

NEW EDEN PARK BRANCH LIBRARY OPENS!

Members of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library Board of Control and Library Director Lydia M. Acosta, along with Assistant Chief Administrative Officer Alfred C. Williams, Mayor Pro-tempore Joe Greco, Councilwoman Martha Jane Tassin, Councilman Byron Sharper, and Councilwoman Lorri Burgess, welcomed the community to the new Eden Park Branch Library at its grand opening dedication ceremony on Thursday, January 11, at 9:00 a.m.

Reverend Jerry Johnson, Assistant Pastor of the Second Baptist Church in Port Allen, an activist and long-time resident of the Eden Park community, delivered the invocation at the ceremony and Reverend Leo Cyrus, Pastor

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of New Hope Baptist Church gave the benediction. Other special guests were East Baton Rouge Parish School Superintendent Charlotte Placide, Baton Rouge Police Chief Jeff Leduff, Baton Rouge Fire Chief Ed Smith, and Capitol Middle School Principal Lamont Cole. Musical guests included students in the Capitol Middle School band, led by director Maurice Myles, who shared their talent by playing seasonal melodies.

Originally opened in 1981 as part of the Eden Park Community Center on Gus Young Avenue (now the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center) the newly developed Eden Park Branch Library includes a covered drive-through at the entrance and a beautifully landscaped courtyard with covered seating area. Designed by the architectural firm Tipton Associates APAC, this 14,026 square foot library replaces the 2,285 square foot building and houses over 55,000 books, 70 magazine titles, 10 newspaper subscriptions, and 3,500 videos, DVDs, audiobooks, and CDs.

"Like its contents, the building is designed to be discovered. Changing patterns of light provide intrigue, building to a revealing conclusion. Similar to a good novel, all elements are best understood in retrospect – the building saves its best for those who read cover to cover," says Kenneth Tipton, AIA, of Tipton Associates APAC.

The library contains a large Meeting Room with refreshment areas, capable of holding 93 people, which can be split into two separate rooms. It also has distinct areas for adults, teens, and children, with a special Storytime room, four soft seating areas, and

community art gallery space. There are 40 PCs available for public use, including ten computers dedicated for the Meeting Room, and one computer with unique equipment and software

Library building on Laurel Street.

This new branch also includes state-of-the-art raised modular flooring to provide flexibility and facilitate wiring and other future technology needs of



The Branch Manager for the Eden Park Branch Library is Michael Guess, Reference/Teen Services Librarian is Mary Katherine Politz, and Children's Services Librarian is Ashley Broussard.

Hours of operation:

Monday through Thursday,
9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday,
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Phone numbers:

Circulation, (225) 231-3240

Branch Manager, (225) 231-3280

Reference/Teen, (225) 231-3250

Children's Services, (225) 231-3260

for use by blind or visually handicapped patrons. Generous seating, study, and work areas can be found throughout the facility.

The interior of the Library was designed by Traci LaMoyné of LaMoyné Design Associates. The signage, carpentry, and furnishings reflect a "celestial" theme throughout, which compliments the building's use of light and glass.

A lovely feature of the beautiful new library is its remarkable stained glass at the entrance window, designed by Steven Wilson. The artist used reflecting images of "flying books" as well as the lamp of learning, which reference the architectural frieze of the original East Baton Rouge Parish

the structure, as well as state-of-the-art shelving with attached lighting, a new design feature for the East Baton Rouge Parish Library system, making the library branch among one of a handful in the country and the first local public facility of its kind. These new features complement the use of natural light, natural materials, and exposed beam branches, with the roof scaling in proportion to the age of the user – lowest at 9 feet in the children's area and highest at 28 feet from the front entrance to the rear courtyard.

Wireless Internet coverage for the interior and courtyard area of the library is also available. Cable service provided courtesy of Cox Communications.

A Step Back in Time

Dianne Tullier, a well-known storyteller, will present and demonstrate a program for the entire family, featuring household and other items from the past at the Delmont Gardens Branch Library on Saturday, February 17, at 11:00 a.m. Tullier will show and tell how these simple household relics have evolved into today's handy gadgets.

To register and for more information, call (225) 354-7050.

A blue promotional graphic for a concert. It features two white musical notes on the left and right sides. The text is white and reads: "Tunes at Noon", "FREE Concert with the Baton Rouge Symphony", and "Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library, Tuesday, February 13, at noon".

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Louisiana Speaks

Ballots and Vote Boxes at Libraries

Attention Louisiana citizens...here is your chance to make your voice heard!

Louisiana Speaks is a multifaceted planning process that is endorsed by the Louisiana Recovery Authority. In the wake of the destruction caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the Louisiana Speaks initiative works towards the development of a sustainable, long-term vision for South Louisiana.

Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco appeared at the Carver Branch Library on Tuesday, January 23 for a press conference to declare her support for *Louisiana Speaks* and to place her vote in the ballot box. She encouraged students of Westdale Middle and McKinley High Schools, representatives from the Center for Planning Excellence and the Baton Rouge Area Foundation, Library staff, and others to fill out a ballot and vote for a better Louisiana.



Library Director Lydia M. Acosta discusses Louisiana Speaks with Governor Blanco

Ballots and voting boxes are at all East Baton Rouge Parish libraries. For more information or to vote online, visit www.LouisianaSpeaks.org or www.ebr.lib.la.us.

Library Branch Manager Corner

Dorothy Thomas became the Branch Manager of the Delmont Gardens Branch Library in April 2005. She began working in the East Baton Rouge Parish Library system in March 1987 as a Library Technician at the Baker Branch Library and continued to work in other branches such as the Bluebonnet Regional Branch, River Center Branch (formerly the Centroplex), Main Library, Scotlandville Branch, and the Eden Park Branch. "It was great that I could keep my profession and travel throughout the system. It gave me a chance to experience the system and see how different libraries worked," says Thomas.

Thomas received her Bachelor of Science degree in Art Education from Southern University in 1972 and her Master of Library Science from Louisiana State University in 2002.

Thomas believes that the library is the pride of the Delmont Gardens community and success begins with the use of the library. "Our staff is working hard to instill the benefits of the library in the people in the community, so it can be passed down to generations," says Thomas, "Working with the public is one of my favorite things to do."



Library Presents Documentary "Journey For Justice: The A.P. Tureaud Story"

As part of *The Big Read: One Book/One Community* program, Dr. Rachel Emanuel, of the Southern University Law Center, with special guest A. P. Tureaud, Jr, will present the documentary *Journey for Justice: The A.P. Tureaud Story*, at the Carver Branch Library on Monday, February 26, at 6:00 p.m. This program commemorates A.P. Tureaud's birthday, February 26, 1899.

Dr. Emanuel is the director of the Office of Publications and Electronic Media at the SU Law Center. In this capacity, Dr. Emanuel directs the communication activities of the Law Center and is editor of its award-winning magazine, *Reflections*.

Dr. Emanuel earned both a Bachelor and Master's degree in journalism and public relations from Louisiana State University and a doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin. Her work, including video documentaries of Civil Rights pioneers, has been recognized in local, state, and national competitions. Her recent work, *Taking a Seat for Justice: the 1960 Baton Rouge Sit-Ins*, had its public premiere on November 10 and will be aired in March.

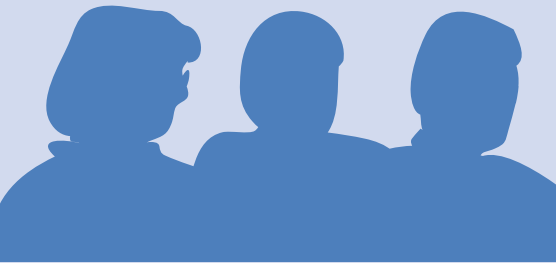
During the 1950's Tureaud acted as lead attorney for many desegregation cases against Louisiana State University's law, medical, graduate, and undergraduate schools while serving as president of the New Orleans branch of the NAACP. This documentary chronicles Tureaud's role in the successful Baton Rouge Sit-Ins.

Many issues of social justice similar to the cause of the sit-ins are key elements in *To Kill A Mockingbird*. A.P. Tureaud, like Atticus Finch in *To Kill A Mockingbird*, believed in the majesty of the law and worked tirelessly to promote social justice.

A panel discussion touching on these issues will follow the documentary. Copies of the documentary are available for check-out.

For more information, call (225) 231-3745.





Facilitator Training Workshop for Discussion Leaders

Due to popular demand, the Library is offering additional training for patrons interested in becoming facilitators and discussion leaders for *The Big Read: One Book/One Community program*.

Volunteers who would like to serve as discussion leaders for the Spring 2007 series co-sponsored by the East Baton Rouge Parish Library and the Baton Rouge Area Chamber, may attend short and lively training sessions at the Main Library on Tuesday, February 13, at 2:00 p.m.

Tools learned will be useful in any setting, whether leading a reading discussion of *To Kill a Mockingbird* in any of nine parishes, or participating in discussion groups in a business, community organization, educational, or recreational setting. Handouts on how to lead a general discussion and *To Kill a Mockingbird* in particular, will be available.

The Big Read: One Book/One Community discussion leader committee chair is Roberta Madden, Director of Public Policy and Women's Health, ENCOREplus for the YWCA of Greater Baton Rouge.

For more information, call (225) 231-3700 or visit the website at www.readonebook.org.



Oral History Workshop

Whether preserving the memories and experiences of a beloved relative or much admired neighbor or friend, anyone can document the past using a tape recorder, pen, and paper.

Oral history is an account of something passed down by word of mouth from one generation to another. The most common form of documenting oral history is through storytelling, where people who actually lived life during that time, recite stories from their own personal experiences.

Jennifer Abraham of Louisiana State University's T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History will present a workshop on the fundamentals of oral history at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library on Saturday, February 24, at 2:00 p.m. Colorful snippets of Louisiana history will be presented as well. Abraham will also offer tips and techniques to budding oral historians.

For more information, call (225) 231-3700.



Book Discussions at the Library

As part of *The Big Read: One Book/One Community* program, the East Baton Rouge Parish Library will have reading and discussion group meetings at various library branches in February.

The Big Read: One Book/One Community program, sponsored by the East Baton Rouge Parish Library and the Baton Rouge Area Chamber, is a community-wide reading program, offered throughout nine parishes included in the Baton Rouge Area Chamber—Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana Parish. People from all walks of life, including middle and high school students, are encouraged to read and then discuss important issues raised by the book, *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee.

The February Reading and Discussion schedule for the East Baton Rouge Parish Library and the State Library of Louisiana is as follows.

- Sunday, February 4: Main Library, 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday, February 4: Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library, 3:00 p.m.
- Friday, February 16: State Library of Louisiana, 12:15 p.m.
- Monday, February 26: Pride/Chaneyville Branch Library, 4:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 27: Delmont Gardens Branch Library, 4:30 p.m.

For a complete listing of reading and discussion group meetings and related programming, visit www.readonebook.org.

For more information, call (225) 231-3740.



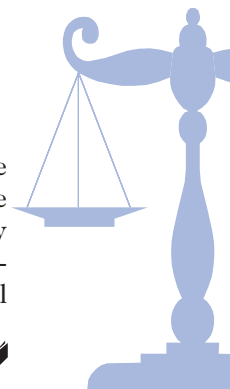
Ask-A-Lawyer

Free Legal Advice at the Library

Do you have a legal question?

Free, individual, legal counseling sessions offered by the Pro Bono Project of the Baton Rouge Bar Association, are available at the Carver Branch Library, on Saturday, February 24, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Area attorneys will be available for confidential, one-on-one, 15 minute sessions for legal advice on a first come, first served basis.

For more information, call (225) 389-7440.



GYPSY SWING 101

Join the *Hot Club of San Francisco* and its director Paul Mehling as they present a lecture and musical demonstration on Paris' most original music legacy at the Eden Park Branch Library on Saturday, February 3, at 2:00 p.m. *Gypsy Swing 101* will allow participants to visit the smoky cabarets of Paris for an introduction to the Gypsy swing genre. The Gypsy swing story is part mystery, part bravado, part genius, and several parts of World War II.

Mehling will chart the development of the Gypsy swing by providing a historical context addressing the plight of the gypsies; racial barriers in the jazz world; how Gypsy swing differed from American jazz; the role of guitars and stringed instruments in jazz; competition between Reinhardt and Grappelli; and introduce some of Django Reinhardt's contemporaries, such as Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Oscar Alleman, Baro Matelo and Sarane, and Gusti Malla.

Reinhardt, an illiterate nomad with a handicapped left hand, was an undisputed musical genius. In spite of being from an unwelcome level of society and his choice of the then hugely un-popular guitar, he and partner Stephane Grappelli, who played the violin, changed the history of jazz. They created an all-string chamber group, which confounded jazz-lovers the world over by demonstrating that "you don't have to be an American to play jazz." Through a combination of lecture and live music, the audience will become acquainted with Reinhardt's intriguing persona.

This discussion concludes with a look at the Gypsy swing players of today, such as Jimmy Rosenberg, Romane, Angelo Debarre, and Pearl Django, and the genre's continuing influence on modern music, movies, and television.

This program is presented by Manship Theatre and the East Baton Rouge Parish Library and supported in part by a project assistance grant from the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge.

For more information, call (225) 231-3700.



Gardening for Your Future Yard

A person's yard is a thing of beauty, a place that entices you to walk through it every day, a delightful space for children to explore, and a haven for butterflies, songbirds, and even mockingbirds!

Betty Miley, Master Gardener, owner of Maypop Hill Nursery, and author of two gardening books, will present a special program at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library on Sunday, February 25, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. In her slideshow presentation, Miley will present the good news about gardening for year-round interest with less maintenance.

For more information, call (225) 274-4480.



 These events are part of *The Big Read*, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest.

BOOK CLUBS @ your Library™

Book of the Month

Baker Branch

Second Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m.

The Five People You Meet in Heaven
by Mitch Albom

First Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

On Her Own Ground
by A'Leila Bundles

Bluebonnet Regional

Third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Work Hard, Study, and Keep Out of Politics!
by James A Baker, III

Carver Branch

Last Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Share your favorite multi-cultural book

Central Branch

Last Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m.

The Blue Camellia
by Frances Parkinson Keyes

Greenwell Springs Road Regional

Sunday, February 4, at 3:00 p.m.

To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee

Jones Creek Regional

Third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

A Sudden Country by Karen Fisher
Contact (225) 231-3745 for location.

Main Library – Mystery Lovers

Second Tuesday at noon or fourth Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

Any book by Charlotte MacLeod/Alisa Craig

Pride-Chaneyville Branch

Monday, February 26, at 4:00 p.m.

To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee

River Center Branch

Last Wednesday of the month at 5:00 p.m.

The Audacity of Hope by Barack Obama

Scotlandville Branch – for adults and their children

First and third Thursday evenings of each month at 6:30 p.m.

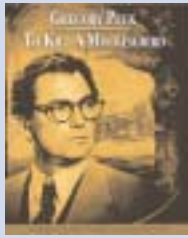
Share your favorite book

Zachary Branch

Second Tuesday of each month at 11:00 a.m.

Founding Mothers by Cokie Roberts

Brown Baggin' it at the Movies



Bring your brown bag lunch and view a free screening of the Academy Award winning film based on Harper Lee's *To Kill A Mockingbird* at the State Library of Louisiana. The film will be broken into four segments for lunchtime viewing from Monday through Thursday, February 12-15, at noon, with a discussion on February 16 at noon.

The entire film will also be shown in one sitting at the Pride/Chaneyville Branch Library on Sunday, February 25, at 2:30 p.m. Popcorn will be served.

For more information, call (225) 231-3700.



The Art of the Mask: Teacher's Persona Poetry

Teachers, educators, counselors, youth group leaders, parents, and others who work with teens are invited to participate in a workshop focusing on persona poetry facilitated by Anna West, director of WordPlay at the Main Library on Saturday, February 24, at 9:00 a.m.

Through this workshop, participants will gain the tools to instruct and encourage their students to write original poetry as seen through the eyes of characters in *To Kill A Mockingbird*.

This program is a joint project of Big Buddy's WordPlay Teen Writing Project and the Teen/Young Adult Services Division of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library. Teens may turn in their original poems to any library branch.

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



Black History Month Celebration

The Scotlandville Branch Library will host a Black History Month program to celebrate the rich and unique culture of African-American people on Saturday, February 10, at 2:30 p.m. The program will include poetry, musical selections by Ashley and Allison Broussard, liturgical dancing by the Christ First Dancers and True Praise Dancers, and guest speaker Sadie Roberts-Joseph, curator and founder of the Odell S. Williams Now and Then Museum of African-American History.

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

African-American Movie Experience



Films from the California News Reel will be displayed for teens and adults to celebrate Black History month at the Carver Branch Library from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 6:	"Rise and Fall of Jim Crow"
Tuesday, February 13:	"Road to Brown"
Wednesday, February 21:	"Wild Women Don't Have the Blues"
Tuesday, February 27:	"Strange Fruit"

For more information, call (225) 389-7440.

Lawrence Hebert Ensemble Performs

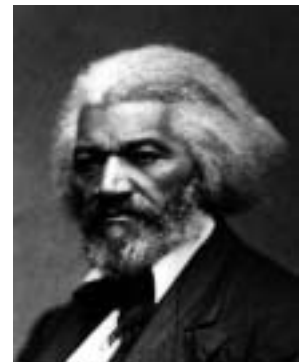
In celebration of Black History Month, the Lawrence Hebert Ensemble will present a musical performance featuring students currently enrolled at the Louisiana State University School of Music at the Carver Branch Library on Sunday, February 25, 3:00 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 389-7440.

African-American Heroes

The Life of Frederick Douglass

Dr. Charles Vincent, professor of history at Southern University, president of The Mwalimu Institute, and representative of District One on the Baker City Council, will present a program focusing on the life of Frederick Douglass, an American slave, to celebrate Black History Month at the Baker Branch Library on Saturday, February 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



The first 20 participants will receive free back-to-school supplies, Black history magazines, and other amenities.

For more information, call (225) 778-5940.

Mark your calendar for the second annual African-American Writer's Workshop to be held at the Scotlandville Branch Library on March 10, 2007!

African-American Read-In

Let's make literacy an important part of Black History month!

Community volunteer readers will share their favorite African-American literature during the *African-American Read-In* at libraries in February. Family and friends are invited to share a reading from a work authored by an African-American. Readers must register in advance by calling their participating library.



The goal of the *African-American Read-In*, a national celebration which began 16 years ago, is to make literature an important part of Black History month.

Main Library

Saturday, February 3, 2:00 p.m.

Children and families are invited to participate by reading from the works of an African-American writer. Unpublished authors and/or students may also read from pre-approved creations. To register, call (225) 231-3760.

Zachary Branch Library

Saturday, February 3, 3:00 p.m.

Children and teens are invited to participate by reading a poem or prose selection from the Youth Services Division. All participants must sign up in advance. To register, call (225) 658-1860.

Carver Branch Library

Sunday, February 4, 2:30 p.m.

Participants will read poetry and literature selections and perform dance and vocal presentations. To register, call (225) 389-7460.

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library

Monday, February 5, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Participants will read one to two minute verses from a favorite poem or book found in the East Baton Rouge Parish Library collection. For more information, call (225) 274-4460.

Scotlandville Branch Library

Monday, February 5, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Children, ages 6 and up, and teens are invited to participate by choosing a poem or prose selection from the Children's Room or Teen/Young Adult Division. To register, call (225) 354-7560.

Central Branch Library

Saturday, February 17, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Children, ages 6 to 11, will participate in "Round Table Read-In" where African-American poetry or literature will be read aloud. Readings are limited to three minutes per person. Refreshments will be served. To register, call (225) 262-2660.

For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Stories From Here, There, and Everywhere

Famed New Orleans storyteller Donald Lewis returns to the Library this February for Black History Month. Children, ages 5 to 11, will enjoy listening to Lewis' stories as he takes the audience on a journey filled with tricksters, humor, drama, and lessons in life with his multicultural program.

Lewis, member of Kita Productions from New Orleans, has performed throughout the United States.

Eden Park Branch Library

Wednesday, February 7, 10:30 a.m.

Scotlandville Branch Library

Thursday, February 8, 10:30 a.m.

Delmont Gardens Branch Library

Saturday, February 10, 10:30 a.m.

Carver Branch Library

Saturday, February 10, 2:30 p.m.



This program was supported in part by funds from the Louisiana State Arts Council and the Louisiana Division of the Arts and by the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge through the Decentralized Arts Funding Program.

For more information, call (225) 231-3760.



Celebrating Louisiana's West African Architecture: The Shotgun House

In celebration of Black History month, Genealogist and retired librarian Edna Jordan Smith, will present a program about the origins of the "shotgun houses" at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library on Saturday, February 10, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

The term "shotgun house" is a loose translation of a West African colonial name for "house." This program will reveal the meaning of the word, its history, and the ethnic group who may have originated the term. It will also include the acknowledgement of family surnames from Haiti in Louisiana such as Victorian, Francois, LaMotte, Rodney, Baptiste, Bazille, Guerin, Antoine, and others. The program will close with the classic Haitian toast, the "Grand Libation".

To register and for more information, call (225) 763-2283.



Louisiana Master Gardener Series

The Louisiana Master Gardeners' series of educational presentations, with specific focus on gardening tips and techniques for planting and caring for flowers, plants, and herbs, continues in February at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The Master Gardeners receive many hours of instruction through the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, the educational arm of the LSU AgCenter.

Topics and descriptions of each program are listed below.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2007

"Tuff Turf and Blankety-Blank Weeds"

This program is for those interested in planting and maintaining a lawn. It centers on weed identification and management, southern turf grass health and culture, and the use of herbicides.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007

"Jeepers Creepers"

Expand your definition of "ground cover" and find some great ones for your garden.

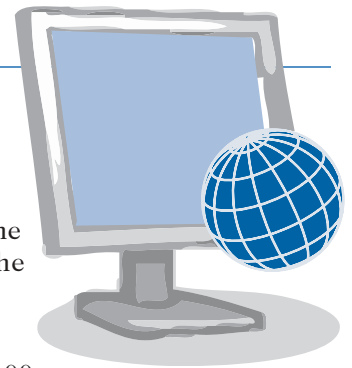
"Ornamental Grasses"

Find ornamental grasses that add unique texture, form, color, and motion to your garden that cannot be added by any other plant.

For more information, call (225) 763-2280.

Computer Programs

Free computer classes are offered throughout the library system each month. Here's a look at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library.



Introduction to the Internet

Thursday, February 8 and Saturday, February 10, 10:00 a.m.

Learn the basics of "surfin' the web!" Library staff will cover several topics, including brief facts about the development of the Internet, basic Internet terms, how to find a website, and copyright.

Computers without Fear

Saturday, February 10, 10:00 a.m.

Learn the basic parts of the computer such as the monitor, mouse, creating files, and using a floppy disk.

To register and for more information, call (225) 763-2250. For a complete list of classes, visit the online Calendar of Events at www.ebr.lib.la.us.

Family Links: Clicking Your Way to a Family Tree

Documenting and learning about your family history is a unique gift that lasts a lifetime. Adults will begin making a family tree by using the free online and print resources in the Genealogy Department at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library on Wednesday, February 21 and March 21, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Cassandra Fedrick, genealogy librarian, will teach basic strategies for getting started in a genealogy search. This class will touch on topics such as seeking hard-to-find female ancestors, census records, migration patterns, and other resources available in the Baton Rouge area.

To register and for more information, call (225) 763-2283.



Career Center Road Show

Ursula Carmena, director of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library's Career Center, will visit library branches from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with information on resume writing, interview skills, and other career-related topics.

- Thursday, February 1 – Eden Park Branch Library
- Monday, February 5 – Scotlandville Branch Library

For more information, call (225) 381-8434.

The Jones Creek Regional Branch Library will close at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3 until further notice, for the purposes of building repairs and maintenance. During this time, patrons may visit or return their books to any other branch of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library system. The Library apologizes for any inconvenience. For more information, call (225) 231-3750 or visit www.ebr.lib.la.us.



Small Business Entrepreneur Series

The Louisiana State University (LSU) Small Business Development Center and the Louisiana Business & Technology Center will present seminars for individuals interested in developing their own small businesses at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library at 7:00 p.m.

The series will be conducted by Tony Martinez, director for the LSU Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and the Louisiana Business & Technology Center (LBTC), a small business incubator, management assistance, and technology commercialization center located on LSU's campus and Bryan Greenwood, assistant director for Financial Administration at the Louisiana Business & Technology Center (LBTC).

Wednesday, February 21

How to Write a Business Plan

Wednesday, March 21

How to Finance a Business Plan and Research Your Target Market

For more information, call (225) 763-2280.

Just for TEENS

ACT Practice Test For Students

The East Baton Rouge Parish Library will offer a free full-length Practice Test for the American College Testing (ACT), administered by the Princeton Review. Each Practice Test will last several hours and is divided into sections, as is the real test. Students are required to register for the Practice Tests; preference will be given to high school juniors and seniors over younger students, since they must get their real scores in soon as part of the college application process.

The Practice Test will be on **Saturday, February 3** at East Baton Rouge Parish libraries. The Main Library will offer one additional ACT Practice Test on **Saturday, April 7**.

All Practice Tests will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 1:30 p.m. Students should arrive between 9:45 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. If seats are still available at 10:05 a.m., they will be given to walk-ins at first come, first served. Students should bring two sharpened pencils and a calculator to the Practice Test.

Staff from the Princeton Review will appear at libraries for a Review Session after the Practice Test to return graded tests to students and offer tips and techniques on how to improve scores. Anyone, including parents, is allowed to attend the Review Session.

Practice Test on Saturday, February 3	Review Date & Time
Main Library	Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m.
Baker Branch Library	Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 p.m.
Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library	Thursday, February 8, 6:30 p.m.
Carver Branch Library	Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m. (at Main)
Central Branch Library	Wednesday, February 14, 6:30 p.m. (at GSR)
Delmont Gardens Branch Library	Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.
Eden Park Branch Library	Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m. (at DGB)
Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library	Wednesday, February 14, 6:30 p.m.
Pride-Chaneyville Branch Library	Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 p.m. (at BAK)
River Center Branch Library	Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m. (at Main)
Scotlandville Branch Library	Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m. (at DGB)
Zachary Branch Library	Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 p.m. (at BAK)
Practice Test on Saturday, April 7	Review Date & Time
Main Library	Wednesday, April 11, 6:30 p.m.

Due to the limited number of seats available, students are required to register for the ACT Practice Tests. To register, call your participating library, or visit www.princetonreview.com. For more information, call (225) 231-3770.

"Star Wars®" Roleplay

Teens will be able to "use the force" as they play a Star Wars® role-playing game where they take on the role of a hero in the exciting Star Wars® universe and experience their own adventures at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch Library on Saturdays, February 3, 10, 17, 24, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Douglas Robinson, an experienced Game Master, will create the setting and plot for this adventure campaign. This is a fun and imaginative way for teens to practice critical thinking, teamwork, and problem solving.

To register and for more information, call (225) 274-4470.



Teddy Bear Tea

Children, ages 5 to 8, are invited to bring a teddy bear to tea at the Main Library on Saturday, February 10, at 2:30 p.m. Library staff will read books related to tea and/or teddy bears. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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The mission of the East Baton Rouge Parish Library is to serve all residents of the parish as an educational, informational, recreational and cultural center through a wide variety of resources, services and programs.



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 six 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. Call your local library for more information. Organized groups must reserve a date and time other than those listed below.

Lapsit – for babies through crawling

Bluebonnet	Thursdays, February 1, 8, 15, 22 & March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	10:30 a.m.
Central	Mondays, February 5, 12, 19, 26, & March 5, 12, 19, 26	10:00 a.m.
Greenwell Springs	Thursdays, February 1, 8, 15 & March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	10:30 a.m.
Main Library	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20	10:30 a.m.
Zachary	Tuesday, February 6 & March 6	10:00 a.m.

Toddler Time – for walking children through two years old

Baker	Wednesdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14	9:30 a.m.
Bluebonnet	Wednesdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14, 21, 28	10:30 a.m.
Central	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 5, 12, 19, 26	10:00 a.m.
Greenwell Springs	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20, 27	10:30 a.m.
Jones Creek	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20, 27	10:30 a.m.
Main Library	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20	10:30 a.m.
Zachary	Wednesdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14, 21, 28	10:00 a.m.

Preschool Storytime – for children three to five years old

Baker	Wednesdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14	10:30 a.m.
Bluebonnet	Mondays, February 5, 12, 19, 26 & March 5, 12, 19, 26	10:30 a.m.
Carver	Wednesday, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14, 21, 28	10:00 a.m.
Central	Wednesday, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14, 21, 28	10:00 a.m.
Delmont Gardens	Mondays, February 8, 22 & March 8, 22	10:30 a.m.
Greenwell Springs	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20, 27	10:30 a.m.
Jones Creek	Tuesdays, March 6, 13, 20, 27	10:30 a.m.
Main Library	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20	10:30 a.m.
River Center	Thursdays, February 1, 8, 15, 22 & March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	10:00 a.m.
Scotlandville	Tuesdays and Thursdays, February 6, 8, 20, 22 & March 6, 8, 20, 22	10:30 a.m.
Zachary	Wednesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20, 27	10:00 a.m.

Storytime – for all ages

Pride-Chaneyville	Saturdays, February 10, 24 & March 10, 24	10:30 p.m.
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Spanish Storytime – for ages 3 and up

Bluebonnet	Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 27 & March 6, 13, 20, 27	10:30 a.m.
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Night Storytime

Bluebonnet	Mondays, February 5, 12, 19, 26 & March 5, 12, 19, 26	6:30 p.m.
Greenwell Springs	Thursdays, February 1, 8, 15 & March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	7:00 p.m.
Jones Creek	Wednesdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28 & March 7, 14, 21	7:00 p.m.
Main Library	Thursdays, February 1, 8, 15, 22 & March 1, 8, 15	7:00 p.m.
Pride-Chaneyville	Mondays, February 26 & March 26	6:30 p.m.
Zachary	Tuesday, February 6 & March 6	6:00 p.m.

On View at the Library

Baker Branch

African Spirit

Experience Terrell Evans drawings, printmaking, and sculptures reflecting African culture.

Bluebonnet Regional Branch

The Shotgun House & the People that Built Them: Celebrating Louisiana's West African Architecture

View snapshots and artifacts depicting "shotgun" houses, found in Louisiana.

Carver Branch Library

Woodcarving of History

Watch History come to life through Shaka Lanouex's beautiful pieces.

Central Branch

Teen Art Collection

See local teen artists' works in a variety of mediums.

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

Legacy of a Black Man

Learn what it was like to life as an African-American in Louisiana from 1890-1981, through the eyes of Clarence Smoot.

Sunrise to Sunset

Discover the nature, animal, and floral photography of Dennis Marchand.

Scotlandville Branch

Purple is My Favorite Color

Examine Darlene A. Moore's bold, beautiful acrylic works.



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Main Library

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Sunday, 2:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Branch Libraries

Baker Branch Library

3501 Groom Road, Baker (225) 778-5940
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Bluebonnet Regional Branch Library

9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard (225) 763-2240
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Carver Branch Library

720 Terrace Street (225) 389-7440
Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Central Branch Library

11260 Joor Road (225) 262-2640
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Delmont Gardens Branch Library

3351 Lorraine Street (225) 354-7040
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Eden Park Branch Library

5131 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 231-3240
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Greenwell Springs Road

Regional Branch Library

11300 Greenwell Springs Road (225) 274-4440
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Jones Creek Regional Branch Library

6222 Jones Creek Road (225) 756-1140
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Pride-Chaneyville Branch Library

13600 Pride-Port Hudson Road (225) 658-1540
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

River Center Branch Library

(formerly the Centroplex)

120 St. Louis Street (225) 389-4967
Monday – Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Scotlandville Branch Library

7373 Scenic Highway (225) 354-7540
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Zachary Branch Library

1900 Church Street, Zachary (225) 658-1840
Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

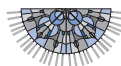
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