Summer Library Reading Program 2017

For the reading challenge, younger children have a goal of reading 15 books during the Summer. Teens have a goal of five novels or novel-sized non-fiction books. Everyone who complete the challenge will earn an invitation to the graduation celebrations at the library at the end of the program.

Our summer reading starts June 5 and ends July 14. (See the special challenges issued at various locations).

On June 14 we honor Old Glory on National Flag Day. This day commemorates the adoption of the United States flag on June 14, 1777.
At Storybook Time, we sing a few songs, read two or more picture books and make a craft. We will read the same books at 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Here is what we have planned for this month:

**June 5** – “Build a Better World” is the theme for this summer’s reading program. We’ll start our summer Storybook Time by taking that theme literally. In *Roadwork* and *Demolition* by Sally Sutton and Brian Lovelock, people use skills and equipment to build a road and turn an old building into a very special place.

**June 12** – We’re going to adapt the summer theme to be “Build a Better Bear” today when we read *My Best Friend Bear* by Tony Johnston and Joy Allen. A little girl’s teddy bear is in dire need of a makeover in this sweet story.

**June 19** – Owl and Rabbit are so focused on building better houses that their desire to have the better home threatens to demolish their friendship. We’ll see if they can work it out when we read *Too Tall Houses* by Gianna Morino.

**June 26** – We started the month with tales about construction machines and we’ll end the month with the same. We’ll say, “Good night!” to construction equipment when we read *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site* by Sherri Duskey Rinker and Tom Lichtenheld.

**Summer Events for Age 5 through 10**

**Tuesdays @ 3 p.m.**

**June 6** – Build a Better World with Water: The Alabama Department of Environmental Management will teach us about water conservation and each child will make a bracelet to remind them of the water cycle.

**June 13** – Build a Better Story: Tommy Johns returns with magic and puppets to teach us how to build a better story. Tommy Johns appears courtesy of the Friends of the Pike Road Branch Library.

**June 20** – Build a Historical World: The Alabama Department of Archives and History presents “Alabama History Highlights,” in which kids will learn about Southeastern Indians, five capitols, cotton, the Civil War, and industries. Each theme will include an activity.

**June 27** – Build a Cleaner World: The Talking Tree from the Montgomery Clean City Commission will teach us how we can help make the world a cleaner place.

**Brick Clickers**

**Wednesdays @ 3 p.m.**

Each week, builders (ages 5 and up) will face a new challenge and create something awesome using the library’s collection of Lego™ bricks. The dates will be:

- June 7
- June 14
- June 21
- June 28
Toddler Time
For Age 1 through 3
Wednesdays @ 10 a.m.

At Toddler Time, we sing songs, recite nursery rhymes and read one story each week. The dates will be:

- June 7
- June 14
- June 21
- June 28

Book Clubs

Angry Dragons - for children in 3rd grade and up – On Thursday, June 15 at 4:15 p.m., the Dragons will discuss *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis.

Publisher’s Summary – Four adventurous siblings--Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy Pevensie--step through a wardrobe door and into the land of Narnia, a land frozen in eternal winter and enslaved by the power of the White Witch. But when almost all hope is lost, the return of the Great Lion, Aslan, signals a great change . . . and a great sacrifice.

Angry Dragons Book/Movie Comparison – On Thursday, June 22 at 2:30 p.m., the Dragons will view the film *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* and briefly compare the book and the movie afterwards.

Bookies – The Pike Road Bookies meet on the third Thursday of each month, except December.

On Thursday, June 15 at 11:15 a.m., they will discuss *The Summer Before the War* by Helen Simonson.

Publisher’s Summary – In summer 1914, well-bred Beatrice Nash arrives in Rye to become the first female Latin teacher at the local school and soon falls in love with her sponsor's nephew. All would be golden but for the terrible rumbling of coming war.

Governor’s Square Branch Library
Summer Reading Program
Mondays: Grades K-5th Grade
Tuesdays: Preschool Storytimes (Ages 3-5) @ 10:00 a.m.

June 5: Build a Better World: Between the Earth and the Universe
Special presenters from The Planetarium discuss astronomy and current discoveries in the Universe. Then the children will make a craft.

June 6: Building an Appetite
Surprise guest favorite bovine from Chick-Fil-A will join the children for delightful stories and fun! Goody bags to follow.

June 12: Robotics: Present and Future
Steve Ballard, robotics teacher at Brew Tech Middle School, and some of his students, will present a robotics demonstration.

June 13: Vehicles Used for Building a Better World
Children will hear stories about construction vehicles and watch a demonstration of how they work, then do a coloring page.
June 14: Celebrate Flag Day: “History of the U.S. Flag and State Flag” (2:00 p.m.)
Book Bunch will host a presentation by Belinda Bazinet, Veterans’ Affairs State Office, about the flags’ history. All adults welcome.

June 19: Laura Burkland, Montgomery Museum of Fine Art, will talk about and display different types of architecture.

June 20: Laura Burkland, MMFA, will return to read stories and lead the children in an art activity.

June 26: Build a Better World: Be “Bully-Proof”
Wendy Ciamber, Family Sunshine Center, will talk to the children about defense against bullies.

June 27: Yello Dino
Wendy Ciambo, Family Sunshine Center, presents a fun program about staying safe.

Bertha Pleasant Williams Library

Children’s Storytimes
Tuesdays @ 10:00 a.m.
All storytimes will include song and dance so we can keep our bodies as active as our minds!

June 6
How we look at the world can be how we change it, for ourselves and other people. The Pout Pout Fish (Deborah Diesen) thinks he’s a glum fellow, until he meets someone who shows him otherwise. Pete the Cat and His Magic Sunglasses (James Dean) help us see the world in a whole new way.

June 13
Help! (Holly Keller) hide Mouse from snake who wants to eat her! Maybe Chickens to the Rescue (John Himmelman) will save the day?!

June 20
Sometimes neighbors fight, like in Too Tall Houses (Gianna Marino), luckily Rabbit and Owl can work things out. Sometimes we just want to yell Leave Me Alone! (Vera Brosgol) like this knitting grandma who just needs a moment to herself.

June 27
When Max’s brothers won’t share their hobbies, Max decides to start his own collection of Max’s Words (Kate Banks), soon everyone wants to share their words. Should I Share My Ice Cream? (Mo Willems) is a question that is almost impossible to answer when your best friend would love some ice cream, but isn’t around to share it with.

Summer Reading Programs
Wednesdays @ 10:00 a.m.

June 7 – Amanda McBride, Alabama Historical Society
Archaeology helps understand our past better so we can build a better future.
June 14 – Engine 2, Montgomery Fire Department
Firefighters help people and keep us safe. Learn what they do and how they do it, see a real fire truck!

June 21 – Donna and John Woodfin, The Fish and Aquarium Maintenance Service, etc.
Animals help us by working with us, as well as improving our lives as pets. Learn about different animals, their care, and how they help.

June 28 – Stacey Vandortrecht, S & B Apiaries
Not only are bees natural builders, but they also provide us with food by pollinating most of our food crops. Bees are also in danger. Find out how you can build like a bee by protecting them.

Young Adult Programs
Thursdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 4:00 p.m.
Description: Join JP da Poet in this workshop class about slam poetry and how to write and perform it. We recommend bringing a dedicated notebook and pens, but can provide pen and paper if necessary.

Mid-Afternoon Movie
Friday, June 16 @ 2:30 p.m.
Joins us for a mid afternoon movie after work or school. Bring snacks, suggest titles for future viewings, talk with friends or make new ones. Movies will be PG-13 rating or lower, but parents are responsible for researching movie before allowing children to view. **Note: our movie will start one hour earlier during summer!

Movie: Lego Movie (2014), PG
Run time: 1h 41m

Adult Programs
Crochet and Craft
First and Third Friday
June 2 and 16 @ 10:00 a.m.
Description: Want to learn how to crochet? Have a project you’re working on that you want to show off, need help with? Come to the library and learn or teach a handcraft (knitting, sewing, crochet, cross-stitch, macramé, origami, chainmail, whatever). Crafters of all ages and genders are welcome. Bring supplies and we’ll build the expertise together.

Scrabble Time
Tuesday, June 13 @ 2:00 p.m.
Description: Come over to Bertha Williams Library and play Scrabble with us. We have plenty of dictionaries for you to brush up on your vocabulary and the Jumble in the Montgomery Advertiser is helpful too! See how sharp your Scrabble skills are against the librarians or just play for fun!
Rosa Parks Page Turners Book Club
Wednesday, June 14 @ 11:00 a.m.
Title: *Glory Over Everything* by Kathleen Grissom

Description: Jamie, who fled from the Virginian plantation he once called home, is passing in Philadelphia society as a wealthy white silversmith. After many years of striving, Jamie has achieved acclaim and security, only to discover that his aristocratic lover Caroline is pregnant. Before he can reveal his real identity to her, he learns that his beloved servant Pan has been captured and sold into slavery in the South. Pan’s father, to whom Jamie owes a great debt, pleads for Jamie’s help, and Jamie agrees, knowing the journey will take him perilously close to Tall Oakes and the ruthless slave hunter who is still searching for him. Meanwhile, Caroline’s father learns and exposes Jamie’s secret, and Jamie loses his home, his business, and finally Caroline. Heartbroken and with nothing to lose, Jamie embarks on a trip to a North Carolina plantation where Pan is being held with a former Tall Oakes slave named Sukey, who is intent on getting Pan to the Underground Railroad. Soon the three of them are running through the Great Dismal Swamp, the notoriously deadly hiding place for escaped slaves. Though they have help from those in the Underground Railroad, not all of them will make it out alive. ~Dust jacket

Fourth Friday Cook Up
June 23 @ 4:00 p.m.

Audience: Adult
Description: Bring dishes from recipes selected on a theme. This month we’ll honor two of our favorite vegetables, the tomato and the potato. But we’re not talking about French fries and ketchup. Find a recipe that uses one or both ingredients. Prior registration is not required, but is encouraged so that we don’t have too much salad/bread/dessert (no such thing). Participation is required for partaking, but if you can’t cook feel free to bring plates, cups, tin foil, and/or plastic forks. Not sure what we need? Give us a call 240-4979.

Genealogy Sessions
Every Friday (except holidays)
10:30-11:15 a.m. & 2:30-3:15 p.m.

*Pre-registration IS required.*
Sign up for a one on one genealogy session with librarian Amy Campbell. She’ll show you beginning tips and tricks for tracing your ancestry. If you’ve already been working on your tree, find ways to digitize your information to keep better track during your research. Email, call, or come in to set up your 45-minute session. acampbell@mccpl.lib.al.us or 334-240-4979

Hampstead Branch Library
Kathryn Powell, Librarian I

Children’s Programs
Tuesdays @ 10:30 a.m.
Ages: 1-4

**June 6—Build a Better Environment**
Books:
*My Forever Dress* by Harriet Ziefert
*The Curious Garden* by Peter Brown
Activity: Soda Bottle Greenhouse (items needed: Soda Bottles, Potting soil, seeds, scissors, plate/plastic lid)
Hampstead Branch Library (Continued)

June 13—Building a Better You
Books:
*What Do You Do With a Mistake?* by Kobi Yamada
*The Most Magnificent Thing* by Ashley Spires
Activity: Origami (subject to change)

June 20—Building a Better Community
Books:
*Molly's Organic Farm* by Carol Malnor
*One Hen* by Katie Smith Milway
Activity: Coloring Sheets

June 27—Inspire Others
Books:
*Josephine: the Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker* by Patricia Powell
*The Story of Ruby Bridges* by Robert Coles
Activity: Compli-mats

Teen Schedule:
**Thursdays @ 4:15 p.m.**

June 8 — Build a Better Environment
**Discussion:** Recycling, the Environment, and You! – How we effect the environment with our trash and what we can do to help reduce and reuse the items we have.
**Activity:** Recycled Newspaper/Magazine Bead jewelry – Teens will create their own beads and jewelry out of old newspapers and magazines. (Items Needed: Newspapers, Magazines, Glue/Modpodge, straws, string, scissors)

June 15 — Build a Better You
**Discussion:** How to better ourselves through mistakes – We all make mistakes, some big and some small. We’ll be exploring some of our mistakes to see what effects they’ve had on us and what we’ve learned from them.
**Activity:** Working through our Mistakes worksheet and “A Lie and 2 Truths” game.

June 22 — Build a Better Community
**Discussion:** Why community Matters –Whether at home or at school, we have a community of people who make up our daily lives. Today we discuss why our communities matter and who makes up our community including agencies like law enforcement, fire and rescue, etc.
**Activity:** Mute Organization activity and Cup Tower Build activity

June 29 — Inspiring Others
**Discussion:** Inspiration Station – Everyone has inspirations, whether it’s a parent, teacher, or a friend. We’ll be discussing people and things that inspire us to do great things.
**Activity:** String Art (string, cardboard/cardstock, brads/pushpins)

“Build Your Own” Series: “Upcycling” Planter
**Wednesday, June 7 @3:45 – 5:30 p.m.**
Join us for an afternoon of “up-cycling” your old plastic bottles into small planters for your indoor growing needs. Participants are asked to bring their own plastic bottle if at all possible. Other materials will be provided. Open to all ages. Please RSVP by June 2nd so materials for crafts can be obtained.
Hampstead Branch Library (Continued)

Department of Archives and History Program
Friday, June 12 @ 2:00 p.m.

Join the library and the Department of Archives and History for a fantastic program featuring prominent history in the state and how we can use it to build a better future.

Stress Relief Coloring
MW 3:45-5:30

Spend some time connecting with coloring! The library will have coloring sheets for all age levels and welcome everyone who wants to attend. Stop by and spend a bit just taking a break from your hectic schedule to de-stress with some crayons and a coloring sheet.

Reading Challenge
June 5 - July 14

Children and adults of all ages are encouraged to participate in our Summer Reading challenge. There are small prizes for anyone who completes the goal for their age level! Sign-ups for children and teens will began on Monday, May 5, 2017.

Rufus A. Lewis Regional Library
Summer Reading Young Adult Programming
Tuesdays @ 3pm

June 6: Nancy Fitzpatrick
Description: A better world requires a more creative world. Local author Nancy Fitzpatrick will discuss how unleashing one’s creativity through writing helps us build a better world.

June 13: Camille Quiles
Description: Healthy living is essential for building a better world! Camille Quiles is an Ambulatory Care Pharmacist at Auburn University and a health care advocate. She will discuss how pharmacists build a better world through health advocacy.

June 20: Brandon Vaughn
Description: To build a better world, conflicts must be resolved. Brandon Vaughn is an editor with a master’s degree in communication, a Poynter Institute Diversity in Leadership Fellow and a peer mediator. Join us for a discussion on successful conflict resolution through peer mediation and how we can all work toward building a better world.

June 27: Charles Lee
Description: Charles Lee started That’s My Child with the goal to keep teens off the street and provide them a positive space to hang out, learn skills, and have fun. That’s My Child founder Charles Lee will talk about how music and community engagement builds a better world.
June 7: Montgomery Fire Department
Description: The Montgomery Fire Department protects our citizens and our city’s resources every day from the damage fire can cause. They work under extremely dangerous conditions to save others from fires and other emergency situations. Their hard work helps us all build a better, safer world.

June 14: Carolyn Strickland
Description: If we are going to build a better world, we must learn to be healthier people. Carolyn Strickland is a social worker and nutritional educator and will be discussing eating habits that are not only better for the person, but better for the environment.

June 21: Bart Smith
Description: Laws hold our society together. As an Attorney with Webster, Henry, Lyons, Bradwell, Cohan & Speagle, P.C law firm, Bart Smith works every day as an advocate for people and organizations in our society. He will be discussing how the work of lawyers and the law help build a better world.

June 28: Charles Lee
Description: Charles Lee started That’s My Child with the goal to keep teens off the street and provide them a positive space to hang out, learn skills, and have fun. That’s My Child founder Charles Lee will talk about how music and community engagement builds a better world.

Rufus A. Lewis Regional Library
Adult Programming

Computer Class
Thursday, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 11:00 a.m.
Library Staff, Instructors
Description: All levels of experience are welcome in this low stress, community approach to computer literacy.

Scrapbooking
Thursday, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 @ 12 Noon
Mrs. Alberta Riley, Retired Educator, Presenter
Description: Learn the techniques of telling stories of your memories through the art of scrapbooking using words, paper, glue, photos, etc. Attendees are encouraged to provide material for this program. Please contact staff @ (334)240-4848 for registration and a list of recommended materials.
Presenter: Mrs. Alberta Riley, Retired Educator

After 5 Book Club’s Discussion
Monday, June 5 @ 6:00 p.m.
Title: Stepping Into A New Day: A Blessings Novel by Beverly Jenkins

Summary: In Henry Adams, Kansas, you can’t start over without stirring things up. When Genevieve Gibbs ex, Riley, returns with his hog in tow, its sets off a chain of events that can ruin everything – unless the residents pull together once again to save the day. ~Editor
Rufus A. Lewis Regional Library (Continued)

Identity Theft
Tuesday, June 13 @ 10:00 a.m.

Cynthia White, Regional Agent II, Alabama Cooperative Extension System will discuss and inform the audience of the consequences of identity theft and how to avoid becoming a victim.

Yoga @ The Library
Tuesday, June 13 & 27 @ 6:00 p.m.
Mrs. Susan Enzweiler, Registered Yoga Teacher, Instructor

Description: This course is an introduction to the ancient practice of Yoga. Through a series of gentle Yoga Poses, participants will experience a sense of well-being and relaxation. Comfortable, form-fitting, but stretchy clothing is recommended. Participants of all levels of health, mobility, and flexibility are encouraged to attend as Yoga Poses can be adapted for comfort.

Pintlala Branch Library
Summer Reading Program
Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays @ 10 a.m.
Mrs. Sandra Berry, Librarian I

Monday, June 5
Mary Hughes and her Dog Harvey
Montgomery Humane Society – saving lives……completing families
Their Mission:
The Montgomery Humane Society prevents cruelty to animals by operating an animal shelter for homeless, abandoned, and unwanted animals; by operating an adoption center for healthy animals; by investigating cruelty and abuse cases; and by educating the public in animal owner responsibility.

Wednesday, June 7
Ms. Sandra will read Robots by Melissa Stewart
Synopsis - Discover the coolest robots of today and tomorrow in this colorful, photo-packed book. In this inviting and entertaining format, kids will learn about the science behind these amazing machines. This Level 3 reader is written in an easy-to-grasp style to encourage the scientists of tomorrow!
Activity: The children will build a robot out of old parts and pieces lying around.

Thursday, June 8
Adult Program: It’s Tea Time

Monday, June 12
Build Better Healthy Eating Habits
Ms. Sandra will read Making Smart Choices by Dr. Sandra Giddens and Dr. Owen Giddens
Synopsis - This book teaches young people that making the right choices about what they eat can have long-term effects on their health and wellbeing.
Activity: The children will make healthy cool smoothies

Wednesday, June 14
Sara Kunau, Curator – Education (Hands – On Gallery), Alabama Department of Archives and History
Pintlala Branch Library (Continued)

Monday, June 19
Ms. Sandra will read *Why Should I Bother to Keep Fit* by Kate Knighton
Synopsis - A fun and informative guide on how to maintain a healthy body through exercise and eating right which answers questions such as: What counts as exercise? What if I hate sport? and How can I get stronger? Includes simple tips on healthy eating, games to play indoors when it's raining and how to warm up and warm down properly. Written in a clear, factual style with bright, stylish illustrations and internet links to websites to find out more.
Activity: The children will learn to exercise and great games

Wednesday, June 21
Joan Means, Retired Librarian from Montgomery City/County Public Library
Ms. Means is coming to Pintlala Library and show the children how to Build a Better World through reading.

Thursday, June 22
Mr. Roosevelt Robinson –Regional Extension Agent, Alabama Cooperative Extension System
*Community Resource Development
*Forestry, Wildlife and Natural Resource Management
*Home Grounds, Gardens and Home Pests

Ramer Library
Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

June 14: **Summer Reading Kick-Off**
Come join us on the start of the 2017 Summer Reading Program. Let’s get to know each other and have a blast while doing it. We will watch BookFlix *Roberto the Architect*. We will team up and become young architects. How high will your skyscraper become?

June 21: **Maggie Stringer, Capitol City Master Gardener’s Club**
Plant a seed and change the world. Ms. Stringer will teach us about planting and growing. We will also get our hands a little dirty and do a little planting ourselves.

June 28: **Fredriatta Brown-Greene, Librarian II, Morgan Memorial Library**
She will read *It's a Tiger!* by David La Rochelle. A child imagines that he is in a story where he encounters a tiger at every turn. Also, *Moo* by David La Rochelle. When Cow gets her hooves on the farmer's car, she takes it for a wild ride though the country.

Fun with Lego
Every Monday @ 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Share your creativity!

Ramer Library Movie Days
Every Thursday @ 2:00 p.m.

June 15
*Finding Dory*
June 22
*Goosebumps*
June 29
*Despicable Me 2*
Ramer Branch Library (Continued)

Wednesday, June 28, 11:00- Ramer Readin’ Right Book Club- Standup Guy by Stuart Wood.  
Synopsis: Private Investigator Stone Barrington gets drawn into the dangerous world of his clients.

Coliseum Branch Library
Pre-School Story Time
Thursdays @ 10:00 a.m.

June 8: Sometimes things just get broken!
Louie’s Goose by H. M. Ehrlich
Synopsis: While spending summer at the beach with his parents, Louie has a wonderful time playing with his toy goose and even rescues her from a big wave.
Humpty Dumpty, as told by Kin Eagle
Synopsis: This is the traditional rhyme expanded to include some of Humpty Dumpty’s other mishaps.
Craft – Humpty Dumpty

June 15: Father’s Day is near!
Happy Father’s Day by Steven Kroll
Synopsis: Each of the children and Mom have a special surprise for Dad on his special day.
A Father’s Day Thank You by Janet Nolan
Synopsis: Harvey the Bear searches for the perfect Father’s Day present and decides that thanking his dad is the best gift of all.
Craft – Father’s Day craft

June 22: Have you ever lost something?
Louella and the Yellow Balloon by Molly Coxe
Synopsis: Patricia Pig takes her baby, Louella, to the circus and loses her when Louella wonders off to retrieve her new balloon.
Olivia and the Missing Toy by Ian Falconer
Synopsis: When her best toy mysteriously disappears, Olivia the feisty pig is determined to find out who is responsible.
Craft – Little piggy

June 29: Try to make someone’s day better!
A Bedtime for Bear by Bonny Becker
Synopsis: Bear cannot sleep for his friend mouse, and mouse helps Bear when he becomes afraid.
The Most Beautiful Kid in the World, by Jennifer Ericsson
Synopsis: At the last minute, Annie takes off her conventional clothes in a sudden burst of desire to impress her grandmother.
Craft – Bear masks

Parent Pre-school Activity Center
Every three weeks we will have a new activity to enhance the five senses and further develop your child’s thought processes. This is an activity where parent and child explore together.

Elementary Programs
Build a Better World Learning from History
Friday, June 9 @ 10:00 a.m.

Join Sara Kunau, with the Alabama Department of Archives, as she presents a fun and informative program illustrating Alabama History highlights. There will be a presentation followed by a creative craft.
Coliseum Library (Continued)

Build a Better World Through Exercise
Friday, June 16 @ 10:00 a.m.

Join Amy Barwick as she gets us excited about exercise. She has such a great personality that I am sure she will even get the adults involved. Come join the fun!

Build a Better World by Beating Pollution
Friday, June 23 @ 10:00 a.m.

Join Lynn Battle, with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management, as she targets pollution and what we can do to battle this problem. She will have a hands-on model to show how pollution in the city quickly spreads to our rivers.

Build a Better World
There will be no program on June 30

Build a Better World With Legos
Come join the fun building with Legos.
Tuesday, June 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm.
This program is geared for children in grades K – 6.

Fun With Ukuleles
Wednesday, June 7, 14, 21 and 28 @ 4:30 am
Come to a ukulele jam, beginners welcome.

*Coloring sheets will be available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3 to 5 in June.

Teen Programs

Build a Better World Through Reading
Teen Book Forum
Come see our special selection of popular teen books, and add your recommendation of a “must read” to our list for others to see. (The dates and times of this forum will be decided after talking with the teens who have signed up to see when is best for them).

Build a Better World by Helping Others
Outreach
We are partnering with Angels for the Elderly to make a better world for our seniors and for yourselves. Do you have a special talent you would like to share? Or join us as we play dominos, play cards, and color adult level coloring sheets with our senior friends. (The dates and times of this outreach program will be decided after talking with the teens who have signed up to see when is best for them).

Build a Better World by Expressing Yourself
Friday, June 23 @ 3:00 p.m.
Do you know everything there is about Panic at the Disco? Are you a Harry Potter super fan? Is basketball your life? Amanda Kaufman from the English and Philosophy Department at Auburn Montgomery will help you create a handmade magazine – also known as a ‘zine – that explores something you love. Come and do a little bit of writing and a little bit of art, and share your passion with the world!
Coding Club for Girls  
**Monday, June 5, 12, 19, and 26 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Come join the fun and the great educational experience in learning to “Code” on computers. This is a wonderful opportunity for girls in grades 6 – 8. The class is limited to the first fourteen girls for this first set of classes.

*Coloring sheets will be available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3 to 5 in June.

**Adult Programs**

Computer Class  
**Tuesday, June 6, 20, and 27 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Today we have student’s choice. Let us know what you would like to learn today.  
Pre-registration is required. Phone 271-7005

Genealogical Research – Ancestry Library Edition  
**Tuesday, June 13 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Are you wanting to begin or further continue your genealogical research at no charge? Come join others as we work through our problems together and see what we can find in your family tree.

Fiber Arts  
**Thursday, June 15 @ 3:00 p.m.**
Do you have something you can teach, or would you like to learn how to do something? We still have looms and yarn, so bring your knitting needles and crochet hooks. Also, bring any projects you are working on that you would like to share.

Coliseum Adult Program  
**Wednesday, June 21 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Today we welcome Ethyl Boykin to disclose the beginnings of our new Montgomery Botanical Gardens at Oak Park. Come find what the vision is for this garden and what we can do to assist.

**Adult Book Clubs**

Southern Charms Book Club  
**Thursday, June 8 @ 3:00 p.m.**
Today we will be discussing *Guests on Earth* by Lee Smith, a story of an orphaned child who is admitted to Highland Hospital where Zelda Fitzgerald was once hospitalized. Evalina is taken under the wing of the psychiatrist’s wife, and she becomes a famous concert pianist. Then, we will receive our book for July titled, “The Improper Life of Bezellia Grove”, by Susan Gregg Gilmore, a story of Bezellia, from a prominent Nashville family, who is struggling under her family’s name during the 1960’s.

Eastbrook Mystery Book Club  
**Thursday, June 22 @ 3:00 p.m.**
Today we will discuss *A Reliable Wife* by Robert Goolrick. This book has been called astonishing, complex, and brilliant. This book is a true mystery, how, why, what.
Coliseum Library (Continued)

Dewey Decimal Book Club
**Wednesday, June 28 @ 10:00 a.m.**
500’s – Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Make your selection from the 500 classification and be ready to share 3 to 5 points of interest about your book. This is a wonderful and fun way to learn new things!

Joyful Aging: Being Your Best at Any Age

Arts and Crafts
**Wednesday, June 7 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Today, Liz McEwan will be teaching us how to make personal greeting cards utilizing rubber stamping

Technology – Ted Talks
**Wednesday, June 14 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Learn anything from A to Z by listening to people speak through this site, Ted Talks!

Coliseum Adult Program
**Wednesday, June 21 @ 10:00 a.m.**
Ethyl Boykin will be discussing Montgomery’s new Botanical Gardens in Oak Park and her vision of what its future holds.

Dewey Decimal Book Club
**Wednesday, June 28 @ 10:00 a.m.**
This category offers subjects on things cannot create. Come select your book and be prepared to share 3 to 5 points of interest you learned.

Juliette Hampton Morgan Memorial Library
Summer Reading Program
**Thursdays @ 10:30 a.m.**

June 8: PNC Bank will present Dream Big, Grow Up Great!
Helping young children turn everyday life experiences into math moments! PNC Grow Up Great is highlighting math resources that help children in their lives in a fun way. Let’s develop a passion for learning that last a lifetime and can help set them on a path to success.

June 15: Movie Day: SING
A Koala, Buster Moon stages a singing competition for the world’s humanoid animals in order to save his once grand theater that is in need of some major work. Five contestants are chosen to compete, a mouse, a timid elephant, a pig, a gorilla and a punk-rock porcupine.

June 22: Sylvan Learning/Robotics with Misty Mitchell
Here’s an excellent way to inspire and motivate your child and keep him or her engaged during the summer. Kids will gain valuable science and engineering skills while learning how to build and animate a robot.

June 29: Department of Archive & History Alabama Highlights
Celebrating 300 years of Alabama History from the 1700's -1900's. Program design to fit kids grades K-5.
June 7: An Introduction to the Korean Culture
Its purpose is to promote communication between Alabamians and Koreans to create productivity and harmonious working environments.

June 21: Wells Fargo: Financial Literacy
Financial literacy is the knowledge gained to implement the most effective and successful money management practices. Its goal is to provide the public with the information and tools to be financially literate and successful.

Reference Department

Color and Chill: Simple Art Therapy
Saturday, June 3 @ 10:00 a.m.

Come and join us on Saturday, June 3rd, for “Color and Chill” Morgan Libraries adult coloring program. Enjoy a relaxing time while enjoying this simple art therapy. Time is from 10 am till 11 am and will be in the Reference Department. Pre-registration is appreciated but not necessary.

Meet the Author: Brown Bag Lunch Discussion
Monday, June 26 @ 12pm

Come join us for a discussion of Miriam Davis’ new true crime book: The Axeman of New Orleans. Bring your lunch and listen to the gruesome tale of this mysterious serial killer from New Orleans.

Cover to Cover Book Club Selection
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
Tuesday, June 27 @ 6:30 p.m.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor black tobacco farmer whose cells—taken without her knowledge in 1951—became one of the most important tools in medicine, vital for developing the polio vaccine, cloning, gene mapping, and more. Henrietta's cells have been bought and sold by the billions, yet she remains virtually unknown, and her family can't afford health insurance. This phenomenal New York Times bestseller tells a riveting story of the collision between ethics, race, and medicine; of scientific discovery and faith healing; and of a daughter consumed with questions about the mother she never knew.

~ Review by Amazon.com
June 2: Theme: Build a Better World with Bees
*Busy as a Bee* by Thea Feldman
Synopsis: What noise does the bee make? That’s right… BUZZ! Bees stay very busy helping create many things. Can you name some things bees create?
*Bee & Me* by Elle J. McGuinness
Synopsis: When Bee gets trapped in the house a little boy becomes afraid that Bee will attack. All of a sudden Bee begins to ask for help. Why does Bee need help? How does he help us?
Activity: Bee craft

June 9: Theme: Build a Better World by Recycling
*Olivia Helps Mother Nature* by Lauren Forte
Synopsis: Olivia explains how we can help mother nature. “Operation Mother Nature” is a big task but we can help by starting at home!
*The Earth Book* by Todd Parr
Synopsis: Why should we recycle and take care of the earth? This book will tell you why and how you can do your part to build a better world!
Activity: Recycled craft

June 16: Theme: Father’s Day
*Just Helping My Dad* by Mercer Mayor
Synopsis: Little Critter has decided to help Dad. Things may have gone wrong but Dad is still thankful.
*Happy Father’s Day* by Steven Kroll
Synopsis: Dad wakes up to a series of notes and surprises! It’s “Father’s Day” and each of the kids have taken care of Dad’s chores.
Activity: Happy Father’s Day cards

June 23: Theme: Summer!
*One Hot Summer Day* by Nina Crews
Synopsis: It’s “One Hot Summer Day” in the city. What can one do in the summer heat? Come follow a little girl’s adventures in the city.
*It’s Summertime!* by Elaine W. Good
Synopsis: How do you know it’s summer? On a farm there are many things that happen to let you know it is summertime. Come hear this story and see how the city in *One Hot Summer Day* compares to the country in *It’s Summertime!*
Activity: Summer craft

June 30: 5th Friday Flick!
Name that movie...
Synopsis: These loveable animals care an awful lot, and take care of people in order to “Build a Better World”. Caring, kindness, and friendship is key to building a better world.
Other Happenings @ EL Lowder Regional Library

**Stitch and Share** will meet **Thursday, June 22 at 3pm**. This program is open to anyone who likes to quilt, knit, or crochet—or would like to learn—or is having trouble completing a project. Bring your UFO (Un-Finished Object) and see if someone can help you get back on track.

**Friends and Family Chess Club** wants you **every Saturday 10am until 12:45pm** sharp as the library closes at 1PM on Saturdays. If your child or you have ever wanted to learn how to play chess or knows how and wants to join a group we invite everyone to become a member of the Lowder Chess Club. There is no need to pre-register, just show up on Saturday. If Chess Club is canceled we will post a sign on the door as soon as we know ourselves.

Remember that the **Ladies of High Tea** meets the first Tuesday of each month at **3pm**. On **Tuesday, June 6**, the Ladies will be reading *Tail Gait* by Rita Mae Brown.

**Summary:** Spring has sprung in Crozet, Virginia—a time for old friends to gather and bid farewell to the doldrums of winter. Harry and her husband, Fair, are enjoying a cozy dinner with some of the town’s leading citizens, including beloved University of Virginia history professor Greg “Ginger” McConnell and several members of UVA’s celebrated 1959 football team. But beneath the cloak of conviviality lurks a sinister specter from the distant past that threatens to put all their lives in jeopardy. When Professor McConnell is found murdered on the golf course the next day—gunned down in broad daylight by an unseen killer—no one can fathom a motive, let alone find a suspect. Just as Harry and her furry cohorts begin nosing into the case, however, a homeless UVA alum confesses to the crime. Trouble is, no one believes that the besotted former All-American could have done the foul deed—especially after Mrs. Murphy, Pewter, and Tucker make another gruesome discovery. As the questions surrounding Ginger’s death pile up, Harry’s search for answers takes her down the fascinating byways of Virginia’s Revolutionary past. The professor was something of a sleuth himself, it seems, and the centuries-old mystery he was unraveling may well have put a target on his back. As Harry edges closer to identifying an elusive killer, her animal companions sense danger—and rally to find a way to keep Harry from disappearing into history.  ~~Amazon.com~~

In July, the Ladies will be reading *The Laughter of Dead Kings* by Elizabeth Peters. *New York Times* bestselling Grand Master Elizabeth Peters—author of the thrilling fictional exploits of archaeologist Amelia Peabody in the *Land of the Pharaohs*—brings back beautiful, brainy art expert and sometime sleuth Vicky Bliss for one last adventure in *The Laughter of Dead Kings*. Because of the Independence Day Holiday the Ladies of High Tea will meet July 11 at 3pm

**Gamers Club** will meet **Friday, June 9**. Gamer’s Club meets the second Friday afternoon of the month and pre-registration is required. Participants may sign up for **3:30pm-4:30pm or 4:30pm -5:30pm** (all gaming must end at 5:30pm).

Come Build Something with Us! Registration is also required for the **Lowder Lego League** on the third Friday afternoon of the month **4pm-5pm**. Participants under the age of 8 must have an adult present with them while they play. Participants older than 8 must have an adult with them as well, but adult may wait in the main area of the library. Complete rules are available at the Circulation Desk. Come and sign up for **June 16**!

Lowder Regional Library now has **Coloring for Adults**! The second Thursday afternoon from **4pm-5pm** bring your tired of everything, frazzled, and anxious selves to color your cares away—at least for the time that you are here! Join us **Thursday, June 15**.
Other Happenings @ EL Lowder Regional Library (Continued)

Our new **Young Classic Book Club** will meet **Thursday, June 1** and will meet the first Thursday of each month on a regular basis. This book club is open to anyone but is planned with Young Adults in mind and will be reading Young Adult and Children’s Classics (some of which are assigned reading). Our second book is *The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis.

Summer Reading Registration continues and programming starts Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 10am at EL Lowder Regional Library. Please see the Circulation Desk for requirements and to sign up. A list of planned programs is also available.

In addition to our Grade School and Pre-School Summer Reading Programs we will also be having a Young Adult program on Thursday, June 15 at 4pm when we will be doing S.T.E.M. activities (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). We will be building stuff as teams!

Adults we didn’t forget you! Glenn Wills is returning with his new book *More Forgotten Alabama*. If you missed our program for his first book (*Forgotten Alabama*) you missed a great presentation. Mr. Wills travels the back roads and the byways of Alabama taking pictures of interesting sights from by gone days.

**Adult Computer Classes for the Month of June 2017**

**Juliette Hampton Morgan Library**

**Tuesdays @ 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**June 6 – Internet for Beginners**
Hands-on class about the characteristics of the Internet, navigation and simple searching, and use of search engines.

**June 13 – Word I (MS Office 2010)**
Learn how to edit, save and print documents. Learn how to create simple documents (letters, flyers, and memos).

**June 20 – PowerPoint I (MS Office 2010)**
Students will learn to use different slide layouts, transitions, animations and photos to create their first slide show.

**Saturday @ 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

**June 17 – PowerPoint I (MS Office 2010)**
Students will learn to use different slide layouts, transitions, and animations to create a basic slide show.

**Children’s Computer Classes for the Month**

1st – 4th Grades: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
5th – 8th Grades: 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**June 3 – Excel I (MS Office 2010)**
Students will learn how to create a simple budget with borders, clip art and word art.
Information for Parents

Children who read succeed! The Montgomery City-County Public Library Summer Library Program promotes reading as a fun activity during the summer months. Children who read for fun during the summer vacation maintain their reading skills and are more likely to be successful when they return to school.

Children who read for recreation develop lifelong reading habits that will always bring entertainment and learning opportunities. Here at the library, we believe that literate learning starts with very young children. Even the youngest child can participate in our Summer Library Program ~ parents, older siblings, and caregivers are encouraged to read aloud to those children who are not yet reading independently.

We hope the programs we've planned this summer will be a stimulus for your children to find books to further explore a topic. Language development is a precursor to reading. Storytellers, musicians, and informational programs bring literature and language alive for children.

According to Phonics and Whole Language Learning, a Balanced Approach to Beginning Reading, children cannot learn to read without an understanding of phonics. All children must know their ABCs and the sounds that letters make in order to communicate verbally. The question in early childhood programs is not whether to teach “phonics” or “whole language learning”, but how to teach phonics in context—rather than in isolation—so that children make connections between letters, sounds, and meaning. The key is a balanced approach and attention to each child’s individual needs.
(Source: National Association for the Education of Young Children)

Patrons are able to take advantage of downloadable material by going to http://mccpl.lib.overdrive.com and hoopla on MCCPL’s website at www.mccpl.lib.al.us and download eBooks, audiobooks, music and videos to their iPads, smartphones, computers, laptops, Kindles, Nooks, Nook Color, and other e-Readers.

Back to School Boot Camp 2017

Juliette Hampton Morgan Library

July 10-14: Grades 6-8 & 9-12
July 17-21: Grades 3-5
July 24-28: Grades K-2