! For more information, call (225) 354-7060.

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Toasted Marshmallow Day Story/Craft

Are you ready to celebrate Toasted Marshmallow Day?! Come to the River Center Branch where you’ll find just what you need to make your decorations. Join other children ages 5-9 at the library on Saturday, August 24, at 10:30 a.m. when they hear *When a Dragon Moves In* by Jodi Moore and other fun stories about kids and marshmallows! After the story, we’ll make a 3D marshmallow sculpture to take home and enjoy! For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

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Watermelon Day Story/Craft

Watermelons are fun to eat and read about! Children ages 3-11 are invited to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, August 8, at 10:30 a.m. to hear Kathi Appelt’s book titled *Watermelon Day*. After the storytime, we’ll make a slice of juicy watermelon using a paper plate! For more information, call (225) 354-7060.

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Ice Cream Sandwich Day Story/Craft

Come to the River Center Branch on Friday, August 2, at 10:30 a.m. to celebrate Ice Cream Sandwich Day! Children ages 5-9 will read *The Ice Cream King* by Steve Metzger and other fun ice cream stories. After the storytime, we’ll create “pop art” ice cream paintings that you can take home and display. For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

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Brown Bag Lunch and Movie

Come and hang out at the Scotlandville Branch with your animated friends Simba, Timon, and Pumbaa! Children of all ages can kick back at the library and watch a movie that’s a family classic on Saturday, August 24, at 11:00 a.m. Feel free to bring your favorite finger foods to snack on while you watch. All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult or responsible adolescent.

For more information or to find out the title of the movie, call (225) 354-7560.

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Monday Movie @ Fairwood

Relax and hang out during the last week of summer at the Fairwood Branch! Come to the library on Monday, August 5, at 3:00 p.m. to see an animated movie about a young girl who falls down a rabbit hole and enters a strange yet wonderful world! Feel free to bring your favorite snacks to munch on while you watch! For more information, to register, and to find out the title of the movie, call (225) 924-9386.

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Kindergarten Sing-A-Long

Come and join other children ages 4-6 at the Main Library on Tuesday, August 6, at 11:00 a.m. for a kindergarten sing-a-long! Our very own Mary Ricard will lead children in a celebration of the start of school for first-time students! We’ll sing songs about all of the new things you’ll experience as you start kindergarten! For more information and to register, call (225) 231-3760.

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Music Together Demonstration

Join local teacher and professional violist Sonia Feres-Lloyd at the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 10:30 a.m. for a music and movement class. Children from birth to five years old will enjoy this musically fun demonstration! Older siblings are also welcome. For more information and to register, call (225) 924-9386.

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A Musical Storytime

Dr. Alison Nikitopoulos from The Music Tree will lead children ages 2-5 in singing, rhythms, games, dancing and folksongs at the Zachary Branch on Tuesday, August 6, at 10:00 a.m. For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1860.

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Find Designs in Rocks!

Cherie Schofield of the Baton Rouge Gem and Mineral Society will illustrate how to find designs in rocks for children ages 6-11 at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, August 3, at 11:00 a.m. After the presentation and listening to the story *If Rocks Could Sing*, by Leslie McGuirk, children will examine rocks that look like alphabet letters and shapes found in nature! For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1560.
Choose Your Own Adventure Story/Craft

Together, children ages 6-11 will read a few selected adventures from the book *Choose Your Own Adventure: Owl Tree*, at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, August 24, at 2:00 p.m. After reading these, the children will create a feathery owl craft! For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1560.

Inventor’s Month Craft and Make & Take

Be an inventor! Come to the River Center Branch starting Monday, August 5 through Friday, August 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day, to celebrate Inventor’s Month! Children ages 4-11 will be making an original “what is it?” using clean objects that would normally be recycled. Let your imagination soar and create a unique invention to take home! For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Cover 2 Cover Children’s Book Club

Come and join us at the Central Branch on Thursday, August 22, at 4:30 p.m. for the first book club meeting of the new school year! Children ages 8-11 can bring the book that they liked best this summer to discuss with other bookclubbers. We’ll play book title charades, find out what our next book club selection will be, and make cute bookmarks that express our love of reading! For more information and to register, call (225) 262-2660.

Zachary Book Bunch

Join the Book Bunch at the Zachary Branch on Tuesday, August 20, at 4:30 p.m. where children ages 7-11 will discuss their favorite LYRC books! Refreshments will be served. For more information and to register, call (225) 658-1860.
ON VIEW at the Library

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**
**Woodcarving**
Members of the Pelican Woodcarvers’ Guild will exhibit a sampling of their art in woodcarving, wood burning, and whittling.

**Eden Park Branch**
**Painting with Fabric**
Ms. Rose Larrieu’s beautiful paintings of nature scenes and other depictions created from fabric pieces as well as a collection of handmade personalized all-occasion cards will be on display this month.

**Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**
**Fancy Nancy’s Scrappin’ Divas**
“Fancy Nancy” and her students will be exhibiting a number of scrapbook layouts with various themes and subjects.

**Jones Creek Regional Branch**
**A Kaleidoscope of Quilts**
View the Sassi Strippers Quilt Guild’s annual quilt display.

**River Center Branch**
**Lac Bœuf Assemblage Group**
Michael W. Howes will display some of his sculptures and drawings that he’s done by using the flora and fauna of South Louisiana as a source.

**Scotlandville Branch**
**Handmade Multicultural Dolls**
Barbara Franklin will display her collection of handmade multicultural dolls.

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