



# Spring 2026

**LIBRARY  
PROGRAM GUIDE**



**MARCH APRIL & MAY EVENTS**

# ONE CARD, ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

**SIGN UP FOR A  
LIBRARY CARD  
TODAY!**





# *JIGSAW PUZZLE RACE*

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**Select Thursdays 5:30PM**  
**March 19, April 16, May 21**  
**Located in the Bard Room**

# MARCH, APRIL & MAY EVENTS

## PRESCHOOL

### Music, Movement & Stories

Ages 2-5

**Thursdays 10AM**

March 5, 12, 19, 26

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

May 7, 14

Sing, move, and learn together at Music, Movement, & Stories! This interactive storytime is designed to engage your little one with fun songs, fingerplays, and stories, all while using diverse and exciting props. It's a fantastic opportunity for your child to develop their motor skills and language, and for you to connect with other caregivers in a welcoming and supportive environment.

### Wiggle Worms

Ages 0-2

**Fridays 10AM**

March 6, 13, 20, 27

April 3, 10, 17, 24

May 1, 8, 15

Get ready to wiggle and giggle at Wiggle Worms! This interactive storytime is perfect for our youngest library visitors. We'll sing bouncy songs, play fun fingerplays, and explore a variety of toys together. It's a wonderful opportunity for your little one to socialize and for you to connect with other caregivers in a warm and supportive environment.

### Hungry Caterpillar Storytime

Ages 2-5

**Friday March 20 1PM**

Come help us celebrate Hungry Caterpillar Day. We will honor our favorite crawler by reading the classic book together. After the story, everyone can make a fun craft and enjoy a special snack inspired by the caterpillar's journey. This program is free and open to the public with all supplies provided for your child to enjoy. It is a wonderful way for families to spend time together while bringing a beloved story to life.



**Taylor Swift Party**

Ages 3-12

**Saturday March 21 1PM**

Calling all Swifties! Fans of all ages are invited for an afternoon you'll remember all too well. We'll have music, fun crafts, friendship bracelet making, and themed photo opportunities. This is a free party for the ultimate Taylor fans of all ages.

## Red Light Green Light Storytime

Ages 2-5

**Tuesday April 7 11AM**

Join us for a fun storytime as we read the book Greenlight by Breanna Carzoo. After we finish the story, everyone will get to make their very own stoplight craft to take home. We will also play several stop and go themed games to keep the energy high and the fun moving. This program is free and open to the public with all supplies included for the activities. It is a perfect way for kids to enjoy a great book and get active with new friends.

## Plants Storytime with Richmond Parks

Ages 2-5

**Tuesday April 21 11AM**

In partnership with the Richmond Parks Department greenhouse, we are hosting a special plant themed storytime for everyone to enjoy. We will read three engaging books about nature and learn fascinating facts about how different plants grow. Every guest will also get to plant their own seeds to take home and care for as they sprout. This program is free and open to the public with all supplies included.



## Cinco de Mayo Storytime & Party

Ages 2-5

**Tuesday May 5 11AM**

Celebrate Mexican culture at our festive Cinco de Mayo storytime. We will share fun books and listen to upbeat music that will get everyone in a joyful mood. Participants can also create a themed craft to take home and enjoy several fun activities throughout the session. It is a wonderful opportunity for families to learn about this holiday and have a great time together.

## Hair Storytime

Ages 2-5

**Tuesday May 19 11AM**

Celebrate the beauty of hair in all its forms at this inclusive storytime. We will read engaging books that honor every style and texture while sharing what makes our hair unique. The program includes fun activities and games designed to keep everyone moving and smiling. This is a wonderful way for children to build confidence and enjoy a morning of community fun.

# CHILDREN

## Kids Corner

Ages 6-12

**Tuesdays 4PM**

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

April 7, 14, 21, 28

May 5, 12

Kids Corner is a weekly program for children aged six to twelve that features a new activity every Tuesday. This program provides a great space to explore different hobbies and learn through hands-on projects and creative challenges. Each session focuses on a unique theme that might include science experiments, art projects, or celebrations of special days. Because the activities change every single week, there is always something fresh and interesting to do with your friends. You can check our website to see the specific topics we have planned for each upcoming date.

## Homeschool Hangouts

Ages 6-12

**Wednesday March 4 10:30AM**

Looking for a supportive and social environment for your homeschool family? Come to our Homeschool Hangout! Kids can engage in fun activities, while parents connect and share valuable resources. It's a great way to build friendships and find support within the homeschool community.

## Pancake Bear Squishy

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday March 11 5:30PM**

Create your very own pancake bear squishy using soft memory foam. You will learn how to shape your sponge and then use colorful paint to decorate it with realistic toppings or fun designs. This craft is perfect for anyone who loves tactile toys and wants to make a unique bear that is fun to squeeze. Once your paint dries, you will have a cute and squishy creation to take home.

## Dictionary Magnets

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday March 25 5:30PM**

Turn your favorite words into art by creating a custom dictionary magnet. We will search through pages to find words that inspire you or make you laugh and then cut them out to build a unique design. This simple craft is a great way to express your personality and decorate your space. Join us to explore the library and walk away with a personalized magnet for your locker or fridge.

## LEGO Pencil Holder

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday April 8 5:30PM**

Put your building skills to the test and construct a custom pencil holder made entirely out of LEGO bricks. You can follow a sturdy design to keep your desk organized or use your imagination to build a unique creation that shows off your personality. This activity is perfect for anyone who loves to engineer and build with their hands. Once your masterpiece is finished, you will have a practical and fun way to store your favorite pens and pencils.

## Spring Flowers

Ages 9-12

**Wednesday April 22 5:30PM**

Bring some color into your day by using pipe cleaners to create a beautiful flower or two. This hands-on activity lets you practice your crafting skills as you twist and shape flexible stems into colorful petals. You can follow along with a simple pattern or use your imagination to invent a brand new type of plant. It is a relaxing way to spend time at the library and create a cheerful decoration that will never wilt.

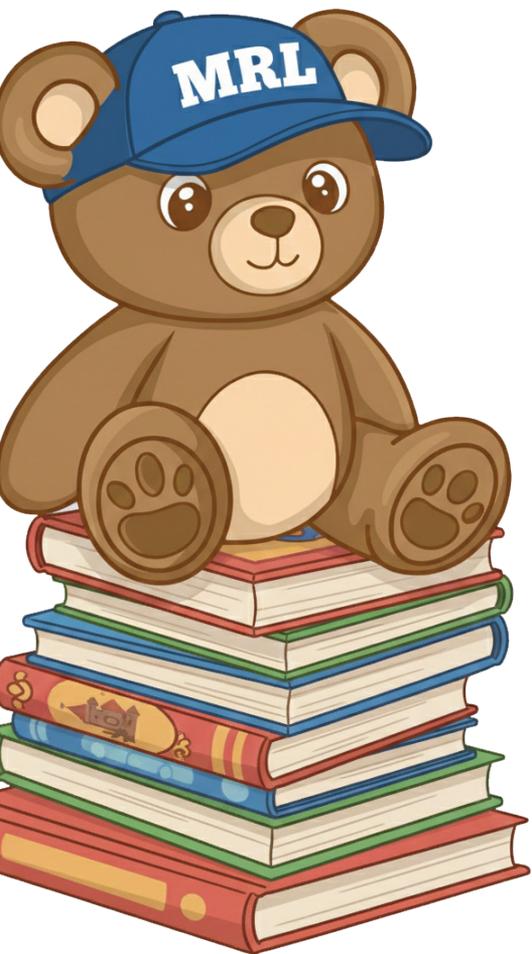


## Fairy Tea Party

All ages are welcome

**Saturday April 25 11AM**

Step into a magical world at MRL's Fairy Tea Party. We will spend the afternoon listening to enchanting stories and creating beautiful fairy-themed crafts to take home. After the activities, everyone will gather to enjoy a special fairy snack. Feel free to come dressed in your favorite fairy wings or garden attire as we celebrate together.



## **Teddy Bear Camp**

**Tuesday May 12 3PM-5:30PM**

Teddy Bear Camp offers a unique adventure for any stuffed animal belonging to children between the ages of five and twelve. After you drop off your fuzzy friend at one of our partner locations, staff members will take them on a special tour to explore local history and historic buildings. You can follow along with their journey by checking for photos of their exciting activities on our Facebook page. At the end of the week, every stuffed animal and their owner will be named a Junior Indiana Preservationist and receive an official certificate. Participants also get a digital photo album that documents every stop on the trip.

Stuffed animals can be picked back up on Friday, May 15, between 3:00 pm and 5:30 pm.

## TEEN

### Teen Art Night

**Select Thursdays 5PM**

March 5

April 2

May 7

Unleash your creativity at Teen Art Night. All supplies are provided—just bring your imagination and get ready to make something unique to decorate your space or give as a gift!

### Teen Game Night

**Select Thursdays 5PM**

March 12

April 9

May 14

Teen Game Night brings the excitement of video games to the library with the help of Andy from IU East Esports. You can play a variety of popular gaming systems and challenge new friends to a friendly match or join in on a competitive tournament. We will also have plenty of snacks available to keep you energized throughout the evening.

### Teen STEM

**Select Thursdays 5PM**

March 19

April 16

May 21

A fun challenge just for teens! Work individually or as a team to complete hands-on STEM challenges. Test your skills in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math in this fast-paced and creative program.

### Teen Book Club

**Select Thursdays 5PM**

March 26

April 23

May 28

A book club just for teens! Select and discuss the most popular and buzzworthy teen materials (books, graphic novels, etc.). Join us for honest, laid-back discussion on what everyone is reading.

## Grab-N-Go Kit

### March

#### Dragonfly

#### Construction Trucks Scavenger Hunt

### April

#### April Showers

#### Lego Scavenger Hunt

## ADULT

### **Ask a Lawyer**

**Select Thursdays 4PM**

March 5

April 2

May 7

Get free legal advice at the library! Once a month, the Whitewater Valley Pro Bono Commission offers free, 20-minute, one-on-one consultations with a local attorney on civil legal matters. Service is offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

### **Yoga at the Library**

**Select Saturdays 11:30AM**

March 7, 21

April 4, 18

May 2, 16

Yoga at the Library is a free class available for all levels. Comfortable clothes are recommended. Bring your mat or use one provided.

### **Strings in the Stacks:**

**Dave Hadley with  
Craig Wynne**

**Thursday March 12 6PM**

Unwind and enjoy a relaxing evening of live string music in the stunning Tiffany Reading Lounge. This series presents an eclectic selection of string music performed right among the books.

### **Sound Bath Sessions**

**Tuesday March 17 5:30PM**

Reduce stress and promote overall wellness with a sound bath session led by Alyssa Hanson. Experience a deep meditative state as vibrational music from singing bowls encourages harmony and healing. These ancient instruments, rooted in Tibetan and Himalayan cultures, are believed to resonate with the body's energy fields.

### **Workshop Wednesdays**

**Wednesdays 10AM**

Improve your digital skills at Workshop Wednesdays where you can learn a variety of helpful tech topics. Each session features self-paced video tutorials along with hands-on assistance from an experienced instructor to help you every step of the way. You can choose to explore popular tools like Excel, PowerPoint, and Google Earth or learn more about the different Google apps and digital library resources. Because the focus changes every session, you should check the library website to see the specific topic for each week.

## **Tech Help Thursdays**

**Most Thursdays  
2:30PM-5:30PM**

Get one-on-one assistance with your technology questions at Tech Help Thursdays. You can bring your own portable device or use library equipment to learn more about your phone, tablet, or laptop. Our staff can help you with tasks like printing from a device, sharing photos with friends, or downloading free ebooks through the Libby app. We can also assist with managing your email settings and navigating library resources

## **Art with Arianna: Teacup Candles**

**Wednesday March 18 6PM**

Discover the art of candle making as we transform charming teacups into beautiful hand-poured candles. You will learn the process of preparing a wick and pouring wax to create a unique piece of home decor. This workshop allows you to combine vintage style with a practical craft that smells as good as it looks. Each participant will leave with a finished candle that is perfect for a gift or a cozy addition to your own room. Come spend a relaxing hour being creative and learning a new skill with Arianna.

## **Jigsaw Puzzle Race**

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April 16  
May 21

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## **Financial Freedom**

**Tuesday March 24 6:30PM**

Join us as we explore how to be successful in planning for financial success. Financial freedom takes planning, implementing and tracking. We have tools that can easily help!

## **Zine Workshops**

**March 28 12PM-3PM**  
**April 20 4PM-7PM**  
**May 23rd 12PM-3PM**

Zines are a fun, creative form of handmade print that can be anything you want them to be. In this workshop, you'll create a piece to be included in MRL's very own zine—such as a collage, poem, comic, drawing, or more. Copies of the finished zine and original artwork will be available for pickup one week after the workshop. Materials are provided, but you're welcome to bring your own items.

## **Growing Your Garden**

**Select Mondays 6-7PM**

**March 30 - Bard Room**

**April 13 - Tiffany Reading Rm**

**May 4 - Bard Room**

Join us for a gardening series this spring! Horticulturist Justin Curley from Purdue Extension will be providing three presentations this season for all your gardening needs.

## **Lyricists' Corner**

**Thursday April 9 6PM**

**Thursday May 14 6PM**

An evening of original live music featuring two to three talented songwriters. The artists will perform in the round by taking turns sharing their songs and the stories behind them in a close circle. This format allows you to hear the inspiration for each piece in a relaxed and personal setting.

## **Building a Budget that Works**

**Tuesday April 21 6PM**

Building a budget is easier than you think, if you follow some simple steps. Come and learn about the steps to building a budget that can truly help you stay on track and make your budget work for YOU!

## **Author Talk: Mark Hamilton 1803: The Wintering**

**Wednesday April 22 5:30PM**

Join us for a presentation on 1803: The Wintering by Mark Hamilton. This collection of traditional poetry draws from

the real journal entries of William Clark, focusing on the expedition's time at Camp Dubois before their journey west. Praised for its classic forms like sonnets and ballads, the book brings history to life through poetry.

## **PowerPoint Night**

**Thursday April 23 6PM**

Share your niche interests and hottest opinions at the library during our very own PowerPoint Night. This popular internet trend invites you to give a short talk on any subject you choose whether it is informative or just completely ridiculous. Each presentation must be under five minutes long and you can use your slides to explain a favorite hobby or a funny theory. You do not have to give a speech to join the fun as you are more than welcome to just sit back and enjoy the show.

## **Art with Arianna: Mosaic Tile Coasters**

**Wednesday May 13 6PM**

Join Arianna to create a beautiful and functional piece of art by making your own mosaic tile coaster. You can choose from many different colors of authentic mosaic tiles to build a unique design that fits your personal style. During the session, you will learn how to arrange your tiles and apply grout to finish your project like a professional. Come prepared to get creative and walk away with a colorful masterpiece you can use every day.

# BOOK CLUB

## **Banned Book Club**

**Select Mondays 6PM**

March 9  
April 13  
May 11

The Banned Book Club is a monthly discussion group that explores a mixture of classic and contemporary literature that has been challenged or banned at various points in American history. Call the library to register and reserve your copy of the book.

## **Novel Conversation Book Club**

**Select Wednesdays 11AM**

March 18  
April 15  
May 20

Join the conversation! Each month we explore a different book. We provide the books, you provide the insights. Pick up your copy at MRL and prepare for an engaging discussion with fellow readers. It's a fantastic opportunity to broaden your literary horizons and connect with your community.

## **Book Besties**

**Saturday March 21 2PM**

Book Besties is a Book Sharing Club. Join Val and Marthea, Book Besties, for books and coffee! Read what interests you, share your thoughts, and hear what others are reading. Come ready to add to your TBR (To Be Read) list. At Book Besties, you get to enjoy reading your own specially chosen book while also hearing about a wide variety of other texts. You may even discover a new favorite author you never would have tried!

## **Remarkable Books Book Club**

**Tuesday April 14 11AM**

Join fellow book enthusiasts for a thoughtful discussion of the selected title. The Remarkable Book Book Club focuses on shorter works chosen for their notable qualities. To join the conversation, please register in advance at the library or online.

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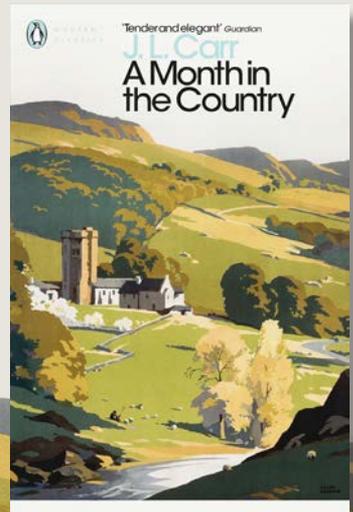
## *A Month in the Country*

'A Month in the Country' is a powerful 1980 novella by J. L. Carr about a World War I veteran with severe PTSD, which at the time didn't have a name. The physically and mentally traumatized veteran, with intermittent shakes and stuttering, is tasked with restoring a medieval church mural of the Judgement Day that had been long covered up, in a remote 1920s Yorkshire village. The story is about the calming effects of a peaceful environment and power of art to heal one's immense suffering. Readers didn't want the book to end. Neither will you.

**Tuesday, April 14 11AM**

**Book will be available at MRL!**

**For more info call 765-966-8291**



# Library on the GO!



## MRL Express is Morrisson-Reeves Library on wheels!

We bring the library experience directly to you with a wide selection of books in both regular and large print, children's books for young readers, and DVDs including both new releases and beloved classics. You can also enjoy Wi-Fi access within a 30-foot radius while you visit.

Just like at the library, you're able to check out and return items, pick up your holds, sign up for a library card, and get assistance from friendly staff who are happy to help with any of your library-related needs.

We will be making monthly booktruck stops throughout Morrisson-Reeves Library's service area, including the communities of Economy, Greensfork, Williamsburg, Abington, Fountain City, Richmond, and Boston.

### Schedule of Stops

**Abington:** 1st Tuesday of the Month, 2-4PM

**Williamsburg:** 2nd Tuesday of the Month, 2-4PM

**Midway Auction Barn:** 2nd Wednesday of the Month, 10AM-NOON

**Boston:** 2nd Wednesday of the Month, 2-4PM

**Economy:** 3rd Tuesday of the Month, 2-4PM

**Fountain City:** 3rd Thursday of the Month, 2:30-4:30PM

**Greensfork:** 4th Tuesday of the Month, 2-4PM



# SPRING

## WORD SEARCH

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BEE	BUTTERFLY	GRASS	LILY	SEEDS
BLOSSOM	CHICK	KITE	NEST	SPROUT
BUD	EGGS	LADYBUG	PUDDLE	TULIP
BUNNY	FLOWER	LAMB	RAIN	WORM

