



LIVINGSTON PARISH  
**LIBRARY**



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## LET'S CHECK OUT LOUISIANA'S STATE PARKS!

### Livingston Parish Library Cardholders Can Now Reserve State Park, Historic Site Passes

It's time to explore Louisiana!

Through a new program, Livingston Parish Library cardholders can visit Louisiana's State Parks for free.

The program, called Check Out Louisiana State Parks, allows library patrons in participating parishes to check out a day pass to any state park or historic site at no cost.

The program is a partnership between the State Library of Louisiana and Louisiana State Parks. The Livingston Parish Library is one of 18 public library systems participating in the pilot program.

A limited number of park passes are available during the pilot phase of the program. In Livingston Parish, the park passes are included in our Cultural Passes and can be checked out by the following card types: Adult, Educator, and Senior Citizen.

The Check Out Louisiana State Parks program also includes a limited number of Geaux Explore backpacks that cardholders may check out.



These backpacks contain binoculars, a compass, magnifying glass, Leave No Trace outdoor ethics cards, and guides to Louisiana birds, wildlife, and trees and flowers. The Geaux Explore backpacks do not have to be checked out in order to reserve a park pass.

Visit your local library today to find out how you can reserve a park pass!

To learn more about the program, visit  
[CheckOutLouisiana.org](https://CheckOutLouisiana.org).



# SOCK IT TO ME!

## LIVINGSTON PARISH LIBRARY PARTICIPATING IN SOCK DRIVE!



This year's sock drive runs through Friday, Dec. 6.

The Livingston Parish Library is partnering with Family Resource Group for the 20th Annual Sock It To Me! Holiday Sock Drive Campaign.

Held every year before the holiday season, the Sock It to Me! Sock Drive takes place in the Greater Baton Rouge area and allows people to drop off new, unused socks in donation boxes at participating businesses, schools, churches, or childcare centers.

Last year, Family Resource Group Foundation collected more than 40,000 pairs of socks that went to local organizations in need. The 2024 goal for the entire sock drive is to collect 50,000 pairs of socks.

### How can you participate?

Visit any branch of the Livingston Parish Library from October 1 - December 6 to donate new, unused pairs of socks. All sizes, from infant to adult, will be accepted.

### All donations going to The Family Village.

All socks collected by the Livingston Parish Library will be donated to The Family Village, a Livingston Parish-based non-profit organization that provides necessities to children who have been separated from their homes in a traumatic event.

## CHECK OUT THESE JOB & CAREER DATABASES

Do you want to learn a new skill, prep for a certification, or brush up your résumé?

Your Library has plenty of job and career databases to get you ready for the next step in your life!

To check out all of our databases, visit [www.mylpl.info/databases](http://www.mylpl.info/databases).

### VetNow

VetNow provides support for veterans and their families with navigating the VA bureaucracy, providing academic tutoring, and employment transition assistance.

### Niche Academy

Provides easy-to-learn tutorials that teach people how to use library e-Resources like eBooks, research databases, and language learning tools.

### Learning Express

Comprehensive interactive learning site of tests, courses, and career preparation for students and adults. Offered through the State Library of Louisiana.

### SkillMill

A complete workforce training program that rapidly prepares learners with job-ready skills and certifications to access trades careers.

### Chilton

Provides access to repair, maintenance, and service information on the most popular cars, trucks, vans, and SUVs on the road today.

### JobNow

An all-in-one suite of services designed for a wide range of career needs, whether it's tackling a résumé, writing a cover letter, developing additional skills, or adjusting to a new career. Services include expert coaching, self-study tools, and live assistance.

# PROGRAMS & EVENTS

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS & TEENS

NOVEMBER 2024

### MAIN BRANCH IN LIVINGSTON

11/1	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
11/6	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/13	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/14	5:30p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
11/15	10:00a	Blossom Buddies	Ages 18+ with Littles
11/15	6:00p	Outdoor Movie: Kung Fu Panda 4	All Ages
11/20	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/27	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

### ALBANY - SPRINGFIELD

11/6	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/13	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/20	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/21	5:30p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
11/27	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

### SOUTH

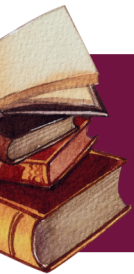
11/4	4:00p	The Creative Krewe	Ages 13-18
11/6	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/13	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/16	11:00a	Ugly Sweater Party	Ages 13-18
11/16	2:00p	Kooky Turkey Oil Pastel	Ages 5-7
11/20	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/26	5:00p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
11/27	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

### DENHAM SPRINGS - WALKER

11/2	9:00a	Safe & in Charge: Sitter Superstars	Ages 10-14
11/4	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
11/4	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/7	5:30p	Thanksgiving Decoration Crafts	Ages 5-7
11/13	10:00a	Blossom Buddies	Ages 18+ with Littles
11/14	5:30p	Woven Coasters	Ages 8-12
11/15	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
11/18	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
11/18	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/21	6:00p	LEGO Club	Ages 5-12
11/25	9:45a	Book Babies	Ages 0-2
11/25	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5

### WATSON

11/1	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
11/6	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/7	5:00p	Teen Advisory Board	Ages 13-18
11/7	5:30p	Ugly Sweater Party	Ages 13-18
11/13	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/14	5:30p	Teen Hangout	Ages 13-18
11/15	10:30a	Wiggle Worms: Music & Movement	Ages 0-5
11/20	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5
11/21	5:30p	Woven Coasters	Ages 8-12
11/22	10:00a	Blossom Buddies	Ages 18+ with Littles
11/27	10:30a	Storytime	Ages 0-5



**CLOSED NOVEMBER 9 for the 9TH ANNUAL BOOK FESTIVAL**

**Closed November 11 for Veteran's Day**

**CLOSED THANKSGIVING**  
Nov. 28 & 29 for **& BLACK FRIDAY**



## PROGRAMS & EVENTS

## ★ EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FOR AGES 18+

### ALBANY - SPRINGFIELD

11/1	1:00p	Autumn Leaf Silhouette	Ages 18+
11/15	1:00p	Faberge-Inspired Harvest Treasury	Ages 18+
11/16	1:00p	Crafting Club	Ages 18+
11/23	11:00a	Puzzle Café	Ages 18+
11/25	10:00a	Albany-Springfield Book Club	Ages 18+

### SOUTH

11/2	10:30a	Friends & Needles: a fiber arts circle	Ages 16+
11/7	5:30p	Bookies Book Club	Ages 16+
11/12	10:30a	Joyful Reads Book Club	Ages 18+
11/23	10:30a	Faberge-Inspired Harvest Treasury	Ages 18+

### WATSON

11/12	11:00a	Sunny Side Up Inspirational Book Club	Ages 18+
11/12	6:00p	Spine Tingers Book Club (Ages 18+)	Ages 18+
11/15	1:00p	Christmas Clockdown (Ages 18+)	Ages 18+
11/19	5:30p	Autumn Leaf Silhouette (Ages 18+)	Ages 18+

### DENHAM SPRINGS - WALKER

11/1	12:00p	Alzheimer's Services Caregiver Support Group	Ages 18+
11/5	6:00p	Retirement Roadmap	Ages 18+
11/7	2:00p	Autumn Leaf Silhouette	Ages 18+
11/7	6:00p	Adult Writers' Club	Ages 18+
11/13	1:00p	Seaux Easy	Ages 18+
11/20	2:00p	Hooks & Loops Crochet Club	Ages 18+
11/21	2:00p	Box of Chocolates Book Club	Ages 18+
11/23	1:00p	Afternoon Board Games	Ages 18+

### MAIN BRANCH IN LIVINGSTON

11/7	5:30p	Christmas Clockdown	Ages 18+
11/15	6:00p	Outdoor Movie: Kung Fu Panda 4	All Ages
11/21	5:30p	Master Gardener: Shade Gardening	Ages 18+
11/22	1:00p	Autumn Leaf Silhouette	Ages 18+
11/26	10:30a	Main Branch Book Club	Ages 18+
11/26	5:30p	Faberge-Inspired Harvest Treasury	Ages 18+

All in-person events in red require pre-registration. To register, please call your preferred branch or visit [www.mylpl.info](http://www.mylpl.info) and click on events.



# KIDS CORNER

## SAFE & IN CHARGE: SITTER SUPERSTARS

Whether your child is interested in becoming a top-notch babysitter or simply wants to be more prepared for the challenges life may bring, this course offered at no charge by the Louisiana Firefighters Foundation teaches valuable lessons for everyone. Participants will learn basic childcare, life safety, business skills, and essential first aid techniques, including CPR and choking response. This is not just a class for aspiring #SitterSuperstars—it's for any young person looking to be empowered with the knowledge and skills to navigate life safely and effectively. Registration is required. Visit [louisianafirefighters.com/community/safe-sitter](http://louisianafirefighters.com/community/safe-sitter) to register for this stellar event. *For ages 10-14.*

DSW      Saturday, November 2      9:00 am

## BLOSSOM BUDDIES: YOGA FOR MOMS & TOTS

Bond with your little one as you both engage in gentle yoga poses, soothing stretches, and calming breathing exercises tailored for small children and their moms. Led by certified yoga instructor, Julie Williams, you won't want to miss this wonderful opportunity to bond with your little one while nurturing your own well-being. Please bring your own yoga mat. Dress in comfortable, athletic clothing. Registration is required for both caretaker and child. *For ages 18+ and their little ones.*

DSW      Wednesday, November 13      10:00 am  
MAIN      Friday, November 15      10:00 am  
WAT      Friday, November 22      10:00 am



## WOVEN COASTERS



Get ready to weave your way into a world of fun, and join us to learn the art of coaster weaving. Using colorful yarn and simple techniques, you'll create unique and vibrant coasters to jazz up any room. Registration is required. *For ages 8-12.*

DSW      Thursday, November 14      5:30 pm  
WAT      Thursday, November 21      5:30 pm

## KOOKY TURKEY OIL PASTEL

Your kids will "gobble" up this good time. We are making a kooky turkey with oil pastels. Registration is required. *For ages 5-7.*

STH      Saturday, November 16      2:00 pm



## THANKSGIVING DECORATION CRAFTS



Get ready for a gobble-tastic time at the library as we turkey trot into the festive spirit with Thanksgiving crafting fun for kids. Join us as we make holiday decorations that can be displayed during the season. *For ages 5-7.*

DSW      Thursday, November 7      5:30 pm





# TEEN SCENE

## THE CREATIVE KREWE

Creativity starts here: Imagine. Draw. Paint. Come along with us as we learn about various types of art. We will try new mediums and techniques throughout the year. All skill levels are welcome, from beginner to advanced artists. Registration is required. *For ages 8-18.*

STH Monday, November 4 4:00 pm



## UGLY SWEATER PARTY

Ready for some holiday hilarity? Wear your "ugliest" holiday sweater while you hang out and make one for your coordinator's closet! We will provide the sweater (and the ugly). Refreshments will be served. And yes, your coordinator will wear the sweater. Registration is required. *For ages 13-18.*

WAT Thursday, November 7 5:30 pm

STH Saturday, November 16 11:00 am



## OUTDOOR MOVIE: KUNG FU PANDA 4

After three death-defying adventures, Po, the Dragon Warrior, is called upon by destiny to...give it a rest already. More specifically, he's tapped to become the Spiritual Leader of the Valley of Peace. That poses a couple of obvious problems. First, Po knows as much about spiritual leadership as he does about the paleo diet, and second, he needs to quickly find and train a new Dragon Warrior before he can assume his new lofty position. Popcorn and hot chocolate provided. Feel free to pack a picnic dinner! Please bring your own chairs or blankets to make yourself comfortable. Registration is required. *For all ages.*

MAIN Friday, November 15 6:00 pm



## TEEN HANGOUT

Join us for a teen hangout! Bring your friends or come to make new ones where everyone is welcome! Video games, activities, crafts, snacks, and more! *For ages 13-18.*

WAT Thursday, November 14 5:30 pm





# ADULT PROGRAMS

## RETIREMENT ROADMAP

Are you ready to take control of your financial future? Join us for an insightful and empowering session on retirement and retirement planning led by an experienced financial adviser. Whether you're just starting your career, mid-way through, or nearing retirement, this program offers valuable guidance to help you plan for a secure and comfortable retirement. Travis Shepherd, founder of and advisor for Shepherd Wealth Solutions, will cover essential topics of retirement to help you make informed decisions that align with your retirement goals. *For ages 18+.*

DSW Tuesday November 5 6:00 pm



## AUTUMN LEAF SILHOUETTE

Catch a falling leaf...in silhouette, on a beautiful autumn background that you create yourself. We supply all you will need to hand make this lovely framed wall hanging to enjoy or give as a gift.

Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

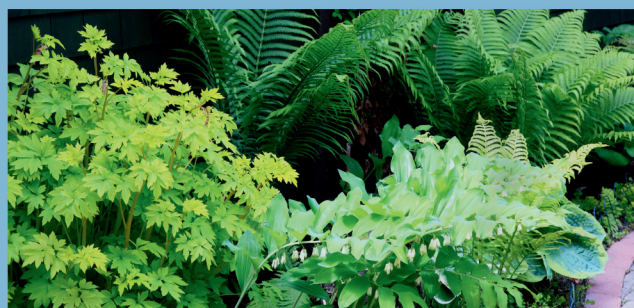
AS	Friday, November 1	1:00 pm
DSW	Thursday, November 7	2:00 pm
WAT	Tuesday, November 19	5:30 pm
MAIN	Friday, November 22	1:00 pm



## MASTER GARDENER: SHADE GARDENING

Looking for a blossoming garden where you can sip sweet iced tea in the shade? How about your own backyard? Join us to learn about the art and science of Shade Gardening from a Master Gardener. You'll learn about the plants and practices necessary to create a garden in the shadows away from the hot Louisiana sun. This program is presented in partnership with the Livingston Parish chapter of the LSU AgCenter's Louisiana Master Gardener Program. *For ages 18+.*

MAIN Thursday, November 21 5:30 pm





## CHRISTMAS CLOCKDOWN

Christmas is coming and we found a festive way to countdown the days with a Christmas Countdown Clock made from a pizza pan. So come join us for some creative fun. All supplies included.

Registration is required. *For ages 18+.*

MAIN Thursday, November 7 5:30 pm

WAT Friday, November 15 1:00 pm



## PUZZLE CAFE

Join us for puzzles and refreshments at our Puzzle Café, held every 4th Saturday of the month. The café opens at 11am and continues until 3pm. Feel free to come and go at your leisure and enjoy the company of fellow puzzle enthusiasts. *For ages 18+.*

AS Saturday, November 23 11:00am



## BOX OF CHOCOLATES BOOK CLUB

Are you an avid reader or are you just looking for some great new titles to try? Do you like mysteries, historical fiction, or thrillers? Join us at the Box of Chocolates Book Club, because you never know what you're going to get. We enjoy discussing a wide variety of books throughout the year, and we meet on the third Thursday of each month at 2:00 PM. Come check us out! *For ages 18+.*

DSW Thursday, November 21 2:00 pm

## FABERGE-INSPIRED HARVEST TREASURY

Do you enjoy the look of Faberge pieces? Can't afford those prices? Well, we have a program just for you! Make an elegant, Faberge-inspired pumpkin to complement your fall décor. Registration is required.

*For ages 18+.*

AS Friday, November 15 1:00pm

STH Saturday, November 23 10:30am

MAIN Tuesday, November 26 5:30pm



## AFTERNOON BOARD GAMES

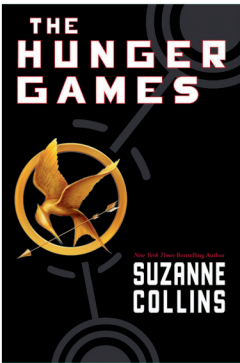
Board gaming is exploding as a hobby! Join us at the library to try out our collection. There's something for everyone: traditional, casual, & strategy. Space is available for tabletop role-playing. *For ages 18+.*

DSW Saturday, November 23 1:00 pm





# READERS CLUB NOVEMBER SUGGESTIONS



We've made it to the 2000s!

To complete November's Readers Club reading challenge, read a book set in or published during the 2000s!

This challenge is part of our "Reading Through the Decades" theme for Readers Club, a year-long reading program for adults. Participants can earn prizes by reading or listening to books of their choosing!

If you haven't signed up, there's still plenty of time! Register TODAY by visiting [www.mylpl.info/readers-club](http://www.mylpl.info/readers-club).

## Books of the 2000s

- *The Shack* by William P. Young
- *Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close* by Jonathan Safran Foer
- *The Five People You Meet In Heaven* by Mitch Albom
- *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel
- *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger,
- *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins
- *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh
- *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult
- *The Only Plane in the Sky: An Oral History of 9/11* by Garrett Graff
- *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls

## TAKE & MAKES



### Beaded Pumpkin - For Kids

Pumpkins remind us of fall and can be fun to decorate with. Make a pumpkin at home today. It's a great way to build fine motor strength as you add beads to the chenille stems. Grab up a kit at your local branch while supplies last. *For ages 6-18.*



### Christmas Box Ornament - For Adults

When can a circle be a cube? When you make our charming Christmas ornament that can double as a gift box. Come by any branch to pick up your kit with easy to follow instructions and everything you need to create your own unique holiday treat! Available while supplies last. *For ages 18+.*

## BRANCHES

### Main Branch

20390 Iowa Street  
Livingston, LA 70754  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4160

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Denham Springs - Walker

8101 US Hwy 190  
Denham Springs, LA 70726  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4140

Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### South

23477 LA Hwy 444  
Livingston, LA 70754  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4170

Mon. & Wed. 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Tues. & Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Watson

36581 Outback Road  
Denham Springs, LA 70706  
Phone: (225) 686 - 4180

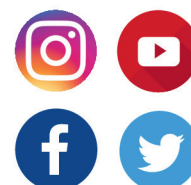
Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Albany - Springfield

26941 LA Hwy 43  
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