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## **Jackson-George Regional Library System Announces Closure for Staff Development Day – March 10**

Jackson-George Regional Library System (JGRLS) will be closed on **Tuesday, March 10** for our annual **Staff Development Day 2026: World Tour – All Access**.

This dedicated day of training allows our team to enhance skills, explore innovative ideas, and strengthen services that benefit our communities across Jackson and George counties. Investing in our staff ensures we continue delivering excellent programs, resources, and customer service to all who walk through our doors.

All library locations will resume regular hours on Wednesday, March 11. For more information, please visit our website or follow us on social media.

## **EAST CENTRAL PUBLIC LIBRARY**

For more information, contact:  
George Broadus branch manager – 228-588-6263

## **East Central Public Library Celebrates Read Across America Week**

Hurley, MS – East Central Public Library is celebrating the joy of reading during **Read Across America Week, March 2–6, 2026**, with a week full of Dr. Seuss-themed fun!

Families are invited to stop by throughout the week for **daily crafts and prizes** inspired by the whimsical world of Dr. Seuss. Special Seuss Storytimes will be held:

 Tuesday, March 3 at 3:00 p.m.

 Thursday, March 5 at 10:00 a.m.

Children will enjoy lively stories, creative activities, and plenty of Seuss-style silliness that celebrates imagination and literacy. This free community event is open to families and young readers of all ages.

Join us as we read, craft, and celebrate the magic of books all week long!

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## East Central Public Library Invites Community to “Craft & Connect”

Hurley, MS – East Central Public Library is bringing creativity and community together with **Craft & Connect** on **Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

Have a craft project you’ve been meaning to finish? Now’s the perfect time! Bring your knitting, painting, scrapbooking, journaling, or any creative work-in-progress and enjoy a relaxed, stress-free crafting session at the library.

Craft & Connect is designed to give local makers a welcoming space to:

-  Work on personal projects
-  Share ideas and inspiration
-  Connect with fellow crafters
-  Enjoy creative time in a supportive environment

The library will provide optional crafting essentials such as glue, tape, and paper. All skill levels are welcome, whether you’re a seasoned crafter or just getting started. Come create, connect, and be inspired.

## East Central Public Library Celebrates PI(E) Day with Creative Family Fun

Hurley, MS – East Central Public Library is turning Pi Day into **Pie Day** with a fun, hands-on celebration for the community!

Join us on **Monday, March 16, 2026, at 10:00 AM** to create your very own **bottle cap pie magnet**, no math required! “We may have misread the holiday,” library staff shared, “but there’s always room for pie!” 

This interactive craft program is open to **all ages**. Participants will design miniature pie magnets inspired by their favorite flavors. From blueberry to pecan, the creativity is endless!

Please call or sign up at the front desk so we can prepare enough supplies (and figure out how much soda we’ll need to drink for those bottle caps!). *Note: We will be using hot glue. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.* Come celebrate, get creative, and enjoy a slice of community fun!

## East Central Public Library Hosts “You’ve Come to the Write Place” Writing Session

Hurley, MS – Writers, dreamers, and storytellers are invited to East Central Public Library for “**You’ve Come to the Write Place**” on **March 24, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.**

Whether you’re working on a novel, journaling, poetry, essays, or simply looking for creative inspiration, this relaxed writing session offers the perfect space to focus and connect.

Participants can:

-  Bring current writing projects
-  Brainstorm and share ideas
-  Connect with fellow writers
-  Enjoy quiet writing time

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The library will provide a welcoming atmosphere along with access to public computers. Writers are encouraged to bring their laptops and library cards.

From first drafts to final edits, this is a space for creativity, conversation, and literary sparks. Come write, connect, and be inspired.

 “Teatime with Ms. Tammy” Every Thursday at East Central Public Library

**East Central, MS** —The East Central Public Library invites the community to slow down and savor a moment of calm at “**Teatime with Ms. Tammy,**” held every **Thursday at 1:00 p.m.**

Join us each week for a cozy afternoon of **conversation, camaraderie, and, of course, tea!** This welcoming gathering offers a chance to unwind, share stories, and enjoy good company in a relaxed setting.

Whether you’re a tea enthusiast or simply looking for a peaceful break in your week, *Teatime with Ms. Tammy* is the perfect opportunity to connect with others and enjoy the warmth of community. Remember, there’s always time for tea. For more information, visit the **East Central Public Library** or follow us on social media for updates and upcoming sessions.

### **East Central Public Library Invites Families to Join “1,000 Books Before Kindergarten” Challenge**

**HURLEY, MS** – The East Central Public Library is excited to launch the **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program, designed to inspire a lifelong love of reading in young children. This free, year-round challenge encourages families to read together and track their progress—one book at a time.

The program is open to children from birth to age 5. Even repeated books count, and families can earn a small prize for every 100 books read. After reaching the 1,000-book milestone, participants will receive a special prize to celebrate their achievement.

Sign-ups begin this September at East Central Public Library. “Reading with your child every day builds vocabulary, strengthens bonds, and lays the foundation for future learning,” said Lynn Rainey, branch manager.

**Read it and reap—1,000 adventures await!**

### **KATHLEEN MCILWAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY OF GAUTIER**

For more information contact: Cory Joiner, Branch Manager – 228-497-4531

Weekly Story Time at Gautier Public Library

**Gautier, MS** – The **Gautier Public Library** invites families to join us every **Thursday at 10:00 a.m.** for **Story Time**, a fun and interactive program designed for children ages **0–5**.

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Each week, little ones will enjoy a lively blend of **music, movement, and picture book read-aloud**, all designed to support early literacy and a love for reading. Story Time is a perfect opportunity for parents and caregivers to bond with their children while helping them build important pre-reading skills. No registration required, just drop in and join the fun!

### Lap Sit Story Time at Gautier Public Library

**Gautier, MS – Gautier Public Library** invites caregivers and their little ones to **Lap Sit Story Time every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.** Designed for **infants ages 0–12 months**, this gentle program features short stories, songs, and rhymes that support early language development and bonding.

Bring your baby, relax, and enjoy a warm, welcoming space to connect with other caregivers while introducing your child to the joys of reading. For details, call the library or visit our social media pages.

### Gautier Public Library Shares Warmth with Little Free Tea Library

**Gautier, MS – Gautier Public Library** invites the community to enjoy a cozy seasonal treat through its **Little Free Tea Library**, offering **free bags of tea** to help celebrate the cool weather and holiday season.

Visitors are welcome to stop by the library and select a complimentary bag of tea, with a limit of **one per person per day**, while supplies last. The Little Free Tea Library is made possible through generous donations from the **Friends of the Gautier Public Library** and **Good Things by Gidget**.

The Little Free Tea Library is located at **Gautier Public Library, 2100 Library Lane**. For more information, call **228-497-4531** or visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org).

### Gautier Public Library Brings Back Saturday Morning Cartoons

Gautier, MS – Grab the kids and relive the magic of weekend mornings at **Saturday Morning Cartoons** at Gautier Public Library!

Join us on **March 14 and March 28 at 9:30 a.m.** for a fun-filled morning featuring beloved favorites like *Sesame Street*, *Little Bear*, *Franklin*, *Reading Rainbow*, *Max & Ruby*, *Molly of Denali*, *Paddington Bear*, and *Elinor Wonders Why*.

Families can enjoy a cozy cartoon experience at the library, complete with **fruit snacks and juice boxes** provided. This free program is perfect for young children and families looking for a cheerful way to start their Saturday. Bring your little ones and enjoy a classic Saturday tradition, library style!

### Gautier Public Library Celebrates St. Patrick's Day with Shamrock Cookie Decorating

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Gautier, MS – Get ready for a sweet celebration! Gautier Public Library invites the community to **Shamrock Cookie Decorating on Monday, March 16 at 4:30 p.m.**

Participants will enjoy icing and decorating festive cookies in honor of St. Patrick’s Day. All cookies and decorating supplies will be generously provided by the **Friends of the Gautier Library**.

This fun, hands-on program is perfect for families, kids, and anyone who loves a little creativity (and a little frosting!). Come celebrate with us and create a cookie that’s as lucky as a four-leaf clover!

### **Mississippi Poetry Society – South Branch Welcomes Community to Monthly Meetings**

Gautier, MS – Poetry lovers, writers, and creative minds are invited to attend the **Mississippi Poetry Society – South Branch** monthly meetings at **Gautier Public Library**.

Meetings are held at **2:00 p.m.** and are open to everyone, whether you write poetry, enjoy reading it, or simply appreciate the art of words.

Upcoming meeting dates include:

February 14

March 14

April 11

May 16

These gatherings offer a welcoming space to share original work, discuss poetry, and connect with fellow creatives in the community.

Come share your voice, find inspiration, and celebrate the power of poetry.

### **Gautier Public Library Hosts Page Turners Monthly Book Club**

Gautier, MS – Book lovers are invited to gather for the **Page Turners Monthly Meeting** at Gautier Public Library on **Saturday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m.**

This month’s featured title is *When the Moon Hits Your Eye* by bestselling author **John Scalzi**. Readers will enjoy an engaging discussion of the book of the month, along with the opportunity to share other recent reads and recommendations.

The Page Turners Book Club offers a welcoming space for thoughtful conversation, connection, and community among fellow readers.

Refreshments are generously provided by the **Friends of the Gautier Public Library**. Whether you’ve read the featured title or simply love talking books, all are welcome to join the discussion.

### **Gautier Public Library Invites Community to “Take Home a Cryptid!”**

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Gautier, MS – Bigfoot, Mothman, the Loch Ness Monster... which cryptid will you take home? Gautier Public Library invites the community to **“Take Home a Cryptid!”** on **Saturday, March 28 at 10:30 a.m.**

Participants will paint their own **3-D printed cryptid figurine** and bring a legendary creature to life. From mysterious lake monsters to forest-dwelling giants, this creative program is perfect for fans of folklore, fantasy, and hands-on fun.

All supplies are provided. Space is limited, so participants are asked to call the library to reserve their spot. Unleash your imagination and welcome a little mystery into your home!

### **Gautier Public Library Hosts Monthly Trivia Night at Antonio’s Pizzeria**

Gautier, MS — Think you know it all? Put your knowledge to the test at **Trivia Night with the Gautier Public Library**, held at **Antonio’s Pizzeria** on the **last Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.**

Enjoy an evening of fun, food, and friendly competition while supporting your local library. Trivia Night is free to play and open to all—bring your friends, form a team, and see if you have what it takes to be the champions!

This event is made possible through the generous sponsorship of **Spanish Trail Lanes Bowling Center**, **Antonio’s Pizzeria**, and the **Friends of the Library – Gautier**.

### **Gautier Public Library Welcomes New and Returning Members to Monthly Friends of the Library Meeting**

Gautier, MS — The Gautier Public Library invites community members to join the **Friends of the Library Monthly Membership Meeting**, held every **third Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.** at the library.

These meetings offer an opportunity to support and shape the future of the library through discussions on fundraising, marketing, and event planning. Members also provide valuable feedback and ideas for programs and services that benefit the entire community.

Annual membership is just **\$5 for individuals** or **\$10 for families**, with corporate sponsorships beginning at **\$25**. New members are always welcome!

For more information, call the Gautier Public Library at **228-497-4531** or visit [www.jgrls.org](http://www.jgrls.org).

### **LUCEDALE-GEORGE COUNTY LIBRARY**

For more information contact: Katy Osborne, branch manager (601) 947-2123

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Welcomes Families to Weekly Story Time**

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**LUCEDALE, MS** – The Lucedale-George County Public Library invites young children and their caregivers to join **Story Time every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.** Each session features delightful stories, songs, and fun activities designed to spark imagination and nurture a love of reading from an early age.

This family-friendly event provides a wonderful opportunity for children to develop early literacy skills in a welcoming environment.

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Hosts Teen Movie Program Featuring *Monty Python and the Holy Grail***

Lucedale, MS – Get ready for knights, quests, and outrageous comedy! Lucedale-George County Public Library will host a **Teen Movie Program** featuring the cult classic *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* on **Thursday, March 12 at 4:00 p.m.**

This PG-rated medieval adventure is packed with unforgettable moments, absurd humor, and legendary one-liners. The film will be shown through Kanopy for public viewing.

Recommended for **tweens and teens in 5th grade and up**, this program promises laughter, adventure, and a few very dramatic encounters with rabbits sporting... sharp, pointy teeth.

Gather your friends and join us for a comedy quest you won't forget!

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Hosts Spring Glass Etching Workshop**

Lucedale, MS – Celebrate the season with creativity at the **Spring Glass Etching Workshop** on **Thursday, March 19 at 4:00 p.m.** at Lucedale-George County Public Library.

This hands-on workshop will guide participants through the process of using etching paste to create a custom design on glass. Attendees are encouraged to bring a favorite glass item — such as a mason jar, drinking glass, or picture frame — and transform it into a personalized spring-inspired piece.

The workshop is perfect for anyone looking to:

-  Create a custom home décor piece
-  Try a new craft technique
-  Celebrate the beauty of spring

All etching materials will be provided. Add a personal touch to your glass and let your creativity bloom!

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Celebrates Dr. Seuss with Special Children's Program**

Lucedale, MS – Get ready for rhymes, giggles, and Seuss-style fun! Lucedale-George County Public Library invites families to celebrate **Dr. Seuss's Birthday** with a special children's program on **Tuesday, March 24 at 4:00 p.m.**

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Presented by **Ann Howard from the MSU George County Extension Office**, this lively event will feature stories, activities, and hands-on fun inspired by the whimsical world of Dr. Seuss.

Children will enjoy:

-  Seuss-themed stories
-  Fun activities
-  A celebration of reading and imagination

Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Come for the rhymes, stay for the fun, because reading is a celebration!

## Lucedale-George County Public Library Hosts “One Pot Wonders” Cookbook Club

Lucedale, MS – Love simple, delicious meals? Join the **Cookbook Club: One Pot Wonders** at Lucedale-George County Public Library on **Thursday, March 26 at 1:00 p.m.**

This month’s theme celebrates easy, flavorful dishes made in just one pot. Participants can stop by the library to select a recipe from the collection of one-pot cookbook or bring a favorite one-pot recipe of their own to share.

Cookbook Club is a fun and welcoming way to:

-  Discover new recipes
-  Explore the library’s cookbook collection
-  Swap ideas with fellow food lovers

Whether you’re a seasoned home cook or just getting started in the kitchen, all are welcome. Come stir up something delicious and share the flavor!

## Lucedale-George County Public Library Hosts Home Gardening Workshop

Lucedale, MS – Ready to grow your green thumb? Lucedale-George County Public Library invites the community to a **Home Gardening Workshop** on **Tuesday, March 31 at 4:00 p.m.**

Special guest presenter **Cheryl Larue** will share practical tips for starting and maintaining a healthy home garden. Whether you’re planting vegetables, herbs, or flowers, this workshop will provide helpful guidance for gardeners of all experience levels.

Participants will learn about:

-  Getting started with a home garden
-  Seasonal planting tips
-  Maintaining healthy plants
-  Troubleshooting common garden challenges

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This program is perfect for beginners and seasoned gardeners alike. Come dig into new ideas and leave inspired to grow!

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Expands LEGO Club to Twice a Month**

**Lucedale, MS** — The Lucedale-George County Public Library is excited to announce that its popular **LEGO Club** will now meet **twice a month!** Children and families are invited to join the club every **1st and 3rd Tuesday at 4:00 p.m.** for an hour of creative building and fun.

The library provides all LEGO bricks, while participants bring the imagination and inspiration. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact the Lucedale-George County Public Library at (601) 947-2123.

### **Monthly Bingo at Lucedale-George County Public Library**

**Lucedale, MS** — **Lucedale-George County Public Library** invites everyone to join in the fun at **BINGO!**, held on the **second Tuesday of every month at 2:00 p.m.** Enjoy an afternoon of **prizes, laughter, and community connection** as we gather for a friendly game of Bingo at the library. This event is perfect for all ages and is a great way to relax, meet new people, and share a few laughs.

No registration is required, simply **drop in and play!** Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Come for the Bingo, stay for the community, we can't wait to see you there!

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Invites Community to Join "Friends of the Library"**

**Lucedale, MS** — The Lucedale-George County Public Library is seeking new members to join the **Friends of the Library**, a volunteer group dedicated to supporting and enhancing library services. The Friends meet on the **first Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m.**

The Friends of the Library play a vital role in helping the library grow into an exceptional resource, capable of meeting the informational and educational needs of the community. Members assist with fundraising, special programs, advocacy, and community outreach.

Community members are encouraged to call, stop by the library, or attend the next meeting to learn more about becoming a Friend.

### **Lucedale-George County Public Library Launches Teen Crochet Club: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month**

**LUCEDALE, MS** – Teens are invited to unwind and get crafty at the Lucedale-George County Public Library's **Teen Crochet Club**, meeting on the **4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m.** Whether you're just learning or already a crochet pro, this club is the perfect place to chill, chat, and create fun projects.

All crochet supplies are provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own. Snacks will be generously provided by the Friends of the Lucedale-George County Public Library.

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### INA THOMPSON MOSS POINT PUBLIC LIBRARY

For more information, contact: Liz Murphy, branch manager (228) 475-7562 ext. 2303

#### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Announces March Storytimes**

Moss Point, MS – March is full of stories, fun, and imagination at **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library!** Families are invited to join us for a month of themed storytimes inspired by beloved characters and seasonal celebrations.

- **March 3** – *Pasta! Pasta! Pasta!* (Celebrating Tomie DePaola)
- **March 10** – Library Closed (Staff Training)
- **March 17** – *Everyone's Irish Today*
- **March 21** – Family Saturday Storytime: *Tony's Breadtime Stories (and Butter too)*
- **March 24** – *Snap and Flap with Bill and Pete*
- **March 31** – *Little Grunt's Big Library Dig*  
(A Summer Library Program Preview)

Each program is designed to spark imagination, encourage early literacy, and create joyful family memories at the library. Join us for stories, laughter, and learning all month long!

For more information, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or follow @JacksonGeorgeLibrary on Facebook and Instagram.

#### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Hosts Spring Suncatchers Craft**

Moss Point, MS – Welcome spring with color and creativity at **Spring Suncatchers** on **March 3 from 5:00–6:00 p.m.** at Ina Thompson Moss Point Library.

Participants ages 10 and up are invited to design and create their own vibrant suncatcher to brighten any window or space. This relaxing, hands-on craft program offers the perfect opportunity to unwind, get creative, and take home a handmade piece you'll be proud to display.

Space is limited. Register in person at the library or call **228-475-7462** to reserve your spot. Let the sunshine in and celebrate the season with art!

#### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Hosts "Color & Chill" for Adults**

Moss Point, MS – Need a break from the hustle and bustle? Ina Thompson Moss Point Library invites adults to unwind at **Color & Chill** on **Thursday, March 12 at 5:00 p.m.**

This laid-back, stress-free program is designed for ages 18 and up. Participants can relax, enjoy creative coloring time, and connect with others in a calm and welcoming environment.

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All materials will be provided, and refreshments will be generously supplied by the **Friends of Moss Point Library**.

Space is limited. To reserve your spot, call **228-475-7462** or sign up in person at the library. Take a moment for yourself to color, relax, and chill.

### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Hosts St. Patrick's Day Mini-Mystery for Adults**

Moss Point, MS – Feeling lucky? Put your detective skills to the test at **Shamrock Sleuths: The Pot of Gold Case** on **Tuesday, March 17 at 5:00 p.m.** at Ina Thompson Moss Point Library.

This St. Patrick's Day-themed mini-mystery invites participants (ages 18+) to dive into the case of the missing pot of gold. Work through clues, solve puzzles, and see if you have what it takes to crack the case before time runs out.

Perfect for mystery lovers and anyone who enjoys a little friendly competition, this interactive program promises fun, laughter, and just a touch of Irish intrigue.

Space is limited. To reserve your spot, call **228-475-7462** or stop by the library. Gather your wits, follow the clues, and may the luck of the Irish be on your side!

### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Hosts Easy Crochet Class**

Moss Point, MS – Ready to pick up a hook and learn something new? Ina Thompson Moss Point Library invites the community to **Easy Crochet** on **Saturday, March 21 at 1:00 p.m.**

This relaxed and welcoming class is perfect for beginners who want to learn the basics of crocheting. Materials will be provided for those just getting started. Experienced crafters are also encouraged to bring their own projects and enjoy an afternoon of creativity and camaraderie with fellow makers.

Participants will:

-  Learn beginner crochet techniques
-  Work on personal projects
-  Connect with other crafters

Space is limited. Please RSVP by signing up in person at the library or by calling **228-475-7462**. Come stitch, socialize, and create something beautiful!

For more information, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or follow **@JacksonGeorgeLibrary** on Facebook and Instagram.

### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Hosts Teen Print Making Program**

Moss Point, MS – Calling all creative teens! Ina Thompson Moss Point Library's Youth Services department is hosting a **Teen Print Making** program on **March 26 at 4:00 p.m.**

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This hands-on art session will introduce teens to the basics of printmaking, giving them the chance to design and create their own unique prints. Whether you're into bold graphics, detailed patterns, or abstract designs, this program offers a fun and creative outlet to explore artistic expression.

Participants will:

-  Learn foundational printmaking techniques
-  Create original designs
-  Express creativity in a supportive environment

Perfect for teens looking to try something new and make art they can take home. Come get inky, get creative, and make your mark!

## Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Announces Spring Intersession Activities

Moss Point, MS – Looking for fun, free activities during Spring Intersession? Ina Thompson Moss Point Library has a full lineup of engaging programs for children and families from **March 23 through April 6**.

Highlights include Storytimes, hands-on crafts, art activities, mystery-solving fun, and Brickstorm building sessions. Families can enjoy:

-  **Storytime** (March 24 & 31 at 10 AM)
-  **Wacky Wednesday Art** (March 25, 9 AM–6 PM)
-  **Thinking Thursday Mystery** (March 26, 10–11 AM)
-  **Spring Craft Day** (March 30, 9 AM–6 PM, while supplies last)
-  **Community Game Night** (April 2, begins at 4 PM)
-  **Brickstorm** (April 6, 10–12 & 2–4 PM)

Plus, don't miss special celebrations like **April Fool's Day fun on April 1** and ongoing poetry activities for National Poetry Month.

All programs are free and open to the community. For more information, call **228-475-7462** or visit [www.jgrls.org](http://www.jgrls.org).

## Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Presents “AI Demystified: Benefits, Challenges & How to Use It”

Moss Point, MS – Curious about Artificial Intelligence and how it impacts your everyday life? Ina Thompson Moss Point Library invites the community to “**AI Demystified: Benefits, Challenges & How to Use It**” on **March 31 at 5:00 p.m.**

This informative and engaging program will explore the rapidly evolving world of AI in a way that's easy to understand and practical for daily life.

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Participants will learn:

-  How AI is transforming everyday experiences
-  The opportunities and benefits it offers
-  Key challenges and risks to watch for
-  Ethical questions shaping the future
-  Hands-on tips for using AI tools effectively

Whether you're brand new to AI or looking to better understand its role in today's world, this session offers valuable insight and discussion. Bring your questions, and your curiosity!

## Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Introduces Monthly “Mindful Motion” Program

MOSS POINT, MS — Ina Thompson Moss Point Library invites the community to slow down and reconnect through **Mindful Motion**, a gentle movement program held on the **second Tuesday of each month**, beginning at **4:00 p.m.**

This self-guided session blends **Chair Yoga and Tai Chi**, combining calming movements and supportive stretches to promote relaxation, balance, and mindfulness. Participants will follow video instruction and printed guides, making the program accessible and easy to follow for all experience levels.

No prior experience is required attendees are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and move at their own pace. This program is designed to offer a peaceful, welcoming space to breathe deeply and relax.

Mindful Motion takes place at **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library**, located at **4119 Bellview Avenue**. For more information, call **228-475-7462** or visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org).

*Please note: This class is facilitated by a non-professional. Participants should consult a healthcare provider before starting any new exercise program.*

## Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Launches Monthly Mystery Program “The Tuesday Case File”

MOSS POINT, MS — Ina Thompson Moss Point Library invites the community to step into the role of detective with **The Tuesday Case File: Mystery & Mayhem**, a recurring program held on the **last Tuesday of each month**, beginning at **4:00 p.m.**

Each session presents a brand-new case filled with puzzles, plot twists, and unexpected turns. Participants will work to decode clues, follow red herrings, and race against the clock to solve the mystery before the final reveal. Every month brings a fresh challenge—no two cases are the same.

Attendees may come solo or form a team. No prior detective experience is required—just curiosity, creativity, and a willingness to dive into the unknown. Space is limited, and advance sign-up is encouraged.

The program takes place at **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library**, located at **4119 Bellview Avenue**. To add your name to the list or for more information, call **228-475-7462** or visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org).

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### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Invites Readers to Explore New Genres with Literary Compass Meeting**

MOSS POINT, MS — Ina Thompson Moss Point Library invites book lovers to chart a new reading course with the **Literary Compass Meeting**; a monthly book club designed for readers who enjoy exploring a variety of genres.

The **Literary Compass Meeting** takes place on the **last Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m.** Participants will journey through a wide range of book types, including **mystery, fantasy, history, science fiction, and more**, offering fresh discussions and new perspectives each month.

Readers are encouraged to come for the stories and stay for the conversation. Whether attendees are seasoned book club members or new to literary discussions, all are welcome to join and share in thoughtful, engaging dialogue.

Meetings are held at **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library**, located at **4119 Bellview Avenue**. For additional information, call **228-475-7462** or visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org).

### **Ina Thompson Moss Point Library Invites You to the Midweek Literary Society**

MOSS POINT, MS — Escape the midweek blues and immerse yourself in great stories at the **Midweek Literary Society** at the Ina Thompson Moss Point Library. Meeting **every other Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.**, this welcoming group is the perfect retreat for book lovers of all kinds. Discover new reads, share your thoughts, and enjoy lively conversations in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

No commitment is required, just bring your curiosity and your love of reading. Whether you're exploring fiction, nonfiction, or anything in between, you'll find a community ready to turn the middle of your week into a literary adventure.

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**Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Community Blood Drive**

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Ocean Springs, MS – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library is partnering with the **American Red Cross** to host a community **Blood Drive** on **Thursday, March 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Community members are invited to roll up their sleeves and help save lives. Every donation can make a critical difference for patients in need, from accident victims to those undergoing surgery or cancer treatment.

Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome as space allows. By giving blood, donors are providing hope, healing, and potentially life-saving support to someone in need. For more information, contact the library at **228-875-1193**.

Give blood. Give hope. Save lives.

### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library Launches Monthly Film Talk Club**

Ocean Springs, MS – Lights, camera, conversation! The Ocean Springs Municipal Library is excited to announce the launch of its **Monthly Film Talk Club**, beginning **Saturday, March 16th at 5:00 p.m.**

The club will meet on the **second Saturday of every month** and invites film lovers of all kinds to gather and discuss favorite movies, TV shows, cinematic trends, and timeless classics.

Whether you're passionate about blockbusters, indie films, documentaries, or binge-worthy series, this is your chance to connect with fellow movie enthusiasts in a relaxed and welcoming environment.

Refreshments will be provided by the **Friends of the Ocean Springs Municipal Library**.

All film fans are welcome. Bring your opinions, recommendations, and love of cinema!

### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Free St. Patrick's Day Community Dinner**

Ocean Springs, MS – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites the community to gather around the table for a **FREE Community Dinner** on **Tuesday, March 17th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

In partnership with **Spice & Tea Merchants of Ocean Springs** and the **Friends of the Ocean Springs Municipal Library**, this quarterly themed dinner will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a delicious spread of Irish-inspired cuisine.

This special evening is designed to bring neighbors together to share a meal, conversation, and community spirit in a welcoming library setting.

Dinner is free and open to the public while supplies last. For more information, call **228-875-1193**. Come hungry. Leave connected.

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### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Presents “Romanian Bread 101”

Ocean Springs, MS – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites the community to experience the rich tradition of European baking at **Romanian Bread 101** on **Saturday, March 21st from 2:00–3:30 p.m.**

Led by traveled baker and wellness coach **Mirabella Luruc**, this special program will guide participants through the art of crafting rustic Romanian breads. Guests will learn about traditional techniques, cultural history, and the simple ingredients that create hearty, flavorful loaves enjoyed for generations.

This one-of-a-kind event offers a rare opportunity to explore authentic Romanian baking traditions right here in Ocean Springs. **Advance registration is required**

Space is limited, reserve your spot today and discover the joy of homemade bread.

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Weekly Lapsit Story Time

**Ocean Springs, MS** – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites parents and their little ones to join **Lapsit Story Time with Mrs. Amanda** every **Tuesday at 10 a.m.** This weekly program is designed especially for babies and toddlers, offering a cozy and welcoming space to share stories, songs, and soothing activities. Families can relax together while building early literacy and social skills in a nurturing environment. For more information, call the Ocean Springs Municipal Library

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Weekly Story Time with Mrs. Amanda

**Ocean Springs, MS** – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites families to **Weekly Story Time with Mrs. Amanda**, held every **Wednesday at 10 a.m.** This special program is designed for Pre-K children and features stories, songs, and crafts that encourage creativity, learning, and fun. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join as their little ones explore the joy of reading and interactive activities in a warm, welcoming space. For more details, call the Ocean Springs Municipal Library.

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Launches Kids Drawing Club

Ocean Springs, MS – Young artists are invited to bring their imagination to life at the Ocean Springs Municipal Library’s new **Kids Drawing Club**, meeting **every other Wednesday starting March 4th from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

This creative club offers children a fun and welcoming space to explore drawing, experiment with color, and build artistic confidence. Whether they love doodling, sketching characters, or creating their own masterpieces, kids will have the chance to learn new techniques and share their creativity with friends.

The Kids Drawing Club is free and open to young artists ready to express themselves through art.

Let creativity shine, one crayon at a time!

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### Board Game Exchange at Ocean Springs Municipal Library

**Ocean Springs, MS** —The **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** invites the community to take part in its ongoing **Board Game Exchange**, a fun and flexible way to refresh your game shelf all year long.

Patrons can **bring in a board game they no longer use** and **swap it for a new-to-you game** from the library's exchange collection, any time the library is open. Whether you're looking to try a new strategy game, family classic, or party favorite, the Board Game Exchange offers a simple way to explore fresh entertainment without the cost.

This free, continuous program encourages community sharing, sustainability, and hours of at-home fun.

For more information, visit the **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** or explore [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org).

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Launches "Black Hearts Book Club"

**Ocean Springs, MS** —The **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** is excited to announce the launch of the **Black Hearts Book Club**, meeting on the **second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m., starting in January**.

This new club welcomes readers who are drawn to stories with **passion, complexity, and a darker edge**. The Black Hearts Book Club is the perfect space for fans of **dark romance** and **romantasy**, genres that explore raw emotion, powerful world-building, and the fine line between love and danger.

All reading preferences are welcome, if you're ready for open discussion, big feelings, and books that leave a mark.

For more information or to join, contact the **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** or visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org).

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Monthly Tea Club

**Ocean Springs, MS** —Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites the community to slow down and sip together at **Tea Club**, held on the **fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.** Sponsored and led by **Spice and Tea Merchants**, this monthly gathering offers participants the chance to sample teas from around the world, learn about tea history and traditions, and connect with fellow tea enthusiasts in a welcoming library setting.

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Tea Club is designed for anyone curious about tea, from casual sippers to dedicated connoisseurs, and provides a relaxed opportunity to learn, taste, and socialize. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or follow @JacksonGeorgeLibrary on Facebook and Instagram.

### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library and Jackson County 4-H Launch Robotics & STEM Club**

Ocean Springs Municipal Library, in partnership with **Jackson County 4-H**, is excited to announce the launch of a **Robotics & STEM Club** for children and teens. The club will meet **every other Tuesday**, beginning **March 3**, from **5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** at the Ocean Springs Municipal Library.

Participants will gain hands-on experience in **science, technology, engineering, and mathematics**, with a special focus on robotics. The program is open to multiple age groups, including **Cloverbuds (ages 5–7)**, **Juniors (ages 8–13)**, and **Seniors (ages 14–18)**. In addition to skill-building activities, the club may participate in competitions with other STEM and robotics clubs at the local, regional, or national level.

The Robotics & STEM Club is **free to join**, but space is limited. Advance registration is required. For more information or to register, call **228-875-1193** or visit the Ocean Springs Municipal Library. Additional details are available at [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or by following @JacksonGeorgeLibrary on Facebook and Instagram.

### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library Launches Monthly Junk Journaling Meetup**

**Ocean Springs, MS** —Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites the community to get creative at its new **Junk Journaling Meetup**, held on the **second Saturday of each month from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

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This monthly gathering encourages participants to turn everyday “junk” into meaningful art through collage, journaling, and upcycled scrapbooking. Whether attendees are experienced collage artists or completely new to junk journaling, the meetup offers a relaxed, supportive space to experiment, share techniques, and document life creatively.

Refreshments will be generously sponsored by the **Friends of the Ocean Springs Municipal Library**.

The Junk Journaling Meetup is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or follow **@JacksonGeorgeLibrary** on Facebook and Instagram.

### All-Abilities Story Time

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ Are you looking for a fun and engaging activity to participate in? Join us at Ocean Springs Municipal Library every third Monday at 10 for All Abilities Story Time! Our story time is designed for adults who are differently abled but is open to all ages. You won't want to miss out on the fun and engaging stories that we have lined up, paired with a sensory-filled craft. Our program is inclusive, so everyone is welcome to join us.

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Launches Weekly Mahjong Club

Ocean Springs, MS — The **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** is excited to announce the start of its new **Mahjong Club**, meeting **every Thursday from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Whether you're an experienced player or brand new to the game, everyone is welcome to join in the fun. Mahjong is a classic, tile-based game enjoyed worldwide that combines skill, strategy, and a little bit of luck. Come learn, play, and make new friends in a relaxed and friendly setting. For more information, call **228-875-1193** or visit [www.jgrls.org](http://www.jgrls.org).

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Monthly Bingo for Adults

Ocean Springs, MS — **Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Monthly Bingo for Adults**  
The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites adults to join the fun at its **Monthly Bingo Program**, held every **third Thursday at 2 p.m.** Test your luck, enjoy friendly competition, and win great prizes provided by the **Friends of the Ocean Springs Municipal Library**. This program is free and open to the public. Don't miss out on an afternoon of laughter, prizes, and community fun! For more information, call the library at **228-875-1193**.

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### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library Invites You to Join the Monthly Cookbook Club**

Ocean Springs, MS — Food lovers are invited to stir up something delicious at the **Ocean Springs Municipal Library's Cookbook Club**, meeting on the **third Saturday of every month from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Each month, participants choose a featured cookbook or culinary theme, select recipes to try at home, and then gather for a fun and flavorful potluck to share dishes, rate recipes, and discuss their cooking adventures. It's the perfect way to explore new cuisines and meet fellow food enthusiasts!

For more information or to sign up, visit the library's front desk or call **228-875-1193**.

### **Teens & Tweens Drawing Club**

Ocean Springs, MS — Calling all young artists ages **10–18!** The **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** invites you to join the **Tween/Teen Drawing Club** held **every other Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Whether you're a beginner or a budding pro, this club is the perfect place to sketch, doodle, or design in a chill, come-and-go environment. Supplies will be available—but you're welcome to bring your own if you prefer! Hop in late or leave early—this flexible club is made just for you. For details, call **228-875-1193** or visit [www.jgrls.org](http://www.jgrls.org).

### **Puzzle Competition**

#### **OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Monthly Puzzle Competition**

The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites puzzle lovers of all ages to join its **monthly Puzzle Competition**, held every **first Saturday at 10 a.m.** Participants may bring their own teammates or join a group on-site to compete in a timed challenge: complete a puzzle before the buzzer! The first team to finish—or come the closest—wins the coveted **“Golden Innie” trophy** and bragging rights until the next competition. Registration is free and available at the Ocean Springs Municipal Library or by calling **228-875-1193**. Don't miss this chance to test your skills, meet fellow puzzle enthusiasts, and enjoy some friendly competition!

### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Teen Book Club at Snow & Boba**

Ocean Springs, MS – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites teens ages 13–18 to join the Teen Book Club, meeting the **last Thursday of every month at 5:30 p.m.** at Snow & Boba (3100 Bienville Blvd., Ocean Springs).

This is a fun, relaxed book club where teens can connect over books of all kinds—dystopian, sci-fi, manga, romance, and more. There's no pressure to finish a book before coming, and it's okay to show up late! Teens can grab a shaved snow or bubble tea and enjoy a laid-back space to share their love of reading.

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## **Join the Ocean Springs Gaming Club!**

*Monthly Event for Gamers of All Ages*

**Ocean Springs, MS** \_The **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** invites all gamers to join us for the **Ocean Springs Gaming Club**, held on the **third Wednesday of every month from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM**. Whether you're a fan of Warhammer, Magic: The Gathering, Pokémon, Dungeons and Dragons, or just looking for some fun board games and video game tournaments, this event has something for everyone!

Bring your own gear or use our library's collection and get ready for an exciting gaming experience. **Snacks and drinks** will be provided, courtesy of the **Friends of the Ocean Springs Municipal Library**. It's a great way to meet new people, have fun, and show off your gaming skills!

### **Event Details:**

- **Date:** Third Wednesday of Every Month
- **Time:** 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- **Location:** Ocean Springs Municipal Library
- **Ages:** All ages welcome

## **Explore Flavors & Friendship at the Ocean Springs Cookbook Club**

**Ocean Springs, MS** – The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites food lovers and home cooks to join the **Cookbook Club**, meeting every **third Saturday of the month from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM**.

Each month, members select a cookbook theme and bring a dish to share, discuss, and rate in a fun, potluck-style gathering. From timeless classics to global cuisines, there's always something new to taste and talk about! The club meets at the library, located at **525 Dewey Ave**. For more information, call 228-875-1193 or follow us [@JacksonGeorgeLibrary](#) on Facebook and Instagram.

Come hungry and leave inspired! 🍴📖

## **Evening Book Club**

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ Ocean Springs Municipal Library is holding an Evening Book Club **every 4th Tuesday of the month**. You are invited to join us at 5 PM to discuss the selected book of the month and socialize with new friends. This book club is perfect for those who are looking for fresh recommendations, engaging discussions, diverse opinions, and new connections. If you want to know which book has been chosen for the month, you can call 228-875-1193 or inquire at the front desk. Don't miss out on this incredible display of talent and culture!

## **Adult Water Class**

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OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ Ocean Springs Municipal Library is pleased to announce its upcoming adult program - Watercolor Class. This class will be held **every second Monday at 10 AM**. Whether you are a beginner or an expert, you are welcome to join us for this monthly art class. Marianne, our experienced instructor, will teach a short lesson each month. In the rest of the class time, you can enjoy soft music, paint, and make new friends. If you are interested in this class, please call 228-875-1193 or visit the library to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Memory Café for Seniors

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ The Ocean Springs Municipal Library has collaborated with the Ocean Springs Senior Center to organize a monthly Memory Cafe for seniors. The cafe will take place on the **first Monday of each month at 9:30 AM**, and attendees will meet at the Senior Center located at 515 Washington Ave. During the cafe, participants will discuss various topics, including popular dates, events, and personal memories. To make the event more fun, a trivia round with prizes will be held at the end of each session.

### Library Mystery Society

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ Ocean Springs Municipal Library is hosting a monthly event called "Library Mystery Society" **every second Saturday at Noon**. This is an opportunity for you to work with your fellow community members and solve the mystery of the month. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library.

### Ocean Springs Municipal Library Hosts Monthly Tea Club

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS — The Ocean Springs Municipal Library invites the community to slow down and sip something new at its **monthly Tea Club**, held on the **fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.**

Sponsored and led by **Spice and Tea Merchants**, Tea Club offers participants the opportunity to sample teas from around the world while learning about tea history, traditions, and brewing methods. The program also provides a relaxed setting to meet new people and enjoy conversation in a welcoming library space.

Tea Club is open to all adults interested in tea, culture, and community. No registration is required.

For more information, contact Ocean Springs Municipal Library at **228-875-1193**, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org), or follow **@JacksonGeorgeLibrary** on Facebook and Instagram.

**Unwind with Crafting and Tea at Ocean Springs Municipal Library's Monthly "CRAFTernoon"  
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Ocean Springs, MS — The **Ocean Springs Municipal Library** invites adults to enjoy a peaceful and creative break during “**CRAFTernoon**” Teatime, held on the **fourth Tuesday of every month at 2:00 p.m.**

Relax with a cup of tea while crafting something fun and unique in a friendly, welcoming environment. Each month features a different simple craft project perfect for all skill levels.

**Space is limited**, so please register in advance by visiting the library’s front desk or calling **228-875-1193** to reserve your spot and learn about the upcoming craft.

For more information, visit [www.jgrls.org](http://www.jgrls.org).

### **Ocean Springs Municipal Library – Calling All Builders!**

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ Get ready to build, create, and have fun at the **LEGO Club** at **Ocean Springs Municipal Library!** Now meeting **twice, a month** on the **first and third Tuesday** from **3:30 PM - 5:00 PM**, we’ve got all the LEGO pieces you need to bring your imagination to life! Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Join us for an afternoon of creativity and building excitement! Don't miss out – we can’t wait to see what you’ll create!

### **Sit, Stay and Read!**

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS \_\_ You are invited to bring your children to the Ocean Springs Municipal Library on the last Saturday of the month to participate in our "Sit, Stay, Read!" program. This program, sponsored by Visiting Pet Teams of South Mississippi, allows children to read to licensed therapy dogs and is designed to boost confidence in early and young readers. The program will run from **10:00 AM to 12:00 PM the last Saturday of the month**. Remember to sign up at least one day before the program by calling or visiting the library. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **PASCAGOULA PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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### **Pascagoula Public Library Hosts Community Bingo Night**

Pascagoula, MS – Get ready to shout “**BINGO!**” The Pascagoula Public Library invites the community to join in the fun at **Bingo Night on Thursday, March 12 at 5:00 p.m.**

Guests will enjoy an evening of friendly competition, laughter, and exciting prizes awarded to winning participants. This event is generously sponsored by the **Friends of the Pascagoula Library**, whose support helps bring engaging programs to the community.

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Whether you're a seasoned Bingo pro or trying your luck for the first time, this is a great opportunity to gather with friends and neighbors for a night of classic fun.

Admission is free and all are welcome.

### **Pascagoula Public Library Celebrates International Day of Happiness All Week Long**

Pascagoula, MS – The Pascagoula Public Library is spreading joy and positivity with a weeklong celebration of **International Day of Happiness**, taking place **Monday, March 16th through Friday, March 20th**.

Community members are invited to participate in uplifting activities designed to promote kindness, gratitude, and self-care. Stop by to pick up an **Acts of Kindness Bingo card**, complete the weeklong challenge, and return your finished card to receive a prize.

Guests can also contribute to the library's **Gratitude Wall**, sharing messages of appreciation and encouragement with the community.

In addition, adults are invited to take part in **Positive Affirmations**, a reflective gathering focused on self-care, encouragement, and celebrating the power of kindness, both in giving and receiving.

This free, community-centered celebration offers a meaningful way to pause, reflect, and connect.

### **Pascagoula Public Library Hosts Vision Board Workshop**

Pascagoula, MS – The Pascagoula Public Library invites the community to dream big and plan boldly at its upcoming **Vision Board Workshop on Thursday, March 19th from 4:30–6:00 PM**.

Participants will create a personalized visual roadmap for their goals, dreams, and intentions in a relaxed and creative environment. This hands-on session encourages reflection, inspiration, and action as attendees cut, collage, and design their way toward the future they want to build.

All supplies will be provided, and space is limited. Community members are encouraged to call or stop by the library to reserve their spot.

### **Pascagoula Public Library Hosts Trivia Night with Prizes and Fun**

Pascagoula Public Library invites the community to put their knowledge to the test at **Trivia Night on Tuesday, March 24**, starting at **5:00 p.m.**

Participants are encouraged to gather a team and enjoy an evening filled with entertaining and challenging trivia questions. The event will feature **snacks, music, and prizes**, making it a fun night out for trivia lovers of all kinds. Space is limited, and **registration is required**.

Trivia Night is sponsored by the **Friends of the Pascagoula Public Library** and is free to attend.

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### **Pascagoula Public Library Hosts LEGO Club for Creative Builders**

Pascagoula Public Library invites families to join the fun at **LEGO Club**, taking place on **Thursday, February 26, 2026**, and **Thursday, March 26, 2026**, from **4:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

LEGO Club encourages children to explore their imagination and creativity by building unique LEGO creations in a welcoming, hands-on environment. All LEGO bricks are provided by the library—participants just need to bring their ideas and enthusiasm.

This program is designed for children of all ages; **children under 10 must be accompanied by a parent or adult.**

LEGO Club is free and open to the public.

For more information, call **228-769-3060** or visit Pascagoula Public Library at **3214 Pascagoula Street**. Additional details are available at [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or by following **@JacksonGeorgeLibrary** on Facebook.

### **Pascagoula Public Library Hosts Weekly Preschool Storytime**

**Pascagoula, MS** — The Pascagoula Public Library invites families to join **Preschool Storytime every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.** Children can enjoy a morning filled with stories, songs, and fun activities led by Ms. Sara. Storytime is designed especially for preschoolers, but children of all ages are welcome to participate. It's the perfect opportunity to spark a love of reading while making memories together.

### **Teatime Returns to Pascagoula Public Library**

**Pascagoula, MS** — The Pascagoula Public Library is delighted to announce the return of its beloved *Tuesday Teatime* gatherings after a long remodeling break. Patrons are once again invited to enjoy a relaxing afternoon of warm tea, friendly conversation, and community connection in the library's newly refreshed space.

Teatime will be held every Tuesday from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Guests are welcome to bring their favorite mugs and join in the cozy atmosphere as they sip, socialize, and make lasting memories. For more information, call the Pascagoula Public Library at (228) 769-3060.

### **Pascagoula Public Library Launches Silent Circle Book Club**

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Pascagoula, MS – The Pascagoula Public Library invites book lovers to unwind and reconnect with reading at its **Silent Circle Book Club**, held every **third Tuesday from 5:00–6:00 p.m.**

This unique, low-pressure gathering offers an hour of quiet reading time followed by an optional, relaxed discussion. There's no assigned book—participants simply bring whatever they're currently reading and enjoy a peaceful space surrounded by fellow readers.

Designed for those who love books but prefer a flexible, stress-free format, Silent Circle Book Club creates a welcoming atmosphere where community and literature come together.

For more information or to sign up, call the library today.

### **Pascagoula Public Library Hosts Midwinter Mindfulness Adult Coloring**

Pascagoula Public Library invites adults to relax and recharge at **Midwinter Mindfulness: Adult Coloring** on **Tuesday, February 24, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.**

This peaceful program offers a welcoming space for adults to unwind, practice mindfulness, and get creative through coloring. Designed to brighten the winter months, the session encourages relaxation and stress relief in a cozy, supportive environment. Midwinter Mindfulness is free and open to adults. Materials will be provided, and no prior experience is necessary.

This program is supported by the **Friends of the Pascagoula Library**. For more information, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org) or follow [@JacksonGeorgeLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/JacksonGeorgeLibrary) on Facebook.

## **VANCLEAVE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

For more information, contact: Lauria Barton, Branch manager – 228-826-5857

### **Friends of the Vancleave Public Library Announce Library T-Shirt Art Contest**

The Friends of the Vancleave Public Library invite community members to participate in a **Library T-Shirt Art Contest**, giving artists the opportunity to have their original design featured on the official library T-shirt.

Participants are encouraged to create artwork **inspired by their favorite book**. The winning design will be announced during the **Spring Festival on April 4**, where the artist may claim a **free T-shirt** featuring their artwork. Library T-shirts will also go on sale beginning April 4.

Artwork submissions will be accepted **February 1 through March 25** and may be dropped off at the **Vancleave Public Library**, located at **12604 Highway 57**.

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### **Vanceleave Public Library Launches Ultimate Reading Contest for All Ages**

VANCELEAVE, MS — The Friends of the Vanceleave Public Library invite readers of all ages to participate in the **Ultimate Reading Contest**, beginning **February 1**.

Open to children, teens, and adults, the ongoing contest offers a new chance to win prizes every month. Participants can earn entries by completing **10 library check-outs within a calendar month** or by **writing a book review** to be shared online and on the library's bulletin board. Check-outs do not carry over between months.

With multiple ways to enter and monthly prize drawings, the contest encourages reading, creativity, and regular library visits for the whole community.

For more information, visit [www.JGRLS.org](http://www.JGRLS.org), follow **@JacksonGeorgeLibrary** on Facebook and Instagram, or contact Vanceleave Public Library at **826-5857**.

### **Friends of the Vanceleave Public Library Announce \$500 Amazon Gift Card Raffle**

The Friends of the Vanceleave Public Library are hosting a raffle for a chance to **win a \$500 Amazon gift card**, with proceeds benefiting library programs and services.

Raffle tickets are **\$10 each** and **limited to 150 tickets**, so participants are encouraged to purchase early. The winning ticket will be announced during the **April 4th Spring Festival**, where the winner can claim their prize.

Tickets are available through the **Vanceleave Public Library**, located at **12604 Highway 57**.

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### **Vanceleave Public Library Hosts Homeschool STEM Challenge**

Vanceleave, MS – The Vanceleave Public Library invites local homeschool students to put their skills to the test at the **Homeschool STEM Challenge** on **Wednesday, March 4th at 1:00 p.m.**

Participants will engage in hands-on activities designed to encourage problem-solving, creativity, and quick thinking in a fun and supportive environment. This interactive program offers homeschoolers an exciting opportunity to explore science, technology, engineering, and math concepts while working through engaging challenges.

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Supplies are limited, and advance sign-up is encouraged. To register, visit the front desk or call **228-826-5857**.

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### **Vancleave Public Library Hosts “Basketry Made Simple” for Teens**

Vancleave, MS – The Vancleave Public Library invites local teens to get creative at **Basketry Made Simple**, a hands-on DIY basket weaving program on **Tuesday, March 17th at 4:00 p.m.**

Designed for ages **12–17**, this engaging workshop offers participants the opportunity to slow down, learn a new skill, and enjoy creative time together. Attendees will explore the art of basket weaving while crafting their own handmade piece.

Supplies are limited, and advance registration is required. Participants may sign up at the front desk or call **228-826-5857** to reserve their spot.

The program will be held at the Vancleave Public Library, located at **12604 Hwy 57**.

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### **Vancleave Public Library Hosts 3D Texture Painting Workshop**

Vancleave, MS – Get creative and explore the world of textured art at the Vancleave Public Library’s **3D Texture Painting** workshop on **Thursday, March 26 at 4:00 PM**.

Participants will create a unique piece of artwork using plaster and paint to add depth and dimension to their designs. This hands-on program offers a fun and relaxing opportunity to experiment with texture techniques and take home a one-of-a-kind masterpiece.

Space is limited and supplies are provided, so advance registration is required. To reserve your spot, call **228-826-5857**.

The workshop will be held at the **Vancleave Public Library, 12604 Hwy 57**.

### **Vancleave Public Library Hosts 3rd Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt**

Vancleave, MS – The Vancleave Public Library invites families to celebrate spring at its **3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt** on **Saturday, March 28th at 10:00 a.m.**

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Community members are encouraged to bring a basket and head to the **football field on Ballpark Road** for a fun-filled morning of egg hunting and springtime excitement. This free event is open to the community and promises plenty of colorful eggs and sweet surprises.

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### **Vendors Wanted for Spring Fling 2026 & Craft Show at Vancleave Public Library**

Vancleave, MS – The Friends of the Vancleave Public Library are now accepting vendors for the highly anticipated **Spring Fling 2026 & Craft Show**, happening **Saturday, April 4, 2026 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**.

This exciting family-friendly event will feature a craft show, food vendors, carnival games, a bouncy house, and plenty of community fun. Local artisans, small businesses, and food trucks are invited to showcase their products and connect with hundreds of attendees.

Vendor booth pricing:

- **\$30 Outside Booth**
- **\$40 Inside Booth**
- **\$50 Food Truck**

Interested vendors should call **228-826-5857** for registration and additional details.

The event will be held at **Vancleave Public Library, 12604 Hwy 57**. Spaces are limited and expected to fill quickly.

### **Spring Fling 2026 & Craft Show Brings Family Fun to Vancleave**

Vancleave, MS – Mark your calendars! The Friends of the Vancleave Public Library are hosting the **Spring Fling 2026 & Craft Show** on **Saturday, April 4, 2026, from 10 AM–2 PM** at the Vancleave Public Library (12604 Hwy 57).

This **FREE** family event will feature local craft vendors, food trucks, carnival games, a bouncy house, and exciting activities for all ages. Don't miss the high-energy **Foam Party from 12–1 PM!**

At **11:30 AM**, winners of the **Big Amazon Raffle** and the **T-Shirt Art Contest** will be announced.

Bring the whole family and celebrate spring while supporting your local library! For vendor information or event details, call **228-826-5857**.

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### Open Studio Tuesdays at Vancleave Public Library

**Vancleave, MS** —The **Vancleave Public Library** invites artists, hobbyists, and anyone looking for a creative outlet to join **Open Studio Tuesdays**, held every Tuesday from **10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

This come-and-go art day provides a **relaxed, welcoming space** where participants can create art at their own pace, meet other creative people, and enjoy a supportive atmosphere. Attendees can bring their own supplies or use the **limited materials available at the library**.

Whether you enjoy working with **colored pencils, graphite, charcoal, watercolor, acrylics**, or simply want a peaceful space to explore your creativity, **Open Studio Tuesdays** offers a flexible, no-pressure environment. There is **no formal class**, just a friendly studio space where you can drop in for a few minutes or stay all day.

Bring your imagination, and the library will save you a spot.

### “Sewing Machine 101” Free Instruction at Vancleave Public Library

**Vancleave, MS** — **The Vancleave Public Library** is offering **free Sewing Machine 101 instruction**, perfect for anyone who has a sewing machine but isn't quite sure how to use it.

Participants will receive **one-on-one or small group instruction** covering the basics of sewing machine operation, including threading, setup, and simple functions. Whether you're new to sewing or need a refresher, this personalized guidance will help you feel confident and ready to create.

**Limited time slots are available**, and interested participants should call **228-826-5857** to schedule an appointment.

### Vancleave Quilting Bees Quilting Club

VANCLEAVE, MS \_\_ Vancleave Public Library invites you to join the Vancleave Quilting Bees Quilting Club, meeting every Monday from 4 to 6 pm. This club is a place for fellowship and fun, united by a love for quilting. Whether you're a member or a guest, you're welcome to explore and share patterns, tips, and techniques. For more information, call Lana Self at 228-218-0655.

### Storytime at Vancleave Public Library

VANCLEAVE, MS \_\_ Vancleave Public Library invites you to Story Time every Thursday at 10:00 AM. Bring your little ones for a morning filled with reading, crafts, games, and fun!

### Wednesday Crochet Club

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VANCLEAVE, MS \_\_ Join us at Vancleave Public Library on Wednesdays at 10 for Beginning Crochet. Let's learn a new skill together with an introductory lesson on the art of crochet. We kindly ask that you bring your own crochet hook and preferred color of yarn for this class, preferably a light color. This program is open to homeschoolers of all ages. To reserve your spot, please call 228-826-5857.

### **Book Talk & Potluck: Food for Thought!**

VANCLEAVE, MS \_\_ The Vancleave Public Library invites you to the newly scheduled **Book Talk & Potluck: Good Reads and Great Eats!** Starting this month, we'll gather on the **first Wednesday of each month at 1 PM** to share our favorite stories and dishes. Bring a potluck item to share and join fellow book enthusiasts for a fun and flavorful discussion. Whether you're a foodie, a bookworm, or both, this event promises to satisfy your appetite for good reads and great company. See you at the library—don't forget your dish and your latest literary love!

### **First Friday Food Trucks Return to Vancleave Public Library**

Vancleave, MS – The Friends of the Vancleave Public Library invite the community to enjoy great food and local flavor at **First Friday Food Trucks**, held at the Vancleave Public Library.

Food trucks will be serving from **11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., or until sold out**, offering a variety of delicious options for lunch, dinner, or an afternoon treat.

This monthly event is sponsored by the **Friends of the Vancleave Library** and provides a fun opportunity for the community to gather, support local vendors, and enjoy time together.

For more information, please call **228-238-9188**.

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