

MIDDLE GEORGIA
REGIONAL LIBRARY



2023 SUMMER READING PROGRAM

JUNE 5 - JULY 29

FREE FUN EVENTS & SPECIAL GUESTS



READING GOAL
25 HRS

KICK OFF WEEK: JUNE 5 - JUNE 10

Story Times For All Ages
S.T.E.A.M Projects
Crafts



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A Message From The Director

Welcome to Summer Reading! This is an exciting time in our libraries. Our staff have planned some exciting activities ranging from interactive storytimes, creative crafts, live animal shows and so much more!

This program is open to all ages. It is especially beneficial and important for our school-age students. Summer is the time they may indulge in reading for the pure joy of it! This reading expands their horizons and builds the skills that will help them be successful throughout the school year.

Participation in your public library's summer reading program has been proven to help students retain more of their lessons, stay on grade level, and be better prepared for the year ahead.

As I always say, summers at your local library are all of the best things: good for you, entertaining, and FREE!

In the spirit of this year's theme, "All Together Now", I would like to encourage you to let the young people in your life see you reading. Show them it is a skill that you value. Whether it is a magazine, bestseller, old classic, or a cookbook--reading counts!

This year's individual reading goal is 25 hours. Last year as a library system we read for over 1.7 million minutes, a 40% increase from minutes read in 2021. We challenge you to help us reach 2 million minutes this summer!

Have fun and read on!

Jennifer Lautzenheiser, Director

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How Summer Reading Works

Register

Register in person at your local library, using the Beanstack App, or using Beanstack on the computer at biblib.beanstack.com/reader365.

Log Your Reading

Pick up paper reading logs from your local library or begin logging your reading on Beanstack. The reading goal this year is 25 hours.

Win Prizes

Reach reading milestones and pick up your reward! Don't forget to bring your reading logs to verify your progress.

Have Fun!

Participate in engaging, enriching library programs featuring fun activities and presentations from special guests!

Summer Nutrition Meals

June 5 - June 30

In partnership with the Bibb County School District, these meals are free to anyone ages 18 and under. No registration required.

Meals must be eaten at the serving site.

Charles A. Lanford, M.D. Library

Monday - Thursday

Breakfast: 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Lunch: 1 PM - 2 PM

Shurling Library

Monday - Thursday

Breakfast: 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Lunch: 1 PM - 2 PM

Washington Memorial Library

Monday - Thursday

Breakfast: 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Lunch: 1 PM - 2 PM

Holiday Closures

All Middle Georgia Regional Library locations will be

CLOSED

May 27 - 29 • June 19 • July 4

Programs

Bibb County

Bloomfield Library

Bloomfield-Gilead Recreation Center
1931 Rocky Creek Road
Macon, GA 31206
478-309-2644

Computer Classes

Computer classes are free. Plan to arrive 10 minutes before each session.

June 9 at 5 PM - Computer Basics

June 16 at 5 PM - Learning Email

June 23 at 5 PM - 3D Printing

June 30 at 5 PM - Job Search and Resume

July 7 at 5 PM - Introduction to Typing

July 14 at 5 PM - Computer Basics

July 21 at 5 PM - Job Search and Resume

July 28 at 5 PM - 3D Printing

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Storytime

Storytimes are Thursdays at 2 PM.

June 8 - Kick-Off!

Join us for popsicles and music as we celebrate the start of Summer Reading!

June 15 - Meet Pete the Cat

Storytime with Pete the Cat! Come get your pictures with Pete!

June 22 - Live Animal Show

Swing by the library as we welcome the Museum of Arts and Sciences back to the library. Join us to learn about some of our animal friends.

June 29 - Watermelon Catapult

Learn how catapults work and help us launch some watermelons across the field!

July 6 - Barry Stewart Mann

Story-teller Barry Stewart Mann will be performing a mix of tales of togetherness based on folktales from around the world. Puppets, props and audience participation promise a fun time!

July 13 - Float to the Finish

Join us for an ice cream celebration.

July 20 - All Together Makey Makey

Come work together and make game controllers out of playdoh!

July 27 - Bloomfield Finale:

Paper Circuits

Join us as we close out Summer Reading by learning how electricity works by crafting paper circuits!

Other Events

June 20 at 5 PM - Beatsaber VR

Try our Oculus Quest and play a round of Beatsabers!

July 18 at 5 PM - Coding Workshop

Ever been interested in learning to code? Take your first steps into writing computer code with this workshop!

Charles A. Lanford, M.D. Library

6504 Houston Road
Macon, GA 31216
478-300-6760

Spanish Tutoring

Sessions are held on Mondays and Tuesdays at 3 PM during the months of June and July for teens/young adults who want to get ahead and/or who are having difficulty with certain concepts. The maximum group size per session is 7.

Call the library to reserve your spot. For more information speak with Matthew.

Storytime

Storytimes are Wednesdays at 10:30 AM.

**June 7 - All Together Now
Lanford Block Party Summer
Reading Kick-Off**

Great neighborhood lawn fun and games, ice cream, and a backyard wildlife habitat storytime in the garden. In case of rain, meet us inside!

**June 14 - Together on the Dance
Floor with Pete the Cat!**

Learn the "Cool Cat Boogie" with your friends and Pete the Cat!

**June 21 - All Together with
Animals**

The Museum of Arts and Sciences will be bringing the wild to your local library with an animal show!

**June 28 - Flock Together with
"The Little Green Hen" and
Friends**

Gather round, young flock, to learn about raising backyard chickens and ducks! Hear a fun-filled retelling of "The Little Red Hen" with important messages about caring for our environment and working together! Presented by middle school teacher and chicken/duck enthusiast, Ms. Moughon.

July 5 - Barry Stewart Mann
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July 12 - Go with the Float!
Celebrate the halfway mark of

Summer Reading with a rollicking river trip story and ice cream float after the journey.

**July 19 - You've Got the Beat
Drum Circle and Musician Meet
and Greet**

Join a drum circle and sing along with Ms. Melise. Meet musicians who demonstrate their instruments and play for us.

**July 26 - All Together with
Community Helpers and
Heroes!**

Celebrate the end of Summer Reading with food, fun, and a visit from Jeremy Webb with the Macon-Bibb Fire Department. See a fire truck up close and learn about fire safety!

Mahjong

Join us Thursdays at 3 PM in June and July as we play the simple, traditional Chinese version of this popular tile-based game of skill, strategy, and luck.

Other Events

**June 8 at 4:30 PM - Art
Together Now**

Paint a canvas and see our collaborative art display come together featuring your unique style.

**June 16 at 3 PM - All Together
now for Fun...Pets Included!
T-shirt Toys for our Pets**

Join us in making pet toys out of old or discarded t-shirts using different braiding and knotting

techniques while supplies lasts. You are welcome to bring your own t-shirts.

**June 20 at 4 PM - Armchair
Travelers Book Club**

Travel with us to Sweden with this month's book selection: "Astrid and Veronica" by Linda Olsson.

**June 22 at 4:30 PM - Teen
Game Night**

Learn and play Mahjong.

**July 7 at 4:30 PM - We are
Family! All Together with Pets**

Share pictures and stories about your special friends and make a pet toy for dogs or cats to keep or donate to a shelter.

**July 11 at 1 PM - Group Sand
Art: Make a Mandala**

Join us in putting together a mandala with colored sand. This will be a collaborative project with a pre-drawn pattern.

**July 18 at 4:30 PM - Armchair
Travelers Book Club**

We'll be staying in the US with The Overstory by Richard Powers

**July 20 at 4:30 PM - Teen Game
Night**

Find hidden clues in the library leading to a surprise.

Riverside Library

Rivergate Shopping Center
110 Holiday Drive North
Macon, GA 31210
478-757-8900

Storytime

Storytimes are Fridays at 10:30 AM.

June 9 - Kick-Off!

Let's kick off Riverside's "All Together Now" summer reading program with a musical extravaganza! Enjoy watching "The Brave Cowboy and the Lullaby" puppet show, learning the chicken dance, and participating in a musical instrument petting zoo.

June 16 - Pete the Cat

Pete the Cat is coming to Riverside! Come join us for fun "Pete" activities as well as posing for pictures with your favorite Cat!

June 23 - Museum of Arts & Sciences Show

The Museum of Arts and Sciences will perform an engaging live animal show.

June 30 - Riverside Rocks!

Rock with us as we read "Scribble Stones" by Diane Alber and enjoy the Puppet Comedy Show! Then we'll paint a special rock to display or share.

July 7 - Barry Stewart Mann

Story-teller Barry Stewart Mann will be performing a mix of tales of togetherness based on folktales from around the world. Puppets, props and audience

participation promise a fun time!

July 14 - Float to the Finish

Puppet mania is back! It's your turn to try your hand at puppetry! Then let's celebrate our summer reading with a root beer float!

July 21 - Let's Try a Little Kindness!

Join us as Riverside gives kudos to kindness! We'll listen to "Shoemaker Martin" by Leo Tolstoy and "Strictly No Elephants" by Lisa Mantchev. After watching the puppet show: "The Lion and the Mouse," we'll play Kindness Bingo!

July 28 - SRP Finale!

Discover there's "snow" place like the library! We're celebrating the end of summer reading with a Prize Book Walk! Land on the chosen title and you get a prize. Play as often as you like until you win!

Book Clubs

Meg's Book Club

This book club meets every 1st Tuesday at 11 AM. Please note the July 4th meeting has been moved to July 18 as we will be closed for the July 4th holiday.

June 6 - "The Accidental Tourist" by Anne Tyler

July 18 - "At Home: A Short History of Private Life" by Bill Bryson

Lynne's Book Club

This book club meets every 2nd Tuesday at 11 AM

June 13 - "Last Night in London" by Karen White

July 11 - "We Never Asked for Wings" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

Teen and Tween Time

June 22 at 5 PM

Join us for painting "kindness" rocks!

July 20 at 5 PM

Let's hang out with friends, make friendship bracelets, and play friendship trivia!

Shurling Library

Shurlington Plaza
1769 Shurling Drive
Macon, GA 31211
478-300-6743

Storytime

Storytimes are Tuesdays at 4:30 PM.

June 6 - Kick-Off!

Join us for some sunshine and smoothies! To get geared up for this year's SRP we will be hosting family games, a group art project and free strawberry smoothies courtesy of the Georgia Farm Bureau.

June 13 - Meet Pete!

Pete the Cat will be hanging out with us for a storytime about friendship and groovy vibes.

June 20 - Animal Kingdom

The Museum of Arts and Sciences will be bringing the wild to the library with an

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animal show!

June 27 - M is for ME!

For this special storytime, we will be learning about the ways that we are all different and how that makes us amazing! Join us for two wonderful books, a song and a reading buddies craft.

July 5 - Barry Stewart Mann

Please note: We will be closed on Tuesday July 4th so this event will take place on Wednesday instead.

Story-teller Barry Stewart Mann will be performing a mix of tales of togetherness based on folktales from around the world. The mix of puppets, props and audience participation make for a fun and engaging time.

July 11 - Float to the Finish

Join us for games, crafts and root beer floats as we begin the last leg of our summer reading journey!

July 18 - Try Something New!

The Georgia Farm Bureau is coming to visit! Together we will be learning about and tasting fruits and veggies from around the world.

July 25 - Summer Reading Finale

The fun is not over yet! Join us for our last program of the summer for snacks, games, crafts and more!

Teen Lounge Programming

Every Friday at 4 PM

June 9 - A Yarn Good Time

Sip on lemonade and choose from our selection of no-knit yarn crafts.

June 16 - Angry Pottery

Rage out on clay in this percussive-therapy pottery session.

June 23 - Bad Art

Using only recycled materials, make the most ridiculous piece of art work you can imagine.

June 30 - Crash Course

Understand what road-safety does and does not look like, we will be hosting a Mario Kart Tournament!

July 7 - Game Night

For this teen game night, we will be playing three different games in rounds and winning small prizes as we go!

July 14 - Stress Less

For this cathartic crafting event there will be multiple stress relieving projects and activities to help teens manage as we all gear up for the coming school year.

July 21 - Escape Room

For the last teen event for the summer, teens will be trapped in a zombie-themed escape room with only 45 minutes to escape. Racing against the clock, the team will have to work together to solve the puzzles and make it out.

Register to participate July 1 - July 14 at the library. Limited spots available. Parental consent mandatory. Call the library for more information.

Adult Programming

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 4:30 PM.

June 13 - Dare to Tie

Come make your own tie-dye shirt. Materials provided but you are welcome to bring your own top if you'd like.

June 27 - Soap Making

Make your own signature scent in a bar of soap. Plan to return the next day to pick up the finished product. All soaps must be claimed by 5 PM on July 28.

July 11 - Candle Making

Create your own custom candle.

July 25 - Adult Spelling Bee

Test your might and skills in the Shurling Spelling Bee.

3D Printing

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 3 PM in June and July, learn about 3D printers and how to use one!

Washington Memorial Library

1180 Washington Avenue
Macon, GA 31201
478-300-6744

Children's Programming

June 1 at 10 AM - Take Home Craft

Swing by the children's floor to pick up a take-home craft.

June 3 at 2 PM - READING Paws

Come read with a dog! Independent readers can sign up in advance for a spot. Please contact the children's floor for more information. RSVP event, 6 available spaces.

June 10 at 2 PM - Kick-Off!

Help us kick off the Summer Reading Program with an afternoon of activities, games, and snacks!

June 15 at 10:30 AM - All Together Now...with Pete the Cat

Nobody gets people together quite like Pete! Meet Pete the Cat as he visits for a storytime at the second floor atrium.

June 17 at 11 AM - Art Brings Us Together

Stop in as we host The 567 Center for an art outreach!

June 22 at 10:30 AM - Museum of Arts and Sciences

Join the Museum of Arts and Sciences in the second floor atrium for an animal show!

June 24 at 11 AM - Museum of Arts and Sciences

Join the Museum of Arts and Sciences in the second floor atrium for an animal show!

June 29 at 10:30 AM - Slime

Come see how to bring things all together as we make slime in the second floor atrium.

July 1 at 10 AM - Take Home Craft

Swing by the children's floor to pick up a take-home craft kit.

July 1 at 11 AM - Slime

Come see how to bring things all together as we make slime in the second floor atrium.

July 1 at 2 PM - READING Paws

Come read with a dog! Independent readers can sign up in advance for a spot. Please contact the children's floor for more information. RSVP event, 6 available spaces.

July 6 at 10:30 AM - Barry Stewart Mann

Story-teller Barry Stewart Mann will be performing a mix of tales of togetherness based on folktales from around the world. The mix of puppets, props and audience participation make for a fun and engaging time. This will be held in the second floor atrium.

July 8 at 11 AM - Barry Stewart Mann

Story-teller Barry Stewart Mann will be performing a mix of tales of togetherness based on folktales from around the world.

The mix of puppets, props and audience participation make for a fun and engaging time. This will be held in the second floor atrium.

July 13 at 10:30 AM - Bring It All Together Now

Bring it all together now as we experiment with kinetic sand.

July 15 at 11 AM - Float to the Finish

Ease into the end of summer with a root beer float or popsicle.

July 20 at 10:30 AM - Mike Fuller Magic Show

Do you believe in magic? Local magician Mike Fuller visits to wow the crowd with his magic act.

July 22 at 11 AM - Mike Fuller Magic Show

Do you believe in magic? Local magician Mike Fuller visits to wow the crowd with his magic act.

July 29 at 2 PM - Finale

Wind down the summer and celebrate the end of the summer reading program with us at the library.

Teen Programming

June 8 at 6 PM - Paint and Sip

Follow along as we paint to celebrate "togetherness" and sip on tea, soda, and fruit juice.

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June 10 at 2 PM - Teen Activities Board (TAB)
Call the library for more information.

June 26 - Friendship Bracelets
All day: Collect your grab bag of friendship bracelet material to create a token of togetherness to share with your friends.

July 8 at 2 PM- Teen Activities Board (TAB)
Call the library for more information.

July 12 - Let's Sew: Felt Magnets
All day: Collect your grab bag of felt magnet material to create a token of togetherness to share with your friends.

July 25 - Friendship Quotes
All day: Add to our friendship quote display by leaving a note in our togetherness basket.

Adult Programming

June 2 at 1 PM - Oral Histories: 100 Years of Libraries in Bibb County
Washington Memorial Library is celebrating its 100th year. We want to know your favorite memory, who was your first librarian, and if you were "shushed"!

Interviews will be held by appointment.

Appointments can be made by contacting Kate Aultman at Aultmank@bibblib.org

June 5 at 2 PM - Legal Literacy Series: Georgia Legal Services & Middle Georgia Justice
How to identify legal problems and community partners to help with them.

June 20 at 5 PM - DIY Easy Wreaths: July 4th Edition
It's time for America's birthday. Join in on the festivities with this FREE crafting session and make your own custom wreath to decorate your home.

June 21 at 6 PM - Macon Readers Book Club
This is the dramatic story of an atrocity inflicted on generations of women, men, and children - the violent and capricious separation of families - and the war they waged to simply make lives with the people they loved. Written by one of today's most exciting thinkers and writers, "The Water Dancer" by Ta-Nehisi Coates is a propulsive, transcendent work that restores the humanity of those from whom everything was stolen. Read and discuss with us this month!

June 27 at 2 PM - Legal Literacy Series: Estate Planning
How to Prepare Your Estate (Wills, Powers of Attorney, Heirs Property).

June 28 at 5 PM - History of the Swimsuit in Macon
Hear about swimsuits and how to stay cool throughout Macon's history.

July 10 at 2 PM - Legal Literacy Series: Middle Georgia Justice Services
How to use Middle Georgia Justice to help with family law, heirs property, records restriction, etc.

July 12 at 6 PM - Macon Readers Book Club
Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, Tara Westover was seventeen the first time she set foot in a classroom. Her family was so isolated from mainstream society that there was no one to ensure the children received an education, and no one to intervene when one of Tara's older brothers became violent. When another brother got himself into college, Tara decided to try a new kind of life. Her quest for knowledge transformed her, taking her over oceans and across continents, to Harvard and to Cambridge University. Only then would she wonder if she'd traveled too far, if there was still a way home. Read and discuss "Educated" by Tara Westover with us this month!

July 12 at 10 AM - Life Insurance
Life Insurance Advisor Gloria Hicks-Paulding will be sharing an educational presentation about the benefits and facts of life insurance.

July 27 at 6 PM - How Money Works: Stop Being a Sucker
Sign up for our Financial Literacy Class. Break the cycle of endless debt, foolish spending, and financial

cluelessness so you can stop being a sucker, start being a student, and take control of your financial future.

July 29 at 9:30 AM - Central Georgia Genealogical Annual Research Day

Receive an introduction to the Department, one-on-one help from fellow researchers to help scale those “brick walls” and gain knowledge of alternative research techniques and records that can aid you in your research.

Computer Classes

Computer classes are free. Please plan to arrive 10 minutes before each session.

Stop by the Reference desk for a calendar of planned classes or visit our website.

Baldwin County

(Twin Lakes Library)

Hancock Branch

127 E Hancock Street, Suite C
Milledgeville, GA 31061
478-452-0677

Teen Book Club

June 26 at 3:30 PM - “Heartstopper, Vol 1” by Alice Oseman. Snacks provided.

July 24 at 3:30 PM - “Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur, Vol 1” by Amy Reeder and Brandon Montclare. Snacks provided.

Anime Club

Every Tuesday at 3:30 PM in June and July, teens pick which anime to watch and make crafts. Snacks provided.

Teen SRP Program

Every Wednesday at 3:30 PM.

June 7 - Kick-Off!

Making tie dye shirts. Limited quantity of shirts provided; bring your own if possible. Pizza and drinks provided.

June 14 - Recycle and Upcycle Crafts

Snacks and drinks provided.

June 28 - Give Back Program

We’ll be making sandwiches and care kits for the Milly Free Fridge. Snacks and drinks provided.

July 5 - Gardening Program

Seeds and plants will be given out. Veggie and fruit platters provided.

July 12 - Painting Craft

Painting bricks for the library garden. Doughnuts and drinks provided.

July 19 - Cruise-Themed Escape Room

Snacks and drinks provided.

July 25 - End of SRP Party: Indoor Camping

Tent setup tutorial, s’mores, ghost stories, hide and seek, and games.

Teen Movie

June 8 at 3:30 PM: **In the Heights**
Musical/Drama | PG -13

June 22 at 3:30 PM: **Jumanji**
Family/Comedy | PG

July 6 at 3:30 PM: **Moonrise Kingdom**
Romance/Comedy | PG-13

July 20 at 3:30 PM: **Dungeons & Dragons-Honor Among Thieves**
Adventure/Fantasy | PG-13

Family Movie

June 15 at 3:30 PM: **Lilo & Stitch**
Family/Comedy | PG

June 29 at 3:30 PM: **Christopher Robin**
Family/Comedy | PG

July 13 at 3:30 PM: **Ferdinand**
Family/Adventure | PG

July 27 at 3:30 PM: **The Good Dinosaur**
Adventure/Family | PG

Virtual Programming

Virtual Program shared on YouTube (TwinLakesMGRL) and cross posted on Instagram and Facebook.

Must Read Monday

Brief reviews of new books or themed book talks at 3:30 PM. Dates: June 5 • June 26 • July 10 • July 24

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Take-Home Craft

Craft tutorial with the option to sign up for a take-home craft bag with the necessary supplies.

June 7 at 3:30 PM - Keychain Craft

June 28 at 3:30 PM - Upcycle Craft

July 12 at 3:30 PM - Painting Craft

July 26 at 3:30 PM - Camp Craft

Other Events

June 21 at 3:30 PM - Family Game Time

All ages program. Board games, card games, corn hole, and oversized games. Snacks provided.

June 22 at 5:30 PM - Tiny Canvas Art

Back by popular demand! We provide the materials; all you need is an open, creative mindset. All artistic levels are welcome to come and enjoy the therapeutic effects of putting brush to canvas.

July 7, 12 PM - 6 PM: Float to the Finish

Visit the library and pick up a tasty frozen treat.

July 13 at 5:30 PM - Kindness Rocks

Help us embrace this summer's theme of "All Together Now" by spreading some cheer in our community. Enjoy a relaxing evening of painting kindness

rocks that can then be placed around town to bring a smile to someone else's face.

July 20 at 6 PM - After Hours Books Club

Book Title: Oona Out of Order;
Author: Margarita Montimore

Lake Sinclair Library

130 Log Cabin Road NE
Milledgeville, GA 31061
478-452-6522

Storytime: Stay & Play

Every Monday at 10:30 AM in June and July enjoy age-appropriate building blocks and other tools for your children's imagination with a hands-on storytime experience.

After the stories are over, you and your children are welcome to stay & play.

Don't miss Pete the Cat on July 10 for a special storytime!

Wonderfully Colorful Wednesdays

Every Wednesday at 9:30 AM Spend time coloring together with your friends and family. A variety of coloring sheets and projects are provided for your enjoyment.

June 28 and July 26: End of Month Special Coloring Make & Take Craft!

Design & decorate your own bandana. All coloring and decoration supplies provided.

All-Together-Now LEGO Building

Spend your Saturdays in June and July at 9:30 AM with your friends and family building with LEGOs.

Mary Vinson Memorial Library

151 S Jefferson Street SE
Milledgeville, GA 31061
478-452-0677

June 6 at 10 AM - Kick-Off!

Free games, prizes, and activities to kick off SRP 2023.

Storytime

Tuesdays and Saturdays at 11 AM we alternate between a traditional storytime and yoga storytime which incorporates movement with storytime.

June 10 - Storytime: Georgia Farm Bureau

June 13 - Yoga Storytime: Love Yourself

Self-esteem hand print craft following the story.

June 17: Yoga Storytime: Community

June 20 - Storytime: Dental Care

June 24 - Yoga Storytime: Unity

Unity wreath craft to follow.

June 27 - Yoga Storytime: Playtime with Friends

Rock painting craft following the story.

July 1 - Storytime: Germs

July 11 - Yoga Storytime

Friendly Monsters with photo booth and friendship bracelets.

July 15 - Yoga Storytime: Hawaiian Theme

July 18 - Storytime: We Love Bees

July 22 - Community Craft
Work together to make a unity puzzle.

July 25 - Dinosaur fossils

July 29 - Storytime: Personal Hygiene

Other Events

July 7 at 11 AM - Float to the Finish

Enjoy a frozen treat to celebrate being halfway through the Summer Reading Program.

July 19 at 3:30 PM - STEM Storytime

Explore science and technology with stories and activities.

Crawford County

Crawford County Public Library

340 McCrary Avenue
Roberta, GA 31078
478-863-4478

Storytime and Activity

Every Wednesday in June at 10:30 AM.

June 7 - Bring a touch of the southwest into your home. Create a colorful sand art flower pot filled with a beautiful succulent.

June 14 - Create and color your own boomerang for hours of fun.

June 21- Ever wondered how to use chopsticks? We'll learn together with our own set. Then we'll create a flower thermometer and learn about temperature measurements.

June 28 - Quilts have a diverse background. They are common across numerous countries. We are going to design our own version of a quilt square.

July 13 at 10:30 AM - Storytime
Storytime for 3 - 8 year olds

July 26 at 4:30 PM - Family Fun Night

Games and Puzzles

Jones County

Jones County Public Library

146 Railroad Street
Gray, GA 31032
478-986-6626

All June and July enjoy passive programming including scavenger hunts, coloring pages, BINGO, a Kindness Wall, puzzles, and large LEGO building sets.

Community Helper Storytime

Every 2nd and 4th Monday at 10 AM a community member will read to the kids with activities.

S.T.E.A.M Activities

Every Tuesday at 10 AM in June and July join us for S.T.E.A.M activities.

Special Program

June 7 at 1 PM - Museum of Arts and Sciences

The Museum of Arts and Sciences will be bringing the wild to the library with an animal show!

June 14 at 9 AM - Outdoor Play/Snow Cones

We will have games- corn hole, ring toss, bubbles, story walk, sidewalk chalk, frisbee, ball throw, snow cones.

June 21 at 10 AM - Hometown Heroes

Our local fire and police departments will be bringing out trucks and cars and will be reading books to the kids.

June 28 at 9 AM - Screen Printing Outside

Kids will make pictures with screen painting and coloring them.

July 5 at 10 AM - Dress Up Day

Pete the Cat will be visiting on this fun "dress up" day. Dress up as what you'd like to be when you grow up.

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July 12 at 9 AM - Gardening

The Garden Club will be teaching the kids about gardening and they will be planting the outdoor garden area.

July 19 at 9 AM - JC Public Works Dept.

JC Public Works Dept. will be bringing out their big equipment and talking to the kids about what they do for the community.

July 26 at 9 AM - Party to the Finish

Outdoor play and popsicles.

Teen Cafe

Every 1st and 3rd Thursday at 2 PM in June and July, teens will meet for icy drinks and to talk about new books, studies, or just hang out.

Art Class

June 17 at 11 AM - Salt Art Painting

Paint on canvas made with salt and water colors. Must preregister.

July 15 at 11 AM - Rock Photo Holders

Paint the rocks and make a photo holder with wire.

Other Events

June 24 at 12 PM - Teen Program

Movie matinee with popcorn.

June 29 at 4 PM - Adult Book Club

Book lovers get a chance to critique the book of the month.

June 30 at 3 PM - Movie Matinee

Movies for all ages - "Inside Out"

July 22 at 12 PM - Teen Program

Teens will play Wii games/ Family Feud

July 27 at 4 PM - Adult Book Club

Book lovers get a chance to critique the book of the month.

July 28 at 3 PM - Movie Matinee

Movies for all ages.

Macon County

Marshallville Public Library

106 Camellia Boulevard
Marshallville, GA 31057
478-967-2413

June 6 at 11 AM - Maintaining a Healthy Lifestyle

Patrons will learn how to choose foods that will help in lowering blood pressure and participate in a cooking demonstration and eat what has been prepared.

June 8 at 1 PM - Snack A Way Fruits & Vegetables

Handouts and cooking demonstration on making/ selecting healthy snack choices. Teens will interact with the

presenter in selecting healthy food choices.

Tuesday Morning Storytime

Every Tuesday at 10 AM in June and July enjoy a story hour for preschool-elementary children including stories, crafts, videos, and a snack.

S.T.E.M. Time

July 13 at 1 PM - Learn how to apply S.T.E.M. in every day life, use items from the S.T.E.M. kits. Refreshments to follow.

July 20 at 10 AM - Develop children's interest in S.T.E.M. Learn how to apply it in everyday life.

Other Events

June 15 at 3 PM - BINGO Night

June 19 at 1 PM - Elderly Electronics

Eligible persons 65 and older receive a cell phone or tablet; ways to use electronics devices safely and for safety.

June 22 at 11 AM - Healthy Eating with Diabetes

Diabetic diet tips learn how to control glucose level through proper diet and exercise.

June 23 at 2 PM - First Responders

Meet local First Responders: Police Officers, Fire Fighters, Military Personnel.

June 29 at 1 PM - All Together Now Crafts

Art and Crafts: team work makes the dream work, crafts for all children.

June 30 at 1 PM - Family Sweet Treat

Outdoor gathering- reading and entertainment with cold refreshments.

July 20 at 10 AM - Craft Time

July 27 at 3 PM - Family Game Day

Enjoy board games, prizes, and refreshments.

July 28 at 1 PM - Author Returns

Tyranika Abrams, local children's author, book discussion and signing.

Montezuma Public Library

506 North Dooly Street
Montezuma, GA 31063
478-472-6095

June 8 at 11 AM - Kick-Off!

Author, Marsha Walk Carroll, will read one of her published children's books.

June 15 at 11 AM - Diversity Sensory Sidewalk Activity

Children have the chance to interact with others while learning ABCs, numbers, and various subjects about diversity.

June 22 at 11 AM - Diversity Jigsaw Puzzle

Children will put together a large 36 piece puzzle.

June 29 at 11 AM - The Amazing Ziggy

Comedy Magic Show performed by the Amazing Ziggy.

July 6 at 11 AM - Diversity Game Day

Various diversity games.

July 13 at 11 AM - Animals of Georgia Show

The Museum of Arts and Sciences will feature live animals that can be found in our backyard including birds, reptiles, snakes, and turtles.

Oglethorpe Public Library

115 Chatham Street
Oglethorpe, GA 31068
478-472-9526

Storytime

Every Wednesday at 10:30 AM.

June 7 - "Grow Happy" in the butterfly garden

June 14 - Fire Chief Owen and water play

June 21 - Reese Bradley, local teen

June 28 - The Macon County G.E.N.T.S

July 5 - Macon County Veterinary

July 12 - Local Artist, Natalie Bradley "All Together Now" through art

July 19 - Pete the Cat and Emmy Hayes Reading - Last Day/ Fun Day

Twiggs County

Twiggs County Public Library

109 Main Street
Jeffersonville, GA 31044
478-945-3814

June 6 at 11 AM - Kick-Off!

A day of messy, creative, collaborative outdoor Art inspired by Peter Reynold's book, "The Dot".

Summer Reading Storytime

Reading stories, making crafts and discussions based on a theme. An action-packed morning of sharing and learning to enhance this year's Summer Reading Theme of "All Together Now".

June 13 at 11 AM - Inclusion and Belonging

June 20 at 11 AM - Friendship

June 27 at 11 AM - Community Connection

July 11 at 11 AM - Native American Culture

July 18 at 11 AM - Asian Culture and Influence

July 25 at 11 AM - European Culture

Summer Reading Tee Time

Using music, movement, stories, and crafts to encourage and promote a theme.

KEY: ● Children/Family ● Teen/Young Adult ● Adult ● General Interest

June 14 at 11 AM - Inclusion and Belonging

June 28 at 11 AM - Community

July 12 at 11 AM - Native American Culture

July 26 at 11 AM - European Culture

Twiggs Readers Book Club

June 7 at 10 AM - An in-depth discussion of a Lisa Jewell's book amongst friends along with snacks and some sharing of our own lives.

July 5 at 10 AM - A discussion among friends of a book we all read as well as other books they would recommend.

Other Events

June 16 at 11 AM - Multicolored Slime

A program that shows you how to make slime, have a ooey-goey fun time, and demonstrates how beautiful the blending of cultures has made America.

June 21 (All Day) - Friendship Mix Challenge

We have raided the pantry to put together a delicious snack. Have fun and put your brain to work guessing what we have included in our Friendship Snack Mix.

June 23 (All Day) - Young Adult Mystery Challenge

Pick up a small puzzle of 4-6

pieces and use the clues written on each piece to guess the name of the young adult mystery book.

June 29 (All Day) - Literary Bingo

Pick up a Bingo Card from the library and read a book from each genre to win prizes.

June 30 (All Day) - Bob the Builder Day

Children ages 0-5 can be a member of Bob The Builder's Team for 1 day. They can dress up as a construction worker. They can construct things using blocks, LEGOs and other items.

July 6 at 5 PM - Harry Potter Trivia Night

It's time to show us what you know about the three best friends in the J K Rowling series, Harry Potter. You can answer trivia questions, ask your own questions and win prizes.

July 14 (All Day) - Native American Rattle Contest

A fun day for children ages 0-5 to learn about Native American Instruments. If you can guess what's inside the noise makers that is making the sound, you can win a prize.

July 19 (All Day) - Origami Craft Day

We have everything you need to try your hand at Origami. Follow instructions to create some beautiful Japanese Art.

July 27 (All Day) - European Chopped Challenge

5 contestants will compete for the title of Twiggs Chopped Champ. Pick up the ingredients to take and make a delicious European dish. Take a photo for our Facebook page and bring in a small sample for tasting.

Wilkinson County

East Wilkinson County Public Library

154 East Main Street
Irwinton, GA 31042
478-946-2778

June 6 at 1 PM - Kick-Off!

All Together Now, join us as we kick off our Summer Reading Program

Storytime

Every Tuesday at 1 PM in June and July, join us for stories, music, and fun!

Special Guest, Pete the Cat, will join us for storytime on July 11!

Fun & Games/Summer STEAM

Every Wednesday at 1 PM in June and July, join us for games and STEAM activities!

Arts & Crafts

Every Thursday at 1 PM in June and July, join us for arts & crafts! Paint rocks, stencil on canvas, make keychains, build a kite and other fun art projects.

Teens/Young Adult Programming

June 8 at 4 PM - Tween & Teen Summer Kick-Off!

Join us for refreshments and help us kick off our teen Summer Reading Program.

June 13 at 4 PM - Bad Art Evening

Create bad art on purpose.

June 15 at 4 PM - Board Game Night

Fun and games. Teens will choose board games they would like to play.

June 20 at 4 PM- Rock Painting

Join us in creating a rock garden.

June 22 at 4 PM - STEAM

Join us for an evening of science fun.

June 27 at 4 PM- Cotton Swab and Sponge Painting

Have fun discovering different ways to paint without brushes.

June 29 at 4 PM - Corn Hole Game

Join us for a game of Corn Hole, teens vs. the library staff!

July 6 at 4 PM - Art with Cricut

Create works of art using a Cricut cutting machine.

July 11 at 4 PM - STEAM

Explore and discover fun things with science and technology.

July 13 at 4 PM - Scavenger Hunt

Collect all the hidden treasure and win prizes.

July 18 at 4 PM - Giant Jenga

Adult Programming

June 6 at 1 PM - Values and Loved Family Outreach Services

Learn about resources available for families.

June 14 at 1 PM - Adult Summer Reading Bingo

Complete the reading challenges to win BINGO!! Prizes will be given.

June 21 at 1 PM - Painting Without Brushes

Have fun discovering different ways to paint without brushes.

June 28 at 1 PM - Doodle Hour

Adult coloring and drawing.

July 5 at 1 PM - Bingo

Join us for a game of Bingo. Winners will receive prizes!

July 12 at 1 PM - Corn Hole Game

Join us for a game of Corn Hole, adults vs. the library staff!

July 19 at 1 PM - Giant Jenga

Other Events

July 20 at 1 PM - Summer Reading Program Celebration

Let's celebrate the end of Summer Reading with games, snacks, awards, and more!

Gordon Public Library

284 Milledgeville HWY West
Gordon, GA 31031
478-628-5352

Special Events

June 5 at 11 AM - Summer Reading Kick-Off and Community Garden

We will be giving a run down of this years program events and what the Summer Reading Program is all about, sign ups and incentives available.

Then we will begin our Community Garden at the Library. A small raised flower bed at the front of the library and a flower to plant for each participant. (These will be limited, first come first serve).

June 12 at 11 AM - Special Guest Event: KAMIN Performance Minerals

STEM activity

June 19 at 11 AM - Special Guest Event: Main Street Gordon

Train Museum Tour

June 26 at 11 AM - Special Guest Event: Ivey Strong's Anne Marie Still

City of Gordon Scrap Book

July 3 at 11 AM - Special Guest Event: Gordon Fire Department

Afterwards, Ms. Leigh Scott with some ocean fossil fun!

KEY: ● Children/Family ● Teen/Young Adult ● Adult ● General Interest



July 10 at 11 AM - Special Guest Event: Moving Gordon Forward Scavenger Hunt

July 17 at 11 AM - Special Guest Event: Gordon Police Department

July 24 at 11 AM - End of Summer Celebration

Join us for a final hoorah here at the library as summer comes to an end and the children gear up to go back to school. We will have storytime, crafts, games, snacks, and a little parting gift from us to you as a thank you for all who came out and spent the summer with us!

Story will be "Maybe Something Beautiful" by F. Isabel Campoy and Theresa Howell.

The craft will be rock painting as part of "The Kindness Project" to add to the community, hosted by Jenn Morris of Main Street Gordon, and fun & games, a small obstacle course, and water balloon race. So bring a towel!

Storytime

June 9 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Craft

"Look Where We Live" by Scot Ritchie with Ms. Leigh Scott and our craft will be hand print painting the library windows and sidewalk "chalk" drawing to add their touch to our summer decorations "All together Now", STEM Activity.

June 16 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Fun & Games

In celebration of the upcoming Father's Day, we will be reading "Nelly Gnu and Daddy Too" by Anna Dewdney. Afterwards we'll play games including a water bucket game. You may get wet, bring a towel.

June 23 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Craft

"Georgia Caroline Visits City Hall" by Dr. Randell E. Trammell with Mayor Aprill Adside Smith. Our craft will be "write a letter to your favorite community helper" (police officer, firefighter, city worker, library staff, teacher etc.)

June 30 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Fun & Games

"Last stop On Market Street" by Matt De La Pena, fun and games: Pool Noodle Croquet, popcorn, and beach-ball basketball, etc.

July 7 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Craft

"Stop Drop and Roll" by Margery Cuyler; craft: handprint of community helpers.

July 14 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Fun & Games

"Pete the Kitty's Outdoor Art Project" by Kimberly and James Dean with a special appearance by Pete the Cat! Fun and games to follow.

July 21 at 11 AM - Storytime/ Craft

"Patrolling Police Cars" by Tony Mitton and Ant Parker; craft: My Community Handprint Plate

How did you enjoy yourself?

Write about your experience and then cut it out. Give it to your librarian or add it where you keep your memories.

My Favorite Thing About This Year's Summer Reading Program Was...



Library WoW on the Move



The Library Without Walls (WoW) delivers pop-up library services to organizations throughout Macon-Bibb, tailoring its services and materials to the needs of each visit.

This summer catch Library WoW as it visits L.H. Williams and Frank Johnson recreation centers, Green Meadows, Kings Park Community Center, Riverside Gardens, and Sandy Springs.

Library WoW can also be found this summer at DayBreak, the Brookdale Resource Center, The Higher Life Center, and the John Wesley facilities.

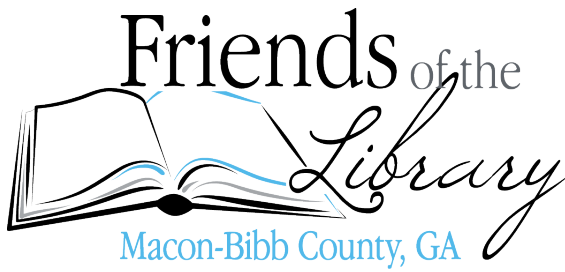
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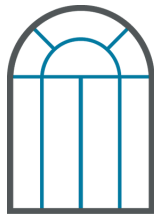
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