April 2025 Calendar of Events
Mary Wood Weldon Memorial Library

Tuesday, April 1
Toddler Tuesday: 10:00 AM
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Thursday, April 3
Red Ink Writers' Circle: 6:00 PM
Meet together with other local writers for manuscript critique and for support. Each writer will have a chance to read a five-minute section of a manuscript, then receive comments from group members with the aim of strengthening your writing. Please bring copies of your selected pages for group members (copies can also be made at the library for $.15 per page). Open to adult authors of all genres.

Friday, April 4
Raising Readers: 10:00 AM
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April 6-12
National Library Week Mural
It's National Library Week! You are invited to contribute to our community mural celebrating the library. Draw, doodle, or write about what you love about the library. The mural and supplies will be located in the Internet Café.

Customize Your Card
Whatever draws you in, the library has something for everyone. Celebrate National Library Week by customizing your library card from April 7-12. Draw a picture on an 8.5x11 piece of paper and bring it to the library along with your library card and we'll get to work customizing your card. For ages 18 and under.

Monday, April 7
Mini Book Charm Craft: 5:00 PM
Celebrate National Library Week with a special library-themed craft! Create your very own mini book charm featuring the cover of your favorite book. Participants will choose a book cover in advance, and we'll provide the materials to turn it into a keychain or earrings—so you can carry a little piece of the library with you wherever you go! Supplies are provided, but space is limited. Registration is required. For tweens and teens.

Alterknit Yarn Tales: 5:30 PM
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Tween Tuesdays: Roblox Rally: 4:00 PM
Calling all Roblox fans! Join us for an exciting evening of gaming with friends at the library. Whether you're into obbys, tycoons, or role-playing adventures, there's something for everyone in this virtual playground. Bring your own device or use one of ours as we explore different Roblox games together. This is a great chance to team up, share gaming tips, and discover new favorites. No prior experience necessary—just bring your enthusiasm and get ready for a night of digital fun! Online registration is required. Snacks are provided.

Wednesday, April 9
Craft & Chat: 10:00 AM
Participate in a craft the library will provide, or bring a project you are working on from home. The group will craft and enjoy each other's company. This month's craft is a book page Easter egg banner. Register at the library or online.

Family Movie Night: 5:00 PM
From DreamWorks Animation—creators of *How to Train Your Dragon* and *The Wild Robot*—comes the canine crime-fighting film adaptation of Dav Pilkey's literary phenomenon: *Dog Man*. Part dog, part man, all hero!

Thursday, April 10
Cookbook Club: 6:00 PM
Join us for a delicious culinary adventure at the library! Check out a cookbook from the library, pick a recipe, and prepare a dish featuring this month's theme: gluten-free. This does not have to mean a special cookbook, although it could be (hint: cookbooks for gluten-free, Keto, or gut health are good sources). Recipes that avoid any version of wheat, rye, and barley can work, like meats, vegetables, eggs, and more. Read labels carefully. Bring your creation to the library to share with fellow food enthusiasts. Sign up at the library or online to participate. Don't forget to bring a card with the name of your recipe and the cookbook title it came from.

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Saturday, April 12
Drop Everything and Read Day!: 1:00–4:00 PM
Join the Bookmobile at The Grove for a fun day of celebrating beloved author Beverly Cleary's birthday! We will appreciate the spring weather with outdoor reading, crafts, story time, snacks, and fun! Don't have a book? Don't worry, you can check one out from the bookmobile onsite! Don't have a library card? You can sign up for one at the bookmobile.

Monday, April 14
A Wild Night: UNO Game Night: 5:00 PM
Think you have what it takes to be the ultimate UNO champion? Join us for a night of friendly competition as we battle it out in this fast-paced classic card game. Whether you're a strategic mastermind or just love a good reverse card moment, this tournament is all about fun, laughter, and a little bit of rivalry! Play your way through the rounds and see if you can outmatch your friends to claim the title of UNO Champion. No experience needed—just bring your best game face! For tweens and teens.

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Wednesday, April 16
Gogh with the Flow: 4:30 PM
"Gogh with the Flow" is an ongoing art club designed for children ages 5 to 10. We know how critical bees are to our ecosystem and how important it is to help bees lead healthy, happy lives. To celebrate Earth Day, this month we'll be creating bee baths. See our website for details. Registration is required to attend.

Thursday, April 17
Stephen Bishop, Cave Guide: 6:00 PM
Mammoth Cave National Park presents the historical life of Stephen Bishop, an enslaved cave guide and one of the most well-known cave guides at Mammoth Cave, a place he referred to as "A grand, gloomy, and peculiar place." Registration suggested.

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Monday, April 21
The Hunger Games: Ultimate Tribute Trivia: 5:00 PM
Step into the arena and put your knowledge of *The Hunger Games* series to the test! Celebrate the release of *Sunrise on the Reaping* with an exciting trivia competition covering everything from Panem's history to the most unforgettable

moments of the series. Whether you're a casual reader or a hardcore fan, you'll have a blast competing for the title of Ultimate Tribute. The winner will receive a special prize, but remember – only one can emerge victorious! May the odds be ever in your favor. Online registration is required. For tweens and teens.

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Getting Started with Composting: 5:30 PM
Join us at the library for a workshop on composting. Chris Schalk from the Barren County Extension Office will guide you through the basics of starting your own compost bin using recycled materials. You'll learn what to add (and what to avoid) in your compost pile, as well as simple tips to keep it healthy and thriving. This fun and informative class is perfect for beginners looking to reduce waste and create nutrient-rich compost for their gardens. It's Earth Day, so come celebrate by learning how to give back to the planet! Registration requested—sign up at the library or online.

Thursday, April 24
Page Turners: 10:00 AM
We have a special guest this month—Bowling Green author Gerry Harlan Brown, author of *White Squirrels and other Monsters* and *Ring the Bell*. We will be reading his most recent novel, *Canelands*. Pick up a copy of the book at the library. If you are able to help defray the cost of book purchase for the library, books are $19.99. Make a check payable to the author. This is not a requirement. You can still pick up a book, and the library will cover it. You do not have to be a current member of the book group to attend.

Family STEM Night: 5:00 PM
Families with elementary-aged children are invited to participate in our STEM Night Challenge, to see who can build the sturdiest spaghetti tower. Register online.

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Saturday, April 26
Roll for Adventure: Teen D&D: 10:00 AM
Our Teen D&D group meets once a month for one-shot campaigns. Please bring your own dice and a premade character. We encourage using a printed character sheet instead of an app. Registration is required, spots are limited. Open to teens only.

Monday, April 28
Teen Silent Book Club: 5:00 PM
Looking for a quiet space to read and connect with other book lovers? Join us for Teen Silent Book Club at the library! Bring your favorite read, whether it's a novel, graphic novel, manga, or even an audiobook, and enjoy a peaceful atmosphere to dive into your current book. We'll provide warm beverages to keep you cozy as you immerse yourself in your story. After some solo reading time, we'll gather to chat about our books—sharing recommendations, thoughts, and bookish enthusiasm. This club is open to fans of all genres and formats, so whether you're into comics, classic literature, or audio adventures you'll fit right in! Come read, relax, and make new bookish friends.

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Slime & Sip Café: 4:00 PM

Step into our slime café and whip up your very own boba-inspired slime! In this hands-on workshop, tweens and teens will get creative mixing and customizing their slime to look like their favorite bubble tea flavors. Choose your "toppings," stretch, squish, and play with your creation—just don't drink it! This is a fun sensory experience perfect for slime lovers and boba fans alike. All materials are provided, so just bring your imagination! For tweens and teens.

<u>Wednesday, April 30</u>
Cyber Security Class: 10:00 AM
Join us at the library for a free Cyber Security Basics class with expert trainers from SCRTC! This beginner-friendly session will help you protect yourself online by covering essential topics like anti-virus protection, safe internet surfing, spotting phishing emails, password security, and avoiding scams. This class is perfect for all skill levels. Plus, refreshments will be provided! Bring your computer, or just come and learn. Registration is required. Sign up online or visit the library to reserve your spot.