New Year’s Resolutions

1. Update my Library Card … add my email address so my alerts will come quickly.
2. Become a downloading diva (or divo) — Save money by downloading free tunes every week on Freegal.
3. Learn a new language using Mango Languages, Pronunciator, or Muzzy.
4. Enjoy a coffee break with downloaded magazines from Zinio and Flipster.
5. Listen to audiobooks from OverDrive or One Click Audio while I spring clean the house.
6. Bring the family to a free program at the Library.
7. Share a book with a child… read at least 15 minutes per day!
8. Start tracing my family tree in the Genealogy Room at the new Main Library at Goodwood.
9. Update my resume’ with the help of the staff at the Career Center (also at the Main Library at Goodwood).
10. List my entire family’s cards on Library Elf so we’ll never be late again.

Your Library’s Resolution: Make a Plan!

Over the past three years, we’ve collected information from you about how you envision your East Baton Rouge Parish Library serving the community in the present and for the future. We’ve touched base with you during Geek Weeks at each branch, at community events, through print and online surveys, through focus groups, through regular email and print communications, and of course, through everyday interactions with staff. You’ve told us how the Library makes a difference in your lives today and you’ve shared your issues and concerns for the future, including what you want and need from the East Baton Rouge Parish Library in the coming years.

After incorporating your input, the Library Board of Control has approved a draft version for a new Strategic Plan. Similar to BREC’s Imagine Your Parks effort, we’d like to share the highlights of the Strategic Plan through a series of public meetings, with at least one meeting scheduled at every branch over the next six months. The first meetings are scheduled as follows:

Main Library at Goodwood
6-8 p.m., Monday, January 26
2-4 p.m., Tuesday, January 27

Fairwood Branch
2-4 p.m., Saturday, January 24

This is your opportunity to discuss and explore the possibilities outlined in the draft version of the Strategic Plan, which can also be found on the Library’s website at http://www.ebrpl.com/StrategicPlanRevJuly2014.pdf. Please check it out!
Park It Here!

The plaza and permanent parking lot for the new Main Library at Goodwood are both now open to patrons. Accessible from Goodwood Blvd., this spacious lot contains a drive/thru pickup window, patron drop-off areas, bicycle racks and over 300 parking spaces. Some of these spaces are prescribed for special use, including 18 Handicapped parking spaces as well as the “preferred” spaces for “green” cars and cars which contain more than one person… These last two categories relate to our “green” requirement as a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified building.

- **Handicapped Spaces**: 18 spaces, official Handicapped License or Permit is required by law to be displayed on vehicle. This is MORE than the ADA code requires.

- **HOV Spaces** (High Occupancy Vehicles; defined as 2+ occupants): 21 spaces. The driver plus even just ONE passenger is defined as HOV; the purpose of these preferred spaces is to encourage drivers to carpool.

- **Fuel Efficient Vehicle Parking Spaces**: 21 spaces. The purpose of these preferred parking spaces is to draw attention to and encourage the use of low-emitting and fuel-efficient vehicles. What is fuel efficient? In addition to compact cars and hybrids, almost any sedan, small truck or small SUV built after 2012 meets the criteria: “Low-emitting and fuel-efficient vehicles are defined as vehicles that are either classified as Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV) by the California Air Resources Board or have achieved a minimum green score of 40 on the American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (ACEEE) annual vehicle rating guide.”

Based on input during the design phase of the project, special attention was paid to the lighting in the plaza and parking lot. The parking lot is landscaped with native plants in bio-swales to help control water and minimize runoff. Other recently completed additions to the construction project include protected turn lanes from Goodwood Blvd, multiple right turn exits which will bring you safely back on to Goodwood Blvd. as you leave the parking lot, roadside LED screens at the monumental sign which can help advertise Library events, and a large outdoor monitor (17 feet wide) in the plaza that can be used to promote Library events, screen movies, and even celebrate with a tailgate!

We are very grateful for BREC’s willingness to share their Theatre and Garden parking lots with us during this long process, and our patrons have waited VERY patiently for this permanent parking lot to come to completion. Thanks! We truly appreciate it!

Learn Why We Celebrate MLK Day

*Everyone* is invited to participate as we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day at the Scotlandville Branch at 3 p.m. Sunday, January 16. This year, participants may write an essay or poem that reflects on why we celebrate the MLK holiday. Entries will be shared aloud at the program and must be submitted to the branch by Sunday, January 4. Dorothy E. Davis will lead the discussion on the legacy of Dr. King and his message of Civil Rights and social justice for all by nonviolent means.

**African American Heroes: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.**

*Adults and teens* are invited to the Baker Branch at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 17, to enjoy a program and documentary viewing held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Justice Sunday. Following the documentary, there will be a dialogue and commentary with Dr. Charles Vincent on the life of Dr. King. School supplies provided by Dr. Charles Vincent will be given to the first ten students in attendance.

**Library Closings**

All locations of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library will be closed Thursday, January 1 in observance of New Year’s Day and Monday, January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

**Holiday**

**Reliving Memories of Mardi Gras**

Local photographer Claude Lindsey will be at the Carver Branch at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 25, to make a Mardi Gras presentation for *adults* with a reception to follow. Come enjoy 18 years of carnival memorabilia featuring the Zulu Social Aid & Pleasure Club, Bacchus, Rex and Orpheus of New Orleans parades, and the Orion of Baton Rouge parade, all captured through Lindsey’s camera lens.
Introducing Lynda.com for Online Learning

You can now access Lynda.com through the Digital Library. This resource offers online courses on a huge variety of software products. There are nearly 3,000 courses available and growing. As well as Microsoft Office, it covers photography, design and educational software. These are in-depth video tutorials and you receive a certificate on completion. Courses are self-paced. Other online training resources include Atomic Training, Treehouse, Learning Express, Gale Courses, and Safari Tech Books Online.

Get Started with Mergent Online

Mergent Online offers in-depth company and financial information. There are also industry reports, executive profiles, corporate family trees, historical data and the ability to customize reports.

The Digital Library already offers such resources as Standard & Poors NetAdvantage, Morningstar, Value Line, WestlawNext (in-house Library use only), Business Source Complete, and Legal Forms. All are freely available with your valid East Baton Rouge Parish Library card.

Read Together for National Readathon Day!

Everyone can visit the Main Library at Goodwood from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, January 24, to celebrate National Readathon Day! It’s a marathon reading session in which participants can join readers across America in sitting down to read a book that afternoon. Four straight hours is a lot of reading so this could be your opportunity to finally tackle that challenging, longer book you’ve been meaning to get to. Perhaps you’ll want to bring several books and read a little from each. It doesn’t matter, just read! Share your photos and experiences during this marathon afternoon of reading on social media using the hashtags #timetoread and #ebrpl.

Celebrate National Braille Literacy Month at the Library!

January is National Braille Literacy Month and to celebrate, children of all ages and their families are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 17, for a special program and presentation. Mary Haupt with the National Federation of the Blind will be at the Library to read to children from Braille story books and discuss the topics of vision, blindness and Louis Braille. There also will be other books and stories on the topic on display and available to check out.

*American Girl BeForever Event

Girls ages 8-11 can join us at the Eden Park Branch at noon Saturday, January 31, for an event featuring American Girl’s new BeForever line. BeForever, a refreshed version of our familiar historical character line, is all about connecting girls with characters from the past who will inspire them today. At this event, girls will enjoy fun crafts and activities based on the beloved stories of the BeForever characters.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. * Registration required.
**Make a Mini Arduino Robot**

Adults and teens are invited to construct mini robots using electronic circuit boards and sensors. These robots avoid whatever obstacles you put in front of them. You can also have fun modifying the behavior of the robot you put together! No previous knowledge of robots or electronics is required. Kits are provided for use during the program. Dates, times and locations are listed below.

- 3 p.m., Saturday, January 17, Jones Creek Regional Branch
- 3 p.m., Wednesday, January 21, Pride-Chaneyville Branch
- 7 p.m., Monday, January 26, Main Library at Goodwood
- 3 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, Eden Park Branch

*Teen Arduino Robotics Club*

Teen makers are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 17, for our Arduino Robotics Club! Learn to use our Arduino kits so you can build and program your own designs. Designed by engineers for artists, it is an easy-to-learn yet powerful platform to get you into making your own projects. You can make LED displays, fun gadgets, robots, wearable lights and much more!

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**Your Pace or Mine Walking Club**

Let’s get movin’ in the New Year! The Jones Creek Regional Branch adult walking club will meet at the Library at 6 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in January, to walk mapped routes surrounding the branch. In the event of evening showers we’ll walk inside. All fitness levels are welcome to join!

**Eden Park Walking Club**

Are you trying to stay in shape or lose weight? Don’t feel like hitting the gym? Then come take the 10,000 Step a Day challenge with us and our new adult walking club at the Eden Park Branch at 11 a.m. Tuesdays, January 6 and 27! We will make several laps around the Library’s backyard during the period. Participants should be able to walk without assistance and on grass, which is cut short and level, but will require good walking shoes. If any medical conditions are a concern, participants should consult with a doctor first. A pedometer is useful but not necessary. If it is raining or the ground is wet, class will be cancelled and rescheduled for another day.

**Lose Big in the New Year, Join the Carver Fit Club!**

You may have seen contestants drop pounds on the popular television series The Biggest Loser and want to experience it for yourself. Well, now it’s your turn! Adults, tweens and teens are invited to observe and/or participate in monthly exercise demonstrations at the Carver Branch at 5 p.m. every Tuesday in January. These eight-minute, high-intensity routines combine the elements needed to maximize calorie burn for a fast, body-blasting workout that can help you shed inches. You’ll be sculpting the abdominal muscles, buttocks, arms and legs. Please note that one set of light weights and one set of challenging weights is required for this workout. Be sure to wear comfortable clothes and bring a towel!

**Teens Can Get Wii Fit in 2015!**

If you’re ready to get your workout on in the New Year, you’ll want to join other teens on the second floor of the River Center Branch at 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 7, to exercise using the Nintendo Wii! Please seek physician approval before attending.

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**Relax with Chair Yoga**

Adults can come to the Eden Park Branch at 10 a.m. Thursdays, January 15 and 29, to enjoy a gentle, hour-long course designed for relaxation and quiet the 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 attending.

**Mindful Meditation**

Relax and retreat to the Library this month. Adults can come to the Eden Park Branch at 10 a.m. Thursdays, January 8 and 22, to enjoy an hour of relaxation and quiet the mind. Meditation has proven useful in stress relief, mental clarity, focus and biofeedback.
**Health & Wellness**

### Yoga for Adults and Teens

Is being more active your New Year’s resolution? Let us give you a jump start! **Adults and teens** can come to the Central Branch at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, for a Hatha Yoga class to learn some basic stretches for flexibility, breathing techniques, relaxation and mediation. Be sure to wear comfortable clothing and bring a non-slip mat.

### History/Archives

#### Civil War Medicine & Uniform Demonstration

Centenary State Historic Site Interpretive Ranger, John O’Neil will be at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 17, to present a program focusing on the methods and instruments used by Civil War doctors. **Everyone** is invited to learn about the everyday life of a military doctor and their patients, as well as the military uniforms worn during the Civil War. Budding historians and history buffs will enjoy seeing uniforms that were worn by Confederate and Union civil war soldiers. A replica of an in-field musket rifle circa 1858 also will be shown. For more information, check out [http://www.facebook.com/centenary.state.historic.site](http://www.facebook.com/centenary.state.historic.site).

#### Eudora S. Day: Baton Rouge’s First and Only Female Sheriff

The Baton Rouge Room Archives will launch its monthly lecture series in January with a talk about the election of Eudora S. Day, Baton Rouge’s first female sheriff. **Adults** are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 7 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, to learn about Eudora S. Day’s journey to the Sheriff’s seat following the March 1924 death of her husband, the incumbent Sheriff Robert Day, who was killed in the line of duty. Community sentiment was that his widow should step in and carry on his legacy but the newly formed, Klan-controlled Democratic Committee had other ideas. Archivist Melissa Eastin will explore the brief campaign launched by supporters of Widow Day and examine how the struggle between the Democratic Party, the Ku Klux Klan and women’s suffrage played a role in this most interesting event in Baton Rouge history.

#### Sharing the Sweet Life: 100 Years at the Chatsworth Sugar Plantation

The LSU Rural Life Museum will present *Sharing the Sweet Life: 100 Years at the Chatsworth Sugar Plantation, East Baton Rouge Parish* at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch in January. In an effort to reach a wide audience and promote education and public outreach in archaeology, this traveling exhibit will be hosted at the Library Saturday, January 3 through Friday, January 30, and features artifacts, visual displays and a short media presentation about Southern plantation life over 100 years ago. The exhibit will be accompanied by a special talk and presentation given by exhibit coordinator, Beverly Clement at the Library at 2 p.m., Saturday, January 17. Light refreshments will be served.

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**20-Somethings**

### Game Night!

Calling all 20-Somethings **ages 19-30ish**! Join us for a free night of fun and games at the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 6. Bring a friend and play Settlers of Catan at this first 20-Somethings game night! Light refreshments will be served.

### Crafternoon: Bad Art

Do you have artistic aspirations but no real talent? We have the perfect program for you! 20somethings **ages 19-30ish** are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, January 11, to use a random assortment of crafting supplies to create the worst possible art project. At the end of the program, we’ll vote to crown one “masterpiece” the Tackiest Art Project and the artist will receive a prize!

### Two Chances for 20-Somethings Game Night at the Main Library

If you’re a 20-Something **ages 19-30ish**, you are invited to game night at the Main Library at Goodwood! Join us at 6 p.m. Tuesdays, January 13 and 20, for a couple of hours of board gaming fun! Twice a month, gaming enthusiasts can choose between board games like Catan, 7 Wonders, and Forbidden Island. Game night provides you with the chance to meet new people and try out new games without dropping any cash. Light snacks will be served.

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East Baton Rouge Parish Library
**Finance**

*First-Time Homebuyers Seminar*

Adults can learn the home buying process at the Scotlandville Branch at 10 a.m. Saturdays, January 10 and 24. Keller Williams realtor Detoine Rucker Sr., along with other leading experts will be at the Library this month to share current market trends, how to get the best loans and financing, and how to prepare for the purchase.

*Resolve for Financial Health in the New Year!*

The New Year has begun and it’s time for a fresh start! If you’ve resolved to have better financial health this year, you’ll want to join other adults at the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 15, for a seminar lead by financial expert Bennett Blackledge from Gulf Coast Bank & Trust Company. You’ll learn a clear method for saving money, how to understand where your money goes each month and how to make the right choices when selecting your financial services.

**Art & Crafts**

*Faux Tin Tiles Craft*

Do you need something amazing to decorate your walls? If you said yes, you should come to the Central Branch at 3 p.m. Saturday, January 10, to make a faux tin tile with other 20-Somethings ages 19-30ish! We’ll show you how to turn a disposable cookie sheet into a beautiful piece of embossed art. Paint it with colorful metallic accents or leave it as a simple silver engraving.

*20-Somethings Bad Art Night at Zachary*

Check your judgment and good taste at the door when you come to the Zachary Branch at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 22, to hang out with other 20-Somethings ages 19-30ish and create something truly dreadful! We will provide a variety of craft supplies to inspire you, and there’s no talent necessary. At the end of the night, participants will vote on the “best bad art” (worst art?) and the winner will receive a prize. Don’t be afraid to unleash your inner bad artist! Drop in anytime; latecomers are welcome. Light snacks will be served.

*Magazine Bowls Craft for Adults*

Adults can get crafty when they make bowls using discarded magazines! Come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 17, to make this upcycled craft that can be used for holding keys, treats and more!

*Sock Penguin Craft for Teens*

Perhaps you’ve heard of sock monkeys, but what about sock penguins? Teens are invited to the Eden Park Branch at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, to make a cute penguin craft using socks, felt pieces and cotton stuffing.

**Bingo**

Bingo at the Library

Everyone is invited to the Library this month to play bingo for prizes with friends and family. You’ll enjoy this classic game that never gets old! Dates, times and locations are listed below. *Registration is required for some.

- 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 6, Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch
- 5 p.m., Wednesday, January 7, Eden Park Branch
- 10 a.m., Thursday, January 8, Eden Park Branch
- *6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 8, Jones Creek Regional Branch
- 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 20, Carver Branch
- 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, Bluebonnet Regional Branch
- 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, Delmont Gardens Branch
- 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 21, Baker Branch
Morse Code Jewelry Craft for Adults & 20-Somethings

Adults and 20-Somethings ages 19-30ish are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 5:30 p.m. Monday, January 12, to make bracelets and necklaces that bear a special message in beaded Morse Code. Use inspirational quotations, lines of verse, the name of a loved one or whatever you can dream up! Enjoy refreshments while you craft. All supplies will be provided.

Upcycled T-Shirt Scarf Craft for Teens

It’s cold outside, and you’ll need the perfect accessory that’s both functional and fashionable! Teens can come to the Central Branch at 4 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, to learn how to make a scarf using a T-Shirt.

Magnetic Photo Holder Craft for Teens

Teens can join us at the Fairwood Branch at 4 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, when we make colorful magnetic photo holders from clothes pins, decorative paper and small embellishments. Use them to decorate your school locker, home refrigerator or any metal surface!

Custom Cell Phone Cover Craft for Teens

Do you want to make a fashion statement with your cell phone? If you said yes, you’ll want to join other teens at the Delmont Gardens Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 8, to make customized, laminated cell phone covers using collages of pictures from magazines, 3D stickers, sequins and more!

‘Deco Mesh Wreath Demonstration at Fairwood

Wreaths are great for home décor year-round! Adults can come to the Fairwood Branch at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 3, for a demonstration on how to make a deco mesh wreath. All participants must bring their own supplies including a wire wreath with ties, two rolls of deco mesh and any other embellishments to add to the project.

‘Make a Tin Can Organizer

Adults are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 24, to make organizers using tin cans and cork contact paper. This functional, upcycled craft can be used to hold pencils, pens, paintbrushes and many other items! All supplies will be provided.

Glitter Polymer Slime Craft for Teens

The weather outside may be frightful, but glitter slime is so delightful! Teens are invited to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 21, to start the year of scientifically with a cool craft. We’ll be making a custom blend of glue-based polymer and glitter!

Animal Origami Craft for Teens

Teens can come to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, January 22, to learn how to make a variety of Origami animals like cranes, cats, alligators and more!

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. * Registration required.
Sew Much Fun!

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 adult fellow crafters, the Pride-Chaneyville Branch is where you need to be! Come to the Library at 1 p.m. Thursdays, January 8, 15, 22 and 29, to make crafts. Items made through this program will be crafted for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge to benefit their many charitable programs, along with organizations like The Leprosy Mission in Anandaban Hospital in Kathmandu, Nepal; War Veterans Hospital; Pregnancy Problem Center; St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital; Hope House; and the Battered Women’s Shelter. Donations of supplies or finished items also are welcome.

Carver Crochet Club

Come crochet your stress away at the Carver Branch! Adults and teens are invited to the Library at 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 21, to join the crochet club. All skill levels are encouraged to attend. We will have limited supplies available, but you are welcome to bring your own.

*Crochet 101 Series at Greenwell Springs

If you’d like to learn to crochet, this series is for you! Adults are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, January 28, for a series of crochet workshops. Our sessions will begin with focus on various types of stitches and will progress throughout the series to round potholders, hats and other small items. Yarn will be provided, but each participant should bring either G, H or I crochet hooks. Refreshments will be served.

Hand Quilting for Beginners

Adults and teens can come to the Central Branch at 6 p.m. Wednesdays, January 7 and 21, to learn the basics of hand quilting! Work on your current project, get advice on starting a new one, get ideas for quilting patterns and enjoy how-to demonstrations. Questions and ideas are welcome and encouraged! Be sure to bring your own fabric, needle, thread, scissors, pins and other materials.

Quilters’ Corner

Adults can join this on-going quilting group that will meet monthly at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch. Come to the Library at 2 p.m. Saturdays, January 10 and 24, to create quilts everyone will admire! Build your skills with techniques for piecing, machine quilting, appliqué, finishing and so much more.

*Crochet in the New Year!

You can let 2015 be the year you finally learn to crochet! Join other adults at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 3:30 p.m. Thursdays, January 8 and 22, for two crochet lessons! The first session will cover the basic chain stitch and single crochet. The second meeting will encompass more complicated stitches and learning to read a pattern. Participants are asked to bring a crochet hook size J (5.5 mm) or larger. Yarn will be provided.

Morning Stitching Group at the Main Library

Stay warm and look cool this wintry season with your own handmade scarf! Adults and teens are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 10 a.m. Monday, January 12, to knit this simple winter accessory. No experience is necessary.

Do-It-Yourself Fringe Scarves and Armbands

Teens, come to Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, and learn how to upcycle an old T-Shirt and long socks into a scarf and armbands. Be sure to bring your own T-Shirt and socks! All other materials will be provided.

Crochet Compassion with Plastic Bags

Adults are invited to learn how to turn plastic bags into plastic yarn (plarn) at the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 1 p.m. Tuesday, January 6. Instruction on two simple crochet stitches will turn plarn into a lightweight, weather resistant sleeping mat that can be used by people who are homeless and living on the streets. No crochet skills are necessary. Share your compassion by flattening bags, cutting strips and making balls of plarn.

Crocheting for a Cause at the Main Library

Adults and teens can turn plastic bags into plastic yarn (plarn) that can be used to crochet durable sleeping mats for those that are homeless and living on the streets. Adults are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood every fourth Sunday of the month starting at 3 p.m. Sunday, January 25. Teens can crochet for a cause every second Wednesday of the month beginning at 3 p.m. Wednesday, January 14.
Carver Classic Movie

Join other adults at the Carver Branch at 10 a.m. Friday, January 16, to watch a classic film featuring a young Leslie Nielsen in a serious role about an outer space expedition that goes awry!

TGIF Movie at Jones Creek

Adults are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 1 p.m. every Friday in January to relax from a busy work week while enjoying a full-length movie with a seasonal theme. Popcorn and punch will be served.

Movie-Musical Night at the Carver Branch

Adults and teens are invited to the Carver Branch at 5 p.m. Monday, January 26, to enjoy watching a motion-picture screen adaptation of the longest running musical in history about a disfigured musical genius who haunts the catacombs beneath the Paris Opera, waging a reign of terror over its occupants until he falls fatally in love with a rising star named Christine.

Teen Movie Day at Jones Creek

Teens can come to the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 10, to watch an action-packed movie based on a comic book about a group of interstellar outlaws that try to save the galaxy from a villain who is seeking ultimate power! Enjoy refreshments while you watch.

All-American Marvel Hero Movie for Teens

Head over to the Fairwood Branch at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 17, to watch a movie with other teens about one of your favorite superheroes! Watch as Captain America continues his journey as the super-powered American soldier who’s grasping to find his place in a modern world after being frozen in ice since WWII in this Marvel Studios sequel. Popcorn and lemonade will be served.

*Movie Night for Kids at Scotlandville

It is movie time at the Scotlandville Branch! Join other children ages 8-11 at the Library for a magical movie about a girl with really long hair who leaves her tower to go on an adventure! Bring your favorite finger foods to enjoy while you watch the movie.

Monday Movie Series

Adults can relax with a movie at the Library two times this month. Come to the River Center Branch at 1 p.m. Monday, January 12, to watch a film starring Ice Cube and Kevin Hart that follows a security guard who has to prove himself to his girlfriend’s brother who just happens to be a policeman. Come back to the Library at 1 p.m. Monday, January 26, to see a film starring Martin Lawrence about a former convict who poses as a cop to find a stolen diamond. Enjoy popcorn and lemonade while you watch.

Football Movie Night

Adults can come to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, to watch a football movie that depicts a fictional professional American football team in a behind-the-scenes look at the life-and-death struggles of modern day gladiators and those who lead them.

A Cold Day at the Library Story & Movie for Teens

With winter break drawing to a close, we’d like to invite teens to the Scotlandville Branch at 3 p.m. Tuesday, January 5, to kick back and enjoy what’s left of it by hearing a reading of The Snow Queen by Hans Christian Anderson. Afterwards, we’ll watch a frosty movie that was inspired by the classic fairy tale.

Teen Movie Day at Baker

Teens are invited to the Baker Branch at 3 p.m. Tuesday, January 29, to enjoy a movie in which Security guard Ben must prove himself to his girlfriend’s brother, a top Atlanta police officer. Events take an unexpected turn when he rides along with James on a 24-hour patrol of the city.

*Monday Movie & Pajama Party

Children of all ages are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 6:15 p.m. Monday, January 12, to join us for a popular film about a snow queen who casts the kingdom of Arendelle into an eternal winter. Children may wear their favorite Library-appropriate pajamas and bring a finger food snack to enjoy.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. * Registration required.
*Enjoy National Puzzle Day at Greenwell Springs*

It’s time to celebrate National Puzzle Day and *children ages 4-11* are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 24, to enjoy putting together puzzles of various kinds.

**Madden 15 Tournament for Adults**

*Adults* can come to the Main Library at Goodwood at 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, to test their football video game skills against other players in Madden 15 on the Playstation 4! We will be playing one man teams in a single elimination tournament with two-minute quarters.

**Let’s Dabble in Scrabble**

If you’re an *adult* word game enthusiast, you’ll want to join others at the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in January, to play Scrabble and find out who’ll be the word master! If you’d prefer a fast-paced game with less strategy, we invite you to play Quiddler. If you don’t know how to play, don’t sweat it. Instructors will show you how. Prizes will be awarded.

*Play Jeopardy at the Library*

*Adults* can head over to the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 22, to break into teams to play Library-style Jeopardy! Prizes will be awarded.

**Marvel vs. Capcom 3 Game Day for Teens**

Head over to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, January 22, for a fast-paced competition with other *teen* gamers. Will both worlds survive? If you’ve never played before, now’s the perfect time to start!

**Teen Game Day at Jones Creek**

It’s time for a smackdown! *Teens* are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 4 p.m. Saturday, January 24, to play Super Smash Bros. on the Wii-U. Refreshments will be served.

**Introduction to Chess**

If learning the game of chess is your New Year’s resolution, you’ll want to join other *adult* beginners at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 10, to learn the basics of the game!

**Game Night for Adults**

Here’s your chance to get away to enjoy an evening of board games with other *adults*. Come to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 27, to play games like Monopoly, Boggle, Scrabble and many more! Refreshments will be served.

**Minecraft Game Day for Teens**

If you enjoy playing Minecraft, you’ll want to grab your friends and join other *teens* at the Fairwood Branch at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 27, to get your game on! Snack on refreshments while you play.

**Game Night at River Center**

Head over to the River Center Branch at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, January 22, to play Apples to Apples and other fun games with other *adults*. Find out who will be crowned champion this month!

**Eden Park Teen Gaming Club**

Come over to the Eden Park Branch at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 14, for an all-out smack down playing Super Smash Bros. Brawl on the Wii with other *teens*.

**Teen Game Night at the Zachary Branch**

Take a time-out with your friends at the Zachary Branch this month! *Teens* are invited to the Library at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, to play games on the Wii! Light refreshments will be served.

**Play Super Smash Bros. at the Main Library!**

*Teens* can ‘smash’ the competition when they play the new Super Smash Bros. on the Wii U at the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 31. You won’t want to miss this gaming event!

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*Do we have your latest information?*

Update your Library card. Send us your email address to sgordon@ebrpl.com.
Children’s Game Day at Eden Park

Enjoy the last day of winter break at the Eden Park Branch at 2:30 p.m. Monday, January 5, when you play games with other kids ages 6-11 on the Xbox 360.

Teen Brain Teaser Time!

Get ready to stretch your brain! January is National Brain Teaser Month and we’re so excited to celebrate. Join other teens at the Carver Branch at 4 p.m. every Thursday in January test your brain power. We’ll have everything from rebus puzzles, tongue twisters, tangrams and so much more!

Dance Central 3 Game Day for Teens

Who has got the best dance moves? Is it you? Grab your buddies and bring them to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to get your boogie on with other teens while playing Dance Central Dance Off on the Xbox Kinect!

* Winter Chess for Kids

Chess classes are being offered for beginners who have never played chess and for intermediate level players. Children ages 9-13 can come to the Main Library at Goodwood at 10 a.m. Saturdays, January 10 and 24, to learn. After the five sessions we will have a novice chess tournament on Friday, March 21.

Minecraft Challenge Day for Teens

Head over to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 31, to challenge other teens on the Minecraft video game!

Teen Halo Game Day at Baker

Kick back with other teens at the Baker Branch at 3 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, and play Halo on our gaming system!

* Children’s Scrabble Club

Turn mumbo-jumbo into real words! Children ages 7-11 are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, January 31, to have a blast playing Scrabble. Points go to the child with the best letter combinations, skill and luck!

* Meet the Tutors at Jones Creek

The Jones Creek Regional Branch is hosting an exhibition to introduce tutors in the Baton Rouge area. Parents or adult guardians who are looking for tutors for their children are invited to the Library at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 17, to meet the tutors and discuss their academic subject specialties.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. * Registration required.
*The Artist's Way Workshop*

Are you stuck in your career, overwhelmed by life’s many choices? Are you searching for a creative outlet? If you need to find focus, rediscover your creativity and become your authentic self, join other adults at the Main Library at Goodwood this month for The Artist’s Way, a hands-on, 13-week program that both artistic and non-artistic types will benefit from. We’ll closely follow the book *The Artist’s Way* by Julia Cameron, and incorporate the creation of a work of art to accompany the curriculum. No artistic experience is required to finish the project. The program takes place at the Main Library on Goodwood on thirteen consecutive Thursdays from 6 to 8:30 p.m., starting January 29. Registration is required. For more information and registration, call 225-381-8434 or email Anne Nowak at anowak@ebrpl.com.

**Teen Anime Club**

*Teens*, if you love anime, you’ll love this program! Join us on the second floor of the River Center Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to get together with other teens for our monthly Anime Club meeting. We’ll have snack while we watch two of the newest anime.

**Eden Park Teen Anime Club**

Enjoy the company of other teen anime enthusiasts at the Eden Park Branch at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 6, while watching some of your favorite shows! Delicious ramen noodles will be served.

**Anime Matinee**

*Teens* are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 10, to watch anime on the Library’s Crunchyroll account! Enjoy snacking on ramen noodles while you watch.

**Teen Anime Afternoon**

Hang out with your friends and other teens at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 20, to watch some anime and snack on ramen noodles.

**Otaku Club Meeting for Teens**

*Teen* anime fans will want to join others at the Central Branch at 4 p.m. Tuesday, January 27, for some cool anime and delicious snacks. See you there!

**Teens Celebrate Little New Year**

Let’s celebrate the first full moon of the year with the Japanese tradition of Little New Year! Join other teens at the Scotlandville Branch at 3 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to watch anime, eat ramen, make haiku and write Kanji resolutions to hand on our Wishing Tree.
Eden Park Teen Advisors
Help us make your Library a fun place to be! Teens are invited to the Eden Park Branch at 3 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to suggest and create programs, help decorate the Teen Department and make new friends along the way!

Zachary Teen Council Celebrates Poetry & Plans for the New Year
We’re celebrating Take a Poetry Break Day at the Zachary Branch! Teens in grades 8 and up can come to the Library at 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, to share a favorite poem with the group and help plan for the New Year. Remember, newcomers are always welcome to join us! Light refreshments will be served.

Join the New Zachary Tween Council
You could be a founding member of the Zachary Branch Tween Council! If you’re a tween in grades 6-7, come to the Library for the first meeting at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 27, to provide input and support to the branch. Come let your voice be heard! Light refreshments served.

Main Library Teen Advisory Board
The Main Library at Goodwood is seeking dedicated teens for our brand new Teen Advisory Board (TAB). Members will meet once per month to assist the Library in planning programs and projects starting at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 24. We need you to help us make the teen section the best that it can be! TAB meetings and projects will count as volunteer hours worked, and membership looks great on college applications!

New Year, New You!
Start the New Year by treating yourself to a day of pampering! Teen girls can join us at the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 3, for an afternoon of manicures! We’ll provide you with a wide variety of nail polish colors to choose from, as well as nail art to really make your manicure pop. Afterwards, you can make a sugar scrub that’s perfect for making dull, winter skin soft and bright!

Teen Girls’ Manicure Day!
Let’s paint our nails! Round up your friends and head over to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 3:30 p.m. Monday, January 5, to hang out with other teen girls and choose from our awesome collection of trendy nail polish!

*The BREC Baton Rouge ZooMobile Visits the Library!
Children ages 4 and up are invited to the Library in January and February to enjoy the ZooMobile’s informative and entertaining programs! These one-hour presentations are designed to educate the public while reinforcing a message of wildlife conservation and include various live animals and learning biofacts. January dates, times and locations are listed below. Registration is required. For more information and to register, call the Library branch directly.
- 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 7 Scotlandville Branch
- 11 a.m., Thursday, January 8 Delmont Gardens Branch
- 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 14 Central Branch
- 3 p.m., Friday, January 16 Baker Branch
- 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 21 Zachary Branch
- 11 a.m., Tuesday, January 27 Fairwood Branch
- 11 a.m., Wednesday, January 28 Pride-Chaneyville Branch

Do It With Dewey!
Students from Parkview Oaks Elementary will be at the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 10, to present a play called Do It with Dewey for children ages 5 and up. Afterwards, children will hear a reading of Never Let a Ghost Borrow Your Library Book by Karen Casale. Children will also participate in a fun Dewey Decimal game where they will identify where certain books might be in the Library.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly.
For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. * Registration required.
*Poetry Break Day Story/Craft*

Make your inner poet roar! We’re celebrating Poetry Break Day at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch with children ages 5-8. We’ll listen to a reading of *Bear Flies High* by Michael Rosen. Afterwards, children will write a poem and make a paper 3D poetry bear craft to take home.

*Read Well at Greenwell Children’s Book Club*

Children ages 7-11 will gather at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, January 24, for the first meeting of the year to discuss their holiday break reads. They also will get their first read recommendation to jumpstart the New Year. Children are encouraged to share with the group read recommendations for the upcoming spring season.

*Benjamin Franklin Story/Craft*

Let’s celebrate Benjamin Franklin’s birthday at the Library! Children ages 5-10 are invited to the River Center Branch at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 17, to hear a reading of a biography of Ben Franklin. Afterwards, each child will create a broadside craft with one of Ben Franklin’s quotes.

*Paper Tea Cup Story/Craft*

Children ages 6-10 are invited to the River Center Branch at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 31, to hear a short version of Lewis Carroll’s *Alice in Wonderland*. Afterwards, each child will create a paper tea cup craft.

*I Have a Dream Story/Craft*

Children ages 6-11 can come to the Eden Park Branch at 4 p.m. Monday, January 12, for a reading of *A Sweet Smell of Roses* by Angela Johnson. Afterwards, each child will create an “I Have a Dream” mobile craft to hang up in the branch.

*Mountains of Mittens Story/Craft*

Children ages 3-7 are invited to the Central Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 8, to hear a reading of *Mountains of Mittens* by Lynn Plourde. Afterwards, children can make their own mitten craft out of paper, paint and yarn!

*Bottle Snowman Story/Craft*

Bring your little ones ages 4-11 to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 10, for a snowy story time and craft. We’ll hear a reading of *Little Snowman Stan: Can’t We Share?* by Guido Van Genechten. Afterwards, children will make a snowman craft using recycled bottles.

*Mitten Mania Story/Craft*

Join us at the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 6, for a mitten-themed storytime! Children ages 2-5 will hear a reading of *Three Little Kittens* by Jerry Pinkney and *Under My Hood I Have A Hat* by Karla Kushkin. Afterwards, we’ll sing and move to songs about winter and make a mitten kitten craft to take home.
**Martin Luther King Jr. Story/Craft**

When we all work together, the results are much more interesting and colorful! In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, children ages 5-11 can come to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to hear a reading of *The Cart That Carried Martin* by Eve Bunting and the poem *The Crayon Box That Talked* by Shane DeRolf. Afterwards, we’ll draw our own portraits to be included on a crayon box poster displayed in the Children’s Room.

**Chinese New Year Story/Craft**

*Children ages 8-11* are invited to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 21, to hear a reading of *Celebrate Chinese New Year with Fireworks, Dragons, and Lanterns* by Carolyn Otto. Afterwards, we’ll paint a fierce Chinese dragon craft using watercolors.

**Benjamin Franklin’s Kite Story/Craft**

Celebrate Benjamin Franklin’s birthday by making a kite! *Children ages 7-11* are invited to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 27, to hear a reading of *Electric Ben: The Amazing Life and Times of Benjamin Franklin* by Robert Byrd. Afterwards, we’ll use a small paper bag with crepe paper streamers to make a great kite craft.

**Bird Binoculars Story/Craft**

*Head over to the Delmont Gardens Branch at 3:30 p.m. Monday, January 5, to hang out with children ages 4-8 and hear a reading of *Birds in Your Backyard* by Barbara Herkert. Afterwards, we’ll create and decorate a bird binoculars craft from paper towel rolls.*

**We March Story/Craft**

We’d like *children ages 6-11* to join us at the Baker Branch at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 17, to hear a reading of *We March* by Shane W. Evans. Afterwards, children will make a Martin Luther King Jr. craft.

**Roly Poly Pals Story/Craft**

Welcome winter with a snow pal craft and a few cozy stories! *Children ages 3-6* can come to the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 10, to hear a reading of *Snow Happy* by Patricia Hubbell and *Snowmen All Year* by Caralyn Buehner. Afterwards, we’ll create a roly poly craft.

**Create a Snowy Owl Story/Craft**

Come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 17, to hear a reading of *Owl Babies* by Martin Waddell. Afterwards, *children ages 6-11* will create a snowy baby owl craft.

**Make a Snowy Snow Man Story/Craft**

Come to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 31, to hear a reading of *The Biggest, Best Snowman* by Margery Cuyler. Afterwards, *children ages 6-10* will create a roly poly snowman craft.

**Create A Masterpiece Story/Craft**

*Children ages 6-11* are invited to the Jones Creek Regional Branch at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 31, to hear a reading of the nonfiction story, *Mousterpiece* by Jane Breskin Zalben. Afterwards, we’ll discuss the different art techniques mentioned in the book and each child will be given art materials to create his or her own masterpiece.

**Frozen Fun Story/Craft**

If you love Disney’s book *Frozen*, you’ll want to join other children ages 4-8 at the Main Library at Goodwood at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 24, for an afternoon of “frozen” fun! We’ll read the Big Golden Book version and build paper plate snowmen. We’ll also play cool games like Pin the Nose on the Snowman. Costumes and enthusiasm are welcome.

**Polar Opposites Story/Craft**

*Children ages 5-8* will listen to two books about penguins at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 24. Come to the Library to enjoy *Polar Opposites* by Erik Brooks and *Pink!* by Lynne Rickards. Afterwards, each child will create a torn paper mosaic polar bear and penguin craft.

**Favorite Animal Story/Craft**

Do you have a favorite animal? Do you enjoy painting pictures? Join other children ages 6-9 at the Carver Branch at 4 p.m. Monday, January 12, as we share the book *What’s Your Favorite Animal?* by Eric Carle and friends. Afterwards, each child will have the chance to get creative and paint their favorite animals!
*Kumak's House: A Tale of the Far North Story/Craft*

Do you know someone who does not appreciate all they have been given? **Children ages 6-9** can come to the Carver Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to hear a reading of *Kumak's House: A Tale of the Far North* by Michael Bania. This story will help remind us all of how fortunate we are. Afterwards, children can complete their own Eskimo boy or girl cardstock cutout using various craft items.

*It's Snowing Story/Craft*

**Children ages 6-9** can decorate a little wooden sled craft with paint, stickers and other fun things at the Carver Branch at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 22. We’ll read and look at snow pictures from Gail Gibbon’s *It’s Snowing!*

*Snoowy Days Story/Craft*

It’s winter time! **Children ages 3-6** can come listen to *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats and *Bedtime for Bear* by Brett Helquist and learn some rhymes and songs about snow and winter. Afterwards, each child can make a snowy scene craft using construction paper and white paint for snowflakes!

*Get Creative Story/Craft*

**Children ages 6-11** are invited to get artsy at the Fairwood Branch at 3 p.m. Saturday, January 31. We will read *Henri’s Scissors* by Jeanette Winter and see pictures of some of Henri Matisse’s most famous works of art. Afterwards, the kids will create their own version of Matisse’s colorful paper cutouts.

*Appreciate a Dragon Day Story/Craft*

Make a magical creature! We’re celebrating Appreciate a Dragon Day at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch and **children ages 3-5** are invited to the Library at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 10, to hear a reading of *Me and My Dragon* by David Biedrzycki. Afterwards, each child will make a colorful paper dragon craft.

*Martin’s Big Words Story/Craft*

**Children ages 9-11** are invited to the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 17, to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. In honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, children hear a reading of the biographical story *Martin’s Big Words: the Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Doreen Rappaport. Afterwards, each child will make a felt Peace poster craft to take home.

*International Creativity Month Story/Craft*

Embrace your international imagination! We’re celebrating International Creativity Month at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch and **children ages 9-11** are invited to the Library at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 31, to hear a reading of cultural excerpts from *Original Peoples: The Maoris of New Zealand* by Graham Wiremu, and *National Geographic Countries of the World: New Zealand* by Barbara Jackson. Children are encouraged to join in a discussion about cultural differences. Afterwards, each child will make a paper Maori mask craft to take home.

*Martin Luther King Story/Craft*

Do you have a dream? If you said yes, you’ll want to join other **kid dreamers ages 7-11** at the Scotlandville Branch at 4 p.m., Thursday, January 15, to share your dream with us in celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day! Children will enjoy hearing a reading of *Martin’s Big Words* by Doreen Rappaport. Afterwards, each child will create colorful representations of their dreams!

*Puffy Paint Snowflakes Story/Craft*

**Children ages 2-5** can come to the Zachary Branch to hear a reading of *Snow* by Uri Shulevitz. Afterwards, each child can make a unique snowflake craft with puffy paint!

*Stick Man Story/Craft*

The stick man is lost and all alone. Will he find his family? Come to the Zachary Branch at 11 a.m. Saturday, January 31, to find out when we read *Stick Man* by Julia Donaldson. Afterwards, each **child ages 8-11** can make a unique stick man craft to take home.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration for all programs is encouraged. To register, call the Library branch directly. For more information, visit www.ebrpl.com. *Registration required.*
### Book Clubs for Kids

#### Fairwood Awesome Bookworms (FAB)

The Fairwood Awesome Bookworms (FAB) will read from *My Mother Got Married and Other Disasters* by Barbara Park. The story is funny, sad, and sometimes so honest it hurts! Every child can identify with the main character, Charlie. The scene in which the characters play Monopoly is so fun that we will play Monopoly ourselves. For **children ages 8-11**.

#### Cover 2 Cover Book Children’s Book Club

**Children ages 8-11** are invited to the Central Branch at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to explore the world of nonfiction when we read about the captivating realm of fractals in *Mysterious Patterns: Finding Fractals in Nature* by Sarah C. Campbell and Richard P. Campbell. After learning why mountain ranges are like broccoli and other fascinating facts, children can go on a fractal scavenger hunt outside of the Library to find fractals and make their own Sierpinski Triangle out of paper and markers.

*Book Clubs for Kids continued on next page*
**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 many 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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*High Five Book Club*

Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Watson solved mysteries and High Five Book Club members will discuss how they did it! **Children ages 8-11** are invited to the Bluebonnet Regional Branch at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 15, to use deductive reasoning to play the board game Clue. Refreshments will be served. The next reading selection will be introduced and first chapters read.

*The Artsy Smartsy Book Club for Children*

**Children ages 6-11** are invited to the Pride-Chaneyville Branch at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 10 for the first meeting of the Artsy Smartsy Book Club! At this meeting we will be reading and discussing *Just Behave, Pablo Picasso!* by Jonah Winter. Afterwards, the children will create a uniquely funky sculpture in a Picasso-style.

*Step Into Reading Book Club for Kids*

Step into Reading with our new book club for kids! **Children ages 7-9** are invited to the Main Library at Goodwood at 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 26, for the first meeting that’ll be filled with book trivia, puzzles and fun! Afterwards, we’ll choose our book list for the coming months.

*Zachary Children’s Book Club*

The Zachary Children’s Book Club is back! **Children ages 8-11** are invited to join our first meeting. Come to the Zachary Branch at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, to get to know each other and play some games like Poetry Scavenger Hunt, Mad Libs and Minecraft on the Xbox system. Bring your ideas for naming the club along with a favorite book to share. See you there!
COMPUTER CLASSES @ THE LIBRARY

In addition to free online classes in Gale Courses (formerly Learn4Life), Learning Express and our newest resources, Atomic Training, Treehouse and Lynda, the following computer classes will be held throughout the month of October. Registration for some classes is required. * For more information or to register, call the Library branch directly or log on to www.ebrpl.com for free resources and downloads.

Main Library at Goodwood
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010
9 a.m., Saturday, January 3
7 p.m., Tuesday, January 7
Open Overdrive Help
3 p.m., Mondays, January 5, 12, 19 & 26
Introduction to Genealogy
10:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 7
TinkerCAD
7 p.m., Wednesday, January 7
Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint 2007
9 a.m., Thursday, January 8
Tumblr
2 p.m., Saturday, January 10
Create a Newsletter: an Intermediate Microsoft Word 2010 Class
7 p.m., Tuesday, January 13
9 a.m., Monday, January 19
Computers without Fear
9 a.m., Wednesdays, January 14 & 28
Introduction to the Internet
9 a.m., Thursday, January 15
Tables: an Intermediate Microsoft Word 2010 Class
9 a.m., Saturday, January 17
Ancestry.com
10:30 p.m., Saturday, January 17
Introduction to E-mailing
9 a.m., Thursday, January 22
Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2010
7 p.m., Saturday, January 24
Baker Branch Library
Introduction to Computers*
4 p.m., Tuesday, January 6
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010*
3 p.m., Wednesday, January 14
Introduction to Microsoft Excel*
10 a.m., Wednesday, January 21
Introduction to Microsoft Publisher*
10 a.m., Thursday, January 29
Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library
Tech Toy Box
4 p.m., Thursday, January 8
3 p.m., Thursday, January 24
Introduction to the Internet
10 a.m., Wednesday, January 14
Computers without Fear
10 a.m., Thursday, January 15
Introduction to Word 2010
10 a.m., Tuesday, January 20
Introduction to Excel
10 a.m., Tuesday, January 27
Optimal Resume
10 a.m., Wednesday, January 28
Carver Branch Library
Computers without Fear
10 a.m., Monday, January 5
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010
10 a.m., Wednesday, January 7
Introduction to PowerPoint 2010
3:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 20
Introduction to Excel 2010
3 p.m., Tuesday, January 27
Introduction to the Library’s Online Databases
Noon, Thursday, January 29
Central Branch Library
eBooks and Overdrive*
10 a.m., Tuesday, January 6 & 27
How to do Research in Archives*
3 p.m., Wednesday, January 14
iPad*
11 a.m., Thursday, January 15
Resume and Online Job Searching*
11 a.m., Thursday, January 22
Delmont Gardens Branch
Computers without Fear
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2:30 p.m. Thursday, January 15
Introduction to Microsoft Publisher
2:30 p.m., Thursday, January 8
Introduction to Excel
2:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 13
Introduction to Online Catalog & Databases
2:30 p.m., Thursday, January 22
Eden Park Branch Library
Computers without Fear
10:30 a.m., Saturday, January 3
10:30 a.m., Saturday, January 10
Budgeting with Mint*
2:30 p.m., Friday, January 16
Job Hunting Online*
2:30 p.m., Friday, January 30
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.
Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library
Computer Basics*
3 p.m., Thursday, January 8
Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007*
3 p.m., Thursday, January 15
Introduction to Excel 2007*
3 p.m. Thursday, January 22
Introduction to PowerPoint 2007*
3 p.m. Thursday, January 29
Jones Creek Regional Branch Library
Introduction to Computers*
10 a.m., Thursday, January 8
Introduction to Microsoft Word*
10 a.m., Saturday, January 10
Introduction to Publisher*
10 a.m., Wednesday, January 14
Introduction to the Library’s Online Catalog & Databases*
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Introduction to PowerPoint*
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Introduction to the Library’s Online Catalog & Databases*
10 a.m., Thursday, January 15
Introduction to E-mail*
11 a.m., Saturday, January 31
Pride–Chaneyville
Computer Tutoring*
11 a.m., Saturday, January 17 & 31
River Center Branch Library
Introduction to Overdrive
11 a.m., Thursday, January 8
Introduction to Zinio & Flipster
2 p.m., Wednesday, January 14
Introduction to the Internet
10 a.m., Tuesday, January 20
Scotlandville Branch Library
Introduction to Computers
10 a.m., Saturday, January 3 & 24
Introduction to the Internet
1 p.m., Tuesday, January 6
Introduction to Library’s Catalog & Online Databases
1 p.m., Tuesday, January 13
Online Job Searching
6:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 14
Introduction to E-mail
1 p.m., Tuesday, January 20
Introduction to Microsoft Word
1 p.m., Tuesday, January 27
Bluebonnet Branch

Living the Sweet Life: 100 Years at the Chatsworth Sugar Plantation
LSU Rural Life Museum will have on display their traveling exhibit which features artifacts, visual displays, and a short media presentation about Southern plantation life over 100 years ago.

Delmont Gardens Branch

Art by Eddie Gray
Local artist Eddie Gray will have his works on display at the Library through the month of January.

Eden Park Branch

Marcia’s Elephants
Marcia Taylor, local resident of the Eden Park community, will share her collection of Elephants during the month of January.

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Open Studio
The BREC Quilting Group will be exhibiting quilts made by their members.

Parade Throws
Claude Lindsey will display his extensive collection of those famous Zulu coconuts that are thrown on Mardi Gras Day.

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