



ARCPLS QUARTERLY NEWS LETTER

This Quarter with The ARCPLS
We've got programs for all ages, services for the
whole community and books like you've never read!

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Other apps free to you with
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APP OF THE QTR QUARTER 1 | 2025



Chandler B. uses
Libby for all her
audiobook needs.

“I love using Libby
because I get free
access to unlimited
audiobook options”



BE A FRIEND

Steve has been a helpful member of the Friends of the Augusta Library volunteers for 5 years. Thanks Steve!

Learn more about how you can become a Friend and its perks by clicking the “become a friend” link at the bottom of our website home page.



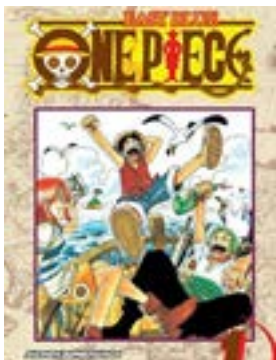


The Wedding People by Alison Espach

An uninvited guest at a lavish Newport, Rhode Island wedding weekend finds herself at the heart of unexpected connections and revelations

500 Great Ways to Save for Dummies

Packed with creative ideas for cutting costs in small and big ways, in dozens of categories.



One Piece by Oda Eiichirō

A young pirate named Monkey D. Luffy sets sail with his crew across the Grand Line in search of the legendary treasure 'One Piece' to become the Pirate King,

Dr. Seuss's Winter Things

Thing One and Thing Two as they spend a winter's day enjoying all the activities the season has to offer.





SCREEN BIG SAVE BIGGER

While theater tickets cost more than they used to, the average ticket when considering inflation, is about the same today as it was yesterday. If this is so, why are there so many online conversations complaining about the cost of taking families to the movie theater? Why are people in our community looking for alternatives?

The answer is too deep for this one-pager. To make it short: modern day bills, popcorn, snacks and taxes. The solution: your library. The best part about going to the movies was the experience and ritual of it all. ARCPLS is ecstatic to provide our patrons with a new ritual to save money and savor the memories!

First, let's make it an adventure by designating a color for everyone to wear. Then, head to your favorite ARCPLS location & choose the feature film of the night. Next, play songs from the movie on the way to a dollar or discount store. Bonus points if you use one of our computers to research a classic film's soundtrack. At the store of your choosing, purchase a few bags of popcorn & your favorite candy at a fraction of the theater prices. Finally, get the blankets ready, pick out your couch spot, pop that corn and enjoy the night!

On the other side of town today?



Headquarters

823 Telfair Street, Augusta, GA 30901
(706) 821-2600



Appleby Branch Library

2260 Walton Way, Augusta, GA 30904
(706) 736-6244



Bookmobile

823 Telfair Street, Augusta, GA 30901
(706) 826-1509



Friedman Branch Library

1447 Jackson Road, Augusta, GA 30909
(706) 736-6758



Diamond Lakes Library

101 Diamond Lakes Way, Hephzibah, GA 30815
(706) 772-2432



Jeff Maxwell Branch Library

1927 Lumpkin Road, Augusta, GA 30906
(706) 793-2020



Wallace Branch Library

1237 Laney Walker Boulevard, Augusta, GA 30901
(706) 722-6275



Bobby Williams

Carlotta McGruder

Tonia Gibbons

Kigwana Cherry

Christine Rhodes

Anna Reeves

Morris Porter,

Leon Maben

Brenda Garman

Cher Best

Anita Rookard

Kimberly Brown

Our Vision
Enriching
the Lives of the
Community!

Our Mission
The first choice
for unlimited
exploration.

Did You Know?



The ARCPLS provides Notary Services for free at our Friedman location.

Please see the Notary Service page on our website under the *SERVICES* tab for more information or give us a call.

706-736-6758

Georgia Heritage Room

Last quarter baseball historian, Lamar Garrard, displayed cards, photos, and memorabilia that gave us a peek into a rich past. This quarter, the Georgia Heritage Room will display the work of David "Dave" Drake and more.

For most of his life, David Drake, lived in Edgefield, South Carolina where he created alkaline-glazed stoneware jugs. One of these jugs was excavated in 2006 by the Savannah River Archaeological Research Program and will be available for viewing in the Georgia Heritage Room along with other neat finds.

Stop by for more information.



To book
the bookmobile or
find out where you
can find us today
contact us at
706-821-2612.

We visit:

- senior living apartments
- homes
- parks
- schools
- daycares
- events
- more

We offer

- mobile book returns
- book holds delivery
- home visits
- library volunteer training
- equitable access
- and more



Appleby Library

ALL AGE PROGRAMS

January – March 2025

January 1 – December 31, 2025

Appleby Checkout Challenge

Join us as we challenge ourselves to read more books, watch more DVDs, and listen to more audiobooks than in 2024 from the library.

January 1 – March 31

Winter Reading Program

Get a log at the front desk and record your winter reading (5 books or 5 hours). Turn in your complete reading log for a chance to win a super reading prize - one for kids, teens, and adults.

January 2025

January 1 – 31

January Coloring Contest for All

Come in during the month of January, grab a coloring sheet and return it to us once you've finished your masterpiece.

January 1 – 31

January Scavenger Hunt

Come in during the month of January for a scavenger hunt for all ages.

Saturday, January 11 at 1:30 pm

Puzzle Club

Join us at Appleby for Puzzle Club. We'll have jigsaw puzzles set up for you to complete. All ages are welcome!

Monday, January 13 – Saturday, January 25

If I Met Martin Luther King Jr.

Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. with us by sharing your answers on our questionnaire. Turn it in by Saturday, January 25 to be entered for a chance to win a prize.

Appleby Library

Tuesday, January 21 at 3:30 pm

Inside the Lines: Coloring Club

Take a break, let your inner artist out and enjoy an afternoon of coloring fun. Best for all ages and skills!

February 2025

February 1 -28

Black History Month Crossword Puzzle

Enjoy a crossword puzzle celebrating Black History Month.

February 1 – 28

February Coloring Contest for All

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February 1 – 28

February Scavenger Hunt

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February 1 – 28

Library Lovers Month

We want to know why you love Appleby - fill out a heart and let us know why you love Appleby. One lucky person will win a prize!

Saturday, February 1 & 22 at 1:30 pm

Puzzle Club

Join us at Appleby for Puzzle Club. We'll have jigsaw puzzles set up for you to complete. All ages are welcome!

Tuesday, February 18 at 3:30 pm

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March 1 – 31

March Scavenger Hunt

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March 1 – 31

March Madness – Riddle Me This

Riddle Me This: Who can win a prize for answering new weekly riddles at Appleby? Answer: You! Join us at Appleby each week for new riddles, all correct answers enter you for a chance to win a puzzling prize.

March 1 – 31

Women's History Month Activity

Learn about Women's History Month with an activity at Appleby.

Saturday, March 15 at 1:30 pm

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Appleby Library

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

January 2025

Saturday, January 4 & 25 at 1:30 pm

Lego Club

Join us at Appleby for Lego Club as we play with Legos. What can you build with the Legos provided? All ages are welcome!

Wednesday, January 15, 22, & 29 at 10:30 am

Story Time at Appleby!

A library staff member or volunteer will read a selection of stories that have a theme (TBD). ALL ages are welcome. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Wednesday, January 15 at 3:30 pm

STEM Challenge

Join us at Appleby as we take on a STEM challenge, what will we learn about today? Ages 7 and up. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Saturday, January 18 at 1:30 pm

Crafty: Make or Take

Join us at Appleby to make a craft or stop by and pick up a craft kit while supplies last. Best for ages 6 and up.

Tuesday, January 28 at 3:30 pm

Afternoon Storytime at Appleby

Join us for a half hour of Story Time. A library staff member or volunteer will read a selection of stories that have a theme (TBD). Aimed at pre-readers and early readers but ALL ages are welcome. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Thursday, January 30 at 3:30 pm

Snowman Activity: DIY Crafts for Kids

Do you want to build a snowman? Join us at Appleby as we make a cute snowman. Best for ages 5-11. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Appleby Library

February 2025

Wednesday, February 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 10:30 am

Story Time at Appleby!

A library staff member or volunteer will read a selection of stories that have a theme (TBD). ALL ages are welcome. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Saturday, February 8 at 1:30 pm

Crafty: Make or Take

Join us at Appleby to make a craft or stop by and pick up a craft kit while supplies last. Best for ages 6 and up.

Tuesday, February 11 at 3:30 pm

Greeting Cards: DIY Crafts for Kids

Join us at Appleby as we make our own Greeting Cards. Best for ages 5-11. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Saturday, February 15 at 1:30 pm

Lego Club

Join us at Appleby for Lego Club as we play with Legos. What can you build with the Legos provided? All ages are welcome!

Monday, February 17 at 10:30 am

School's Out Movie for Kids

Join us for a movie rated G or PG on the library's little big screen. Registration required: 706-736-6244

Wednesday, February 19 at 3:30 pm

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Watercolor Paint: DIY Crafts for Kids

Join us at Appleby as we make DIY crafts using Watercolor Paint. Best for ages 5-11. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

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Appleby Library

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

January 2025

Tuesday, January 9 at 4:00 pm

Teen Tech Help

Bring your device - phone, tablet, laptop, etc. and receive one-on-one assistance from library staff. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Thursday, January 16 at 4:00 pm

Acrylic Paint: DIY Crafts

Join us at Appleby as we make DIY crafts using Acrylic Paint. Best for ages 12-18.

Registration Required: 706-736-6244

February 2025

Tuesday, February 4 at 4:00 pm

Teen Tech Help

Bring your device - phone, tablet, laptop, etc. and receive one-on-one assistance from library staff. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Thursday, February 6 at 4:00 pm

Greeting Cards: DIY Crafts

Join us at Appleby as we make our own Greeting Cards. Best for ages 12-18. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Monday, February 17 at 2:30 pm

School's Out Movie for Teens

Join us for a movie rated PG or PG-13 on the library's little big screen. Registration required: 706-736-6244

March 2025

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ADULT PROGRAMS

January 2025

Tuesday, January 9 at 10:30 am & 4:00 pm

Senior Tech Tip & Help

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Thursday, January 16 at 10:30 am

Libby: From eBooks to Magazines

Join us for a class on Libby. Learn how to setup your account, download audiobooks, eBooks, and magazines, and more. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Thursday, January 16 at 4:00 pm

Acrylic Paint: DIY Crafts

Join us at Appleby as we make DIY crafts using Acrylic Paint. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Tuesday, January 27 at 4:00 pm

As the Page Turns – “The Women” by Kristin Hannah

Are you an adult who loves to read? Come by Appleby as we discuss this month’s book club read – “The Women” by Kristin Hannah.

February 2025

Tuesday, February 4 at 10:30 am & 4:00 pm

Senior Tech Tip & Help

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Thursday, February 6 at 10:30 am

Designs with Canva

Join us at Appleby as we show you how you can use Canva to create designs such as greeting cards, Facebook posts, place cards, and more. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Appleby Library

Thursday, February 6 at 4:00 pm

Greeting Cards: DIY Crafts

Join us at Appleby as we make our own Greeting Cards. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Monday, February 24 at 4:00 pm

As the Page Turns – “How to Stay Married” by Harrison Scott Key

Are you an adult who loves to read? Come by Appleby as we discuss this month’s book club read – “How to Stay Married” by Harrison Scott Key.

March 2025

Tuesday, March 4 at 10:30 am & 4:00 pm

Senior Tech Tip & Help

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Thursday, March 6 at 10:30 am

Google Search

Learn how to use Google to search the internet and how to refine your search skills. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Thursday, March 6 at 4:00 pm

Watercolor Paint: DIY Crafts

Join us at Appleby as we make DIY crafts using Watercolor Paint. Registration Required: 706-736-6244

Monday, March 24 at 4:00 pm

As the Page Turns – “The Maid” by Nita Prose

Are you an adult who loves to read? Come by Appleby as we discuss this month’s book club read – “The Maid” by Nita Prose.

Diamond Lakes Library

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

January 2025

Tuesdays at 10:00 -10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Bring your little ones for a fun-filled Preschool Storytime! Enjoy stories, songs, games, short movies, and creative crafts. Perfect for children ages 3-5. Groups of 6 or more require registration. For more information and to register, call 706-772-2432 today.

Tuesday, January 7, 2025 – Tuesday, January 21, 2025

Snowball Counting Contest

Brrr, it's cold outside! Come inside and guess how many "snowballs" are in our jar. The person with the closest guess could win a cool prize! Best for ages up to 12 years old.

Monday, January 13, 2025 - Saturday, January 18, 2025

Take and Make Craft

Get creative with our Take and Make Craft Kits! Stop by and pick up everything you need to make a fun and easy craft at home. Perfect for young children up to 12 years old—let your imagination run wild! While supplies last. For more information, call 706-772-2432.

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Monday, February 10, 2025 – Saturday, February 15, 2025

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Diamond Lakes Library

Monday, February 17, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

School's Out Movie

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YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

January 2025

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Cybersecurity 101 (with Amandla IT Security)

There is an attempted cyber-attack every 39 seconds. Learn how to protect your systems, network, programs, devices and data from cyberattacks by using technologies, processes and controls taught to you by the Amandla IT Security team. Registration is required, please call 706-772-2432 to register.

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Game On: Video Game Night @ DL!

Level up your evening at Video Game Night! Whether you're a seasoned gamer or just looking for some fun, join us for an epic gaming session with friends. Don't miss out—space is limited, and registration is required! For more details and to secure your spot, call us at 706-772-2432. Let the games begin!

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

Tech Help Day at Diamond Lakes

Need assistance with your smartphone, tablet, computer, or other tech devices? Join us for Tech Help Day, where our friendly staff is ready to help you troubleshoot tech issues, answer your questions, or guide you through new software and apps!

February 2025

Saturdays, February 1, 8, 15, and 22, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

Black History Month Film Series

Celebrate Black History Month at the Diamond Lakes Branch Library with a special film series honoring the achievements and contributions of African Americans throughout history. Join us each Saturday for a screening of powerful films that highlight stories of resilience, culture, and inspiration. No registration required.

Diamond Lakes Library

Wednesday, February 12, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

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ADULT PROGRAMS

January 2025

Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. resuming January 13, 2025

GED Classes at your Library!

It's never too late to earn your GED! Join us at the Diamond Lakes Branch Library for GED classes, hosted in partnership with Augusta Technical College's Adult Education department. Classes are conveniently held at the Diamond Lakes Branch Library, giving you the support, you need to succeed. Registration is required—call 706-771-4131 for more information and to sign up today.

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Friedman Library

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

January 2025

Winter Bingo Scavenger Hunt

Thursday, January 2-Friday, February 28

Parents and kids can help each other find the images of monthly themed titles, hidden in the library. Get 5 in a row for bingo!

Cursive Writing Class

Friday, January 3, 10, 17, 31 4:00-5:00 PM

Develop your writing skills, unlock the mystery of hand-written notes, and learn a soon-to-be secret form of communication!

Registration required; please call (706) 736-6758.

Storytime

Tuesday, January 7, 14, 21, 28 10 AM-11 AM

Join us weekly on Tuesday for story time. For groups of 10 or more, pre-register at 706-736-6758.

Beaded Bracelet Craft

Saturday, January 18 12 PM

Choose from a colorful selection of beads to make a stretchy bracelet. All materials are provided. Ages 6-16.

February 2025

Storytime

Tuesday, February 4, 11, 18, 25 10:00 AM-11 AM

Join us weekly on Tuesday for story time. For groups of 10 or more, pre-register at 706-736-6758.

Valentine's Day Story Time and Crafts

Friday, February 14 10 AM

Join us as we listen to stories and make craft celebrating Valentine's Day!

Friedman Library

Viewing of “Bookmarks: Celebrating Black Voices”

Monday, February 17 10 AM

There will be a viewing of “Bookmarks: Celebrating Black Voices”, a live-action collection of 12 five-minute episodes featuring prominent Black celebrities and artists reading children’s book from Black authors that highlight the Black experience.

March 2025

Storytime

Tuesday, March 4, 11, 18, 25 10:00 AM-11 AM

Join us weekly on Tuesday for story time. For groups of 10 or more, pre-register at 706-736-6758.

Snacks and Stories

Thursday, March 6 4:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M.

Do you like snacks and stories? If you do, come to Friedman Branch Library for both! We’ll read books, have a snack, and do an activity or craft related to the story. Ages 5-10.

Headquarters Library

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

Ongoing

January 2025 - March 2025

Monday- Lego Club 2nd and 4th Monday of every month: Jr. Lego Club 10 am-12 pm (best ages 3 and up) and Lego Club 4 pm-6 pm (ages 6 and up).

Tuesday-Sensory Storytime, Every Tuesday at 10am, for all ages, and all abilities.

Wednesday-Make or Take Wednesday, Every Wednesday, 10:30 am (best for ages 3 and up)

Thursday-Toddler Tales Storytime, Every Thursday at 10 am (best for ages 4 and younger)

Saturday- Lego Club the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month, 12 pm-2 pm (best for ages 3 and up)

March 2025

Saturday, March 1, 2025, 11 am -12:30 pm Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party
Join us in the children's department as we celebrate the birthday of the one and only Dr. Seuss. There will be games, snacks, and prizes. To register, please call 706-821-2623 or visit the children's department desk.

Headquarters Library

ALL AGES PROGRAMS

Ongoing

January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

Your Next Chapter (Beanstack)

Welcome to 2025, your next chapter! In this new year, challenge yourself to go on new adventures, experience different perspectives, and deepen your love of reading. This is your year! To complete the challenge, read at least 6000 minutes before the end of the year. To register, go to arcpls.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack app and search for "ARCPLS" for your library.

January 2025

January 1-31

Winter Reading 2025: Be a Reading Machine (Beanstack)

Ready, set, READ! We encourage readers of all ages to challenge themselves to become reading machines this winter. From Jan. 1-31, Augusta-Richmond County Public Library is participating in "Be a Reading Machine," a reading challenge sponsored by Beanstack and Baker & Taylor. We challenge our community to read and log at least 300 minutes during the challenge. For logging your minutes read, you will earn fun, new badges as well as a prize from our treasure chest. The top-performing libraries will even win special prizes from Baker & Taylor. To register, go to arcpls.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack app and search for "ARCPLS" for your library.

Saturday, January 25 @ 1:00pm-3:00pm (drop-in)

Vision Board Party

HQ Auditorium. Celebrate the new year by envisioning one's dreams, desires, and future goals for 2025 and beyond. Vision boards are designed to serve as a source of inspiration and motivation to any and everyone! Light refreshments will be served. Call (706) 434-2036 to register. Best for ages 8 and up.

Headquarters Library

February 2025

February 1-28

Black History Month 2025 Reading Challenge (Beanstack)

Every February we pay tribute to generations of African Americans by celebrating Black History Month. Join us this February by logging at least 300 minutes, completing at least two activities, and earning themed badges. To register, go to arcpls.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack app and search for "ARCPLS" for your library.

Thursday, February 20 @ 5:30pm-7:30pm (drop-in)

DIY Spa Day

HQ Auditorium. Step into our spa workshop and craft your own luxurious self-care essentials. Indulge in the art of creating sugar scrubs, bath bombs, lip balms, and more. Plus, don't miss out on the chance to win a fabulous door prize! Call (706) 434-2036 to register. Best for ages 8 and up.

March 2025

March 1-31

Women's History Month 2025 (Beanstack)

Celebrate Women's History Month this March! Log at least 300 reading minutes, complete at least two activities, and earn themed badges in Beanstack. To register, go to arcpls.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack app and search for "ARCPLS" for your library.

Thursday, March 20 @ 5:00pm-7:00pm (drop-in)

Painted Flower Pots

HQ Auditorium. This month our craft is custom flower pots! Paint yours with stripes, flowers, polka dots, butterflies, the logo of your favorite sports team, a unicorn, or whatever you can dream up! We will provide the clay pot, paint and ideas/inspiration, examples and help with technique. To register, call 706-434-2036. Best for ages 12 and up.

Headquarters Library

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

ONGOING

100 Books Before Graduation Reading Challenge (Beanstack)

Begin the journey of reading 100 books before graduation. Log your reading in Beanstack, and earn a new set of badges while earning prizes along the way. Go to arcpls.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app to register. In 2025, read at least one book (listening to audiobooks count as well) each month and log it in Beanstack to be entered into our monthly drawing to win prizes such as a Regal Cinema Ultimate Movie Pack. For ages 12-18.

January 2025

Monday, January 6 @ 3:00pm-5:00pm (drop-in)

Crafternoon: Rememberlutions Jar

YA area/Teen Space. Create a "Rememberlutions" jar to hold your good memories for 2025. Instead of making resolutions, you will write down on slips of paper your accomplishments as well as fun and wonderful things you did to add them to your jar throughout the year. We will provide the art supplies to decorate your jar as well as jars while supplies last. Feel free to bring your own jar if you would like. Call (706) 434-2036 to register. Best for ages 12-18.

Saturday, January 11 @ 2:00pm

New Skill Saturday: DIY Squishies

ARCPLS YouTube channel, ARCPLS Facebook page. Join Ms. Jordi, our YA Librarian, for a "Do It Yourself" craft in which you will learn how to make squishies using memory foam and fabric paint. Best for ages 12-18.

Tuesday, January 14 @ 3:00pm-6:00pm (drop-in)

Introduction to the Tech Hub

Tech Hub. Come learn about the amazing equipment in our new Tech Hub such as a FlashForge 3D printer, GlowForge laser cutter, multimedia station, green screen station, robot balls, and more. See live demonstrations and receive a memento that was made with our FlashForge 3D printer or GlowForge laser cutter. Call (706) 434-2036 to register. Best for ages 12-18.

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January 13-24

Take & Make Kits: Yeti Squishy

YA area/Teen Space. This winter season, pick up a kit to make your own Yeti squishy out of memory foam and fabric paint. Available while supplies last. Best for ages 12-18.

February 2025

Saturday, February 8 @ 2:00pm

New Skill Saturday: Sugar Scrubs and Salt Scrubs

ARCPLS YouTube channel, ARCPLS Facebook page. Join Ms. Jordi, our YA Librarian, as she shows you how to make your own sugar scrubs and salt scrubs. Best for ages 12-18.

February 10-14

Take & Make Kits: Un-Valentine's Day Crafts

YA area/Teen Space. Are you tired of the cliché Valentine's Day nonsense? Annoyed by all the cupids and candy hearts? If so, pick up an Un-Valentine's Day craft kit to celebrate the non-romantic relationships in your life – family, friends, and best of all self-love. Available while supplies last. Best for ages 12-18.

Monday, February 17 @ 4:30pm-7:00pm (drop-in)

Crafternoon: Homemade Sugar Scrubs

YA area. This winter, pamper yourself or a loved one by creating several types of sugar scrubs. To register, call (706) 434-2036. Best for ages 12-18.

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March 2025

Saturday, March 8 @ 2:00pm

New Skill Saturday: Bath Bombs

ARCPLS YouTube channel, ARCPLS Facebook page. Join Ms. Jordi, our YA Librarian, as she shows you how to make your own bath bombs. Best for ages 12-18.

Tuesday, March 4 and 11 @ 4:30pm-6:30pm (drop-in)

Crafternoon: Air Dry Clay Pottery

YA space. Join us for a two-part series. In the first week, we will be creating our clay creations. In the second week, we will be painting our pottery. Participants should plan to attend BOTH weeks to get the most out of the pottery experience. Registration required. Call (706) 434-2036 to register. Best for ages 12-18.

March 17-23

Take & Make Kits: Bath Bombs

YA area/Teen Space. While supplies last, pick up a kit to make your own bath bombs. Best for ages 12-18.

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Georgia Heritage Room

February 2025

Exhibits

In honor of Black History Month, the Georgia Room will host an exhibition in February 2025, documenting the life and work of enslaved Edgefield potter, David Drake. An original alkaline-glazed stoneware pot made and signed by David Drake will be on display. The exhibit is on loan from the Savannah River Archaeological Research Program. The Georgia Room is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

March 2025

Lunch & Learn Series

Bring your brown bag lunch and your curiosity and join the Georgia Heritage Room for a lunch and learn series celebrating Black History Month in February and Women's History Month in March. Both genealogy programs are virtual but Georgia Room staff will be on-hand to answer questions. Cookies will be provided for dessert!

Needles and Threads: Piecing Together African-American Families

Tuesday, February 11th

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Headquarters Library Third Floor Computer Lab

This pre-recorded Ancestry Academy webinar series is aimed at beginner and intermediate genealogists and will focus on research techniques for African-Americans working on their family trees. This event will take place on February 11, 2025 at 11:30 am in the Headquarters Library third floor computer lab. Space is limited. Please call 706-826-1511 or email genealogy@arcpls.org to reserve your spot.

Discovering Dave: Spirit Captured in Clay

Tuesday, February 18th

12:00 pm-1:00 pm

Headquarters Library Auditorium

Archaeologist George Wingard presents his award-winning documentary based on the life of enslaved Edgefield potter David Drake. The film explores the 2006 archaeological discovery of an alkaline-glazed stoneware "Dave" pot at Savannah River Site

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and the extraordinary life of David Drake. Following the film, we will step over to the Georgia Room to view the “Dave” pot which will be on display until the end of February. George Wingard will answer any questions about his film.

Unraveling the Mystery: Thinking Outside the Box When Researching Female Ancestors

Thursday, March 20th

11:30 am-12:30 pm

Headquarters Library Third Floor Computer Lab

What better way to honor Women’s History Month than by learning tips and tricks for finding those hard-to-locate female ancestors. Women get lost to history for a number of reasons but this presentation will arm you with the research tools necessary to find the women who make up half of your family tree. Join us in the Headquarters Library third floor computer lab on Thursday, March 20th at 12:00 pm for this pre-recorded presentation. Space is limited. Please call 706-826-1511 or email genealogy@arcpls.org to reserve your spot.

Programming

Historical Records & Archives at the Greenblatt Library

Thursday, March 27th

10:30 am-11:30 am

Headquarters Library Third Floor Computer Lab

The Georgia Room is pleased to welcome Renee Sharrock, curator of Greenblatt Library at Augusta University’s Health Sciences Campus for an informational session geared toward genealogists and local historians alike. The session will focus on historical and genealogical resources available to the public for research at Greenblatt Library. Space is limited. Please call 706-826-1511 or email genealogy@arcpls.org to reserve your spot.

Maxwell Library

Children's Programming

January 2025

Storytime

Wednesday, 8,22,29 10:00 AM

Join us for weekly story time. Please Pre-register 706-793-2020

Lego Tuesdays 4:00-5:00 PM

Come show your Legos building talent. Legos are provided

Family Trivia

Saturday, January 4, 12-1PM

Bring the entire family and try your luck at "January Trivia"

Pre-register at 706-796-2020

Children's Trivia

Tuesday, January 14, 3:00-4:00PM

Join us for an afternoon of fun

Ages 5-12

Pre-Register at 706-793-2020

Winter Craft and Storytime

Tuesday, January 21, 3:00-4:00PM

Join us to make a "Cool" craft and enjoy a story

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

February 2025

Storytime

Wednesday, 5,12,19 10:00 AM

Join us weekly story time. Please Pre-register 706-793-2020

Lego Tuesdays 4:00-5:00 PM

Come show your Legos building talent. Legos are provided

Ages 5-12

Maxwell Library

Valentine's Craft and Storytime

Wednesday, February 12, 10:00 AM

Join us for and make a Valentine's card for that special someone

Ages 4-6

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

Black History Movie for Kids

Wednesday, February 5, 10:00 AM

Celebrate Black History with a movie Rated G

Ages 4-10

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

March 2024

Storytime

Wednesday, March 5, 12, 20, 27 10:00 AM

Join us for weekly story time. Please Pre-register 706-793-2020

How does our garden grow for Kids?

Join us and learn how vegetables are grown and the benefits of growing them.

Wednesday, March 5, 10:00 AM

Ages 4-8

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

Rock painting for Teen

Tuesday, March 11, 3:00 PM

Join us and express your creativity through rock painting. Materials will be provided

Ages 12-17

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

Paint and Sip for Kids

Tuesday, March 19, 4:00-5:00 PM

Join us and show your off your talent as an artist. Art supplies and juice boxes will be provided.

Ages 5-12

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

Maxwell Library

Teen Scene

January 2025

Teen Meet & Greet

Tuesday, January 7, 2:30-3:00PM

Come chat with the Librarians. Let us know how we can better serve you.

Share your thoughts and ideas.

Ages 12-17

No registration required

February 2025

Teen Scene Movie

Tuesday, February 4, 3:00 PM

Come enjoy an afternoon at the Movies.

Staff's Pick (Rated G)

Ages 12-17

No registration required

Teen Scene Music Trivia (Name that tune)

Tuesday, February 18, 3-4:00 PM

Join us show off your music skills and name that tune.

Ages 12-17

Pre-register at 706-793-2020

March 2025

Rock Painting

Tuesday, March 11, 3:00 PM

Show off your artistic talent design and paint a rock

Ages 12-17

No Pre-registration required

Paint and Sip

Tuesday, March 18, 3:00 PM

Create a masterpiece on canvas. Materials will be provided.

Ages 12- 16

Pre-Registration is Required

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Programming for Adults

January 2025

Food Talk

Wednesday, January 15, 1-2 PM

Learn how to choose and prepare healthy foods

Presented by the university of Georgia Extension Agency

Please Pre-register at 706-793-2020

February 2025

Craft for Adults

Thursday, February 20, 11:00 A.M.

Come and Make a Mason Jar Craft. All materials will be provided

Please pre-register at 706-793-2020

March 2025

Thursday, March 20, 11:00 A.M.

Learn how to and where to plant a garden in spaces

Please pre-register at 706-793-2020

Wallace Library

CHILDREN PROGRAMS

ONGOING

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am

Wallace Branch Storytime & Craft Time

Preschoolers can enjoy sessions that consist of age appropriate stories, songs, finger-plays, and flannel board stories. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information and to register. Best for ages 0-5.

January 2025

Tuesday, January 7 at 10 am

Polar Bears Storytime and Craft

Join staff for a Polar Bear Storytime and Craft session. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, January 14 at 10 am

Meet and Greet Disney's Snow Queen Elsa

Meet the Snow Queen (Disney's Princess Elsa) visiting at Wallace Branch Library.

Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, January 21 at 10 am

Martin Luther King Jr Storytime & Craft

Join staff for a Dr. Martin L. King Jr. Storytime and Craft session. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, January 28 at 10 am

Groundhog Day Story & Puppet

Learn the history of Groundhog Day and make a Groundhog Day Puppet. Separate puppet patterns for 0-5 and 6-11. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register.

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February 2025

Tuesday, February 4 at 10 am

Valentine's Day Storytime and Craft

Join staff for a fun Valentine's Day Storytime and craft session. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, February 11 at 10 am

Meet and Greet Disney's Bayou Princess Tiana

Meet the Bayou Princess (Disney's Princess Tiana) visiting Wallace Branch Library. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, February 18 at 10 am

Paper Mardi Gras Masks

Join staff for a Mardi Gras Mask Making Session. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5. Separate mask patterns for 0-5 and 6-11.

Tuesday, February 25 at 10 am

Black History Storytime

Join staff for a fun storytime about a Black History Leader. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

March 2025

Tuesday, March 4 at 10 am

Read Across America with Dr. Seuss Storytime

Join Wallace Branch for a special storytime highlighting Dr. Seuss and Read Across America! Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, March 11 at 10 am

St. Patrick's Day Storytime

Join staff for a fun St. Patrick's Day Storytime and Craft. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

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Tuesday, March 18 at 10 am

Meet and Greet Disney's Bluey

Meet the loveable Bluey visiting at Wallace Branch Library. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Tuesday, March 25 at 10 am

Spring Storytime

Join staff for a fun Spring Storytime and Craft. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 0-5.

Wallace Library

YOUNG ADULT PROGRAMS

ONGOING

Every first Wednesday at 3:30 pm (except New Year's Day)

Teen Game Day

Teens join staff for a monthly game day at the Wallace Branch Library that features different types of games (board games and relay games). Call 706-722-6275 to register. Best for ages 12-17.

January 2025

Wednesday, January 15 at 3:30 pm

Teens Karaoke

Ready to rock the mic? Come sing your heart out at our Teen Karaoke event at the Wallace Branch library! Whether you're a solo star or want to perform with friends, we've got you covered. Space is limited - call (706) 722-6275 to save your spot! Best for ages 12-18.

Wednesday, January 22 at 3:30 pm

Teen Sock Snowman Craft

Teens join Library staff as we make Sock Snowmen for Winter. Using ordinary socks, you can make your own unique Sock Snowman. All craft supplies are provided. Best for ages 13-17. Call 706-722-6275 to register or for more information.

Wednesday, January 29 at 3:30 pm

Teens Artificial Snow Stem

Teens come learn how to make artificial snow at the Wallace Branch library! Space is limited. Call (706) 722-6275 to save your spot! Best for ages 12-18.

February 2025

February 2025

Black History Make and Take Craft Station

Teens are invited to visit our Black History Make and Take Craft Station at Wallace Branch Library for the month of February while supplies last, to create a Black History Bracelet. The station will be available during regular library hours. All materials are provided.

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Wednesday, February 12 at 3:30 pm

Let Your Love Grow Valentine's Day Craft for Teens

Make a recycled Valentine's Day seed heart to give to a friend or loved one. Plant the heart and watch it grow. All supplies will be provided. Call (706) 722-6275 to register or for more information.

Wednesday, February 19 at 3:30 pm

Teens Karaoke

Ready to rock the mic? Come sing your heart out at our Teen Karaoke event at the Wallace Branch library! Whether you're a solo star or want to perform with friends, we've got you covered. Space is limited - call (706) 722-6275 to save your spot! Best for ages 12-18.

Wednesday, February 26 at 3:30 pm

Crystal Growing Stem

Teen join us for a cool science project, crystal growing at the Wallace Branch library! Space is limited - call (706) 722-6275 to save your spot! Best for ages 12-18.

March 2025

Women's History Month Suffragette Make and Take Craft Station

Teens are invited to visit our Make and Take Craft Station at Wallace Branch Library for the month of March while supplies last, to create a Women History Month craft. The station will be available during regular library hours. All materials are provided.

Wednesday, March 12 at 3:30 pm

St. Patrick's Day Teen Crafts

Stop by Wallace Branch Library on Wednesday afternoon for a St. Patrick's Day craft! Call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register. Best for ages 12-17.

Wednesday, March 19 at 3:30 pm

Teens Karaoke

Ready to rock the mic? Come sing your heart out at our Teen Karaoke event at the Wallace Branch library! Whether you're a solo star or want to perform with friends, we've got you covered. Space is limited - call (706) 722-6275 to save your spot! Best for ages 12-18.

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ADULT PROGRAMS

ONGOING

Every Monday at 11 am

Tech-Connect Basics

Book an in-person one-on-one appointment for technology help! Call (706)722-6275 to schedule a 30-minute session.

January 2025

Saturday, January 18 at 11 am

Estate Planning and Budget hosted by Ms. LaShana Bradwell

Wallace Branch Library presents an educational session on estate planning and financial management. Led by Ms. LaShana Bradwell, this program features the Get Your House In Order Management Toolkit. For additional information, please contact 706-722-6275.

Monday, January 13 at 10 am

Snow Angel Book Craft

Adults join our library staff to learn how to repurpose an old book into a beautiful Snow Angel. All materials are provided. Call 706-722-6275 for more information.

February 2025

Saturday, February 15 at 11 am

Estate Planning and Budget hosted by Ms. LaShana Bradwell

Wallace Branch Library presents an educational session on estate planning and financial management. Led by Ms. LaShana Bradwell, this program features the Get Your House In Order Management Toolkit. For additional information, please contact 706-722-6275.

Monday, February 17 at 10 am

History Reenactments and African Dance Workshop

Join us for an interactive Black History celebration! Experience history with Ms. Tera Jackson's dynamic Black History event! Through vibrant reenactments and energetic African dance moves, you'll discover Augusta's rich Black heritage in a fun, immersive

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way. Ready to move and learn? Reserve your spot! Call (706) 722-6275 for more information or to register.

March 2025

Monday, March 3 at 10 am

Canva Basics

Learn how to use some of Canva's basic features! Canva is a very easy free graphic design tool. Call 706-722-6275 for more information or to register.

Monday, March 17 at 10 am

Women's History Month Button Craft

Create your own Women History button to celebrate and wear for Women History Month. Call (706) 722-6275 to register or for more information

ALL PROGRAMS

Everyday of every month

Calm Down Coloring Program

All ages are welcome to color a coloring page at Wallace Branch Library or take it home to enjoy. Coloring de-stresses and lessens anxiety, and can be especially beneficial to people with brain damage or dementia. Please call 706-722-6275 for more information. No registration required. Best for all ages.