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Let the infectious rhythm of the dulcimer and drums sweep you off your feet. Join Madam Dulcimer (Amanda Roberts), a renowned musician and winner of the 2017 National Hammer Dulcimer Championship, as she takes you on a musical journey through the lively melodies of Ireland, Scotland, and Wales in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. Accompanied by legendary percussionist Lady Chops (Elizabeth Vidos), who captivated audiences in

STOMP Off-Broadway for a decade, this concert will lead you through the music of the Celtic nations.

Experience this truly unforgettable musical adventure at Ascension Parish Library on Saturday, March 9 at 2:00pm in Gonzales; Monday, March 11 at 10:00am at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville; and Tuesday, March 12 at 10:00am in Dutchtown or 6:00pm in Galvez.

They are the characters that captivated the public and left behind legends with striking similarities. From the infamous pirate Jean Lafitte and the storied couple of Bonnie and Clyde to less familiar bandits like train robber Eugene Bunch and suspected murderer Leather Britches Smith, these legendary outlaws have shaped Louisiana's colorful and turbulent history.



Join Keagan LeJeune, professor of folklore and English at McNeese State University, at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales on Thursday, March 28 at 6:00pm to explore historical accounts and current folklore, examining the specific moments and legal climate that spawned Louisiana's most fascinating fugitives. Discover the motives they may have had for breaking the law, as well as why some people seem to celebrate them as heroes despite their history of violent crime.

A book signing will follow the presentation. Registration required. Scan the QR code or call (225) 647-3955 to reserve a seat.

Five minutes. That is how quickly someone can bleed to death. That is why it is important to learn life-saving skills that can quickly halt blood loss while professional help is on the way. The Stop the Bleed campaign, initiated by a federal interagency workgroup convened by the National Security Council, aims to empower and educate bystanders on fundamental techniques to stop life-threatening

bleeding during emergencies and natural disasters. Minutes count! With just three simple actions, you can be trained to save a life. Become a part of the national Stop the Bleed initiative by joining Desirae Snell from Acadian Ambulance at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales on Tuesday, March 19 at 10:00am as she demonstrates life-saving methods that can significantly increase the chance of someone's recovery.



It's the perfect season for fresh starts! Ascension Parish Library invites you to participate in our Growing Readers Beanstack challenge from March 1-31. Can you read ten books in a month? Maybe more? It's time to grow! Visit myAPL.beanstack.org to get started, and watch your reading skills bloom.

In the past, our Ascension Parish community has exceeded expectations with every Beanstack reading challenge. We started with 2,000 books, then surpassed that with 2,500, and went even further by reaching 3,000 books read. Now, let's aim for an astounding 3,500 books read in one month and set a new reading record together.

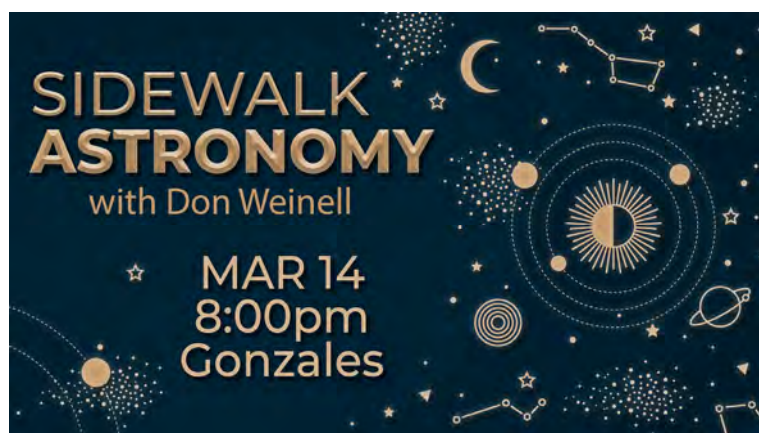
As additional motivation, one adult and one youth reader will be selected to receive a reading and writing-themed prize, celebrating their reading habits.

Happy reading!



Help your daughter understand the physical and emotional changes she will experience as she goes through puberty. Ascension Parish Library, in partnership with Our Lady of the Lake Ascension, presents Growing Up Girls: A Class for Preteen Girls on Saturday, March 2 at 9:00am in Gonzales. This frank and comforting discussion about a normal aspect of growing up is specifically designed for girls ages 9-11 and their parents or guardians.

Registration required. Space is limited. To secure your spot for this workshop, call Our Lady of the Lake Ascension at (225) 621-2906.



Step outside and stargaze with us! Take a cosmic journey through the night sky and explore the wonders above at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales on Thursday, March 14 at 8:00pm. See the detailed landscape of the moon and get a close-up look at Jupiter, the Orion Nebula, or possibly Mercury. Amateur astronomer Don Weinell from the Baton Rouge Astronomical Society (BRAS) will help you search the night sky with a high-powered telescope.

Don Weinell is a retired US Air Force reservist and environmental scientist who enjoys amateur astronomy, birding, and history. He has authored two books, *Bicycling the Oregon Trail* and *A Field Guide to Custer's Camps: On the March to the Little Bighorn*.



Do your kids know what to do if there's a fire? No one wants to think about ever facing danger, but it's a good idea to know what to do, just in case. Reviewing fire safety with children in pre-K through 4th grade is especially important. On Saturday, March 16 at 10:00am at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville, learn about fire safety in a fun and engaging way. Activities will include a story, matching and mazes games, no mess painting, pinning the fire hat on the firefighter, and time to explore the Donaldsonville firetruck with local firefighters.

This event is organized in partnership with the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office and the Ascension Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Registration required. To sign up, call (225) 257-1307.



¡Hola! Prepárate para una experiencia interactiva en español e inglés. Hello! Get ready for an all-new interactive experience in Spanish and English.

Únete a nosotros en la biblioteca de Gonzales el jueves 21 de Marzo a las 6:30pm. Disfrutaremos de juegos, canciones interactivas, historias y mucha diversión mientras haces nuevos amigos. Este evento es perfecto para niños y familias. Join us at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales on Thursday, March 21 at 6:30pm for games, interactive songs, stories, and fun while you make new friends. This event is perfect for children and their families.



Finn is a furry ball of joy. On Saturday, April 6 at 10:00am at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales, hear all about Finn's adventures as a certified service and therapy dog and his bond with his human companion Frank. Frank will share stories about their volunteer work and answer your questions, while Finn takes all of the head scratches and pictures. Kids who draw and share a sketch of their dream pet will receive a Therapy Dog Helper certificate, acknowledging their participation and new knowledge about the world of service and therapy dogs.

Registration required. Call (225) 647-3955 to reserve a seat.



It's a bird, it's a plane, it's... an eclipse! On Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00pm at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales, join amateur astronomer Don Weinell from the Baton Rouge Astronomical Society (BRAS) to learn all about eclipses, including what they are, their different types, the mythology surrounding them, and why the upcoming eclipse has created such a buzz. Don will also discuss some famous eclipses from the past.

Don Weinell is the host of the library's monthly Sidewalk Astronomy events. A limited number of solar glasses will be available for distribution at the end of this event. Limit: one per person. *Available while supplies last.*

Did you know... This will be the first total solar eclipse in the continental U.S. in 7 years. The last one occurred on August 21, 2017. And it will be 20 years until the next one on August 23, 2044.

—Source: Astronomy Magazine



Whether you are maintaining your existing health goals or looking to set new and improved ones, don't miss your opportunity to be wise and well at APL. Ascension Parish Library, in partnership with the Ascension Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Good Health Women's Immunization Networks, LifeShare Blood Center, and the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office, is delighted to host Springing into Wellness, an interactive community fun day for the whole family to discover ways to build a healthier lifestyle. Watch a healthy cooking demonstration with K. Alexis, owner of Healthy Soul Kitchen, learn life-saving skills during a CPR workshop, and get moving with a Jazzercise workout.

This free event on Saturday, April 6 from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville will provide health and wellness resources, educational sessions, and approved health screenings by area medical partners and hospitals. Its goal is to promote health awareness and demonstrate how you can take responsibility for your own well-being.



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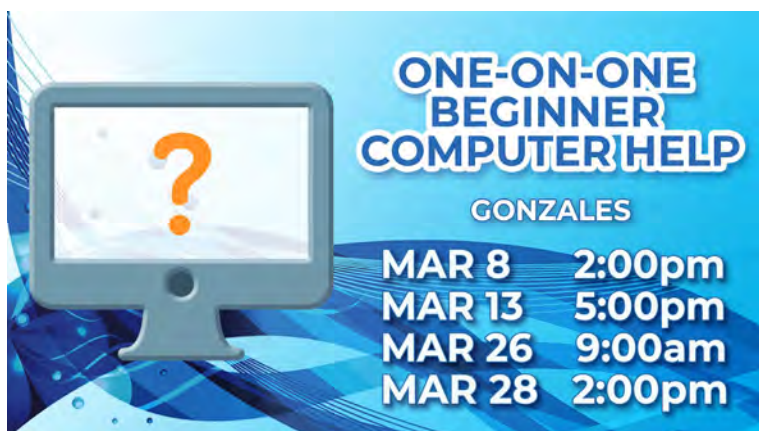
SNAP
ENROLLMENT
Assistance

MAR 27
1:30pm–3:30pm
Gonzales

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Do you qualify for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)? Find out at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales. Representatives from the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank will be on-site on Wednesday, March 27 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm to help you find out if you qualify and what other resources are available from the Food Bank. A SNAP coordinator will also be on-site to help with applications. To complete the application process, you will need to bring a valid photo ID, proof of residency, a social security number and proof of income for each household member, and any other income or expense documentation.

This event is provided by the Louisiana Food Bank Association and the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) in partnership with the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank.



ONE-ON-ONE
BEGINNER
COMPUTER HELP

CONZALES

MAR 8 2:00pm
MAR 13 5:00pm
MAR 26 9:00am
MAR 28 2:00pm

Improve your computer skills with one-on-one help tailored to meet your needs. Sign up for a 45-minute session at Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales to get a basic overview of computer usage on Friday, March 8 from 2:00pm to 4:45pm; Wednesday, March 13 from 5:00pm to 7:45pm; Tuesday, March 26 from 9:00am to 11:45am; or Thursday, March 28 from 2:00pm to 4:45pm. Assistance is available for beginner computer skills; Microsoft Office products such as Word, Excel, and Publisher; email and social media; or help using an electronic device to access the library's digital resources.

Registration required. Call (225) 647-3955 to make an appointment.



Gardening
Workshops

LOUISIANA Master Gardener
LSU AgCenter
Research & Extension

The Ascension Master Gardeners Association, under the direction of the LSU AgCenter, present their spring library series of educational workshops for novice and advanced gardeners.

Overcoming Disaster in the Landscape **MAR 12 6:30pm Gonzales**

Gardening can be a challenge, especially in our south Louisiana environment. From freezing temperatures to extended periods of drought and major flooding, we have experienced it all in Ascension Parish. But gardeners and their landscapes are resilient. Overcome weather-related issues affecting your plants with advice from a team of Ascension Master Gardeners on Tuesday, March 12 at 6:30pm in Gonzales. Plant recommendations specific to our area will also be shared. To register for this workshop, scan the QR code or call (225) 647-3955.



Louisiana Lawn Care **MAR 26 6:30pm Galvez**

Your grass will be greener if you follow the best practices for lawn care from Dr. Eric DeBoer, assistant professor of turfgrass management at LSU. When you take the time to properly care for your lawn, you will be rewarded with healthier turf. Discover how to identify and control weeds that can mar your yard, use ground cover alternatives to increase heavy shade spots, and resolve common lawn issues on Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30pm in Galvez. To register for this workshop, scan the QR code or call (225) 622-3339.



Create a Colorful Spring Landscape **APR 9 6:30pm Dutchtown**

Add color to your landscape and enhance your curb appeal. Say goodbye to boring backyard vibes and hello to a rainbow explosion of botanical beauty. Learn the secrets to growing Louisiana Super Plants, those that perform well throughout Louisiana, from horticulturists Kaylee Deynzer and Bert Hammett on Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30pm in Dutchtown. To register for this workshop, scan the QR code or call (225) 673-8699.



Gardening Q&A and Plant Swap **APR 30 6:00pm Gonzales**

Have a question about gardening? Ask the experts on Tuesday, April 30 at 6:00pm in Gonzales. A panel of Ascension Master Gardeners will be ready to answer all your questions. Bring your labeled plants, cuttings, bulbs, or seeds to exchange after the panel. To register for this workshop, scan the QR code or call (225) 647-3955.





Celebrate spring and let the birds sing. Let your creativity take flight on Saturday, March 23 at 10:00am at Ascension Parish Library in Dutchtown. Paint your own miniature birdhouse perched atop a matching candle holder. Once dry, decorate it with paper flowers to add some extra flair. It's the perfect pastel pastime for the new season.

Birdhouses are for decorative use only. Registration required. Scan the QR code or call (225) 673-8699 to sign up.



packet pickup



Recycled CD Coasters

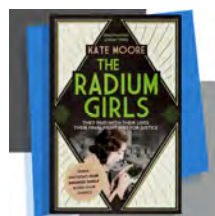
**APR 1 All Day
All Locations**

Innovation meets conservation with our latest DIY. The concept of going green means different things to different people, but the undeniable advantage is its contribution to reducing pollution. Transforming old and

unused CDs into gorgeous coasters serves as one creative way to repurpose outdated technology into something fresh and new. Embrace nostalgia and sustainability as you protect surfaces in style. These DIY coaster packets will be available for pick up at any Ascension Parish Library location beginning Monday, April 1. Available while supplies last.



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Donaldsonville 12:00pm

The Radium Girls by Kate Moore

Gonzales 6:30pm

Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

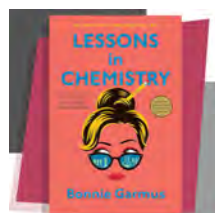
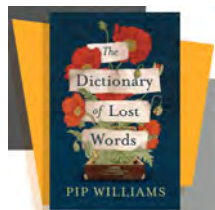
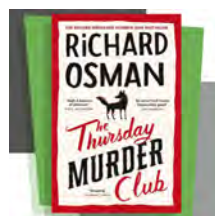
Dutchtown 6:30pm

The Dictionary of Lost Words by Pip Williams

Galvez 6:30pm

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Explore the literary world. APL Book Clubs meet at each library location on the first Thursday of every month. It's the perfect opportunity to discover new authors, exchange ideas, and have a great time. Advance registration required. If you are interested in joining a book club, please call your local library location to see if space is available.



It's no secret that Ascension Parish Library is the place to bee! See what all the buzz is about on Saturday, April 6 at 10:00am in Dutchtown. Local beekeeper Fred Armand Jr. will take us on a captivating journey through the enchanting world of bees and their critical role in our ecosystem. Learn effective methods to protect your plants from Louisiana's high temperatures and discover eco-friendly strategies for reducing water usage while maintaining a thriving garden. Additionally, seeds from Louisiana's high-pollinator plants, carefully chosen for their ability to promote optimal bee production, will be available for pick up. Celebrate the hard work of the hive by sampling the distinctive flavors of locally harvested honey.



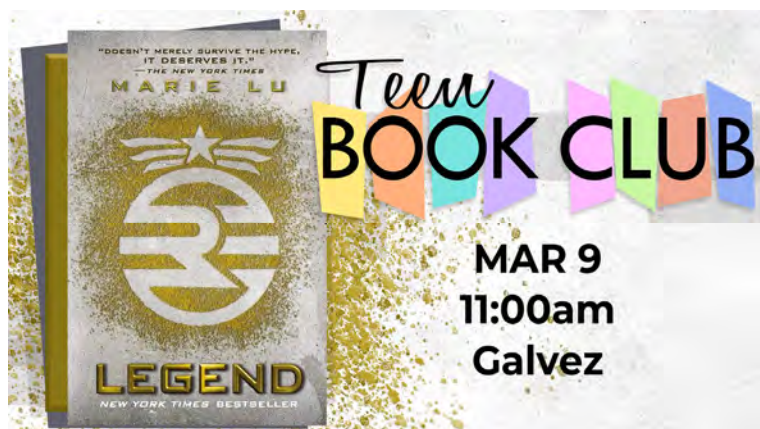
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Ooo-tee-nee! Incoming message from a galaxy far, far away: You're invited down to the cantina for some Jedi Master fun.

Smugglers, scoundrels, rebels, and more. Don your best Jedi robes, stormtrooper armor, or other Star Wars apparel and join us at Ascension Parish Library in Dutchtown on Saturday, March 9 at 10:00am for some fun Star Wars-themed tabletop games. Learn how to play Chance or Sabacc from the movies, or enjoy a few familiar games like Dominoes, Operation, and Uno—but with a Star Wars theme. As is custom for a cantina, drinks and snacks will be provided for those who play.



If you love talking about books and hanging out with other teens, then you are invited to read our monthly book selection and share your thoughts in a fun and welcoming environment. Ascension Parish Library's Teen Book Club is held on the second Saturday of every month at 11:00am in Galvez. The book discussion for March 9 is *Legend*, an action-packed dystopian novel by *New York Times* bestselling author Marie Lu. Refreshments will be provided.

This event is limited to teens ages 12–18. Registration required. Call (225) 622-3339 to sign up. Book selections will be reserved for pickup at our Galvez location. While book selections are chosen for teens, parents may wish to review if the content is suitable for their young adult.

"You live in the moment, you die in the moment
You take it all one day at a time."
—Marie Lu, *Legend*



We are bubbling with excitement! Bring your bestie along with you to Ascension Parish Library in Gonzales on Saturday, March 23 at 11:00am, and come create miniature resin bubble teas. Pick the color of resin you would like, mix it up, and pour it into your mini bubble teacup. Afterwards, place it directly under UV light to activate the resin. While you work, indulge in some refreshing fruity bubble tea to see what the craze is all about. It will sip'ly be the best!

Registration required. Call (225) 647-3955 to reserve your spot. May not be suitable for individuals with food allergies.



Quirky characters, hilarious antics, and a touch of 90s charm—it's a teen movie afternoon at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville! Take a journey to the Mushroom Kingdom for this live-action adaptation of the classic video game featuring the Mario brothers on Wednesday, April 3 at 1:30pm. It's a must-watch for gamers and non-gamers alike. But the fun doesn't stop there! How about we add in a popcorn bar?! Make your own delicious concoction with a variety of popcorn toppings—we have all your movie cravings covered. Let's have some stress-free fun before finals!

This event is free, but registration is required to allow enough space and snacks for everyone. Call (225) 257-1307 to sign up.

ACT
PRACTICE TESTS

Ascension Parish Library will be administering free, timed computer-based ACT practice tests in April. Teens ages 12–18 are encouraged to register by calling their local library location.



Throw on your favorite green outfit and get ready to sham-rock! Paint a lucky shamrock, go bowling for leprechauns, try the gold coin toss, and sort through our sensory bin for coins and rainbows. You won't need luck to have a great time at Ascension Parish Library on Tuesday, March 12 at 3:00pm at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville; Friday, March 15 at 11:00am in Gonzales; Saturday, March 16 at 11:00am in Dutchtown; and Saturday, March 23 at 10:00am in Galvez.

This event is designed for preschoolers ages 3-5.

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“The library is something to do on a rainy day that isn't just sitting in front of a TV.”

—Matt, father of 2 boys

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packet pickup

Hot-Air Balloons

**MAR 4 All Day
All Locations**

Did you know that hot-air balloons drifted onto the scene in 1783, but it wasn't until the 1950s that they gained immense popularity. Today, people from all over organize festivals and races where skilled pilots

showcase their impressive maneuvers. Now, it's your turn to soar to greater heights. By using holographic stars, a white paper cup, and red, white, and blue cardstock, you can create a colorful 3D hot-air balloon that can spin and sparkle. Pick up your hot-air balloon packet from any Ascension Parish Library location beginning Monday, March 4.

This craft is designed for kids ages 6-8. Available while supplies last.



Would you let the Pigeon drive the bus? Would you dance and party with Piggie and Elephant? Let's celebrate all things Mo Willems at Ascension Parish Library with a playtime and movie extravaganza on Tuesday, April 2 at 3:00pm in Galvez; Wednesday, April 3 at 11:00am in Gonzales; Thursday, April 4 at 3:30pm in Donaldsonville; and Friday, April 5 at 10:00am in Dutchtown. While movies based on the books are showing, create a Pigeon puppet, play a cookie toss game, and create unique "We Are in a Book" poses using our photo backdrop. We will even vote to see how many people say "nuffle" or "ka-nuffle" Bunny.

This event is designed for preschoolers ages 3-5.



Play Dates is an informal gathering time designed for newborns through two-year-olds and their caregivers. On Thursdays from April 4 until April 18 at 10:00am, Ascension Parish Library in Dutchtown will provide a welcoming and safe space with toys and books where babies and toddlers can get to know each other and grow and learn through play. It's a time for babies and toddlers and their caregivers to socialize with others. Each session lasts approximately one hour.

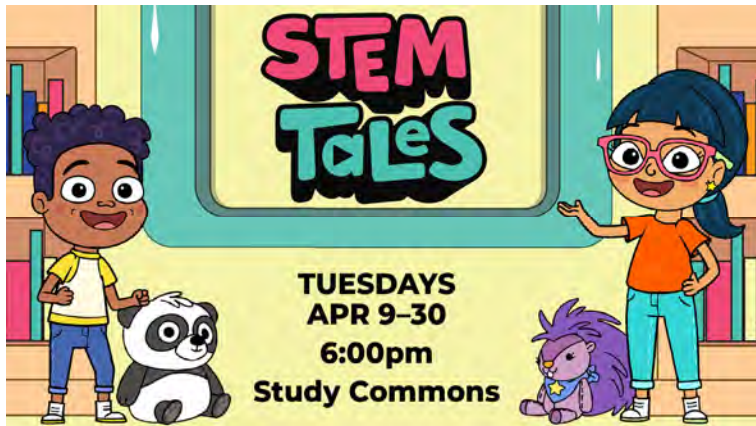
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“I love the books and everyone's so nice, so it makes it so much better.”

—Amelia, 11

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Ignite your child's curiosity for adventure. STEM Tales aims to attract more students to career fields that prioritize critical thinking, innovation, and problem-solving by providing engaging and interactive tools to explore and discover. STEM Tales will be held each Tuesday in April at 6:00pm at the Study Commons at the Wag Center in Donaldsonville. This series, designed for kids ages 4–8, includes a picture book read-aloud from professional experts, materials about STEM careers, hands-on STEM activities, and a free take-home STEM kit.

Registration required. Call (225) 473-8052 to sign up.



PowerKnowledge

Check out our new source for online science information! Designed for students in grades 3–6, PowerKnowledge Science Suite provides visually engaging and media-rich content that is aligned with national and state curricula. It promotes the development of digital literacy and 21st-century learning skills and offers support for research, report writing, and homework assignments. To access PowerKnowledge Science Suite, scan the QR code.



Learn about key life science topics including animals, classification, endangered and extinct species, food chains and food webs, green living, habitats and ecosystems, the human body, life cycles, plants, and more.



Learn about key physical science topics including atoms and molecules, elements and the periodic table, energy and matter, force and motion, temperature, measurement, and more.



minerals, environmental issues, the scientific method, space, water, weather, climate, and more.

Babytime

through MAR 28

Tuesdays 10:00am Gonzales
Thursdays 10:00am Dutchtown

Babytime is designed for babies ages 0–18 months and their families. It features interactive board books and a variety of songs, nursery rhymes, and fingerplays. Babytime is on Tuesdays at 10:00am in Gonzales and Thursdays at 10:00am in Dutchtown until March 28. Each session lasts approximately 15–20 minutes. Parents are welcome to stay and socialize afterwards, giving babies time to play together.

TODDLER STORYTIME

through MAR 27

Wednesdays 10:00am
All Locations

Toddler Storytime is designed for active, wiggly toddlers ages 15 months to 2 years and their families. It features interactive picture books, songs, rhymes, and fingerplays. Toddler Storytime is on Wednesdays at 10:00am at all library locations until March 27. Each session lasts approximately 25 minutes.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

through MAR 27

Wednesdays 11:00am
Gonzales, Dutchtown, & Galvez

Preschool Storytime is designed for kids ages 3–5 and their families. This storytime is for children who have outgrown Toddler Storytime but have not started school yet. It features different books each week along with a mix of songs and rhymes to keep things energetic and fun. Preschool Storytime is on Wednesdays at 11:00am in Gonzales, Dutchtown, and Galvez until March 27. Each session lasts approximately 25 minutes.



Come to the library dressed in your favorite snuggly pajamas and get ready to read, sing songs, and make an easy craft for you to take home while we say “Baaa Baaa Winter, Hellooo Spring” with a sheep-centric storytime. Pajama Storytime is designed for kids ages 8 and younger and their families. It promotes imagination, which can help foster creative development and social and emotional skills. Pajama Storytime is held at 6:30pm every second Thursday of the month in Gonzales and Galvez and on the third Thursday in Dutchtown. Each session lasts approximately 35 minutes. Kids ages 5 and younger may need assistance with crafting.



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matching readers with books...and other stuff

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Curated by Alyssa Devall

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WRITER'S SUPPORT GROUP



MAR 16
10:30am
Galvez

Find camaraderie with other wordsmiths! Whether yours is a work in progress or you have already been published, our writer's support group is a place to connect with fellow writers for encouragement and mutual support. Experienced writers of all genres are invited to join us on Saturday, March 16 at 10:30am at Ascension Parish Library in Galvez to share valuable insights into the world of writing and publishing that might help struggling authors. If you have been working alone, this is the perfect opportunity to become part of a supportive community.

Registration required. Save your seat by calling (225) 622-3339.



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Enjoy a range of talks from bestselling, award-winning authors and thought leaders from around the world. Cast the live stream or watch recordings of past talks at your own pace from anywhere using your favorite device.

Find all of our upcoming Author Talks by scanning the QR code or visiting myAPL.org > Events > Author Talks. Registration is required for livestreaming.

Upcoming Author Talks:

Wednesday, March 6 3:00pm

"The Power of Friendships" with Nina Totenberg

You are invited to an intimate conversation with NPR legal affairs correspondent Nina Totenberg as she talks about her nearly fifty-year friendship with Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and her book *Dinners With Ruth*.



Thursday, March 14 3:00pm

"20 Years of Dragon-Riding in YA Fantasy" with Christopher Paolini

Join us as we chat with master storyteller and internationally bestselling author Christopher Paolini about his return to the World of Eragon with *Murtagh*, a stunning continuation of the epic fantasy.



Thursday, March 21 6:00pm

"Retelling Greek Classics: An Exploration of Modern Epics" with Madeline Miller

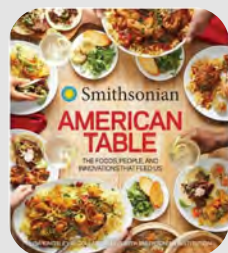
You are invited to a fascinating exploratory conversation with the bestselling author of *The Song of Achilles* and *Circe*, as she chats about her body of work and her process in retelling Greek classics into modern epics in fiction.



Tuesday, April 2 1:00pm

"The Foods, People, and Innovations That Feed Us" with Paula J. Johnson

Virtually step into the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History with Paula Johnson, curator and project director of the American Food History Project.



Tuesday, April 9 1:00pm

"From Murder to Atonement: Confronting My Son's Killer" with Colum McCann and Diane Foley

Join us for a one-of-a-kind conversation with National Book Award-winner Colum McCann as he is joined by Diane Foley, the inspiration behind the heartrending book *American Mother*.



bookmobile schedule March 2024



Gill's Supermarket	Fri	Mar 1 & 15	9:00am-10:00am
Darrow Community Center	Fri	Mar 1 & 15	3:30pm-4:30pm
Butcher Boy	Tue	Mar 5 & 19	9:30am-10:30am
St. Amant Park	Tue Tue	Mar 5 & 19 Mar 12 & 26	3:30pm-4:30pm 9:00am-10:00am
8th Annual STEAM Night**	Tue	Mar 5	5:30pm-8:00pm
Francois Bend	Wed	Mar 6	1:00pm-2:00pm
Sorrento Community Center	Wed	Mar 6 & 20	3:30pm-4:30pm
Oak Grove Community Center	Thu	Mar 7 & 21	3:30pm-4:30pm
Donaldsonville Senior Apartments	Fri	Mar 8 & 22	1:30pm-2:30pm
Lemanville Park	Fri	Mar 8 & 22	3:00pm-4:00pm
Riverside Farmers Market *	Sat	Mar 9	9:00am-2:00pm
New River United Methodist	Tue	Mar 12 & 26	2:00pm-3:00pm
Keystone of Galvez Park	Tue	Mar 12 & 26	3:30pm-4:30pm
The Church—Donaldsonville	Thu	Mar 14 & 28	3:00pm-4:00pm
Hippity Hoppity Market*	Sat	Mar 16	10:00am-4:00pm
Francois Parc	Wed	Mar 20	10:30am-11:30am

* pop-up library; **special event

If you would like bookmobile homebound delivery or to invite the library to an upcoming event, fill out a request online at myAPL.org/bookmobile or contact Stephanie at (225) 647-3955. If you would like our bookmobile to visit your Senior facility, contact your facilities' activities director.

for all ages
for adults
for teens
for tweens
for kids

March 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Daylight Saving Time begins	A Celtic Concert with Madam Dulcimer & Lady Chops 10:00am Study Commons	Babytime 10:00am Gonzales A Celtic Concert with Madam Dulcimer & Lady Chops 10:00am Dutchtown 6:00pm Galvez Sham-Rock & Roll 3:00pm Study Commons Overcoming Disaster in the Landscape 6:30pm Gonzales Registration required	Toddler Storytime 10:00am All Locations Preschool Storytime 11:00am Gonzales, Dutchtown, & Galvez One-on-One Computer Help 5:00pm–7:45pm Gonzales Registration required	Babytime 10:00am Dutchtown Author Talk with Christopher Paolini 3:00pm Virtual Pajama Storytime 6:30pm Gonzales & Galvez Sidewalk Astronomy with Don Weinell 8:00pm Gonzales	Sham-Rock & Roll 11:00am Gonzales	Fire Safety for Families 10:00am Study Commons Registration required Writer's Support Group 10:30am Galvez Sham-Rock & Roll 11:00am Dutchtown
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		Babytime 10:00am Gonzales Stop the Bleed 10:00am Gonzales	Toddler Storytime 10:00am All Locations Preschool Storytime 11:00am Gonzales, Dutchtown, & Galvez	Babytime 10:00am Dutchtown Author Talk with Madeline Miller 6:00pm Virtual Amigos Time 6:30pm Gonzales Pajama Storytime 6:30pm Dutchtown		Miniature Pastel Birdhouses 10:00am Dutchtown Registration required Sham-Rock & Roll 10:00am Galvez Mini Resin Bubble Tea 11:00am Gonzales Registration required
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		Babytime 10:00am Gonzales One-on-One Computer Help 9:00am–11:45am Gonzales Registration required Louisiana Lawn Care 6:30pm Galvez Registration required	Toddler Storytime 10:00am All Locations Preschool Storytime 11:00am Gonzales, Dutchtown, & Galvez SNAP Enrollment Assistance 1:30pm Gonzales Library Board Meeting 4:00pm Gonzales	Babytime 10:00am Dutchtown One-on-One Computer Help 2:00pm–4:45pm Gonzales Registration required Legendary Louisiana Outlaws 6:00pm Gonzales Registration required	Library Closed <i>Good Friday</i>	
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Library Closed HAPPY Easter Growing Readers Beanstack Challenge ends	Recycled CD Coasters Packet Pickup All Locations While supplies last	Author Talk with Paula J. Johnson 1:00pm Virtual Mo Willems Playtime & Movie Extravaganza 3:00pm Galvez All About Eclipses 7:00pm Gonzales	Mo Willems Playtime & Movie Extravaganza 11:00am Gonzales Teen Movie: The Super Mario Bros. 1:30pm Study Commons	Play Dates 10:00am Dutchtown APL Book Club 12:00pm Donaldsonville 6:30pm Gonzales, Dutchtown, & Galvez Registration required Mo Willems Playtime & Movie Extravaganza 3:30pm Donaldsonville	Mo Willems Playtime & Movie Extravaganza 10:00am Dutchtown	Pawsitive Companions 10:00am Gonzales Secret Life of Bees: Growing the Solution 10:00am Dutchtown Springing Into Wellness 10:00am Study Commons ACT Practice Test 1:00pm Galvez



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Sunday 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Dutchtown

13278 Highway 73
Geismar, LA 70734
(225) 673-8699

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday ... 8:30am – 5:30pm
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am – 8:00pm
Saturday 8:30am – 12:30pm
Sunday CLOSED

Galvez

40300 Highway 42
Prairieville, LA 70769
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Study Commons at the Wag Center

1221 Maginnis St.
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