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### LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

As we begin planning for Summer Reading/Summer Learning 2023, and a return of Bookmobile Service to Cleveland County, we wanted to thank the Friends of the Library for launching the successful Rolling for Reading fundraising campaign for the bookmobile/mobile library, and to all of the Friends and members of the community who have contributed to the Rolling for Reading fundraising campaign. We are working with many community partners to schedule stops for the bookmobile in parts of Upper and Lower Cleveland County. We are hoping to restart bookmobile service in the late Fall/Early Winter 2023-2024.

The theme for Summer Reading/Summer Learning 2023, is "All Together Now," a message of kindness, friendship, and unity. The library will offer many dynamic and engaging programs for families this Summer including four sessions of Architecture for Kids, STEAM programs for Teens in the

new Teen Space at the Eugenia H. Young
Memorial Library, story times and STEM and
STEAM programs at the Spangler Branch, and in
partnership with KidSenses, programs at Holly Oak
Park. We look forward to an exciting Summer and
hope you and your families will join us at the
Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library, Spangler
Branch Library, and Holly Oak Park.



Library Director, Wright R. Adams

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**HOURS** 

Cleveland County

Library

Monday- Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday 9 AM - 7 PM 10 AM - 5 PM 10 AM - 2 PM CLOSED

## **MEET THE STAFF**



## **DEANNA**YOUTH SERVICES MANAGER

#### What kind of books do you read?

As a children's librarian, I read all of the genres. I enjoy YA fiction and non-fiction. My favorite grown-up books tend to be thrillers and dystopian, as well as a myriad of non-fiction.

### What's your favorite food?

Sadly, candy. And bacon!

### Do you have any pets?

Yes. Four dogs (Freya, Louis, Arthur, and Olive) and three cats (Lando, Lexi, and Bessie), all rescues.

### Do you collect anything?

Shells, Swanky Swigs, York Ghost Merchant ghosts, rocks, ideas, bowls, tchotchkes of various kinds.

## What author (living or dead) would you like to meet?

Neil Gaiman is at the top of my list.

# JENNA YOUTH SERVICES LIBRARY ASSISTANT

#### What kind of books do you read?

Fantasy, art, cultural, romance, adventure... I'll read almost any book/graphic novel.

What book would you choose to live in? Admittingly, most of the books I have read, I would likely not survive in. I don't think I could fight a dragon or demon.

#### What is your favorite animal?

Cats, all cats. No cat is too big, too small or too deadly. I'd still want to hug it.

### Do you collect anything?

I collect a lot of things. Primarily, Japanese merchandise or antiques. I collect antique books as well as stationery.

## What author (living or dead) would you like to meet?

Hiromu Arakawa (Author/Artist of Fullmetal Alchemist) OR Ruth Ozeki (Author of For the Time Being)

## What is your favorite library (real or fictional)?

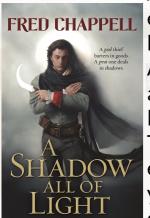
This is technically a museum, but Kyoto International Manga Museum would definingly be my favorite. I've always wanted to go there!



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## ADRIENE APPALACHIAN FICTION; MEMOIRS

## A SHADOW ALL OF LIGHT BY FRED CHAPPELL A stylish e



A stylish, elegant, episodic fantasy novel by World Fantasy Award-winning author and former poet laureate Fred Chappell. The tale follows the exploits of Falco, a young man from the country, who arrives in

the port city of Tardocco, with the ambition of becoming an apprentice to a master shadow thief.

#### **JENNA**

MANGA, GRAPHIC NOVELS, JUNIOR FICTION, YA FICTION, ADULT FICTION

#### MAKE UP IS NOT (JUST) MAGIC BY IKUMI ROTTA

An easy-breezy
makeup tutorial in
manga form! For
anyone intimidated
by the world of
makeup, you're in
luck--a former
beauty consultant
turned comic artist



is here to walk you through it.

#### SPY X FAMILY BY TATSUYA ENDO



An action-packed comedy about a fake family that includes a spy, an assassin and a telepath! Master spy Twilight is unparalleled when it comes to going under-cover on

dangerous missions for the betterment of the world. But when he receives the ultimate assignment—to get married and have a kid—he may finally be in over his head!

### **JESS**

HORROR/SCIENCE FICTION

#### **GIDEON THE NINTH BY TAMSYN MUIR**

Tamsyn Muir's Gideon the Ninth unveils a solar system of swordplay, cut-throat politics, and lesbian necromancers. Her characters leap off the page, as skillfully



animated as arcane revenants. The result is a heart-pounding epic science fantasy.



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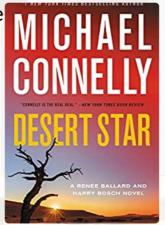
#### **AMANDA**

PSYCHOLOGICAL THRILLERS, MEMIORS, BIOGRAPHIES, & ROMANTIC COMEDIES

### DESERT STAR BY MICHAEL CONNELLY

LAPD detective Renée
Ballard and Harry
Bosch work together
to hunt the killer who
is Bosch's "white
whale"—a man
responsible for the
murder of an entire

family. The two must

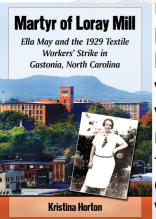


put aside old resentments to work together again and close in on a dangerous killer.

### DEANNA

NON-FICTION, THRILLERS, PICTURE BOOKS, ETC.

### MARTYR OF LORAY MILL BY KRISTINA HORTON



Union organizer and balladeer Ella May became a martyr for workers nationwide when she was murdered on her way to a union meeting in Gastonia, NC.
Written by her great-

granddaughter, this book tells Ella May's story.

#### THE HOLLOW PLACES BY T. KINGFISHER

Kara finds a mysterious bunker behind a hole in the wall of her uncle's house. Freshly divorced and living back at home, Kara now becomes obsessed with these



cryptic words and starts exploring this peculiar area—only to discover that it holds portals to countless alternate realities. These places are haunted by creatures that seem to hear thoughts.

### BREE

MOST THINGS EXCEPT BOOKS BY COLLEEN HOOVER, STEPHANIE MEYER, OR E. L. JAMES.

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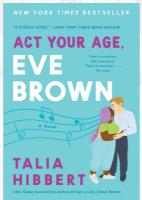
Good omens meets The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet in Ryka Aoki's Light from Uncommon Stars, a defiantly joyful adventure set in California's San Gabriel Valley, with cursed violins. Faustian bargains, and a queer alien courtship over fresh-made donuts.



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ACT YOUR AGE, EVE BROWN BY TALIA HIBBERT

Eve Brown is a certified hot mess. No matter how hard she strives to do right, her life always goes horribly wrong. So she's given up trying. But when her personal brand of chaos ruins an



expensive wedding, her parents draw the line. It's time for Eve to grow up and prove herself—even though she's not entirely sure how...

#### SUSAN

MYSTERIES, HISTORICAL NON-FICTION, CLASSICS

#### IN DUBIOUS BATTLE BY JOHN STEINBECK



JOHN STEINBECK

In Dubious Battle

A novel of social unrest and the story of a young man's struggle for identity, In Dubious Battle is set in the California's apple country, where a strike by migrant workers against rapacious land-

owners spirals out of control.

### GRACE

ROMANCE, LITERARY FICTION, LIGHT MYSTERIES, AND NICHE NONFICTION

### FORTUNE FAVORS THE DEAD BY STEPHEN SPOTSWOOD

A wildly charming and fast-paced mystery written with all the panache

of the classic "Will"
Parker is a scrappy
circus runaway and
Lillian Pentecost is a
private investigator.
Together they take
on a case that
involves messages
from the dead, a
seductive spiritualist,
and a beautiful
heiress.



### TO SWOON AND TO SPAR BY MARTHA WATERS



The Regency Vows series returns with this story about a viscount and his irascible new wife who hopes to chase her husband from their shared home so that she can finally

get some peace and quiet—only to find that his company is not as onerous as she thought.



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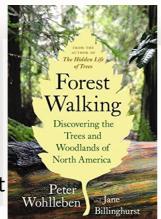
#### TODD

HISTORY, HISTORICAL FICTION, AND BIOGRAPHY

#### FOREST WALKING BY PETER

WOHLLEBEN

When you walk in the woods, do you use all five senses to explore your surroundings?
Forest Walking teaches you how to engage with the forest by decoding nature's signs and awakening to



the ancient past and thrilling present of the ecosystem around you.

### KALLEN

YA, LGBTQ, FANTASY, HORROR,
CONTEMPORARY, ROMANCE, AND A
VARIETY OF NON-FICTION
THE HOUSE IN THE CERULEAN SEA
BY TJ KLUNE



Linus Baker is a bythe-book case worker
in the Department in
Charge of Magical
Youth. He's tasked
with determining
whether six
dangerous magical
children are likely to

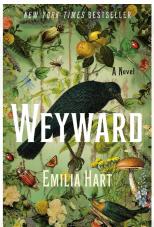
bring about the end of the world.

#### **DEBBIE**

SUSPENSE, MYSTERY, MAGICAL REALISM

#### **WEYWARD BY EMILIA HART**

A riveting debut that explores witchcraft and female intuitive powers, told over five centuries through three connected women, Emilia Hart's Weyward is an enthralling novel of female resilience and



female resilience and the transformative power of the natural world.

### **STACEY**

MYSTERY, THRILLER, ANYTHING BY STEPHEN KING

#### THE JOY OF PAINTING BY BOB ROSS



A celebration of the life and work of the pop-culture icon who encouraged millions to explore

their creativity. This collection features more than 300 pieces of his art, quotes, and techniques that will inspire readers to create their own art.



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the left panel!

## **SUMMER READING**

### ALL TOGETHER NOW



Celebrating Inclusion, Unity, and Kindness

#### SUMMER READING FOR CHILDREN

Deanna Evans, M.S.I., M.S. Ed., Youth Services Manager

It's summer! Time for the kids to relax their brains (NOT!!). Two important things children need during the summer break (all year long, really) are reading and experiencing. Addressing the latter first, experiences grow background knowledge. The more that children are exposed to and do, the more they can understand and relate to the world around them and what they read, connecting text to self.

This brings us back to the first point -reading. Summer is the one time during the school year that children can choose what they want to read, reread, and attempt to read, or at least it should. They should not have to worry about earning points or word or fulfilling an goals wish/demand list of titles. In general, factoring largely into what children read is their own choice. If they like silly books or like to reread a favorite book that brings them joy and comfort, or read graphic novels (yes, they ARE "real" books, but that's for another

time), let them read it. They are READING! Also, read to them no matter the age! Listening to reading aloud and audiobooks counts as reading (not cheating), lighting up the brain as much as reading on their own. Step one in creating a lifelong reader is finding them something they love so they learn reading can be enjoyable and not a chore.

And that brings us to the Summer Reading Program (SRP). It takes only six hours of reading during the summer to help prevent the "summer slide"—loss of reading gains made the school year prior. The Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library and the Spangler Library offer the SRP to help prevent the slide and keep children reading during summer by offering incentives/prizes for completed reading and fun programming to attend. Visit these locations for reading logs and other goodies. More information can be found in this issue of the Spark as well as on the library calendar on our website.

### Did you Know?

Your child can use their lunch number to access the library. Any child enrolled in a Cleveland County public school can use their lunch number to check out items, use the computer, and access our online resources.



### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**



### ARCH FOR KIDS

The architecture for children series of programs facilitated by Arch for Kids, will provide children and teens with dynamic hands-on, minds-on learning experiences – grounded in architecture, design, engineering and urban planning. Cleveland County Library system will be hosting several programs in partnership with Arch For Kids this summer. These programs are great for kids aged 2-10 years old and will help participants build their STEAM skills.

Spangler Branch: Minecraft Craft for Kids Thursday, July 6th, at 10 a.m.

Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library: Forts for Action Figures on Tuesday, July 11th, at 1:30 p.m.

Holly Oak Park Activity Center: Minecraft Craft for Kids Thursday, July 19th, at 10 a.m.

Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library: Building Bridges on Tuesday, July 25th, at 1:30 p.m.



#### **VOLUNTEER AT THE LIBRARY!**

Are you passionate about helping the library provide services and programs in your community? Come volunteer with us! We have opportunities for teens (14+) and adults. Contact us on Facebook or give us a call at 704-487-9069 to find out more!

## **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

(KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADERS)

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 13TH, 1:30 PM, FRIENDS FOREVER

Bring your friend and listen to a story followed by several crafts to choose from (or do them all!). Create friendship puzzle piece keychains, dinosaur keychains, and a binary code bracelet. Paints and permanent markers will be used so dress accordingly.





#### TUESDAY, JUNE 20TH, 1:30 PM, COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Kindness rocks! So, come decorate some kindness rocks to hide in the community for others to find and brighten their day with your thoughtfulness (or give it to a family member or friend). Paints will be used so dress accordingly.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 27TH, 1:30 PM, 4TH OF JULY SHOEBOX PARADE FLOATS

Bring a cardboard shoebox or shoebox-sized box to transform into a miniature float for a float parade to be put on display in the library. Get creative! Paints used. Unfinished floats and other items may be completed at home but *need to be returned* for the display by Saturday, July 1, 1 pm.





## TUESDAY, JULY 11TH, 1:30 PM, ARCH FOR KIDS PRESENTS: MAKE A FORT

Arch for Kids will lead builders on how to design a mighty fort and populate it with their action figures or critter.

#### TUESDAY, JULY 18TH, 1:30 PM, EXPAND YOUR WORLD

Make instruments from around the world: rain sticks, jingle sticks, and decorate maracas. Paints will be used so dress accordingly.





Designed specifically for elementary and middle school students, SIRS Discoverer offers articles, nonfiction books, images, activities, and websites curated for educational relevance, age appropriateness, and readability.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

(KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADERS)

### TUESDAY, JULY 25TH, 1:30 PM, ARCH FOR KIDS PRESENTS: BRIDGES--FROM HERE TO THERE

Explore the many different types of bridges – from cable bridges to movable bridges. Build working models of these amazing structures.





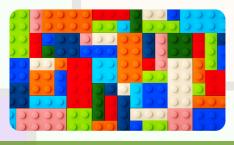
#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 1:30 PM, LIBRARY FIELD DAY

Wear your sneakers and join in on cooperative relay races, human knots, and more, each designed for imagination, confidence, and fun!

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 4 PM, CRAFTERNOON

A book or two will be shared followed by an art experience or a craft or even a combination. Various techniques and materials will be used from program to program.





#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 4 PM, LEGO SQUAD**

Lego Squad will be presented with a build challenge or a theme that directs the build for individuals, partners, teams. Creations will be displayed in the library.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH, 4 PM, STEM STUFF

Have some fun with science, technology, engineering, and math! A book or two will be shared followed by activities, experiments, builds, and more.





This is a special collection of electronic resources just for kids! It includes over 12,000 e-books, 3200 audiobooks, and 850 videos. It is available through the Libby app!

### THE TEEN SPACE



Crafts, make and takes, board and card games, and video games will be available. Come into our new new teen space and check it out!

Our new teen space is open! Drop by to check out the new area, suggest a name for the space and ideas for upcoming teen events.



### TWEEN PROGRAMS

(6TH GRADERS - 8TH GRADERS)

## THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST - SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH - READING CHALLENGE - TIC TAC TOE

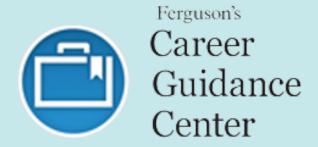
Pick up the tic-tac-toe board and follow the prompts - make a tic-tac-toe or complete the board for a chance to win a few prizes. Tic Tac Toe boards must be turned in by Saturday, August 5 to be considered for a prize.





## THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD, 1:30PM - BOOK TALK EPIC FAIL OF ARTURO ZAMORA (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Join us in reading The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya. Each participant will receive a reading pack that includes a copy of the book. Packs will be available for pick up beginning Thursday, June 1st. Space is limited.



This resource helps teens and adults explore careers, plan their education, and learn about resumes, cover letters, interviewing, networking, and salaries.

### TWEEN PROGRAMS

(6TH GRADERS - 8TH GRADERS)

THURSDAY, JUNE 15TH, 1:30 PM, FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS
Join us - and bring a friend as we make traditional friendship bracelets using embroidery floss.





#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH, 1:30 PM, HEXBUG MAZE**

Join us - as we create mazes using everyday materials and then race the hexbugs through the different mazes.

## THURSDAY, JULY 13TH, 1:30 PM, DIY LEGO MINIFIGURE SNOW GLOBE (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Join us as we create one-of-a-kind snow globes using LEGO Minifigures. Space limited is limited.





## THURSDAY, JULY 27TH, 1:30 PM, ESCAPE ROOM - DRAGON EGG HUNT

It is egg hatching time in Dragon land, but the eggs have been stolen! If they are not returned to the mother dragons, the eggs will be unable to hatch. Join us as we solve the puzzles to return the dragon eggs to where they belong.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 24TH, 4:30 PM, MAKER CLUB

Join us as we make a series of simple circuits using everyday materials found around the house - or office.





This resource can give you the fulltext of poetry, prose, and drama, and secondary sources about the authors, interviews, and literary criticism.

## TWEEN PROGRAMS

(6TH GRADERS - 8TH GRADERS)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 4:30 PM, PAPER LANTERNS** 

Join us as we make DIY Wax Paper Lanterns using crayon shavings, wax paper and craft sticks.





**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 4:30 PM, MAKER CLUB**Join us as we make a Spin Art Machine using Snap Circuits.

### **TEEN PROGRAMS**

## THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST - SATURDAY, AUGUST 5TH - READING CHALLENGE: AROUND THE WORLD IN 8 WEEKS

Grab a map and join the Reading Challenge. Suitcases with prompts will be available in the Teen Area. Complete the prompt, fill out the map and return it by Saturday, August 5, to be considered for a prize.





## THURSDAY, AUGUST 3RD, 3:30PM - BOOK TALK JACKPOT (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Join us for the Summer Read for Jackpot by Nic Stone. Each participant will receive a reading pack that includes a copy of the book. Packs will be available beginning Thursday, June 1st. Space is limited.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 20TH, JULY 18TH, SEPTEMBER 19TH, 5:30 PM, MANGA CLUB

Join us to discuss your favorite reads, meet fellow fans and find new recommendations.





NCLearn @ Home is a gathering place for NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources' online content and educational resources for students, parents, and everyone in between. You'll find articles, databases, clubs, podcasts, and virtual field trips, all free of charge.

### **TEEN PROGRAMS**

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 22ND, 3:30 PM, MINI MASTERPIECES

Join us as we create masterpieces on small canvases. There will be a variety of materials along with paints to assist in the creation. Participants will decide to bring their masterpiece home or display it in the Teen Area for the summer.





SATURDAYS, JUNE 17TH, JULY 29TH, & AUGUST 6TH & FRIDAYS, JUNE 30TH, JULY 14TH, 11:00-1:00 - REQUIRED READ-IN

Have a Required Reading Assignment for school this summer? Stop by during our Required Read-In to read your book. Library staff will be available to discuss the book or answer any questions, and bring a friend for a reading partner.

### THURSDAY, JULY 6TH, 3:30 PM, GROW YOUR OWN PET

Drop in and create your own unique Chia Pet!





THURSDAY, JULY 20TH, 3:30 PM, ESCAPE ROOM - MONSTER IN THE WOODS

Join fellow cryptologists to investigate and solve the puzzles in time to prove what lurks in the woods.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 5:30 PM, TRIVIA NIGHT

Join us for a fun night of trivia. Bring a friend (or friends) to work as a team or try to answer the questions by yourself. Questions will range through a wide variety of topics and categories.



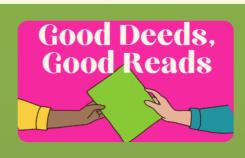


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### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

## THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST- AUGUST 15TH, GOOD DEEDS, GOOD READS

Pick up a bingo card or use the one in the back of this publication and return it to the library for the chance to win a prize. You can pick up your card anytime during the event and return it by August 11th.



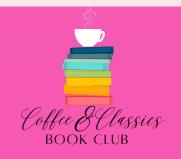


## THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2:30-5:00 PM, SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY - LIVE STREAM

Discuss types of social security disability benefits for adults. Learn about qualifying, the application process, and the documents needed. This event is a live stream in the Listen and Learn Series from Legal Aid of NC.

## MONDAYS, JUNE 12TH, JULY 10TH, AUGUST 14TH, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 5:30PM, COFFEE AND CLASSICS BOOK CLUB

Join us at our monthly meeting for coffee and discussion of classic literature. Visit our Facebook page, or call the library to find out what we are reading right now.





## TUESDAY, JUNE 15TH, 5:30PM, MACRAME DREAM CATCHERS

Join us to learn how to make a macrame dream catcher using a hoop and yarn.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 22ND, 5:30PM, COMMUNITY RECIPE SWAP

Join us for a fun evening of sharing recipes. Everyone will leave with a book full of new dishes to try! Send your recipe and picture to Grace at victoria.boston@clevelandcountync.gov or bring it with you on an 8.5 x 11 sheet of paper.





Get assistance creating a resume and finding employability skills training with NC Works, the North Carolina workforce system.

### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

## THURSDAY JUNE 29TH, 5:30PM, PACK-A-BAG FOR HOMELESSNESS

Join us to pack care packages for those experiencing homelessness. All materials are provided but if you want to bring something to contribute to the bags, you are welcome to do so.





## TUESDAY, JULY 11TH, 5:00PM, FARMHOUSE BOOK DECORATION

Create your own farmhouse book decoration to use as a centerpiece or display using old book, twine, and paint.

## THURSDAY, JULY 20TH, 5:00PM, FAST FRIENDS: FRIENDSHIP SPEED DATING

Friend Speed Dating is a low-key social event designed to help adults make new friends. Join us to get to know other people in your community and meet your new best friend!





## TUESDAY, JULY 25TH, 5:30PM, NOT JUST DYING - AUTHOR TALK

Come hear author Wanda Bechtol speak about her work as a hospice nurse, read from her book, and learn a little about how caregivers can take care of themselves as they navigate a difficult time.

## THURSDAY, JULY 27TH, 5:30PM, THE READING LIST BOOK TALK

Join us for a discussion featuring The Reading List by Sarah Nisha Adams. This book focuses on unity, diversity, and the power of books to create community.



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### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 17TH & SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2:30-5:00 PM, SIMPLE DIVORCE CLINIC - LIVE STREAM

Discuss how to file a simple divorce without an attorney. Learn how filing affects your rights to property division, spousal support, and alimony. This event is a live stream in the Listen and Learn Series from Legal Aid of NC.





## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2:30-5:00 PM, CHILD CUSTODY CLINIC- LIVE STREAM

Learn how to file a child custody action in court without an attorney. Visitation and emergency custody will also be covered. This event is a live stream in the Listen and Learn Series from Legal Aid of NC.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 5:30-6:30 PM, FALL WALL ART Join us to create Fall themed wall art using picture frames and placemats. All materials provided.





#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH, 5:30PM, ZEN COLORING

Join us for a relaxing evening of adult coloring. All materials provided.

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2:30 - 5:00 PM, TENANT RIGHTS CLINIC - LIVE STREAM

Learn about your rights and obligations as a residential tenant. This event is a live stream in the Listen and Learn Series from Legal Aid of NC.





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### PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

## THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST- AUGUST 15TH, READING KIDS OF CLEVELAND COUNTY BOOK DRIVE

Drop off your gently used children's and young adult books at the library!





#### TUESDAY, JUNE 6TH, 5:00PM, CRAFTING IN COLOR

Celebrate Pride Month by creating rainbow jewelry and pride buttons, and wreaths!

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 8TH, 2 TO 6 PM, DROP-IN FAMILY TIE-DYE

This popular annual event is back to kick-off the Summer Reading Program, All Together Now! We supply the dyes and ties, and you supply the tee.





#### WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 14TH- AUGUST 2ND & AUGUST 23RD-SEPTEMBER 27TH, 10:00 AM, FAMILY STORYTIME

Welcome to Family Storytime, a program that encourages the development of pre-reading skills through songs, rhymes, fingerplays, and stories. For ages 0-5.

# MONDAY, JULY 31ST & AUGUST 1ST, 9:30 AM - 6:30 PM, MULTIGENERATIONAL, DIALOGUES - CONVERSATIONS WITH DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES

Take time to gain new understandings and connect with people who have diverse perspectives and experiences.





## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 5:30PM, NAME THAT TUNE: 80S MUSIC TRIVIA

A fun night of 80s themed trivia for all ages. Costumes encouraged, but not required.



Gale Literature Resource Center can help you find up-to-date biographies, overviews, articles, full-text criticisms, audio interviews, and reviews on writers from all eras.

### **OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

MONDAYS, JUNE 12TH, JULY 10TH, AUGUST 3RD, SEPTEMBER 11TH 10:00 AM, AGES 0-5, STORYTIME AT THE MALL

Join us at the Cleveland County Mall in the area in front of Dunham's Sports and the Nail Salon for family storytime. Contact Todd at 704-487-9069 ex 140 for more information





MONDAYS, JUNE 19TH, JULY 17TH, AUGUST 21ST, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 10:00 AM, AGES 0-5, STORYTIME AT HOLLY OAK AT THE GYM

Join us at Holly Oak Park for a family storytime. Contact Todd at 704-487-9069 ext. 140 for more information

## TUESDAY, JUNE 20TH 10:00 AM, AGES 0-12, SCIENCE SHENANIGANS AT HOLLY OAK ACTIVITY CENTER

Join us for a presentation from KidSenses Science on the Move. Our team of talented informal educators will amaze your children, as they present multiple exciting science demonstrations to bring chemistry and physics to life.





## WEDNESDAY. JULY 19TH 10:00AM, AGES 2-10 MINECRAFT! STEAM TIME AT HOLLY OAK TIME ACTIVITY CENTER

Join us at Holly Oak Park for a program from Arch for Kids. Students will have fun around their favorite game while learning architecture, engineering, and design concepts. Contact Todd at 704-487-9069 ext. 140 for more information

## WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 21ST, JULY 19TH, AUGUST 16TH, SEPTEMBER 20TH. ADULT BOOK CLUB AT HOLLY OAK

Join us for the best conversations! It doesn't matter what you're reading; come out to discuss your recent reads and hear what others are reading. Contact Jess at 704.487.9069 ext. 129 for more information.





## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2ND 10:00 AM, AGES 0-12, FANTASTIC PLANTS AT HOLLY OAK ACTIVITY CENTER

Join us for an exciting presentation from Kid Senses Science on the Move. Discover the power of nature as we discover how plants grow and their importance to our natural world. Participants will make a terrarium to take home!



This Newspapers.com resource, houses 3.5 million pages of digitized content from over 1,000 NC county newspapers. You can search for key words, dates, and locations and save articles to a zip drive or device.

### SPANGLER BRANCH PROGRAMS

## SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH, 11:00AM, CRAZY CHICKEN LADY (ALL AGES)

Join us to learn about chickens! You will see chickens in person, learn about their species and how to care for them.





## THURSDAY, JUNE 8TH, 10:00AM, KIDSENSES: THE HUMAN DYNAMO (K-5TH GRADE)

Get an up-close and personal look inside of a giant Stuffee doll as we discover how our body works through exciting demonstrations with real organs.

## THURSDAYS, JUNE 15TH- JULY 20TH, SEPTEMBER 7TH & 21ST, 10:00AM, STORYTIME (PRESCHOOL)

Join in on picture books, songs, literacy stations, crafts and games.





## THURSDAY, JUNE 15TH, 10:00AM, FRIENDS FOREVER (K-5TH GRADE)

Bring your friend and listen to a story followed by several crafts to choose from (or do them all!).

## MONDAY, JUNE 19TH, JULY 10TH, AUGUST 21ST, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 10:00AM, SIT & STITCH (15+)

Join us with your current stitching project. Any kind of needlework: knitting, crocheting, quilting, cross stitch, etc. Novice, experienced or in-between welcome.





Discover your family history using census and military records, immigration lists, directories, and school histories. Use is free when accessed on the library Wifi through our website!

### SPANGLER BRANCH PROGRAMS



## THURSDAY, JUNE 22ND, 10:00AM, COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS (K-5TH GRADE)

Kindness rocks! So, come decorate some kindness rocks to hide in the community for others to find and brighten their day with your thoughtfulness.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH, 10:00AM, 4TH OF JULY SHOEBOX PARADE FLOATS (K-5TH GRADE)

Bring a cardboard shoebox or shoe box-sized box to transform into a miniature float for a float parade to be put on display in the library. Floats may be completed at home and returned by July 1st.





## THURSDAY, JULY 6TH, 10:00AM, ARCH FOR KIDS: MINECRAFT MANIA (K-5TH GRADE)

Calling all Minecraft fans – build your favorite Minecraft character – or create your own!

## THURSDAY, JULY 13TH, 10:00AM, STEAM THAT GROWS (K-5TH GRADE)

Decorate plant pots, pot plants, and make vegetable prints.





## THURSDAY, JULY 20TH, 10:00AM, EXPAND YOUR WORLD (K-5TH GRADE)

Make instruments from around the world: rain sticks, jingle sticks, and decorate maracas.



A comprehensive treasury of American genealogical sources—rich in unique primary sources, local and family histories, convenient research guides, interactive census maps, and more.

## SPANGLER BRANCH PROGRAMS

## THURSDAY, JULY 27TH, 10:00AM, LIBRARY FIELD DAY (PRESCHOOL-5TH GRADE)

Wear your sneakers and join in on cooperative relay races, human knots, and more, each designed for imagination, confidence, and fun! Preschool age kids can use chalk art, parachute play, bubbles and more for literacy development.





## SATURDAY, JULY 29TH,11:00AM, NOT JUST DYING - AUTHOR TALK (18+)

Come hear author Wanda Bechtol speak about her work as a hospice nurse, read from her book, and learn a little about how caregivers can take care of themselves as they navigate a difficult time.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 10:00AM-1:00PM, HOMESCHOOL CO-OP FAIR (ALL AGES)

Drop-In Event with Co-op's from our surrounding area. Ask questions while the children can participate in the activity stations.





## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 10:00AM, STEAM CLUB-ESCAPE ROOM GNOME GAMES (K-5TH GRADE)

Gnomes entered the library during the night and hid our craft supplies! Work together in groups to solve the clues.

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 4:00PM, LEGO CLUB-POTTED FLOWERS CHALLENGE

Do you like LEGOS? Come to our LEGO Club!



### Spangler Branch Library ● 112 Piedmont Dr., Lawndale, NC ● 704-538-7005



Monday & Thursday
Tuesday - Wednesday
Friday & Sunday
Saturday

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM CLOSED

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

### MAKING OUR COMMUNITY BETTER

# THE CLEVELAND COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

911 Communications for
Cleveland County handles both
emergency and non-emergency calls
for police, fire, and EMS in Cleveland
County. Additionally, we provide
dispatch services to Cleveland
County Sheriff's Office, Boiling
Springs Police Department, Cleveland
County EMS, and all fire departments
within Cleveland County. Our center
is staffed 24/7 365 days a year with
highly trained and certified
Telecommunicators that are ready to
assist you with any public



safety needs. Each employee completes approximately 1000 hours of training to become a certified Telecommunicator. We process an average of 130,000 emergency and non-emergency calls for service each year. The goal of 911 Communications is to provide prompt, efficient, and courteous emergency services to the citizens and visitors of Cleveland County. Communication's personnel are committed to excellence in the delivery of these services while treating people with dignity and respect.





Cypress Resume allows anyone to create a professional resume in a matter of minutes. You can access this through the library computers or at cypressresume.com using your library card to log in.

### MAKING OUR COMMUNITY BETTER

FEEDING KIDS OF CLEVELAND COUNTY



Feeding Kids serves families in Cleveland County by providing weekend pack backs, home deliveries, community table meals, and special events.

Reading Kids is a facet of Feeding Kids that delivers reading materials into the hands and homes of Cleveland County kids and their families. Each Food Box Delivery will now contain age-appropriate reading materials for every child in each family that we serve.

This summer the Cleveland County Library System is hosting a book drive to collect materials for Reading kids. We are accepting ageappropriate, new or gently used books for preschool-12th grade. Any donations are greatly appreciated and you can drop off your items at our Eugenia H. Young Memorial Library in Shelby

We are so excited to partner with reading Kids to help place books in the homes of children in Cleveland County. We truly believe that books can change lives and appreciate all the work that this organization is doing in our community.



If you are interested in joining Feeding Kids in their mission, check out their website and social media for opportunities to support them or volunteer for their events.



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FOR INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SUMMER BOOK DRIVE, PLEASE CONTACT GRACE AT 704-487-9069 EXT. 136 OR VICTORIA.BOSTON@CLEVELANDCOUNTYNC.GOV

### **HISTORY HIGHLIGHT**

The Bookmobile in Cleveland County

Grace Boston



From horseback librarians to covered-wagon bookmobiles, Mobile libraries have a long history in rural counties in the United States Cleveland County is no exception. The first bookmobile of the Cleveland County Library System began in the late 1930s and was part of a cultural by the Works project **Progress** Administration which ran from 1937-1943. This administration was part of employed FDR's New Deal and iobseekers millions of to implement public works projects. As a recipient of this program, the Shelby Public Library received a 1936

Chevrolet ¾ ton Panel truck on loan from the WPA and with the help of a local volunteer to operate the vehicle. The Cleveland County commissioners took on the expense of maintaining the vehicle and the State Library Commission furnished books for the bookmobile.

Unfortunately, this bookmobile only serviced a portion of the population. People of color wouldn't bookmobile service receive 1949 when the George Washington Carver Library began partnering with the Shelby Public Library to provide African-American books to neighborhoods and segregated schools in Cleveland County. The WPA's bookmobile project ended in 1943 but the library continued to operate this bookmobile into the early 1950s. It was replaced by a 1952 Chevrolet ½ ton panel truck that the library purchased and was modified for bookmobile service. This new bookmobile could carry up to 300 books at a time between the exterior shelves on the van and the storage space in the trunk. A 1960 article from Firestone News in Gaston County stated that the bookmobile circulated 9,000 books a month.

# Call for Information!

We need your help! The library is trying to gather information about the George Washington Carver Branch Library, formerly located on Buffalo Street. If you have any information, photos, etc. please contact Kallen Terry at kallen.terry@clevelandcountync.gov or 704-487-9069 ext. 146

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Citizens of Cleveland County were able to receive any materials the library owned and were delivered to customers on either a weekly or monthly basis. The bookmobile had regular stops such as Earl Elementary School in Grover and Margrace convenience store in Kings Mountain. Stops were announced weekly in the Cleveland Daily Star and Kings Mountain Herald. The oldest available copy of the bookmobile policy states that customers must live at least 2 miles from the library in order to qualify for bookmobile service and that neighbors should decide on a central meeting place if multiple people wanted to receive service.

Today the Library's outreach services continue to serve those who are unable to come to the library. Materials are handpicked by

librarians and delivered to daycares, nursing homes, families, and individuals in the library's van. The Outreach team also provides storytime and enrichment programs for customers of all ages at various locations across Cleveland County.

The library will be resuming full-bookmobile/mobile library service in the Winter of 2024. In 2022, the library received a grant for the vehicle and the Friends of the Library have an ongoing fundraising campaign, "Rolling for Reading" to help up-fit the mobile library with technology and special collections..



## Interested in donating to the Rolling for Reading fundraiser?

Mail a check to: Friends of the Library P.O. Box 3043 Shelby, NC 28151

or

Paypal to friendsofccl81@gmail.com

**BOOKS ABOUT BOOKMOBILES AND MOBILE LIBRARIES** 

FOR ADULTS: The Giver of Stars By Jojo Moyes

The Bookwoman of Troublesome Creek

**FOR KIDS:** Library on Wheels by Sharlee Glenn

Waiting for the Biblioburro by Monica Brown

## LOCAL FEATURE

Leg Irons and Lady
Slippers: Inside the
International Lineman's
Museum
Adriene Jones

Many people, upon hearing the phrase "leg irons" picture rigid, metal handcuffs designed to restrain the ankles. Conversely, most people conjure up images of soft, feminine, footwear when they think about the term "lady slippers." To one segment of the workforce, however, these terms summon different, yet definitive, images.

For lineman, working with electric utilities, "lady slippers" is a name given to present day utility workers who climb the utility poles by those who have been in the industry for a long time. The term "leg irons" refers to climbers' hooks, tools strapped to linemen's feet to assist them in making their way up utility poles. The definition posed by linemen for these words certainly differs from their commonplace meaning, visitors the International to Lineman's Museum, located Shelby, North Carolina at 529 Caleb Road, find such contrast and unexpectedness prevalent.

Although less than four minutes the heavily trafficked intersection of South Post Road and Highway 74, the route to the museum brings travelers past yellow signs that remind them to share the road with tractors. A pasture sits opposite the unpretentious brick building that houses both museum and American Safety Utility Company. Based on its rural setting, some may think little of the small however, it museum: international significance.

The museum is the only one in the United States to focus on the history and collection of lineman gear, tools, and equipment. The collection received recognition in both Alan Drew's seminal work "The American Lineman and Disney's use of the museum's artifacts in the 2013 movie remake of The Lone Ranger.

While visitors may be surprised to discover the wide reach of the museum, Andy Price, the museum's founder and president of American Safety Utility Cooperation, was surprised to have a museum at all. Price's connection to linemen dates back to 1982 when his father began the American Safety Utility Cooperation. As a child, Price expressed curiosity about linemen and their work. As a teenager, Price began working with his father and began collecting artifacts and



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memorabilia connected to linemen and their job. Price explained that the initial idea was to fill a display case, but generous donations have led to the museum occupying the entire building.

Walking up the staircase in the museum, visitors immediately notice a signed reprint of Rocco Morabito's 1968 Pulitzer Prize winning photo "Kiss of Life" in which lineman J.D. Thompson performed lifesaving mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on his electrocuted colleague Randall G. Champion atop a utility pole. The danger captured in the "Kiss of Life" photograph is familiar to linemen. In the early days of utility work, one out of two linemen were killed on the job.

The museum's collection, dating back to the late 1800's, explains the staggering early death toll showcases many of the advances made since then. Hot sticks, both old and new, are featured in a floor display and along the wall opposite the display; these tools allow linemen manipulate switches without directly components touching them. The early wooden hot sticks offered some protection, but modern fiberglass hot sticks work much better as insulators.

The displayed climber's hooks, called leg irons in lineman slang, and utility belts were initially homemade



by workers, with many of the belts being thin straps of leather. Progress in the industry led to more standardized, safer gear, which is also showcased.

Further industrial advances are seen in the museum's display of the original 1933 patent for curved rubber gloves and examples of the resulting glove. Initially, the gloves were made flat, but this design strained linemen's hands because individuals' hands remain curved when at rest. The manufacture of curved rubber gloves provided less muscle fatigue and a tighter grip atop utility poles. They are still in use today.

Perhaps the most astounding piece of history in the museum is a black 1901 coin operated electrical meter. People desiring electricity inserted a quarter, similar to operating modern parking



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meters. When people's lights went off, they inserted additional money. A quarter's worth of electricity would last about one month for most homeowners, although homeowners of this period had substantially fewer electrical appliances.

Other notable museum pieces include a large substation transmitter tower made of glass. At first glance, it could be likened to something from the original Star Trek franchise, but upon closer inspection, the resemblance to modern transmitters through. In contrast to the large floor to ceiling transmitter, a small power grid model shows how a loop system works. The model uses miniature replicas of buildings, vehicles, power lines, utility poles, and roadways to demonstrate how a loop maintains power flow to a primary source, such as a hospital. An exhibit designed to

interest children showcases toy utility vehicles and a coloring area. Visitors further interested in the vehicles linemen use can make an appointment to visit the museum's fleet, housed in a nearby facility.

The International Lineman Museum unique collection that boasts a touches on both the extraordinary aspects and the commonplace aspects of an integral line of work. They honor prominent individuals, but also showcase more ordinary people such as Ed Nelson, "Rosie" Maria Vasquez, and Alan Katz, who contributed significantly to the field through their hard work, innovation, and commitment. these individuals fact that recognized speaks to the greatest strength of the museum itself: the passion to highlight and to preserve the stories of working linemen, the tools they use, and the challenges they face. The International Lineman's Museum serves gateway for novice "lady slippers," linemen, and curious seasoned individuals to learn more about the essential role of utility workers.

#### **MUSEUM INFORMATION:**

**HOURS:** Monday-Friday

8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

ADDRESS: 529 Caleb Rd.

Shelby, NC 28152

FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com

/linemanmuseum/

**WEBSITE:** linemanmuseum.org

PHONE: 704-482-0601

EMAIL: linemanmuseum@gmail.com

## **PARTNERS**







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Steps to Health - Take Control Thursdays 8:30 AM - 10 AM H. Lawrence Patrick Senior Center, 909 E King St, Kings Mountain, NC 28086, USA

Evin Evans Spring Spectacular Dairy
Goat Show
June 2rd- June 4th
Cleveland County Fair Grounds

Pesticide Class
Wednesday June 7th, 9 AM - 11 AM
N.C. Cooperative Extension - Lincoln
County Center, 115 W Main St,
Lincolnton, NC 28092, USA

Med Instead of Meds Class
Wednesday June 7th, 5:30 PM - 7:30
PM

This hands-on class series will help you learn the 7 simple steps to eating the Med Way.

REVUP Agriculture Day Camp June 12th - June 16th

A week long day camp to expose rising 7th through 12th graders about the diversity of Cleveland County agriculture and potential careers in agriculture and agribusiness.

2023 Annual Southwest Corn and Soybean Field Day Saturday, August 8th 9 AM - 12 PM ASR Grain Company, 1514 New House Rd, Shelby, NC 28150, USA

Foothills Farmers' Market Saturdays 8 AM - 12 PM Bobby Bell Pavilion, 126 W Marion St, Shelby, NC 28150, USA

For questions or to register for events Please contact the Extension office at (704) 482- 4365



The Library and the Cooperative Extension of Cleveland County partner together for the Seed Libraries located at our main and Spangler branches. Here you can find seasonal seeds all year round. The Best part? They are completely free!

### **PARTNERS**

Center Stage Concert Series:
Andrew Finn Magill Jazz Quartet
June 22nd at 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, \$25
North Carolina violinist/fiddler Andrew
Finn Magill has received acclaim from some of the foremost jazz violinists on the planet

Center Stage Concert Series: The Barefoot Movement July 20th at 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, \$30

Their sound is invigorating, infused with a captivating honesty that transports audiences to a place of complete enthrallment.

**Pickin' on the Square 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**Second Saturday
of every month



Coffee with the
Curator
10:30 am - 11:30 am
Third Wednesday
of every month

Center Stage Concert Series:
Mark & Maggie O'Connor
August 10th, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, \$30
Violinists and fiddlers Maggie and
Mark perform a variety of musical
styles throughout the U.S. and beyond.

Earl Scruggs Music Festival
September 1st - September 3rd
At the Tryon International
Equestrian Center
4066 Pea Ridge Rd., Mill Spring,
SC 28756



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### CLEVELAND COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL

Events held by the Cleveland County Arts Council are located at 111 S. Washington St., Shelby, NC 28150

April 20 - May 13, "Student Art Exhibit & Competition" at the Arts Council

April. 20, 5-7pm, Opening Reception at the Arts Council

May 25 - June 20, "Cleveland County Artist Competition" at the Arts council

May 25, 5-7pm, Opening Reception at the Arts Council

June - July - August,
"Summer Arts Camp for Kids" at the
Arts Council
www.ccartscouncil.org
/SummerArtCamp

June 3, 10-5pm,
"Garden & Outdoor Living Tour"
ccartscouncil.org/
GardenandOutdoorLivingTour

June 24,

"Art of Sound Music Festival"

in conjunction with

"Arts on the Square" & "Flea Fest" in

Uptown Shelby

August 9-12, 7pm Nightly, "Real to Reel Film Festival" at the Joy Performance Center 202 S. Railroad Ave., Kings Mountain www.ccartscouncil.org/realtoreel

August 12, 1pm-3pm,
"Real to Reel Film Festival" Matinee
at the Joy Performance Center
202 S. Railroad Ave., Kings Mountain
www.ccartscouncil.org/realtoreel

September 16, 9am-Noon, "Chalk Fest!" Court Square in Uptown Shelby

November 4, 10am-4pm, "Carolina Pottery Festival" LeGrand Center 1800 E. Marion St., Shelby, NC

More events and info: www.ccartscouncil.org www.facebook.com/ ClevelandCountyArtsCouncil



## Good Deeds, Good Reads

### **Summer Reading Challenge 2023**

Complete the board and return it to the library by August 48th to be entered in a drawing for a prize. Don't forget to tag us in any social media and use #cclsgooddeedsgoodreads!

Volunteer for a charitable organization	Read a book suggested by a friend or librarian	Read a book by an author of color	Read a poem	Read a book that focuses on Community
Read a book set in another country	Read a book by an Asian or Pacific Islander Author	Pick or purchase flowers for someone	Leave a kind note in a library book for the next person	Read a memoir
Make baked goods for a friend or neighbors	Read a self-help book	Reader's Choice	Read something by an author you've never read	Make a gift for someone
Listen to an Audiobook	Donate books to the library for kids in need	Invite someone new to share a meal or have coffee with you	Read a book originally published in another language	Read a book by an indigenous/ Native author
Read a book by a Hispanic/ Latinx Author	Read a graphic novel	Read a book about a different religion	Compliment a Stranger	Try out a local small business you've never visited

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