

# The BookMark



March 2021  
Newsletter of St. John the Baptist Parish Library System

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## Children Who Read, Succeed



*"You're never  
too old, too wacky, too wild,  
to pick up a book and  
read to a child."  
-Dr. Seuss*

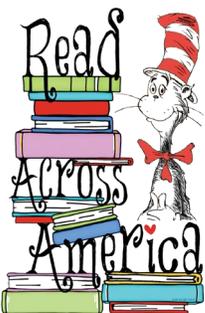
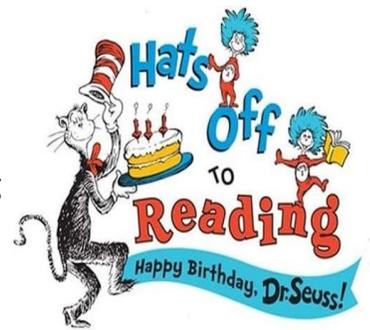
In honor of the Read Across America program, we would like to share the benefits of children reading more books in today's day and age. According to various studies, children who grow up in homes where there are many books readily available to them, tend to become more successful in school because reading promotes achievement in all subjects. As children read more books, their brains retain more knowledge. They also learn how to use new words and structure sentences that helps them to write and become better speakers. Parents who read with their children, help to create stronger family relationships because reading with children at home on a regular basis or taking visits with them to the library are a few fun ways to bond and teach them the benefits of reading more books. St. John the Baptist Parish Libraries will be hosting programs in honor of the Read Across America program, as well as Dr. Seuss's birthday.

### "Dr. Seuss on OverDrive"

Join us on our social media platforms as we discuss Dr. Seuss's books, his famous quotes, and important facts of his life throughout the month. For more information, call the Leroy D. Williams Memorial Library (Reserve) at (985) 536-4107.

### "Dr. Seuss Party"

Children of all ages are welcome to stop by the Leroy D. Williams Memorial Library (Reserve) to pick up a party bag celebrating all things Dr. Seuss. This program will be conducted for the entire month. For more information, call (985) 536-4107.



### "Dr. Seuss Crafts"

Students in Pre-K through third grade are invited to stop by the Roland Borne Sr. Memorial Library (Edgard) to pick up a grab and go bag featuring items to make a "Cat in the Hat Clock" or "One Fish, Two Fish Bowl." For more information, call (985) 497-3453.

### "Relax and Read"

Give yourself and your family the gift of some peace during this crazy time! Have everyone in your household choose a book and spend some time reading. Even reading for just six minutes can reduce stress, according to research. In fact, reading is more calming than listening to music or going on a walk. Post a picture of you and your family reading on your Facebook page and make sure to tag the library or send pictures to Dawn Monica at [dmonica@stjohn.lib.la.us](mailto:dmonica@stjohn.lib.la.us). For more information, call the Frazee-Harris Memorial Library (Garyville) at (985) 535-6868.

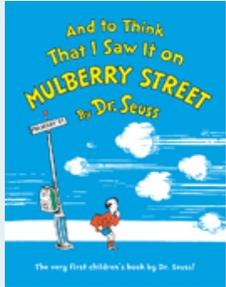
### "Celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday"

Join the Norris J. Millet, Sr. Library (LaPlace) in celebrating the birthday of one of our favorite children's author. Pick up a grab and go bag throughout the month to make a "Cat in the Hat Nose." For more information, call (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.

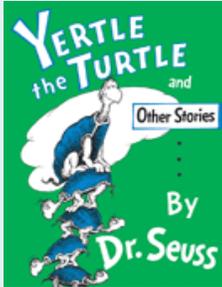


# Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

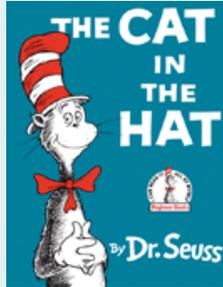
March 2nd is Dr. Seuss's birthday, what better way to celebrate than to read? Did you know Dr. Seuss would be 117 this year? While he is no longer with us, his legacy lives on in the pages of his books. He forever changed the way children's books were written and continues to inspire generations. So this month, read Dr. Seuss's books, use your imagination, and be silly! St. John the Baptist Parish Libraries have a huge collection of Dr. Seuss's books for patrons to check out; including the birthday books of the month listed below. Also, you can visit <http://www.seussville.com> to check out activities, games, and videos for Dr. Seuss fans of all ages. Here are the birthday books of the month:



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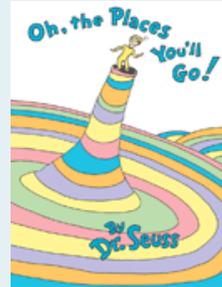
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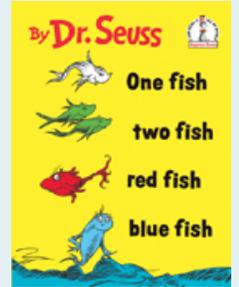
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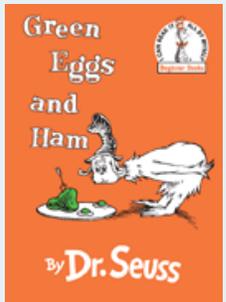
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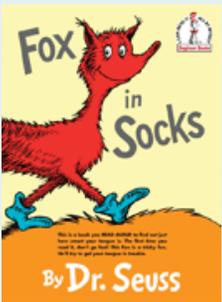
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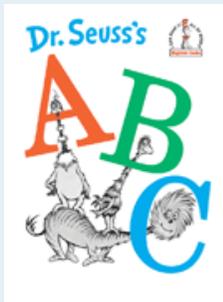
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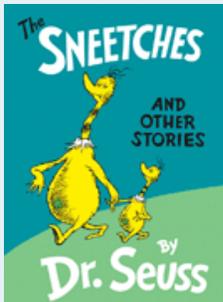
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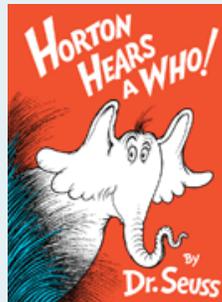
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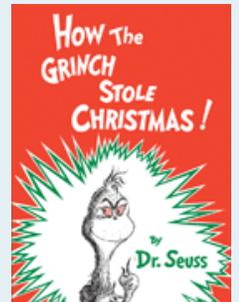
SEPTEMBER



OCTOBER



NOVEMBER



DECEMBER

## Women's History Month

Every March is designated as National Women's History Month to ensure that the history of American women will be recognized and celebrated in schools, workplaces, and communities throughout the country. It also pays tribute to the generations of women whose commitment to nature and the planet have proved invaluable to society. This year's theme is "Valiant Women of the Vote." The theme honors the brave women who fought to win suffrage rights for women, and for the women who continue to fight for the voting rights of others. In honor of Women's History Month, here is a 10 question quiz to sharpen your knowledge on the subject matter.

- Q1. Who founded Bethune-Cookman College, established the National Council of Negro Women, and served as an advisor on minority affairs to President Franklin D. Roosevelt?
- Q2. Who opened up social work as a profession for women, and also won the 1931 Nobel Peace Prize for her anti-war organizing work?
- Q3. Which woman was the first African-American woman to win the Nobel Prize for Literature?
- Q4. Who was the first "First Lady" to have developed her own political and media identity?
- Q5. Who was the first Black woman elected to Congress?
- Q6. What leading suffragist was arrested and convicted of attempting to vote in the 1872 election?
- Q7. Who was the Shoshone Indian woman who served as guide and interpreter on the Lewis and Clark expedition?
- Q8. What woman served as a "conductor" on the Underground Railroad, freeing hundreds of southern slaves and leading them to safety in the North? A \$40,000 reward was offered for her capture.
- Q9. Who was Chair of the Board and publisher of The Washington Post and Newsweek magazine, and also oversaw six broadcasting stations?
- Q10. What Black woman refused to give up her seat to a White man, in Montgomery, Alabama, in 1955, thus sparking the civil rights movement of the following decade?

- Answers
1. Mary McLeod Bethune
  2. Jane Addams
  3. Toni Morrison
  4. Eleanor Roosevelt
  5. Shirley Chisholm
  6. Susan B. Anthony
  7. Sacajawea
  8. Harriet Tubman
  9. Katherine Graham
  10. Rosa Parks

# Virtual Programming



## “Book Sharing”

Children from birth to age 11 will be introduced to new and amazing books bi-weekly during this program. Trina Smith, our Children's/ Outreach Librarian will be leading this program. For more information, call (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.



## “Book Talk”

Carlos Diaz, reference assistant the Norris J. Millet, Sr. Library will host a Book Talk for the month of March on our social media platforms. “Hillbilly Elegy” by J.D. Vance will be the featured novel. For more information, call (985) 652-6857.

## “Caterpillar Craft”

Children, ages 3 and older, are invited to make a beautiful caterpillar. Grab and go bags will be available for the entire month of March while supplies last. For more information, call Olivia Boudreaux at (985) 536-4107.



## “Easter Egg Reading Challenge”

Children, ages 5 and up can participate in our Easter Egg Reading Challenge. Each time a reading challenge is completed, an egg from the provided sheet should be cut out and placed in your Paper Plate Easter Basket. Pick up your kit from the Norris J. Millet, Sr. Library in LaPlace. Bring your completed basket to the Norris J. Millet, Sr. Library to collect your prize for participation. For more information, call Trina Smith at (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.



## “Easter Fun”

Hop with us as we celebrate Easter by making a Paper Plate Easter Egg Wreath. Children, ages 5 and up are invited to participate. Grab and go bags will be available for pick-up from March 22nd through April 1st. For more information, call Trina Smith at (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.



## “Find Out Friday”

Tweens and teens are invited to participate in a STEM related craft monthly on Facebook. For more information, call Rona Joseph, (985) 652-6857, ext. 1502.

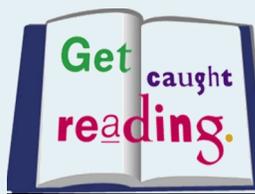
## “First Chapter Fridays”

Join us every second and fourth Friday of each month for our First Chapter Fridays, where our Children's Librarian, Trina Smith, will read the first chapter of a different, high-interest book. If you are up to the challenge, you may complete the Active Listening Form to find out if you like, or don't like the book. Let us know that you have participated by sending an email to [tcsmith@stjohn.lib.la.us](mailto:tcsmith@stjohn.lib.la.us), and you will receive a Certificate of Participation and a Goodie Bag!



## “Get Caught Reading”

Join us for a fun program where if you Get Caught Reading, you will get to choose a prize from our Treasure Chest of Goodies, and a wearable Brag Tag. If you are seen reading, or being read to by a staff member, you can claim your prizes!



We would also like to take your picture, with parent's permission, of you and the book or magazine you were caught reading, and post on our Facebook page. This program will be hosted all month long. For more information, call Trina Smith at (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.

## “Lavender Scrub”

Community members are invited to make their own lavender scrub. All ingredients will be available for pick-up from March 15th to March 17th at the Roland Borne Sr. Memorial Library in Edgard. Sign-up is required. For more information, please call (985) 497-3453.



## “Leprechaun Puppet Pals”

Make your very own leprechaun puppet pal to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Grab and go bags will be available for pick-up from March 9th to March 16th at the Frazee-Harris Memorial Library. For more information, call (985) 535-6868.

## “Make Shoppe”

Join Mrs. Joseph for another extravagant Make Shoppe! Patrons will make an Easter Diorama. Don't miss this opportunity to make something magical. Pick-up your grab and go bags from March 3rd to March 5th. For more information, call Rona Joseph at 985-652-6857, ext. 1502 or email [rjoseph@stjohn.lib.la.us](mailto:rjoseph@stjohn.lib.la.us).

# Virtual Programming



## “Multiple Sclerosis Awareness”

Let’s learn about Multiple sclerosis. Common symptoms, how its treated, where to research. Join us on our social media platforms for more details. For more information, call Kevin Travis at (985) 497-3453.

## “National Nutrition Month”

Join us on social media platforms to learn tips on how to make smart food and nutrition choices, which is a necessary part of everyone's daily life. From planning and prep for grocery shopping, choosing the right vitamins and supplements to exercising. You can count on learning valuable details. For more information, call Lillian LeBlanc at (985) 536-4107 or Marilyn Scott at (985) 497-3453.

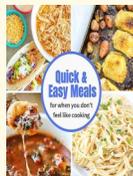


## “Obscure Reading”

Olivia Boudreaux, library assistant at the Leroy D. Williams Memorial Library will create a video monthly



showcasing interesting books that our library system has to offer. This will also give patrons a chance to learn more about our staff. For more information, call (985) 536-4107.



## “Quick & Easy Meals”

Shanel Morris, library assistant at the Leroy D. Williams Memorial Library (Reserve) will be offering quick air frying cooking tips that she has learned from using the device. One tip is to add water to the air fryer drawer when cooking fatty foods. This helps prevent grease from getting too hot and smoking. For more information, call (985) 536-4107.

## “Remote Learning Tips”

Join us on our social media platforms to learn tips on virtual learning. Parents, students, and staff can use these tips for a more successful learning environment. For more information, call (985) 536-4107.



## “Sixty Seconds of Science”

Videos will be created monthly on all things science. This month’s topic will be “Spring Facts.” For more information, call Olivia Boudreaux, (985) 536-4107.



## “Spanish Virtual Storytime”

Join Carlos Diaz, reference assistant at the Norris J. Millet, Sr. Library, as he takes children, ages 1 to 5 on a journey every second Wednesday of the month. Each session will include stories and sing-alongs. For more information, call (985) 652-6857.



## “Spring Basket Centerpiece”

Adult patrons are welcome to create a beautiful spring basket centerpiece to use for Easter décor. Grab and go bags will be available for pick-up at the Frazee-Harris Memorial Library from March 22nd to April 1st. For more information, call (985) 535-6868.



## “Spring Bunny Craft”

Adult patrons are invited to create a beautiful spring bunny at the Leroy D. Williams Memorial Library. Grab and go bags will be available for pick-up from March 15th to March 19th. For more information, call (985) 536-4107.



## St. Patrick’s Day Craft

If you’re looking for a fun way to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day, join us to create your own 3D Rainbow Paper Shamrock Craft.



Pick-up grab & go craft bags from March 1st to March 17th at the Norris J. Millet, Sr. Library in LaPlace.

## “Virtual Storytime”

Children, ages 1 to 5 can listen to stories and rhymes, interact with finger-plays and sing-alongs weekly. If you’re interested in stimulating your young one’s mind, join us on our social media platforms! For more information, call Trina Smith, Children’s/Outreach Librarian, (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.

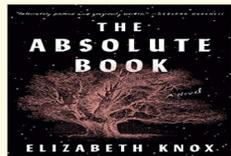


## “Weekly Fun with Your Little One”

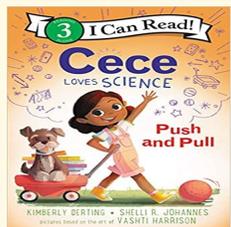
Join us for our new program, Weekly Fun with Your Little One! This program promotes the Five Practices of Early Literacy: Singing, Talking, Reading, Writing and Play. Watch weekly videos on our Facebook page for ways to implement each skill. For more information, call Trina Smith at (985) 652-6857, ext. 1501.



# What Should I Read/Watch Next?



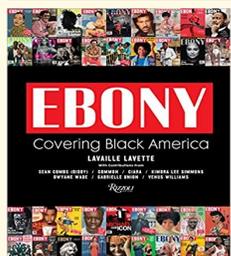
**“The Absolute Book” by Elizabeth Knox:** “Taryn Cornick believes that the past, her sister's violent death, and her own ill-conceived revenge is behind her, and she can get on with her life. She has written a successful book about the things that threaten libraries: insects, damp, light, fire, carelessness and uncaring, but not all of the attention it brings her is good.” **Genre: Science Fiction**



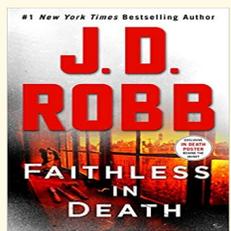
**“Cece Loves Science: Push and Pull” by Kimberly Derting:** “Cece loves science and experimenting! In this Cece Loves Science Level 3 I Can Read!, Cece’s teacher, Miss Curie, explains the opposite forces of push and pull. To demonstrate this concept, she divides the class into two teams. Each team must make a treat dispenser for Cece’s dog, Einstein, that uses both forces. Cece and her classmates rely on science, creativity, and teamwork, and they learn a lot along the way.” **Genre: Children’s**



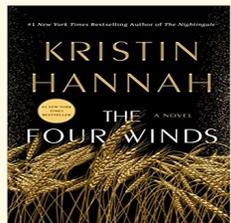
**“The Croods: A New Age” by Joel Crawford:** “The Croods need a new place to live. So, the first prehistoric family sets off into the world in search of a safer place to call home. When they discover an idyllic walled-in paradise that meets all their needs, they think their problems are solved.” **Genre: DVD**



**“Ebony: Covering Black America” by Lavaille Lavette:** “For the African American community, Ebony has been a breath of fresh air, speaking on issues and events from the Black perspective, celebrating Black standards of beauty and elevating heroes of Black America--athletes, entertainers, activists, elected officials, or some combination thereof. *Ebony: Covering Black America*, is a celebration of the treasure trove of the magazine's rich history, glamorous covers, groundbreaking cultural impact, and authentic coverage of Black American life from the magazine's inception to the present.” **Genre: Non-Fiction**



**“Faithless in Death” by J.D. Robb:** “The scene in the West Village studio appears to be classic crime-of-passion: two wineglasses by the bed, music playing, and a young sculptor named Ariel Byrd with the back of her head bashed in. But when Dallas tracks down the wealthy Upper East Side woman who called 911, the details don’t add up. Gwen Huffman is wealthy, elegant, comforted by her handsome fiancé as she sheds tears over the trauma of finding the body, but why did it take an hour to report it? And why is she lying about little things?” **Genre: Mystery**



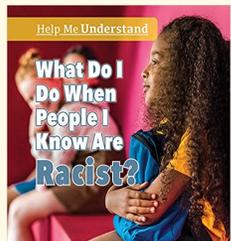
**“The Four Winds” by Kristin Hannah:** “Texas, 1921. A time of abundance. The Great War is over, the bounty of the land is plentiful, and America is on the brink of a new and optimistic era. But for Elsa Wolcott, deemed too old to marry in a time when marriage is a woman’s only option, the future seems bleak. Until the night she meets Rafe Martinelli and decides to change the direction of her life. With her reputation in ruin, there is only one respectable choice: marriage to a man she barely knows.” **Genre: General Fiction**



**“Greenland” by Ric Roman Waugh:** “A family fights for survival as a planet-killing comet races to Earth. ... Amid terrifying news accounts of cities around the world being leveled by the comet's fragments, the Garritys experience the best and worst in humanity while they battle the increasing panic and lawlessness surrounding them.” **Genre: DVD**



**“Michelle Obama: Quotes to Live By” by Michelle Obama:** “As First Lady of the United States, Michelle Obama used her platform to express her strongly held beliefs and earned admiration for her intelligence, generosity, strength, bravery, confidence, and hard work. This collection of quotations, which covers topics ranging from education and equality to self-belief and success, helps cement her place as one of the strongest voices on the global stage today.” **Genre: Non-Fiction**



**“What Do I Do When People I Know Are Racist” by Caitie McAneney:** “In a time of increasing political and social tensions, students are sure to find themselves in complicated ethical situations. What happens if someone they know and love is racist? This book introduces readers to the concepts of prejudice and racism and gives them guidance on how to deal with these concepts in daily life. Readers will learn how to show their support for equality by celebrating diversity and standing up for what they believe in. This book tackles a complex subject in an accessible and sensitive way, so young readers can discover new ways to approach this tough topic.” **Genre: Children's**

\*If an item is not available at your home library, it can be transferred from another branch.\*

# St. Patrick's Day Word Scramble



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MARCKHOS \_\_\_\_\_

CYKLU \_\_\_\_\_

NEELPRUHAC \_\_\_\_\_

OPT FO GLDO \_\_\_\_\_

BROWINA \_\_\_\_\_

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RMHAC \_\_\_\_\_

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# St. John the Baptist Parish Library

## March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Central: Black</b>  <b>Reserve: Violet</b>  <b>Garyville: Green</b>  <b>West/Edgard: Blue</b></p>	<p>1 3D Paper Shamrock Craft                      Central—Ages 5+                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 1st-17th)                      Cat in the Hat                      West—Ages 6 &amp; 7                      (Pick-Up Supplies All Month Long)                      Caterpillar Craft                      Reserve—Ages 5+                      (Pick-Up Supplies All Month Long)                      Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday                      Central—Ages 3+                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 1st-12th)</p>	<p>2 Dr. Seuss on OverDrive                      Reserve—Ages 5+                      (All Month Long)                      Dr. Seuss Party                      Reserve—Ages 5+                      (Pick-Up Supplies All Month Long)                      Get Caught Reading                      Central—Ages 5+                      (All Month Long)                      One Fish, Two Fish                      West—Ages 4 &amp; 5                      (Pick-Up Supplies All Month Long)                      Relax and Read                      Garyville—Families                      (All Month Long)</p> 	<p>3 60 Seconds of Science                      Reserve—All Ages                      Make Shoppe                      Central—Adults                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 3rd-5th)</p>	<p>4 Nutrition Class w/ LSU Ag Center                      Central—Adults                      Virtual Storytime                      Central—Ages 3+                      Weekly Fun with Your Little One                      Central—Ages 1+</p>	<p>5 Find Out Friday                      Central—Teens</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Book Sharing                      Central—Ages 1+                      Obscure Reading                      Reserve—All Ages                      Leprechaun Puppet Pals                      Garyville—Ages 3+                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 9th-17th)</p>	<p>10 National Nutrition Month                      Reserve—Adults                      Smart Art                      Central—Teens                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 8th-10th)                      Virtual Storytime (Spanish)                      Central—Ages 3+</p>	<p>11 Virtual Storytime                      Central—Ages 3+                      Weekly Fun with Your Little One                      Central—Ages 1+</p>	<p>12 First Chapter Friday                      Central—Teens &amp; Teens                      Remote Learning Tips                      Reserve—Families</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14 <b>Spring Forward!</b>  </p>	<p>15 Easter Egg Reading Challenge                      Central—Ages 5+                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 15th-19th)                      Multiple Sclerosis Awareness                      West—All Ages                      Spring Bunnies                      Reserve—Adults                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 15th-19th)</p>	<p>16 St. Patrick's Day Storytime                      Garyville—Ages 3+</p>	<p>17 Book Talk                      Central—Adults                      Lavender Sugar Scrub                      West—Adults                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 15th-17th)                      Quick &amp; Easy Meals                      Reserve—Adults</p> 	<p>18 Nutrition Class w/ LSU Ag Center                      Central—Adults                      Virtual Storytime                      Central—Ages 3+                      Weekly Fun with Your Little One                      Central—Ages 1+</p>	<p>19 Find Out Friday                      Central—Teens</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>22 Easter Fun                      Central—Ages 5+                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 22nd-1st)                      National Nutrition Month                      West—Adults                      Spring Basket Centerpiece                      Garyville—Adults                      (Pick-Up Supplies from 22nd-1st)</p>	<p>23 Book Sharing                      Central—Ages 1+</p>	<p>24 Coloring with Lauryn                      Central—All Ages</p>	<p>25 Nutrition Class w/ LSU Ag Center                      Central—Adults                      Virtual Storytime                      Central—Ages 3+                      Weekly Fun with Your Little One                      Central—Ages 1+</p>	<p>26 First Chapter Friday                      Central—Teens &amp; Teens</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>  <p>All Libraries Closed</p>	<p>For More Information,                      Please See the Online                      Calendar:  <a href="http://www.sjlohnlib.com">www.sjlohnlib.com</a></p>

# Library Directory

St. John the Baptist Parish Library System invites everyone to enjoy our virtual programs for the month of March; including Dr. Seuss, Easter, and St. Patrick's Day. Also, don't forget to set your clocks forward on Sunday, March 14th at 2 a.m.

We're on the Web  
[www.stjohn.lib.la.us](http://www.stjohn.lib.la.us)

## **NORRIS J. MILLET, SR. LIBRARY (CENTRAL)**

2920 New Highway 51  
LaPlace, LA 70068  
(985) 652-6857

Hours:

Monday—Thursday  
10:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday  
10:00 a.m.—5:00 p. m.

Carolyn Mendoza—Supervisor

## **ROLAND BORNE SR. MEMORIAL LIBRARY (EDGARD)**

2979 Hwy 18  
Edgard, LA 70049  
(985) 497-3453

Hours:

Monday & Wednesday  
9:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday  
9:00 a.m.—5:30 p. m.  
Saturday  
9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

The branch closes every weekday from 12:30-1:30 for lunch.  
JoAnn Proctor—Supervisor

## **LEROY D. WILLIAMS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (RESERVE)**

170 West 10th Street  
Reserve, LA 70084  
(985) 536-4107

Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, & Saturday  
9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.  
Tuesday & Thursday  
9:00 a.m.—8:00 p. m.

Brandy Barnes—Supervisor

## **FRAZEE-HARRIS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (GARYVILLE)**

111 Historic Front  
Garyville LA 70051  
(985) 535-6868

Hours:

Monday & Thursday  
10:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.  
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Saturday  
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