

April 2024

St. Charles Parish Library News and Events



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Bluey Bash

East Regional Library

**Friday, April 26
6:00pm - 8:00pm**

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UPCOMING CLOSURES April 19..... Staff Training
 All locations will be closed on these dates. May 27..... Memorial Day

BOOKMOBILE
 Call 985-764-9643 ext. 205 or 206 for more information.

For more information, visit our website at www.myscpl.org.

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What's On the Cover

Wackadoo!

It's a Bluey Bash at the library!

We're taking over the East Regional Library in Destrehan on Friday, April 26 from 6pm to 8pm to celebrate all things Bluey!

We'll have a variety of crafts, including making your own long dog, pair of granny glasses, and Bluey or Bingo headband.

Our Fancy Restaurant will serve light snacks throughout the event.

Activities will include playing a game of Keepy Uppy, a special scavenger hunt, getting Bluey tattoos, dancing, and a photo area.

To close out the event, everyone will gather for a special Bluey Dance Mode Party!

The Bluey Bash is open to all ages, with activities and events designed for children ages 0 to 8.

There is no registration for this program.



FEATURED FIVE



East Regional Library

985-764-2366
 160 W. Campus Dr.
 Destrehan, LA. 70047
 Monday - Thursday: 9am - 8pm
 Friday & Saturday: 9am - 5pm

West Regional Library

985-785-8471
 105 Lakewood Dr.
 Luling, LA. 70070
 Monday - Thursday: 9am - 8pm
 Friday & Saturday: 9am - 5pm

St. Rose Branch

504-465-0646
 90 East Club Dr.
 St. Rose, LA. 70087
 Monday: 10am - 8 pm
 Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 6pm
 Friday: 9am - 5pm
 Saturday: 10am - 2pm

Paradis Branch

985-758-1868
 307 Audubon St.
 Paradis, LA. 70080
 Monday: 10am - 8 pm
 Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 6pm
 Friday: 9am - 5pm
 Saturday: 10am - 2pm

Norco Branch

985-764-6581
 590 Apple St.
 Norco, LA. 70079
 Monday: 10am - 8 pm
 Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 6pm
 Friday: 9am - 5pm
 Saturday: 10am - 2pm

Hahnville Branch

985-783-2341
 14996 River Rd.
 Hahnville, LA. 70057
 Monday - Friday: 9am - 5pm

East Regional

Yoga

Tuesdays at 6:00pm

Join Sara for a gentle yoga class introducing the concepts of yoga postures, breathwork, and mindful meditation.

Supported by the United Way of St. Charles and Creative Family Solutions.

Movie Thursday: *Godzilla vs. Kong*

Thursday, April 4 at 10:00am

Join us for a showing of *Godzilla vs. Kong* (PG-13, 1h 53m). Coloring sheets and light refreshments will be available.

Doors open at 10:00am and the movie begins at 10:15am.

Cookbook Club

Monday, April 15 at 6:00pm

Choose a recipe from the selected theme and prepare it for the meeting. Everyone will share information about their dish.

This month's theme is Pop Culture Cookbooks.

Patriotic Wreath Craft **R**

Monday, April 22 at 6:00pm

Make a wreath just in time to decorate for Memorial Day.

German Coast Farmers' Market

Saturdays from 8:00am to noon | All Ages

Visit for fresh local produce, food vendors, and items from local artisans. Then stop into the library!

Page Meets Stage Reading and Discussion Group **R**

Thursday, April 25 at 6:00pm

We will discuss *Ten Thousand Doors of January* by Alix E. Harrow after watching *Alice... Dreaming in Wonderland* at the Lafon Performing Arts Center.

This program is supported by a grant from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council, as administered by the Bayou Regional Arts Council. Funding has also been provided by the National Endowment of the Arts.



St. Rose Branch

Crafting in Verse: Poetry-Inspired Crafts

Monday, April 8 at 6:00pm

April is National Poetry Month!

Come in to create poetry-inspired bookmarks, mini journals, and magnetic poetry tins.

Open Mic Night

Monday, April 22 at 6:00pm

Enjoy an evening with fellow patrons, artists, and poets to share poetry, spoken word, lyrics, or dramatic readings. Shared works can be original or pre-existing. Participation is encouraged but not required.

Midday Mystery Club **NEW!**

Wednesday, April 17 at 11:00am

Are you a fan of mysteries of all kinds? Then join the Midday Mystery Club!

Each month will be dedicated to the discussion of a topical mystery.

This month's topic is Historical Mysteries.

Norco Branch

Senior Social Hour

Monday, April 8 at noon

Join us for games, activities, refreshments, and good conversation.

West Regional

Flying Needles

Tuesdays at 5:00pm

This knitting and crocheting group is open to anyone who wants to learn a new craft or share their talents.

Speak Up! Improv Games

Tuesday, April 2 at 5:30pm

Sharpen your public speaking skills through improvisation games. Feel free to bring any poem, monologue, or speech that you may want to practice.

For adults and teens ages 13 and up.

Hahnville Branch

Clip Picture Frame **R**

Monday, April 15 at 2:00pm

With just a few simple materials and a touch of creativity, you will create a personalized display for your photos that will add style to any room.

Paradis Branch

Paper Crafts: Cardmaking

Monday, April 1 at 1:00pm

Come create with us! Our focus this month is cardmaking. Feel free to bring other paper projects you may be working on.

Cookbook Club

Friday, April 12 at 11:00am

Choose a recipe from the selected theme and prepare it for the meeting. Everyone will share information about their dish.

This month's theme is Southern Cooking.

Books and Brushes **R**

Monday, April 22 at 6:00pm

Come hang out with us in a fun and relaxing atmosphere. Have a "happy little time" creating "happy little trees" with this step-by-step tutorial landscape painting using acrylics. No art experience needed.

Planetarium

Solar Eclipse 2024

Monday, April 8 from 12:15pm to 3:15pm | All Ages

Join our planetarium staff to safely observe the 2024 solar eclipse. We may not be in the path of totality, but we can still watch as the moon moves between the Earth and sun. You, your family, and friends can observe the partial solar eclipse using the planetarium's telescope, Sunspotters, and solar eclipse glasses.

Solar eclipse glasses will be available at all library branches beginning in the afternoon of Monday, April 1.

APRIL 2024

All activities are subject to change.
Check our website myscpl.org or visit us on our social media accounts @stcharleslib for more information or schedule changes.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Paper Crafts: Cardmaking 1pm (A)	2 Storytime 10:30am (C) Storytime 10:30am (C) Teen Time: Video Games 4pm (T) Flying Needles 5pm (A) Speak Up! Improv Games 5:30pm (T, A) Yoga 6pm (A) Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM	3 Storytime 10:30am (C) Nerd Night 5:30pm (T)	4 Movie Thursday: <i>Godzilla Vs. Kong</i> 10am (A) Storytime 10:30am (C) Storytime 10:30am (C) Art Squad: Macrame Water Bottler Holder 5:30pm (Ages 10+) (R) April Showers & Paper Flowers 6pm (C) (R) Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM	5 Storytime 10:30am (C) Bird Feeders 2pm (C)	6 German Coast Farmers' Market 8am to noon (Aa) Children's Matinee 10am PLANETARIUM (F) Saturday Matinee 2pm PLANETARIUM (Aa)
7	8 Senior Social Hour noon (A) Solar Eclipse 2024 12:15pm to 3:15pm (Aa) Crafting in Verse: Poetry-Inspired Crafts 6pm (A)	9 Storytime 10:30am (C) Storytime 10:30am (C) Teen Time: Video Games 4pm (T) Flying Needles 5pm (A) Yoga 6pm (A) Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM	10 Storytime 10:30am (C) Bake Your Own: English Muffin Pizza 4pm (T) (R) Nerd Night 5:30pm (T) Pajama Stories 6pm (C)	11 Storytime 10:30am (C) Storytime 10:30am (C) TACOS: Teen Advisory Council of Students 4pm (Tw, T) Butterfly Suncatcher 6pm (C) (R) Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM	12 Storytime 10:30am (C) Cookbook Club 11am (A)	13 German Coast Farmers' Market 8am to noon (Aa) Children's Matinee 10am PLANETARIUM (F) Page Meets Stage Alice and the Mad Hatter Meet and Greet 11am (C) Saturday Matinee 2pm PLANETARIUM (Aa)
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21	22 Open Mic Night 6pm (A) Patriotic Wreath Craft 6pm (A) (R) Books and Brushes 6pm (A) (R)	23 Storytime 10:30am (C) Storytime 10:30am (C) Teen Time: Coraline Escape Room 3:30pm (T) (R) Flying Needles 5pm (A) Yoga 6pm (A) Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM	24 Storytime 10:30am (C) Teen Book Fair 5:30pm (T) LEGO Club 6pm (Ages 5-11)	25 Storytime 10:30am (C) Storytime 10:30am (C) Homeschool STEM - Articulated Arm 1pm (F) (R) The Tween Scene: Blackout Poetry 4pm (Tw) Teen Book Fair 4:30pm (T) Teen Hangout! 5:30pm (T) Nerd Night Jr 5:30pm (Tw) (R) Page Meets Stage Reading And Discussion Group 6pm (A) (R) Evening Showing 6:30pm (Aa) PLANETARIUM	26 Storytime 10:30am (C) Bluey Bash 6pm (F)	27 German Coast Farmers' Market 8am to noon (Aa) Crafty Market Morning 9am to 11am (F) Children's Matinee 10am PLANETARIUM (F) Saturday Matinee 2pm PLANETARIUM (Aa)
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LOCATION

- East Regional in Destrehan
- West Regional in Luling
- Hahnville
- Norco
- Paradis
- St. Rose
- Online

AGE GROUPS

- A..... Adults
- T..... Teens
- Tw..... Tweens
- C..... Children
- F..... Family
- Aa..... All Ages

All events are free and open to the public

Children under 10 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.



Registration is required for some events.

Online registration opens 14 days before the event.

East Regional

Art Squad:

Water Bottle Macrame Holder **R**
Thursday, April 4 at 5:30pm

Teens will have a blast learning macramé techniques for their water bottles. Join us for a fun-filled session of creativity and knot-tying.

For ages 10 and up.

Art Squad Advanced

with Becca Hillburn **R**
Thursday, April 18 at 5:30pm

Art Squad Advanced lets you develop your artistic skills, learn different art techniques, and get real instructions from professional comic artist Becca Hillburn.

Embark on a creative journey of expression where you'll explore various techniques, helping you uncover and refine your personal art style!

Teen Hangout!

Thursday, April 25 at 5:30pm

Chill with friends, play board games, and dive into Nintendo Switch adventures! Snacks are on us, so come unwind and have a blast!

St. Rose Branch

Teen Time: Video Games

Tuesdays at 4:00pm except April 23

Come hang out, compete with your friends, or play on your own with our Xbox S or Nintendo Switch.

Teen Time:

Coraline Escape Room **R**
Tuesday, April 23 at 3:30pm

Enter the world of Coraline and test your puzzle-solving skills as you try to escape the Other Mother. With only 15 minutes on the clock, can YOU get out?

Registration is required. A designated time slot will be assigned within the program time.

Norco Branch

Bake Your Own:

English Muffin Pizza **R**
Wednesday, April 10 at 4:00pm

Join us in making custom English Muffin Pizzas! Create a pizza refined to your own taste and watch *Phineas and Ferb: Chez Platypus* as you bake!

West Regional

Speak Up! Improv Games

Tuesday, April 2 at 5:30pm

Sharpen your public speaking skills through improvisation games and impromptu speech topics. Feel free to bring any poem, monologue, or speech that you may want to practice.

For adults and teens ages 13 and up.

Nerd Night:

D&D Baldur's Gate: Descent into Avernus
Wednesdays at 5:30pm except April 24

Welcome to Baldur's Gate, a city of ambition and corruption. You've just started your adventuring career, but already find yourself embroiled in a plot that sprawls from the shadows of Baldur's Gate to the front lines of the planes-spanning Blood War!

For teens 13 and up.

Paradis Branch

TACOS:

Teen Advisory Council of Students
Thursday, April 11 at 4:00pm

Ever wondered what to do at the library after school?

You can join us to pick activities and brainstorm ideas at our **Teen Advisory Council Of Students!**

Enjoy snacks and drinks while we discuss upcoming activities.

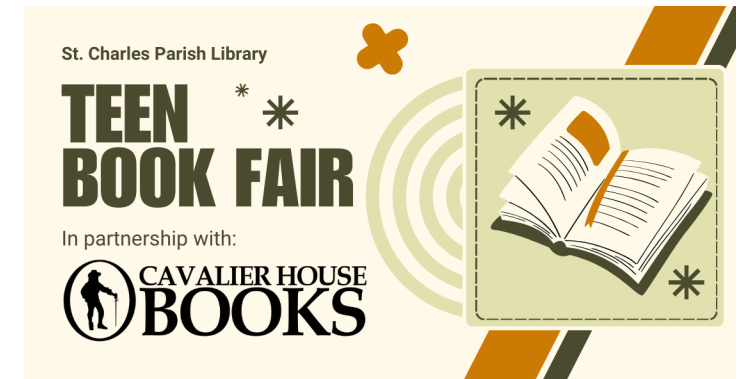
For tweens and teens.

Thursday Thrills: Video Game Night

Thursday, April 18 at 4:30pm

Join us in playing Jackbox games on the large screen! Please bring your own device if possible (cellphone or tablet).

For tweens and teens.



Teen Book Fair

WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY

Wednesday, April 24 5:30pm - 7:30pm

PARADIS BRANCH

Thursday, April 25 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Hosted in partnership with Cavalier House Books, this event invites you to be the curator of our library collection by selecting books that resonate with you and your peers.



Planetarium

105 Lakewood Drive in Luling | ☎ 985-785-8471

EVENING SHOWS

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30pm

Seeing! is believing as you travel with a photon of light across space, from a distant star to your eye. Join Neil deGrasse Tyson on this cosmic journey and learn about our amazing light sensors - our eyes.

CHILDREN'S MATINEE

Saturdays at 10:00am

One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure introduces your young children to the wonders of stargazing with Big Bird and Elmo as their guide. They will join Elmo and his friend from China, Hu Hu Zhu, on an imaginary trip to the moon and learn how it differs from our home, the Earth.

SATURDAY MATINEE

Saturdays at 2:00pm

We Are Aliens explains the science of astrobiology. You and your family will explore planets around other stars, learn about "habitable zones," and look for alien life in our own solar system.

Planetarium seating is first come, first served. Due to the unusual lighting condition, no one is allowed to enter once the show has started.



Page Meets Stage
Alice and the Mad Hatter
 Meet and Greet

Join us for a special event in collaboration with the Lafon Performing Arts Center and inspired by the show *Alice...Dreaming of Wonderland!*

Meet Alice and the Mad Hatter in person, play croquet, "pin the grin" on the Cheshire Cat, and more! This program is open to everyone; show tickets are not required.

East Regional Library

Saturday, April 13 @11:00am



East Regional

LEGO Club

Wednesday, April 24 at 6:00pm

Calling all LEGO Builders!

Build your own LEGO creations and meet new friends. Complete a different challenge each month.

Bluey Bash

Friday, April 26 at 6:00pm | Family

Join us to celebrate all things Bluey! We'll sing, dance, and make some fun crafts about Bluey, Bingo, and friends!

Crafty Market Morning

Saturday, April 27 from 9:00am to 11:00am | Family

Craft along with us! Take a break from the German Coast Farmers' Market and check out our craft offerings!

St. Rose Branch

The Tween Scene: Blackout Poetry

Thursday, April 25 at 4:00pm

Check out the Tween Scene!

This month we'll be crafting blackout poetry. Participants will be provided with assorted markers, stencils, and book pages to create a poem from the words on the page, blacking out, or coloring over the rest of the words.

"The Birds Are Back in Town" R

Monday, April 29 at 6:00pm | Family

Come and celebrate Spring 2024 by painting bird houses, making bird feeders, and creating your own nature inspired snack.

Norco Branch

Zen Zone Spa Party R

Monday, April 15 at 6:00pm

Relax with us in the Zen Zone as we make our own lip balms and sugar scrubs while snacking on refreshing treats!

For tweens.

West Regional

April Showers & Paper Flowers R

Thursday, April 4 at 6:00pm

Choose between crafting a rainbow or a lovely bouquet of your very own paper flowers to brighten up your rainy days.



Butterfly Suncatcher R

Thursday, April 11 at 6:00pm

Design and assemble your own stunning butterfly suncatcher using an array of colorful materials. Transform ordinary spaces into enchanting displays of light and color.

Nerd Night Jr:

Salvage Operation R

Thursday, April 18 & 25 at 5:30pm

Not old enough for Nerd Night? Why wait?!

This tween-only space offers a monthly primer for the table top games you'll play at our Nerd Night for Teens. Enjoy action-packed roleplay adventures with a PG rating.

For ages 8-12.

Hahnville Branch

Bird Feeders

Friday, April 5 at 2:00pm

Spring has sprung and the birds are chirping. Come make something flavorful and fashionable for our feathered friends!

Paradis Branch

TACOS:

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For tweens and teens.

Homeschool STEM - Articulated Arm R

Thursday, April 25 at 1:00pm | Family

Join our STEM program, where creativity meets engineering in the form of a hands-on engineering experience! Our program is designed to inspire young minds to explore engineering, design, and anatomy through the construction of their very own robotic arm!

STORYTIMES



Storytime introduces the love of books and reading to young children. We use stories, music, rhymes, and fingerplays to encourage children to discover and explore the world.

Themes change weekly, and playtime follows each storytime.

Storytime

(ages 0-5) Features books, rhymes, fingerplays, and opportunities for movement and interactive participation.

Pajama Stories

(ages 0-5) Features books, rhymes, fingerplays, and gentle activities to help get in a restful mood.

Wiggle Stories

(ages 0-5) Features books, rhymes, fingerplays, dancing, and shouting!

Questions?

Call your local branch, message us on social media @stcharleslib, or visit us! Branch locations and hours can be found on page 2.



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West Regional Library

Storytime

Wednesdays @10:30am

Paradis Branch

Storytime

Tuesdays @10:30am

Hahnville Branch

Storytime

Thursdays @10:30am

East Regional Library

Storytime

Tuesdays @10:30am

Pajama Stories

Second Wednesday of each month @6:00pm

Wiggle Stories

Third Saturday of each month @11:00am

Norco Branch

Storytime

Thursdays @10:30am

St. Rose Branch

Storytime

Fridays @10:30am

All storytimes are free and open to families and caregivers. No registration is required.

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult.



CURBSIDE

Curbside pickup service is available from opening until 30 minutes before closing.

Always open at www.myscpl.org