Dedication Held For New Main Library at Goodwood

VIPs involved in the ribbon-cutting ceremony included (left to right): John Carnahan and Georgia Brown, both former East Baton Rouge Parish Library Board of Control presidents; BREC Superintendent Carolyn McKnight, Logan Leger of the Library Board, State Librarian Rebecca Hamilton, city-parish Mayor-President Melvin “Kip” Holden, Library Board President Tanya Freeman, Library Director Spencer Watts, Pastor Raymond Jetson of Star Hill Church, Kizzy Payton and Stan Bardwell of the Library Board and Library Board Vice President Jason Jacob – as well as other public officials and library stakeholders (not pictured).

Attendees toured the 126,000-square-foot new Main Library at Goodwood, which doubled the space (adding ample space for casual seating, collaboration and activities for the public) of the location’s former 65,000-square-foot library.

The flagship of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library

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Summer Reading
There’s Something for Everyone!

This summer is sure to be packed with great books, exciting programs, and fabulous prizes. With a program for every age group, the entire family can participate! Fizz, Boom, 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.

The theme for the Teen Summer Reading Program this year is Spark a Reaction. Teens ages 12 to 18 may start their journey by signing up at any library location to begin their quest. The Adult Program, Literary Elements, 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.

For more information, call (225) 231-3750.
Dedication Held For New Main Library at Goodwood

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System, the new Main Library at Goodwood enjoyed a soft opening in January. The Library is to be completed fully this summer and houses **more than 500,000 items**, ranging from books and movies to circulating artwork, electronic resources and more.

More than 800 people turned out for the dedication, ribbon cutting, reception and tours.

Director Spencer Watts, Miss Greater Baton Rouge, Renee Picou and Library Board member, Kizzy Payton.

Even the contractors celebrated the dedication (left to right): George Griffon and Vic Todd of Milton J. Womack Construction; Mayor-President Kip Holden, Library Board President Tanya Freeman, and State Librarian Rebecca Hamilton.

Children’s entertainment included Nellie Bell the Clown, who made balloon animals for kids.

Little Mr. Sunshine. A wee one tries out the manipulatives in the Children’s Room.

Part of the dedication fun included music, dancing and a puppet show with Harvey Rabbit & Friends.
Mayor-President Kip Holden (right) presented a proclamation to Library Director Spencer Watts.

The Most Rev. Robert Muench, Bishop of Baton Rouge opened the dedication ceremony with prayer.

Children’s Librarian Tara Dearing excitedly welcomed tiny patrons and their parents to the Children’s Room.

Pastor Raymond Jetson of Star Hill Church closed the dedication ceremony with final prayer and thanks.

Teen Services staff Isabel Wingerter, Brandy Luther, Elaine Boudreaux and Brandi Burton made sure teens had an awesome time on Dedication Day.

Andrew Tadman and Michael Brandyberry demonstrate the fabulous 3D Printer! Come to the 2nd Floor of the Main Library at Goodwood each Friday in May from 4-5 p.m. for a demonstration, and see the printer in action!

A plastic, pink goldfish created on the 3D printer.
Voter Registration Drive

The East Baton Rouge Parish Registrar of Voters will conduct a Voter Registration Drive during which you can register to vote and more. Be sure to bring your current photo ID and proof of address such as a utility bill. Dates, times and locations are listed below. For more information, call (225) 389-3940.

Monday, May 12, 4-6:00 p.m.
Bluebonnet Regional Branch
Scotlandville Branch
Central Branch

Tuesday, May 13, 4-6:00 p.m.
Main Library at Goodwood

Tuesday, May 13, 9-11:00 a.m.
Carver Branch

Wednesday, May 14, 4-6:00 p.m.
Jones Creek Regional Branch
Greenwell Springs Branch
Zachary Branch

Thursday, May 15, 9-11:00 a.m.
Delmont Gardens Branch
Baker Branch

Thursday, May 15, 4-6:00 p.m.
Fairwood Branch

Friday, May 16, 9-11:00 a.m.
Eden Park Branch

African Americans in Aviation: Past, Present & Future

Ghost Rider Productions will be at the Carver Branch on Friday, May 16, at 3:30 p.m. to give a pictorial history of African Americans in Aviation, presented by Aviation Historian, Albert Rutherford. The presentation will consist of a three-panel display depicting African American Aviators from each era, a documentary titled Beyond Tuskegee, Closer to the Stars, followed by a question and answer period. For more information, call (225) 389-3750.

A Divided Race in a Mixed Society

Local author and award-winning poet, Leon Hardnett will be at the Scotlandville Branch on Saturday, May 3, at 2:00 p.m. to present his latest book, A Divided Race in a Mixed Society. The book’s goal is to serve as an awakening call to those people who have been lulled or serenaded to a state of nonchalance and low self-esteem, and to provide a motivation to rise up! A book signing will follow the presentation. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call (225) 354-7540.

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 confidential, one-on-one 15-minute sessions for legal advice on a first come, first served basis at the River Center Branch on Saturday, May 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For more information, call (225) 389-4967.

Start Your Business Already! An Entrepreneurship Discussion

Monique Moliere Piper is a business and life coach, an author and speaker, and she’ll be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 10:00 a.m. to lead a discussion on overcoming obstacles in entrepreneurship. There will be a book signing following the discussion. To register, call (225) 756-1150.

Learn to Budget with Mint!

If you want to get your finances in order, but just don’t know where to start, come to the Eden Park Branch on Friday, May 23, at 2:30 p.m. to learn how to use the free online service, Mint.com. You’ll get step-by-step training on setting up a free account with Mint, so you can begin your budgeting process! To register, call (225) 231-3250.

Credit Cards and Your Credit

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, May 15, at 7:00 p.m. for a seminar on credit and credit cards presented by Financial Expert, Bennett Blackledge from Gulf Coast Bank & Trust Company. Learn how to have good credit, the pros and cons of having a credit card and more! To register, call (225) 756-1150.
Homeschool Help

Homeschooling can be a challenge. Come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Wednesday, May 14, at 11:00 a.m. to learn about the various resources the library has to offer, and the many ways we're here to help you and your homeschooled child! Meet and network with other homeschool families while you enjoy fun activities! To register, call (225) 658-1540.

HiSET Preparation and Practice Testing

If you will be taking the HiSET (formally 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. To register, call (225) 231-3250.

- Social Studies Preparation: Monday, May 5, 3:30 p.m.
- Reading Preparation: Monday, May 12, 3:30 p.m.
- Mathematics Preparation: Monday, May 19, 3:30 p.m.
- Science Preparation: Tuesday, May 27, 3:30 p.m.

HiSET: The New GED

Do you or someone you know need to get a GED? Did you know that the GED has been replaced by a new test called the HiSET in Louisiana? Come to the Carver Branch on Wednesdays, May 7 and 21, at 10:00 a.m. to find out what you need to know about the HiSET exam and how you can prepare for it. For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

From the Cradle to College Seminar

This unique and informative workshop centers on preparing students for the real world. Experienced educator, Cassandra D. Wall and her colleagues will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, May 3, at 2:30 p.m. to show you how to get a head start on your child's educational journey by helping them to develop the right mindset! Discussion will be on topics like college readiness, test prep and GPA, and the ACT versus the SAT. To register, call (225) 756-1150.

Alzheimer’s Caregivers Support Meeting

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 has begun at the Jones Creek Regional Branch and will meet on Monday, May 19, at 1:00 p.m. Diane Miller from Lifesource Hospice will be present to answer questions and offer support. For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Discussion Panel for Special Needs Trust

Do you have an adult child with special needs? If so, you may want to learn what it takes to set up a special trust for them. Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, May 13, at 6:00 p.m. to hear a panel discussion about financial and legal considerations of special trusts as well as information about support networks and a first-hand account from a parent. Panelists include Mary Campbell, Agent with New York Life Insurance, David Gunn, Attorney, Gunn & York, Laurie Kadair, Attorney, Kadair Law Firm, LLC and Jamie Tindle, Executive Director of Families Helping Families of Greater Baton Rouge. For more information, call (225) 231-3740.

Women’s Safety & Defense Seminar

Women of all ages can benefit from learning behaviors that will help to protect them and keep them safe. The Baton Rouge Police Department’s Sergeant Patricia Carr with be at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 2:00 p.m. to present a safety seminar covering topics like environmental awareness, neutralizing threats, and reducing chances of assault. Attendees under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call (225) 274-4440.

The library will be closed on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.
Carver Classic Movies
Come to the Carver Branch on Tuesday, May 6, at 10:00 a.m. to enjoy the lighthearted classic musical starring Gene Kelly as a “starving artist,” with musical numbers by George Gershwin! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Sunday Movie Classic
Do you remember when Woody Allen was funny? We do. Join us at the Fairwood Branch on Sunday, May 4, at 2:30 p.m. to watch a film about a man who wakes up in future society. For more information, call (225) 924-9385.

TGIF Movie Day
Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch to unwind for the weekend! Join us on each Friday in May at 1:00 p.m. for “happy hour” refreshments, fun dances and exhilarating exercises. At 3:00 p.m., we’ll cool down and kick back when we watch a cool Sci-Fi movie! For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Movie Night @ Carver
Are you ready for summer vacation? What about an “excellent” trip through time? Come to the Carver Branch on Thursday, May 15, at 6:00 p.m. to enjoy a film in which two teenagers try to save their final grade in History class by going to see the real thing! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Afternoon Knights
We’re continuing our regular chess matchups! Players of all skill levels are invited to the Carver Branch on Saturdays, May 3, 17 and 31, at 3:00 p.m. to play! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Three Chances to Play Bingo @ the Library!
All you buckaroos, mosey on over to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, May 8, at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of family FUN with western Bingo! Don’t forget to wear your cowpoke duds! Then, come to the Carver Branch on Tuesday, May 20, at 10:00 a.m. to play. Just can’t get enough of this classic game? Join us at the Main Library at Goodwood on Wednesday, May 21, at 10:00 a.m. To register, call the library branch directly.

Dabble in Scrabble
Attention all word game enthusiasts! Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on each Tuesday in May, at 6:30 p.m. to find out who will be crowned master of the universal word game! If you’re looking for a faster-paced game with less strategy, you can try your hand at Quiddler! Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call (225) 756-1150.

Scavenger Hunt
Come to the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 1:00 p.m. to see the future of scavenger hunts, and win a fabulous prize! In honor of the spring One Book One Community read, we’ll play a game within a game! For more information, call (225) 924-9385.

20somethings Game Night
If you enjoy video and board games and are looking for a way to meet other gaming enthusiasts, you’re invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesdays, May 13 and 27, at 7:00 p.m. to play board games like Settlers of Catan and 7 Wonders, and video games like Rock Band and Minecraft. Be there or be square! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

Glass Etching
Adults are invited to the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 2:00 p.m. to use etching chemicals to create objects that speak to your their personality! Bring your own glass jar, cup or other item to get creative! To register, call 231-3240.

Mother’s Day Bath Salts
Come to the Main Library at Goodwood to celebrate mothers, and make a unique gift for someone special on Wednesday, May 7, at 10:00 a.m. Create homemade bath salts and stir up relaxation and rejuvenation for mom to show her your appreciation! For more information, call (225) 231-3740.

Main Library Discard Book Sale
All month, gently used discard books will be available for sale in the Geneology Room on the second floor of the Main Library at Goodwood. Get ‘em while they last!
Make a Maxi Skirt for Summer!

A maxi skirt is a perfect summer wardrobe item! Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, May 22, at 4:30 p.m. to learn how to sew a maxi skirt using non-stretchy cotton fabric. Jennifer Thompson will demonstrate how this project can be completed in 30-minutes or less! Each participant must bring 2-3 yards of their own fabric, and this could vary depending on your size. To register, call (225) 354-7540.

Carver Fit Club

Adults, tweens and teens are invited to the library to get fit! Come to the Carver Branch on each Tuesday and Thursday throughout the month of May, at 5:00 p.m. to observe and/or participate in monthly exercise demonstrations. This month, we’ll create customized circuit-training workouts with 1 Minute Workout! Be sure to wear comfortable clothing, and don’t forget to bring your hand weights, towels and bottled water. Come and get total body toning! For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Chair Yoga

Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursdays, May 8 and 22, at 10:00 a.m. to enjoy a gentle, hour-long course designed for relaxation and quiet of mind. This type of yoga is practiced using a chair, and is perfect for seniors because there is no need to stand, contort or get down on the floor! We’ll also incorporate some stretching and range of motion techniques that you can use at home. If you have a medical condition, please seek physician approval before registering. To register, call (225) 231-3250.

Cajun Fais Do-Do

The band Cheré Mom Cajun Family Band will play Cajun music and give dance lessons at the Zachary Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 10:30 a.m. To register, call (225) 658-1840.

Mindful Meditation

Enjoy an hour of relaxation and quiet your mind from the busyness of daily life. Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursdays, May 1 and 15, at 10:00 a.m. to learn the art of meditation, which has benefits including stress relief, mental clarity, focus and biofeedback. To register, call (225) 231-3250.

Scrapbook Your Family Portrait

Join the Pride-Chaneyville Branch in creating beautiful scrapbook pages featuring your family photo! Expert scrapbooker, Katharine Kirby will be at the library on Saturday, May 24, at 10:00 a.m. to present interesting scrapbook decorating ideas. To register, call (225) 658-1540.

Hummingbird Feeders

Do you want to attract hummingbirds to your yard this summer? Join us at the River Center Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 3:00 p.m. to make a decorated hummingbird feeder! All materials will be provided. For more information, call (225) 389-4967.

Your Pace or Mine Walking Club

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on each Monday and Thursday in the May, at 6:00 p.m. for the Your Pace or Mine Walking Club! Walkers will assemble, receive handouts and start hitting the pavement at 6:30 p.m. We’ll discuss goals, tracking, warming up, and more! Be sure to wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes. To register, call (225) 756-1150.

Lightnin’ Crafts @ the Creek!

Come out to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Monday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m. for a craft night that’ll feature six quick and easy projects for you! Just in time for summer, these crafts will have a seasonal twist, and are great for giving as gifts! To register, call (225) 756-1150.

20somethings Comic Swap

In honor of Free Comic Book Day, 20somethings are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, May 3, at 2:30 p.m. to swap comics with other comic lovers! Grab some new stuff and take some time to chat with other comic book buddies! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.
I’m a Poet and I Know It!

Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, May 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. This meeting occurs on the second Thursday of each month, so join us when you can! To register, call (225) 231-3240.

The Fiction Writers’ Workshop

Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Monday, May 5, at 7:00 p.m. to join a fun group of local authors! You can share your works of fiction and get feedback and encouragement. We’ll be doing writing exercises to spark your creativity. Light refreshments will be served. To register, call (225) 274-4450.

Writer’s Club

Do you have a novel inside of you that’s just waiting to burst forth? Perhaps you’d like to write a biography or an autobiography. If you’ve got the writing bug, then you should join other aspiring writers at the Eden Park Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 3:30 p.m. This is the perfect environment to discuss ideas, pair up for editing and proofreading, conquer that pesky writer’s block and even play games that are designed to strengthen your writing skills. Teens, you’re invited to join us as well! If you need help with writing for school work, we’ll have a retired English teacher available for you to consult with. For more information, call (225) 231-3250.

Carver Crochet Club

From bracelets to blankets and everything in between...what will you create? The Carver Branch Crochet Club is open to all adults and teens who are interested in learning to crochet. Come to the library on Wednesday, May 21, at 4:00 p.m. to get started! All skill levels are welcome. Limited supplies are available, feel free to bring your own. For more information, call 389-7450.

Hand Quilting for Beginners

Come to the Central Branch on Wednesdays, May 7, 21 and 28, at 6:00 p.m. to learn the basics of hand quilting! Work on your current project and get advice on starting a new one. Get ideas for quilting patterns and see how-to demonstrations. Questions and ideas are welcome and encouraged! Be sure to bring your own fabric, needle, thread, scissors, pins and other materials. For more information, call (225) 262-2650.

A Stitch in Time Sewing Circle

Each second Wednesday of the month, participants will learn beginning and intermediate sewing techniques. Come to the Eden Park Branch on Wednesday, May 14, at 5:00 p.m. for a sewing class guided by experienced seamstress, Brenda Harris. To register, call (225) 231-3240.

Learn to Knit

Beginning at the very beginning, you’ll learn how to knit an attractive scarf at the Fairwood Branch on Tuesday, May 20, at 6:00 p.m. It’s much easier than you may think! For more information, call (225) 924-9385.

Sewing Class Series

This month’s edition of the series will concentrate on crochet for beginners! Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, May 22, at 6:00 p.m. where Kathy Denny will teach you how to make a granny knot. All skill levels are welcome. To register, call (225) 756-1150.

The Stitch Mixer

Tweens, teens and adults—guys and gals of every age and skill level are invited to The Stitch Mixer! Yarn junkies can come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesdays, May 6 and 20, at 7:00 p.m. to sit and stitch, while you mingle and swap ideas with others. 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) 231-3770.

Threadheads Crochet Club

Adults and teens are invited to the Scotlandville Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 4:00 p.m. to participate in the Threadheads Crochet Club. All skill levels are welcome to join the fun! To register, call (225) 354-7540.
Crafting for a Cause

Whether you are new to the art of crochet, want to improve your skills or just want to enjoy the company of fellow crafters, the Pride-Chaneyville Branch is where you need to be! Come to the library on each Thursday in May, at 1:00 p.m. to “craft for a cause.” We’ll be making baby blankets that will be donated to the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Baton Rouge. Donations of yarn or finished items are also welcome. For more information, call (225) 658-1540.

Getting Ready for Gardening!

Learn how to get ready for your gardening projects! Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, May 15, at 6:00 p.m. for a presentation by Laure Capouya, a seasoned gardener that can teach you about the plants that are suitable for the current season, as well as how to care for them. For more information, call (225) 231-3250.

Learn about Canning & Food Preservation

Dr. Fatemeh Malekian from the Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Service will be at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Wednesday, May 7, at 10:00 a.m. to talk about food preservation, and canning in particular. You’ll learn about what to do right after you’ve picked your fruits and vegetables, what canning supplies to use, and food safety, followed by a question and answer period. For more information, call (225) 274-4440.

Louisiana Crawfish with Author Sam Irwin

Author Sam Irwin will be at the Central Branch on Tuesday, May 20, at 6:00 p.m. to present his new book Louisiana Crawfish: A Succulent History of the Cajun Crustacean and will speak on his knowledge and experience in the crawfish business. To register, call (225) 262-2640.

Travel Photography Basics

Professional photographer, Sharon Turner will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. to present on digital camera use for travel photography. A question and answer period will follow the presentation. To register, call (225) 756-1150.

Tech Toy Box

If you have a desktop computer, laptop, tablet, smartphone or eReader, you can use the library’s resources to read books and magazines, learn new languages, download music and audio books, study for tests, develop career skills, and so much more! Just come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Wednesday, May 7 or Saturday, May 31, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. so library staff can show you how to access all of these amazing resources! For more information, call (225) 763-2250.

Telescope Training Class

Are you interested in stargazing? If you said yes, then you’ll enjoy and benefit from our telescope training class! Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, May 8, at 7:00 p.m. to learn how to properly operate the library’s Dobsonian telescope. This telescope is also available to check out; all you need is to have attended the training class and your library card. For more information, call (225) 231-3740.

Eden Park Art Club

Get creative in expressing the world around you as you see it! Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, May 15, at 5:00 p.m. to participate in an art class guided by artist Kim Lewis. To register, call (225) 231-3280.

Save the Date!

High School Football 101
Main Library at Goodwood
Sundays, June 8 and 22, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Sign up for the Library Elf and be notified by e-mail alerts before library materials become overdue! Just visit www.libraryelf.com to get started.
COMPUTER CLASSES @ THE LIBRARY

In addition to free online classes in Gale Courses, formally Learn4Life, Learning Express and our newest resource, Atomic Training, the following computer classes will be held throughout the month of May. Registration for some classes is required.

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

Baker Branch
Introduction to Computers*
Saturday, May 3, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to Word 2007*
Wednesday, May 7, 5:00 p.m.
Intermediate Microsoft Word 2007*
Thursday, May 15, 10:00 a.m.
Intermediate Microsoft Excel 2007*
Thursday, May 22, 10:00 a.m.

Bluebonnet Regional Branch
Computers without Fear
Tuesday, May 6, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007
Thursday, May 8, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007
Saturday, May 10, 10:00 a.m.

Central Branch
Computers without Fear*
Thursday, May 1, 11:00 a.m.
Introduction to the Internet*
Thursday, May 8, 11:00 a.m.
Introduction Microsoft Word 2007*
Thursday, May 15, 11:00 a.m.

Delmont Gardens Branch
Introduction to the Library’s Online Catalog
Tuesday, May 6, 10:00 a.m.
Create a Résumé in Microsoft Word 2007
Tuesday, May 13, 10:00 a.m.
Computers without Fear
Tuesday, May 20, 10:00 a.m.

Eden Park Branch
Job Searching Online*
Friday, May 9, 2:30 p.m.
Computers without Fear*
Saturday, May 10, 10:30 a.m.

Fairwood Branch
Introduction to the Library’s Online Catalog
Saturday, May 3, 2:00 p.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Word
Wednesday, May 14, 9:30 a.m.
Introduction to PowerPoint 2007
Wednesday, May 21, 9:30 a.m.
Introduction to the Internet
Wednesday, May 28, 9:30 a.m.

Greenwell Springs Road
Regional Branch
Introduction to Computers*
Thursday, May 8, 3:00 p.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007*
Thursday, May 15, 3:00 p.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007*
Thursday, May 22, 3:00 p.m.
E-Mail Basics*
Thursday, May 29, 3:00 p.m.

Jones Creek Regional Branch
Introduction to Computers*
Thursday, May 8, 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, May 17, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to PowerPoint 2007*
Saturday, May 10, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to the Internet*
Wednesday, May 14, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to the Library’s Online Catalog & Databases*
Thursday, May 22, 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007*
Saturday, May 31, 10:00 a.m.

Main Library at Goodwood
Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007
Monday, May 5, 9:00 a.m.
Computers without Fear
Wednesdays, May 7 & 21, 9:00 a.m.
Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007
Thursday, May 8, 9:00 a.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007
Saturday, May 10, 9:00 a.m.
Create a Newsletter in Microsoft Word
Monday, May 12, 9:00 a.m.
Introduction to the Internet
Thursday, May 15, 9:00 a.m.
Pinterest
Saturday, May 17, 9:00 a.m.
Introduction to E-mailing
Thursday, May 22, 9:00 a.m.
Intermediate Microsoft Word 2007
Saturday, May 24, 9:00 a.m.

Pride–Chaneyville Branch
Computer Tutoring*
Saturdays, May 10 & 24, 11:00 a.m.

Scotlandville Branch
Introduction to G-mail
Tuesday, May 6, 1:00 p.m.
Introduction to Computers
Tuesday, May 13, 1:00 p.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007
Tuesday, May 20, 1:00 p.m.
Introduction to Microsoft Publisher 2007*
Tuesday, May 27, 1:00 p.m.

The Tech Lab at the new Main Library at Goodwood is open for business! Check out the online calendar for a listing of dates and times.


Visit a library branch near you for free wireless Internet!
Book Clubs @ Your Library
– Book of the Month –

Baker Branch
Baker Evening Book Club
Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 p.m.
Safe Haven by Nicholas Sparks

Baker Morning Book Club
Monday, May 12, 10:30 a.m.
Daddy’s Gone a Hunting by Mary Higgins Clark

Bluebonnet Regional Branch
The Classics Book Club
Tuesday, May 6, 1:30 p.m.
Fathers and Sons by Ivan Turgenev

Bluebonnet Book Club
Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 p.m.
Sugar Changed the World by Marc Aronson and Marina Budhos

Central Branch
Central Book Club
Thursday, May 29, 11:00 a.m.
The Judas Strain by James Rollins

Eden Park Branch
Tuesday, May 20, 5:00 p.m.
When it all Falls Down by Dijorn Moss

Fairwood Branch
2014 Book Club
Thursday, May 15, 6:00 p.m.
The Lock Artist by Steven Hamilton

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
The Seekers’ Book Club
Sunday, May 18, 3:00 p.m.
Your Beautiful Purpose by Susie Larson

Science Fiction Book Club
Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m.
Doomsday Book by Connie Willis

Jones Creek Regional Branch
Historical Society Book Club
Tuesday, May 13, 7:00 p.m.
His Excellency: George Washington by Joseph Ellis

JCR Book Club
Tuesday, May 20, 7:00 p.m.
The Mysterious Affair at Styles by Agatha Christie

Book Clubs @ Your Library
– Book of the Month –

Baker Branch
Books Into Movies Book Club
Tuesday, May 27, 7:00 p.m.
The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd

Main Library
Historical Novel Book Club
Thursday, May 1, 1:30 p.m.
We will be discussing novels set in Scotland.

Mystery Lovers Book Club
Tuesday, May 13, Noon
Mysteries: Author Last Names G - I

Compassionate Book Club
Tuesday, May 20, 7:00 p.m.
Strength in What Remains: A Journey of Remembrance and Forgiveness by Tracy Kidder

Anarchist’s Book Club
Monday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.
Discuss any title you like and share great books you’re reading.

French Book Club
Thursday, May 29, 7:00 p.m.
La délicatesse by David Foenkinos

Pride-Chaneyville Branch
Crafting for a Cause
Thursday’s in May, 1:00 p.m.
Crossed Bones and Hollowed Bones by Carolyn Haines

Like It or Not Book Club
Saturday, May 3, 10:30 a.m.
Rot and Ruin by Jonathan Maberry

River Center Branch
Harry Potter Book Club
Wednesday, May 28, 5:30 p.m.
Harry Potter and the Order of Phoenix by J. K. Rowling

Scotlandville Branch
SCO Book Club
Saturday, May 10, 3:00 p.m.
The Perfect Marriage by Kimberla Lawson Roby

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Coping Jars
In honor of National Anxiety and Depression Awareness Week, teens can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, May 6, at 3:00 p.m. to make a coping jar. Decorate your jar and fill it with suggestions on colored paper for days when you need a pick-me-up! All materials will be provided. For more information, call (225) 763-2270.

Duct Tape Spike Bracelets
Teens are invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 2:30 p.m. to hang out and make some awesome spike bracelets using duct tape! For more information, call (225) 763-2270.

Bead It!
Teens will make bracelets and earrings with beading expert Luci Parham! Come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Wednesday, May 21, at 2:30 p.m. to create a work of art to treasure and wear! To register, call (225) 658-1551.

Roule Beaded Necklace
Teens can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 2:30 p.m. to make a necklace with paper beads made from recycled magazines! For more information, call (225) 763-2270.

Ribbon Flower Jewelry
We’ve got a fun craft for you! Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Wednesday, May 21, at 4:00 p.m. to learn how to sew a five-petal flower from ribbon that you can use to make a floral hair clip or brooch just in time for summer! To register, call (225) 354-7500.

Summer Reading Sign-Up Party
Teens will be playing Mario Kart on the Wii at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 4:00 p.m. Come and enjoy gaming and refreshments while viewing examples of crafts and programs we’ve planned for the summer! For more information, call (225) 274-4470.

Summer Reading Kickoff Party!
Are you ready for summer fun? We’re kicking off the Summer Reading Program with this year’s science theme with a mad scientist relay race, balloon jousting and DIY lava lamps! Get over to the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, May 27, at 2:30 p.m. to join the fun! While you’re here, sign up to read and win cool prizes! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

Summer Reading & Science Wednesday
Teens, sign up for the Summer Reading Program, play with a homemade lava lamp, and try your hand at a series of science-related challenges at the Scotlandville Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 4:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call (225) 354-7500.

One Book One Community Read: Ender’s Game
Join us at the Carver Branch on Tuesday, May 6, at 3:30 p.m. as we listen to the sci-fi classic Ender’s Game by Orson Scott Card. This is the story of Ender Wiggin who must fight a desperate battle against a deadly alien race if mankind is to survive. For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Summer Reading Kickoff: NBA Live Tournament
Teen are invited to the Eden Park Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 2:00 p.m. to participate in an Xbox 360 NBA Live Tournament to kickoff the Summer Reading Program. Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call (225) 231-3250.

Spark a Reaction: Be a Teen Library Volunteer!
Come to the Zachary Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 2:00 p.m. to learn how you can “spark a reaction.” You can make your community a better place by being an awesome volunteer at the library! For more information, call (225) 658-1870.

Cram Sessions @ the Library
Are you studying for finals? Come to the Main Library at Goodwood from 3-9:30 p.m. on Monday & Tuesday, May 19-20 to study in our programming room. We’ll serve cookies and lemonade, and have fun activities set up for you in a separate area for when you need a study break. For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

Canvas Summer Totes
Start the summer off right by personalizing a canvas summer tote bag! Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 2:30 p.m. to use puff paints to decorate your bag and then take it to the beach! To register, call (225) 756-1170.
Game Day @ Baker

Celebrate the last day of school with a gaming tournament! Come to the Baker Branch on Thursday, May 22, at 2:30 p.m. to play Halo 4 in a winner-takes-all elimination competition! The grand prize includes bragging rights and the item of your choice from our prize drawer! For more information, call (225) 778-5960.

Teen Gamerz Club

Do you need streetpasses? Bring your Nintendo 3DS or 2DS to the Central Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 4:00 p.m. to hang out and play! Don’t have a Nintendo gaming device? Come out anyway and play Nintendoland on our Wii U! For more information, call (225) 262-2644.

Team Game Day: Madden 12

The Delmont Gardens Branch is firing up the Xbox 360 for a Madden 12 tournament. You and your buddies are invited to the library on Monday, May 12, at 3:30 p.m. to get your game on! For more information, call (225) 262-2644.

Minute to Win It!

Do you have what it takes to complete a crazy challenge in under a minute? Bring your friends to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 2:30 p.m. and test your skills in a variety of mini-games and win some prizes! To register, call (225) 756-1170.

Marvel vs. Capcom 3

Join the fast-paced competition at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 1:00 p.m. Come to the library to play a game in which the heroes from Marvel and Capcom collide, and to see if both worlds survive when you play Marvel vs. Capcom 3! For more information, call (225) 658-1551.

Life-Sized Game Day

Teens come out to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 2:00 p.m. to have some fun playing life-sized games of Monopoly, Tic-Tac-Toe, Jenga and more! Cookies and lemonade will be served. For more information, call (225) 231-3250.

Battle Games Movie Day

We’ve finished the book, now let’s watch the movie! Teens are invited to the Carver Branch on Wednesday, May 14, at 4:00 p.m. to see the outstanding tale of the child hero Ender Wiggin as he fights the battle to save mankind. For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Rubber Band Bracelets

Join the latest craze when you come to the Central Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 3:30 p.m. to hang out with other teens and make rubber band bracelets! Get as colorful and creative as you want! For more information, call (225) 262-2644.

Party Bowl

Come to the Baker Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 2:30 p.m. to get crafty when you make a colorful bowl using old party supplies! For more information, call (225) 778-5960.
Duct Tape Flower Pencils

There’s so much you can do with duct tape! Teens can come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Tuesday, May 6, at 3:00 p.m. to make duct tape flowers, and then decorate pencils with them! For more information, call (225) 274-4470.

Duct Tape Crafts

The possibilities are endless! Come to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Tuesday, May 20, at 3:30 p.m. to make anything from flowers, to bowties and wallets—if you can dream it, you can make it using duct tape! For more information, call (225) 262-2644.

Pop-Up Mother’s Day Cards

Do you want to make a card for your Mom or other special woman in your life? Come to the Eden Park Branch on Thursday, May 8, at 3:30 p.m. and we’ll show you how to make a beautiful pop-up card for Mother’s Day! For more information, call (225) 231-3250.

Origami Club

The Origami Club is at it again! Come to the Baker Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 3:30 p.m. to make a DVD case, Bascetta star and a ninja blow dart! For more information, call (225) 778-5960.

Origami Design

Hey teens! Have you ever done origami? Are you looking for some new designs to master? Come to the Fairwood Branch on Thursday, May 8, at 4:00 p.m. to learn how to make some cool origami designs!

Origami @ the Creek

Hey teens, take a break from studying, and learn the Japanese art of paper folding! Come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Thursday, May 8, at 4:00 p.m. to get started! For more information, call (225) 756-1170.

Teen Book Chat

Teens can come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Monday, May 5, at 5:00 p.m. to discuss their favorite books! Exchange next read ideas, you never know, you may find a literary treasure! For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

Teens Read

Join the Pride-Chaneyville Branch Teen Book Club on Wednesday, May 14, at 11:00 a.m. when we choose a new book to read. Your opinion counts! For more information, call (225) 658-1551.

Tweens & Teens Talk Books!

Come and join the Zachary Branch Teen Council! Join us at the library on Tuesday, May 13, at 6:00 p.m. to participate in the discussion! Light refreshments will be served. For more information, call (225) 658-1870.
Discover the Swamp

Do you want to get swamped at the library? Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, May 3, at 10:30 a.m. to get a taste of the swamp when Shannon Guidry from BREC’s Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center visits! She’ll bring live animals from the Nature Center and share interesting facts about the swamp. You’ll even get to touch some artifacts from the swamp, and do a fun craft afterwards. To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Louisiana Capital Area Obedience Club

Members of the Louisiana Capital Area Obedience Club will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Saturday, May 31, at 10:00 a.m. to discuss responsible pet ownership. They’ll also bring along well-trained dogs to show off and talk about the characteristics of various breeds. Children ages 2 and up, along with their families are invited to join us! To register, call (225) 756-1160.

Police Horses at Pride!

The Baton Rouge Police Mounted Patrol Unit along with Sergeant Robert Arnett will be at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 2:30 p.m. to discuss how horses work for the police force. Children ages 4-11 will watch demonstrations by the horses, and even get the chance to pet them after the show. To register, call (225) 658-1560.

Time to Sign

Sign language is becoming a popular second language, not only to talk with the deaf, but to share secret conversations with friends or to communicate in noisy places. Children ages 6-11 are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, May 29, at 2:30 p.m. to learn to fingerspell the manual alphabet and other simple signs in this beginner’s class. To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Turn Off Your TV Week

Children ages 5-11 can celebrate National Turn off Your TV Week at the Carver Branch from Monday, May 5 through Friday, May 9. Come to the library at 4:00 p.m. during the week to read new books and make a fun construction paper flower to decorate the Children’s Room! To register, call (225) 389-7460.

Summer Chess

Chess classes are being offered for beginners and intermediate level players at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, May 31, at 10:00 a.m. Children ages 9-13 are invited to learn how to play the game, and after five sessions, we’ll have a novice chess tournament in August. Stay tuned to find out the date! To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Children’s Scrabble Club

Turn mumbo-jumbo into real words! Children ages 7-11 are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, May 24, at 12:30 p.m. to earn points for the best letter combinations in the game of Scrabble! For more information and to register, call (225) 274-4460.

Game Day!

It’s Summer Reading time once again, and that means Game Day! Come to the Main Library at Goodwood on Tuesday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m. to play games and compete with other kids ages 3-11!! We’ve got some fun and interesting stuff planned, so join us! To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Hula Hoop Contest!

Swing into the library and bring your A-game! Children ages 7-11 are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, May 3, at 11:00 a.m. to warm up with sing-a-longs and participate in a hula hoop contest! The last one still swinging is the champion! To register, call (225) 274-4460.

Blooming Mother’s Day Card

Children ages 4 and up can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, May 10, at 10:30 a.m. to hear stories honoring Moms, and make a special card to give for Mother’s Day. To register, call (225) 763-2260.
Summer Reading Blast Off

Come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 2:30 p.m. to play some old favorites like hopscotch, musical chairs, and jump rope with other children ages 4 and up! For more information, call (225) 763-2260.

Summer Reading Kickoff!

Hey kids, join us at the Carver Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 4:00 p.m. for a peek into Summer Reading programming. You can sign up for the program, check out a variety of materials, see clips of special presenters, and more! To register, call (225) 389-7460.

Summer Reading Kickoff Game Day

Kids, kick off the summer with some fun and games at the Fairwood Branch! Come to the library on Wednesday, May 28, at 4:00 p.m. to hang out with other kids ages 6-11 when they play Bingo, Pictionary and more! While you here, don’t forget to sign up for the Summer Reading Program! To register, call (225) 924-9386.

Summer Reading Kickoff & Scavenger Hunt

Children ages 3 and up are invited to stop by the River Center Branch Children’s Room on Tuesday, May 27, at 9:00 a.m. to sign up for the Summer Reading Program and participate in a scavenger hunt! You’ll get clues to find books that incorporate the Fizz, Boom, READ! theme and other hidden objects. For more information or group registration, call (225) 389-4959.

Children’s Movie Day

Children ages 6-11 can bring their favorite finger food snack to the Eden Park Branch on Saturday, May 31, at 3:00 p.m. to munch on while you watch an animated movie about the life and adventures of a lion cub! For more information, call (225) 231-3260.

Bag Lunch & a Movie

Come to the River Center Branch on Friday, May 30, at 11:00 a.m. to finish Summer Reading Kickoff Week! Bring your favorite finger foods to enjoy while you watch a movie about a robot that lives alone, collects items and tries to figure out what they are used for. For more information or group registration, call (225) 389-4959.

Brown Bag Lunch & Movie

Join other children ages 6-11 at the Scotlandville Branch on Tuesday, May 27, at 4:00 p.m. for a classic movie about a six-year-old girl who is secretly a genius with telekinetic powers! Bring your favorite finger foods to munch on while you watch! To register, call (225) 354-7560.

Chameleon Story/Craft

Come to the Delmont Gardens Branch on Saturday, May 31, 2:30 p.m. to hear The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle with other children ages 2-7. After, we’ll color painting sheets and cards on a stick! To register, call (225) 354-7060.

Cinco de Mayo Celebration!

Children ages 6-11 can come to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, May 3, at 10:30 a.m. to learn the history behind Cinco de Mayo and make a maraca! After we learn and create, we’ll shake up some fun with games and dancing! To register, call (225) 763-2260.

Love You a Latte

We love Moms at the Jones Creek Regional Branch! Come to the library on Saturday, May 10, at 11:00 a.m. to hear the poem If You Give a Mom a Muffin by Beth Brubaker. After, children ages 4 and up will create a special Mother’s Day card shaped like a latte go cup! To register, call (225) 756-1160.

Mexican Fiesta Story/Craft

Hola mis amigos! Join other children ages 6-11 at the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, May 10, at 3:00 p.m. to read some Mexican-themed stories, including The Fiesta Dress by Caren McNelly McCormack. After the story, we’ll dance the Mexican Hat Dance and make tissue paper fiesta flowers. To register, call (225) 924-9386.
Make a Present for Mom Story/Craft

Do you need something special for your Mom for Mother’s Day? Children ages 4-11 can come to the River Center Branch on Saturday, May 10, at 10:30 a.m. to hear *A Present for Mom* by Vivian French and other Mother’s Day stories. Afterwards, we’ll make a beautiful finger print card for Mom! For more information, call (225) 389-4959.

Mother’s Day Story/Craft

We’re celebrating Mother’s Day at the Scotlandville Branch! Come to the library on Tuesday, May 6, at 4:30 p.m. to hear *T. Rex and the Mother’s Day Hug* by Lois Grambling and more! Afterwards, children ages 5-8 will make painted handprint bouquets that you can give to your Mom, your grandma, or anyone you’d like! For more information, call (225) 354-7560.

Mother’s Day Card Story/Craft

Kids are invited to the Zachary Branch on Tuesday, May 6, at 3:30 p.m. to hear *Is Your Mama a Llama* by Deborah Guarino. After, we’ll make a bouquet using pre-cut construction paper. For more information, call (225) 658-1860.

Mother’ Day Ice Cream Cone Story/Craft

Join other children ages 2-8 at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, May 8, at 3:30 p.m. when they hear *Clifford’s Happy Mother’s Day* by Norman Bridwell. After, we’ll create a sweet ice cream cone with a cherry on top picture for Mom on her special day! To register, call (225) 354-7060.

Mother’s Day Book Mark Story/Craft

In celebration of Mother’s Day, children ages 4-6 are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, May 10, at 11:00 a.m. to listen to the story *Bearcub and Mama* by Sharon Jennings and Melanie Watt. After the story, we’ll use pages from old novels to create a bookmark to give to Mom for Mother’s Day. To register, call (225) 274-4460.

Bear Face Story/Craft

Children ages 2-6 will enjoy hearing *Old Bear* by Kevin Henkes at the Delmont Gardens Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 10:30 a.m. After, we’ll create a silly bear face craft! To register, call (225) 354-7060.

Glasswings

Children ages 7-11 will hear *Glasswings: A Butterfly’s Story* by Elisa Kleven at the Carver Branch on Monday, May 19, at 4:00 p.m. After, we’ll make a dotted butterfly using paper plates, paint, and pom-poms! To register, call (225) 389-7460.

Create a Bug Jar!

Children ages 5-11 can come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Wednesday, May 24, at 2:30 p.m. to hear *The Ant and the Grasshopper* by Rebecca and Ed Emberley. After, each child will create a bug jar! To register, call (225) 658-1560.

Rocket to Space

It’s time to blast off! Come to the Fairwood Branch on Saturday, May 31, at 2:00 p.m. to enjoy a storytime featuring the book *Roaring Rockets* by Tony Milton and rhymes about rockets and space. After the story, children ages 2-5 will make a rocket picture using shape cut-outs. To register, call (225) 924-9386.

Solar System Story/Craft

This storytime will be out of this world! Come to the Scotlandville Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m. to learn about the planets and read *Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me* by Eric Carle. Afterward, children ages 4-7 will make planet pictures. To register, call (225) 354-7560.

Volcano Eruption!

Fizz, Boom, READ! Children ages 8-11 are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood on Thursday, May 29, at 10:30 a.m. to learn cool facts about volcanoes and then build active ones and watch them erupt! To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Fly Your Airplane to the Moon!

Come hang out with other kids ages 6-11 at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 2:30 p.m. and hear *Moon Plane* by Peter McCarty! After, we’ll create and decorate paper airplanes and test their ability by flying them through hoops! To register, call (225) 658-1560.
Pizza Story/Craft

Pizza is yummy! Children ages 2-5 are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, May 13, at 10:30 a.m. to hear Hi, Pizza Man by Virginia Walter and Pizza! by Jan Pienkowski. After, we’ll each make a slice of paper sack pizza! To register, call (225) 756-1160.

Bartholomew and the Oobleck

Children ages 6-11 will hear the story Bartholomew and the Oobleck by Dr. Seuss at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Wednesday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m. After, each child will make an oobleck which has solid and liquid properties. Dress to get messy! To register, call (225) 756-1160.

Fizz, Boom, Read! Story/Craft

Come to the River Center Branch on Thursday, May 29, at 10:00 a.m. to watch something FIZZ…then BOOM! Kids ages 6-11 can watch two cool chemistry demonstrations, and after, we’ll READ Mac Barnett’s Oh No!: (Or How My Science Project Destroyed the World). To register, call (225) 389-4959.

Cover 2 Cover Book Club

Hey kids, ages 8-11, come to the Central Branch on Thursday, May 22, at 4:30 p.m. to explore the science-fiction genre when we discuss the book Spaceheadz by Jon Scieszka! Afterwards, we’ll make cool “alien catchers” using recycled water bottles. We’ll even play some Xbox 360 video games! To register, call (225) 262-2660.

Fairwood Awesome Bookworms

Come to the Fairwood Branch on Thursday, May 15, at 4:30 p.m. to participate in the FAB Club for ages 7-11! This month we’ll be recognizing people with special needs when we read from Helen Keller: Her Life in Pictures by George Sullivan, learn some sign language, and try our hand at Braille. To register, call (225) 924-9386.

Read Well @ Greenwell Children’s Book Club

Children ages 7-11 will meet up at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, May 17, at 12:30 p.m. to discuss last month’s read. Members will present a visual prepared at home that is related to the story in a creative form, such as drawing, costume or prop. After the presentations, children are encouraged to share with the group book recommendations for upcoming months. For more information and to register, call (225) 274-4460.

Main Library Children’s Reading Club

Join us for our new Children’s Reading Club at the Main Library at Goodwood on Saturday, May 31, at 2:30 p.m. Children ages 7-11 will be reading and discussing books that will take them on all sorts of adventures! Suggestions for future topics are always welcome and encouraged. To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Join the Choose a Chapter Book Club!

Children ages 6-11 can come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch on Saturday, May 3, at 10:30 a.m. to participate in our Choose a Chapter Book Club meeting. We’ll be choosing chapters from Galaxy Zach: Monsters in Space by Ray O’Ryan. After, we’ll create a monster puppet! To register, call (225) 658-1560.
**Harvey Rabbit and Friends Are Back!**

Children ages 2-11 can join Harvey Rabbit, Cecil the Orangutan, Miss Laura and Mr. Tim as they bring fun and mayhem to the East Baton Rouge Parish Library System branches this summer with ventriloquism, puppetry, music, magic, comedy and audience participation. It just wouldn’t be summer without a visit from this gang!

Dates, times and locations are listed below. Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

**Central Branch**
Tuesday, May 27, 10 a.m.

**Jones Creek Regional Branch**
Tuesday, May 27, 2:30 p.m.

**River Center Branch**
Wednesday, May 28, 10 a.m.

**Delmont Gardens Branch**
Wednesday, May 28, 2:30 p.m.

**Scotlandville Branch**
Thursday, May 29, 10 a.m.

**Zachary Branch**
Thursday, May 29, 2:30 p.m.

**Carver Branch**
Friday, June 6, 10 a.m.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**
Monday, June 9, 2:30 p.m.

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**Fizz, Boom, READ!**

Children can Fizz, Boom, READ during a program of the same name at the East Baton Rouge Parish Library branches this summer! The library offers free storytimes and programs for babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers, and elementary-aged children. The Summer Reading Program introduces children to books and forms a life-long habit of reading and library use.

Registration materials for readers and non-readers are available in the Children’s Room at all libraries from May 27 through July 31. Children who reach their reading goals by August 15 will receive a reading certificate, coupon incentives from local merchants and a free book and will be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift certificate! From August 16 to August 31, children turning in their completed booklets will receive a reading certificate. For more information, call or visit your branch’s Children’s Room.

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**Storyteller Mary Jo Kelly Cures the Summer Blues with Tall Tales**

Once upon a time … there was a wonderful storyteller who visited children in libraries. This program will enhance reading for children ages 3-11 thanks to the talents of local librarian Mary Jo Kelly, also known as the Book Doctor. Kelly will entertain young audiences with tales and stories. The storytelling session will last about 45 minutes, leaving plenty of time for young readers to pick up books of their own to continue learning about other stories.

Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Performance schedule includes: **Pride-Chaneyville Branch**, Monday, June 9, 10:00 a.m.

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**Celebrate Children’s Book Week with Read Photos**

To celebrate Children Book Week, stop by your local library branch and have your picture taken holding your favorite book! Each branch will also have a raffle among the children who have their picture taken, with a surprise book as the prize! There’ll be only one winner per branch. Dates, times and locations are listed below.

For more information, call the library branch directly.

**Baker Branch**
Tuesday, May 13, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**
Saturday, May 17, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Carver Branch**
Monday, May 12 – Friday, May 16, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

**Central Branch**
Friday, May 16, 11:00 a.m.

**Delmont Gardens Branch**
Monday, May 12 – Saturday, May 17, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, May 18, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

**Eden Park Branch**
Monday, May 12, 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.

**Fairwood Branch**
Monday, May 12, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

**Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**
Tuesday, May 13, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

**Jones Creek Regional Branch**
Tuesday, May 27, 10 a.m.

**Main Library at Goodwood**
Saturday, May 17, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Pride-Chaneyville Branch**
Wednesday, May 14, 10:30 a.m.

**River Center Branch**
Monday, May 12 – Sunday, May 18, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Scotlandville Branch**
Monday, May 12 – Friday, May 16, all day
The Louisiana Sinfonietta

Parents can expose children of all ages to classical music, musical storytelling, lessons about musical instruments and more during the Louisiana Sinfonietta’s performances, directed by Maestro Dinos Constantinides, scheduled over the summer at area libraries. Members of the Sinfonietta, a small symphonic orchestra, will present “Music Magic” with short classical music pieces.

Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Performance schedule includes:

Bluebonnet Regional Branch, Monday, June 2, 10:30 a.m.
Main Library at Goodwood, Wednesday, June 4, 10:30 a.m.
Jones Creek Regional Branch, Thursday, June 5, 2:30 p.m.

The Atchafalaya Dancers

Children ages 4-11 have an opportunity for exposure to the Native American culture thanks to a special program. Regina Smith and Ken Dixon will be presenting a program on Native American dances and traditions. Dances range from men’s and women’s traditional dances, the grass dance, the fancy shawl and many more. The two have demonstrated the dances at a variety of Native American powwows in Marksville, La., and around the country.

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Performance schedule: Carver Branch, Monday, June 2, 10:30 a.m.

Rock Out with the BR Gem & Mineral Society!

From limestone and granite to sedimentary and igneous, children ages 5-11 will enjoy learning about rocks during special summer programs planned this summer. Cherie Schofield of the Baton Rouge Gem and Mineral Society will grab the young would-be geologists’ attention with a reading of a picture book on the alphabet and rocks. She’ll also educate them on the types of rocks and how to identify them in fun, visual ways.

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Performance schedule includes: Baker Branch, Saturday, May 3, 10:30 a.m.
The Cangelosi Dance Project

Whether you have a graceful little girl or a boy that just likes moving to the music, most kids enjoy dancing. The Cangelosi Dance Project will present a performance of “Contemporary Craze” plus a lesson on dance for children ages 5-11, ending with audience participation at various branches of the library this summer. It will introduce children to several styles and methods involving contemporary dance, as well as demonstrations of technique exercises used to strengthen the full body’s muscles and motivate the mind for to enjoy performances in a quality manner. Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760. Performance schedule includes:

River Center Branch, Thursday, June 5, 10:30 a.m.

The Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre

The Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre’s Youth Ballet will perform this adaptation of the Russian folklore tale “Firebird” about a simple hunter who wanders into the garden of an evil monster for children ages 5-11. He falls in love with a princess held captive there, then rescues her with the supernatural power granted him by a magical bird of fire. Children will be enthralled by this ballet, which was first performed in 1910 with music by Igor Stravinsky.

To register, call the library branch directly.

Performance schedule includes:

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch, Tuesday, June 3, 10:00 a.m.
Fairwood Branch, Tuesday, June 3, 1:00 p.m.
Jones Creek Regional Branch, Tuesday, June 3, 3:00 p.m.
River Center Branch, Wednesday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.
Carver Branch, Thursday, June 5, 10:00 a.m.
Bluebonnet Regional Branch, Thursday, June 5, 1:00 p.m.

Eric Herman’s Hit Songs Bring Comedy, Participation to Children

Known for kids concerts bursting with comedy, creativity, audience participation and outrageously fun songs, musician Eric Herman will bring his unique form of children’s music to area libraries later this summer. Those ages 3-11 will enjoy musical YouTube hits (more than 50 million views) like “The Elephant Song,” “Dance Like an Animal” and “Blackbeard, Bluebeard and Redbeard”.

Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760. Performance schedule includes:

Main Library at Goodwood Saturday, June 7, 10:30 a.m.
Jones Creek Regional Branch Saturday, June 7, 2:30 p.m.
Bluebonnet Regional Branch Saturday, June 14, 10:30 a.m.
Greenwell Springs Branch Saturday, June 14, 2:30 p.m.
Kids Can Ham It up with Daisy the Reading Pig!

Farmer Paul Minor and Daisy the Reading Pig are back to share stories about Daisy’s formative years and life on her farm in Connecticut and to read from her vast collection of pig books. Come enjoy reading lessons from “the most famous pig in the whole world.” Kids ages 2-11 will be tickled pink with this special program.

Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Performance schedule includes:

- **River Center Branch**, Monday, June 2, 10:00 a.m.
- **Main Library at Goodwood**, Monday, June 2, 2:30 p.m.
- **Carver Branch**, Tuesday, June 3, 10:00 a.m.
- **Bluebonnet Regional Branch**, Tuesday, June 3, 2:30 p.m.
- **Delmont Gardens Branch**, Wednesday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.
- **Central Branch**, Wednesday, June 4, 2:30 p.m.
- **Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**, Thursday, June 5, 10:00 a.m.
- **Fairwood Branch**, Thursday, June 5, 2:30 p.m.

The Baton Rouge Astronomical Society: Science Experiments

Hands-on science lessons will be led by Baton Rouge Astronomical Society members this summer at library branches, where children ages 6-11 and their families can get involved in a variety of physical science experiments. If weather permits, there may even be a solar viewing that is safe for little eyes. This year, children also will be introduced to a special science exercise they can perform at home with adults and report their findings online – just like a real scientist. Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

This entertaining and educational program is scheduled at 2:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- **Eden Park Branch**, Wednesday, May 28, 2:30 p.m.
- **Central Branch**, Thursday, May 29, 2:30 p.m.
- **Zachary Branch**, Wednesday, June 4, 2:30 p.m.
Reading Rocks with Johnette Downing

Mix a dash of down home, Louisiana music with a pinch of books and a dollop of young library patrons, and you have a successful and fun recipe for learning at library branches this summer. During Johnette Downing Presents Reading Rocks!, children ages 2-11 can celebrate reading in a toe-tapping, interactive way. Johnette’s presentations celebrate childhood in an engaging and interactive way. The program is filled with singing and dancing activities set to local music.

Registration is required; contact the branch directly to register. For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Fizz, Boom, READ! Children's Book Illustrator Chuck Galey Helps Kids Create Picture Books

Beautifully illustrated picture books capture a child’s imagination. That is what is often said about Chuck Galey’s work, and he’ll be guiding young patrons through the magical process of creating picture books as part of his summer Fizz, Boom, READ! tour at local libraries. A Mississippi native, Galey is a children’s book author and illustrator and teacher has illustrated more than 50 books for educational publishers across the country. He has worked on creating covers for Beverly Cleary’s Ribsey and Henry Higgins and R.L. Stine’s Fear Street series for Recorded Books. He’ll help children get started creating and illustrating their own books with exciting, original drawings.

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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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Regional Branch
Through the Lens
Louisiana Photographic Society will display their photos of nature, landscapes, travel, and more.

Jones Creek Regional Branch
Landscape and Nature Photography
Sharon Turner will display her landscape and nature photographs.

Baton Rouge Gem and Mineral Society
Members of the Society will display their collections.

Parkview Elementary School Art Show
Students will display works from their school art. A reception will be held on Saturday, May 17, starting at 2:00 p.m.

Main Library at Goodwood
Country Roads Magazine Exhibit
Art pieces of the local publication.

Scotlandville Branch
Baton Rouge Zoo Information
BREC will display general information, zoo history, education program summary, etc.

Entertaining Cartoon Characters
Lakisha Bembo will display her collection of fantastic cartoon drawings.

ON VIEW at the Library

Bluebonnet Regional Branch
Calligraphy
The Louisiana Calligraphers’ Guild will have a sampling of their crafts.

Eden Park Branch
June’s Darlings – Image Dolls
This handmade doll collection by Carolyn Wells captures their trends in dress, hair, and shoes over the years.

Celebrating the Memory of those who died in Service
This photographic display will commemorate the memory and sacrifice of relatives and friends of staff members and patrons in the community.

Impressionistic Realism
Artist Erik O’Neal will display works recreating the moment using pastels and oils.