



April 2025 Family Community Activity List

We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of this information. However, you should always call ahead to confirm dates, times, location, and other information!



Exciting Groups



Art Inspired Academy: Full Schedule of Classes Listed Online at <https://www.abilitiesfirst.net/art-inspired-academy/>

Good Life Group: The Good Life Group will also be hosting a monthly meeting. Please contact Kristie or Scott for information at kkliewer@abilitiesfirst.net or ssteelman@abilitiesfirst.com.

Mark Your Calendar

(Please sign up for camps now, they will have waitlists soon if not already for ARC's Day Camp, Camp Barnabas, and Camp Wonderland).

Arc Summer Camp 2025 - Registration opens February 10th. Mark your calendars! Camp fills up FAST! It's hard to wrap our heads around summer camp, but this camp fills up VERY fast. Last year it was full by April 1st. Registration opens February 10th. Springfield Public Schools are only holding one camp date this year, like last year, so this camp can help supplement opportunities for students and working parents. They have an age range of 6-21. Most of the campers will be in a 1:4 ratio. They do take lower ratios but there are not as many spots. That is typically determined by the staff doing a visit with the teachers and information from their registration. Please get with your team and Senior if you have any further questions, especially for funding options. Have a great day!

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The Arc of the Ozarks

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www.thearcoftheozarks.org

Camp Barnabas @ Teas Trail, 901 Teas Trail, Purdy, MO 65734, 417-522-6011.
www.campbarnabas.org

Wonderland Camp @ Lake of the Ozarks, 18591 Miller Circle, Rocky Mount, MO 65072, 573-392-1000. www.Wonderlandcamp.org



empower : abilities Social Club April Activities: Please RSVP to Stacie Amscler @ 417-886-1188

04/01 – Webster County Housing Application Assistance @ 900 W Washington, Marshfield from 9 am – Noon. If you have a disability and are looking for affordable housing options, stop by and talk to Jenn tomorrow (Tuesday) from 9 a.m. to noon at the Webster County Community Partnership. She'll provide housing information and applications and even help you apply. Be sure to bring a driver's license, social security card, and proof of income. For questions, call 417-886-1188 ext 204.

04/04 -- Stacie's Social Hour – Virtual on Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/93411783994?>) from 3 – 4 pm. Join Stacie's Social Hour.

04/04 – Empower: abilities gaming club (5-20) @ 1450 W Cambridge Street, Springfield from 4 – 6 pm. Join us for the empower: abilities Gaming Club! FREE play sessions for board games and video games. - Themed game nights, - Instructional sessions (upon request) and -exciting tournaments for healthy competition. Let's game together and create lasting connections! See you there!

04/07 – Disability Support Group (age 65 and under) @ 1450 W Cambridge Street, Springfield, from 4 – 6 pm. The Disability Support Group is for individuals under 65 years of age who are recently disabled or struggling with obtaining or receiving needed services. Can't join in person? A zoom option is also available.

04/08 – Blind and Low Vision Peer Support Group @ 1450 W Cambridge Street, Springfield from 10 – 11 am. Join the blind and visually impaired support group here at empower: abilities hosted by Taleisha Davis. We will talk about independent living skills, health and wellness, and assistive technology. We plan to schedule guest speakers from people in the community as well. For more information or to RSVP contact Afton at aftonh@empowerabilities.org

04/08 – Get Wise in 45 (Workshop) @ Community Room from 1:30 – 2:45 pm. Get Wise in 45 will feature short, 45-minute monthly workshops tailored to help you grow in knowledge and support your independence. They will be conveniently held on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 pm and repeated on the fourth Thursday at 10:30 am. Anyone, regardless of your disability, is welcome to attend these informative workshops. Some sessions will host outside presenters, while others will be led by your fearless e:a staff. All are guaranteed to be worthwhile, beneficial, and fun. Attendees will receive a punch card at the first session they attend, and at the end of the year, a drawing will be held for those who have attended at least 7 different workshops. If you need assistance during this mini workshop, please bring someone with you to help. Remember, empower: abilities are a scent-free environment. Keep following us on Facebook for more detailed information on upcoming classes.

04/09 – Circle of Friends Social Club Event – Library (The Library Station) from 1:30 – 3:30 pm. Join us on a field trip to The Library Station. We'll also indulge in lunch at Panera Bread. Circle of Friends Social

Club is open to any adult with any disability to participate in activities within our community, make friends, and learn life skills. If you need assistance within a two-hour period, please bring an attendant to assist you. The Library Station is located at 2535 N Kansas Expy. Panera Bread is within Walking distance, right next door. Transportation is limited and provided for specific events.

04/10 – Youth Social Club @ empower abilities from 5 – 6 pm. Join friends at this month's Youth Social Club. We'll be painting and doing crafts. Light snacks provided. Youth Social Club is a group that meets monthly at empower: abilities and in the surrounding community. This group is for any disability and ages 14-25. The group focuses on getting youth together with their peers who have disabilities and giving them the opportunity to interact, socialize, and form friendships. If you need assistance within a two-hour period, please bring someone to assist you. Empower: abilities offer a scent-free environment.

04/11 – Stacie's Social Hour – Virtual on Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/93411783994?>) from 3 – 4 pm. Join Stacie's Social Hour.

04/14 – Association of the Blind – seating for the regular of 30 and lunch... from 11 am – 1 pm. Louise Lathrope is contact person @ 417-619-1309.

04/16 – Building Healthy and Delicious Meals @ Community Room from 3 – 4:30 pm. This workshop will teach you how to upgrade the quality and balance of your meals and the rationale behind it. Participants will also learn how to read food labels and ask questions about Alpha Gal syndrome caused by tick bites. presented by: Charles Cirocco. Natural Grocers. **Call 417-886-1188 to reserve a seat. If you need assistance, please bring someone with you. Empower: abilities offer a scent-free environment.**

04/17 -- HOME (Housing Options Must Expand) Team Meeting @ 1450 W Cambridge Street, Springfield from 11 am – Noon. Join our HOME Team and help increase housing opportunities for all people in our communities. We work to promote affordable, accessible, and universal design housing through education, advocacy, and collaboration. If you want to see housing options expand in Springfield and the surrounding area – join the HOME Team!

04/18 – Stacie's Social Hour – Virtual on Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/93411783994?>) from 3 – 4 pm. Join Stacie's Social Hour.

04/23 – Social Club Event @ empower abilities from 1:30 – 3:30 pm. Live & Thrive Social Club (Circle of Friends will meet at empower: abilities at 1 pm for BINGO, friendship and fun.

04/24 – Get Wise in 45 Workshop Repeat from 04/08 if you missed it @ Community Room from 10:30 – 11:45 am. This is a repeat of April 8th meeting and everything is the same as the initial meeting and applies to this one. Look back on the 8th for more information.

04/25 – Stacie's Social Hour – Virtual on Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/93411783994?>) from 3 – 4 pm. Join Stacie's Social Hour.



Springfield Greene County Park Board

Accessible Recreation Drive Thru Ceramics, Drive-Thru Ceramics offers a safe and fun way to expand your creativity while staying safe in your own home! It's minimal interaction but maximum fun! We have ceramic projects that are ready to be your next masterpiece! There are a variety of project options - just call or email to schedule a pick-up time. Call when you arrive, and we will bring it out! Pick-up at the Northview Center \$5-\$10, Ongoing; call 837-5808 to reserve a pick-up time

Groovin' Abilities with Jen Keet (Tuesday Classes from 3:30 – 4:30 pm) \$5/Class. April 1st & April 15th @ Northview Center (305 E Talmage, Spfd). Come rock out with Jen Keet and Accessible Rec! GROOVE is a unique way to make a dance easy, accessible, and fun for everyone! It's healthy movement for all – so, see you on the dance floor! 16 years and up with a disability. Call 417-837-5808 with questions & registration. If you can move, you can GROOVE!

Accessible Recreation Bowling @ Enterprise Park Lanes (Mondays from 3:30-5:30) \$10/Week or \$40/Session. This program consists of four-week sessions. Register for a full session or one game at a time. For bowlers ages 16 years and up with a disability. Open bowling and league play are offered for fun-filled competition! Call Cyrus at 417-837-5808 or www.parkboard.org/AR to register.

Accessible Recreation – Wednesday Mornings Ceramics \$30/Session (each session is 4 weeks) No ceramics April 2nd – 23rd. April 30th – May 21st. Join us for a fun way to create ceramic projects for anyone age 16 and up with a disability! Classes will be held in the Northview Center Ballroom (305 E Talmage, Spfd). No transportation will be offered for these programs. Fee: \$5 per session. Please note fee adjustment. There is an additional charge for certain items. Register online @ parkboard.org/335 or via phone 417-837-5808.

Accessible Recreation – Wednesday Afternoons Ceramics \$30/Session (each session is 4 weeks) No ceramics April 2nd – 23rd. April 30th – May 21st. Join us for a fun way to create ceramic projects for anyone age 16 and up with a disability! Classes will be held in the Northview Center Ballroom (305 E Talmage, Spfd). No transportation will be offered for these programs. Fee: \$5 per session. Please note fee adjustment. There is an additional charge for certain items. Register online @ parkboard.org/335 or via phone 417-837-5808.

Accessible Recreation – Thursday Mornings Ceramics \$30/Session (each session is 4 weeks) No ceramics April 3rd – 24th. May 1st – May 22nd. Join us for a fun way to create ceramic projects for anyone age 16 and up with a disability! Classes will be held in the Northview Center Ballroom (305 E Talmage, Spfd). No transportation will be offered for these programs. Fee: \$5 per session. Please note fee adjustment. There is an additional charge for certain items. Register online @ parkboard.org/335 or via phone 417-837-5808.

Accessible Recreation Pickleball – Wednesdays 1:30-2:30 April 9th – April 30th (\$25/Session) @ O'Reilly Tefft Gymnasium (1408 E Pythian St) Come learn the basics of Pickleball! For anyone age 16+ with a disability. Paddles & balls provided. Register today by calling 417-837-5808.

Dickerson Park Zoo, daily 9 am-4 pm. \$17 Adults and Teens, \$14 Adults 60+, and \$12 for Children 3-12. There is a group fee for groups of 15+ and a military discount as well. Most parking is free. Info Hotline is 417-864-1800. Check out the zoo website for classes for children toddler up through middle school and volunteer opportunities as well @ <http://dickersonparkzoo.org>

Daily: Water Aerobics at Chesterfield--Available at Chesterfield Family Center. A great way to get in shape with minimal impact on your muscles and joints. This program is tentative based on current COVID-19 regulations. *Chesterfield Family Center 891-1616.*

Mon-Sat 8:30 am & 9:30 am; Mon, Wed & Fri 5:30 pm, Chesterfield Family Center. FREE for Members and Daily Fee for Non-members.

Daily: Water Aerobics at Doling Available at both Doling Family Center. A great way to get in shape with minimal impact on your muscles and joints. This program is tentative based on current COVID-19 regulations. *Doling Family Center 837-5900.* Mon-Fri 9 am, Sat 9:30 am; Tues, Thurs 5:30 & 6:30 pm. Doling Family Center. FREE for Members, Daily Fee for Non-Members

Joints in Motion—Less vigorous than regular aerobics classes, focusing on stretching, strength, and flexibility of tight or recovering muscles and joints. Tuesday and Thursday @ 9:30 am at Chesterfield Family Center. FREE for Members, Daily Fee for Non-Members

Little Splashers—A designated time for children 5 and under, accompanied by an adult in the water. Pool features are turned off, but upon request, the small spray features will be turned on for little ones to enjoy. Monday-Friday, 11:30 am – 1 pm., @ Doling and Chesterfield Family Centers. FREE for Members, Daily Fee for Non-Members.

Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park, 3825 W Farm Road 146 in Springfield. Tues - Sun 9 am - 5 pm. Come see what life is like on the farm. Certain events have a cost but will be specified.



This Month in Parks (April)

April 1st

Ping Pong for Seniors @ Northview Center (305 E Talmage, Springfield) from 9 – 10 am. FREE for ages 55 years and older. Enjoy making fun memories with your friends! The ping pong table will be out and available to use every Tuesday morning. 417-837-5808.

Tai Chi and Healing Breath Work for Seniors @ Northview Center (305 E Talmage, Springfield) from Noon – 1 pm. \$35/5 week session or \$8/Daily. For ages 55 years and older. Instructor: Chuck Mercer. Practice forms from the World Yang Family Tai Chi Association which integrates Qigong with Tai Chi movements in more simplified forms. Open to all levels of students. 417-837-5808.

Pickleball for Beginners – 2 Day Class @ Doling Family Center (301 E Talmage, Spfd) from 7 – 9 pm daily. An instructor-led course focusing on the rules and fundamentals of Pickleball. Fun for teens and adults of all ages! All equipment provided. Register in advance, space is limited. Doling Family Center, 417-837-5900. Age: 14 yrs. and up. Time: Tues. and Fri., 7-9 p.m. Fee: \$20/Member, \$30/Non-member.

April 2nd

Crochet/Knitting Group @ Northview Center (305 E Talmage, Spfd) from 10:40 am – Noon. FREE. For ages 55 yrs and older. Learn the basics or develop new techniques. Bring your own supplies. Everyone welcome! Did you know ... The Crochet group creates various pieces to be donated to organizations around Springfield. 417-837-5808.

Hike with a Doctor @ Lost Hill Park (4705 N Farm Road 151, Spfd) from 6:30 – 8 pm. FREE. For all ages. Hike with a Doctor and Outdoor Initiatives staff on National Walking Day! CoxHealth Doctors will share tips on living a healthy lifestyle, with Outdoor Initiatives staff leading participants on a mile long walk-through Lost Hill Park. A campfire with smores will follow the walk. Meet at the Outdoor Pavilion in Lost Hill Park. No registration required.

April 4th

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April 5th

Cherry Blossom Kite and Pinata Festival @ Springfield Botanical Gardens (2400 S Scenic Avenue, Spfd) from 11 am – 5 pm. FREE admission, \$5/Kite Kit. For All ages. Celebrate culture and welcome spring with Springfield Sister Cities Association at the Springfield Botanical Gardens. This annual festival highlights Springfield's sister city relationship with Isesaki, Japan and Tlaquepaque, Mexico. Bring a kite to fly or build one with us. Whack a piñata nearby. Concessions are available. Enjoy Japanese and Mexican performances, children's activities and free admission to Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden as it reopens for the season. 417-864-1341 Register Online.

April 7th

Homeschool Archery and Survival Skills @ Lake Springfield Park, Boathouse, and Marina (5324 S Kissick Avenue, Spfd) from 10 am – 2 pm. \$15/Student. Learn archery skills from NASP-certified instructors as well as survival skills lesson on shelter building in Lake Springfield Park.

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F.A.S.T.: Zoo to You for ages 16 yrs and older with a disability @ Northview Center (305 E Talmage, Springfield) from 3:30 – 4:30 pm. FREE. Register online – email: mwinzen@springfieldmo.gov or call 417-837-5808. Join Accessible Rec and Zoo staff for a special animal presentation where you will get to experience up close animal encounters! Located at the Northview Center.

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April 12th

Easter at the Farm @ Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park (3825 W Farm Road 146, Springfield) from 10 am – 2 pm. FREE admission for all ages. Egg hunts for ages 12 yrs and under. Celebrate spring with arts and crafts, games and a visit with the Easter Bunny! FREE egg hunt with candy for kids (limit 15 eggs/Child, while supplies last). Bring your own Easter baskets, but please no cellophane basket filler – it's bad for farm animals. Yard games: Parko and Easter Egg Toss (Baggo) Crafts offered in the classroom. \$2/Cow Train rides, pay at the Gift Shop.

April 14th

Walking Club @ Northview Center (305 E Talmage, Spfd) from 3 – 4 pm. FREE. For ages 55 yrs and older. Looking for something to do in the afternoon? Look no further! This is a casual walking club designed for social interaction! No need to sign up, grab a friend (or make new ones here) and show up ready to walk at your own pace.

Homeschool Climbing Skills @ Zenith Climbing Gym from 10 am – 2 pm. \$20/Student. Learn all about knots at Dan Kinney Park and then climb at Zenith Climbing Center. Register online. 417-833-8647.

April 15th

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April 16th

Funseeker Trip: Riverbend Casino for Ages 55 yrs and older. 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. 417-837-5808. Enjoy a fun day with friends! \$20. Pay for lunch on your own. **Register by Tues., April 15.** Sign up and pay for Trips at Northview Center. You may stop by or pay over the phone. You must sign up and pay for trips by the "Register by" date in order to reserve your spot. Cancellations: Notify NVC Staff one week prior to trip date to request refund. (Some trips require a minimum of two weeks before trip for request of refund.)Transportation: Trip transportation is from Northview to destination and back to Northview. Seating may be limited! You **MUST** have transportation to and from Northview Center. OATS bus must remain on schedule! Fees include transportation, staffing, and registration fees. Usually, patrons will pay for food and shopping on their own. Bus leaves promptly at the time indicated on the description. Please arrive approximately 15 minutes early to ensure that you have enough time to check in and get on the bus.

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Intro to Outdoor Repelling @ Lost Hill Park (4705 N Farm Road 151, Springfield) from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. \$30/Person. Learn about outdoor rappelling on a scenic bluff in Lost Hill Park, with an AMGA-certified instructor. Includes equipment and instructor-controlled rappel backup. Perfect for anyone new to rappelling. Register by day of program. For ages 9 yrs and older. 417-833-8647 Register online.

April 19th

Pickleball Clinic – Intermediate @ Dan Kinney Family Center (2701 S Blackman Road, Springfield) from 5 – 7 pm. Pickleball Clinic - Novice/Intermediate An instructor-led course focused on beginner skill progression including technique and strategy for - Serving, Returning the Serve, 3rd Shot Drop/Drive, Rules Clarification, and Court Positioning. Ideal for players with 3-12 months experience who know the basic rules and want to play consistently at the Intermediate (3.5+) Skill Level. Open to ages 13+. Wear athletic (gym) shoes and bring your own paddle. Extra paddles available from the instructor. Please register in advance as space is limited!

Floating Easter Egg Hunt @ Chesterfield Family Center (2511 W Republic Road, Springfield) from Noon – 4 pm. A hoppin' good time with a floating twist! Kids splash, swim and plunge in the pool, to gather floating Easter eggs and receive prizes. Bring a waterproof basket or bucket! Registration required, space is limited. Register by Mon., April 14. Age: Children 6 months-12 yrs., at staggered times (non-swimmers and children 8 yrs. and under must be accompanied by an adult in the water). \$15/Member and \$25/Non-member. 417-891-1616. (6 months-4 yrs – Noon – 1 pm; 5 – 8 years – 1:30 – 2:30 pm; and 9 – 12 years – 3 – 4 pm.)

Repurposed Buildings & Green Spaces @ Timmons Hall (1055 E Webster Street, Springfield) from 11 am – 12:30 pm. For ages 18 yrs and older. Join us to explore repurposed buildings and green spaces, past and present, through the lens of local African American community history. In collaboration with Springfield Community Gardens and the Community Church Collaborative. Space is limited. Register by email at cpeoples@springfieldmo.gov . 417-512-6070 email to register. \$10/Person, includes snack.

April 21st

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Homeschool Rock Climbing @ Horseshoe Canyon from 8 am – 5 pm. \$35/Student. A certified AMGA Instructor guides students on an outdoor climbing adventure at Horseshoe Canyon Ranch in Arkansas. For ages 8-15 yrs. 417-833-8647.

April 22nd

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Senior Games Pickleball: Men's and Women's Singles @ Fieldhouse Sportscenter (2235 W Kingsley Street, Springfield) from 8 am – 4 pm. \$45/Person for one event; \$50/person for two events; and \$55/person for three events. For ages 50 years and older. Olympic style, pickleball events for athletes ages 50 years and older. Events include Men's and Women's Singles, Mixed Doubles, and Men's and Women's Doubles. Register online. 417-837-5808.

April 24th

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April 26th

7th Annual Indoor Triathlon @ Chesterfield Family Center (2511 W Republic Road, Springfield) from 8 am – 2 pm. \$40/Members; \$50/Non-members (includes commemorative t-shirt) 417-891-1616. Register online. Staggered heats beginning at 8 am; arrive early to be sorted. Test your endurance in the Chesterfield Family Center Indoor Triathlon! Compete in a 10-minute swim, 30-minute spin-bike ride and 20-minute treadmill run in a fun and supportive environment. For ages 16 and older.

Master Gardener Plant Sale @ Springfield Botanical Gardens (2400 S Scenic Avenue, Springfield) from 8 am – Noon (or sold out). FREE admission, prices vary per plant. Join the Master Gardeners of Greene County for their annual plant sale! Located at the Mizumoto Japanese Stroll Garden Pavilion. Sale includes house plants, annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, bulbs, grasses, vines, ground covers, shrubs and trees. FREE admission, prices vary per plant. Held RAIN OR SHINE. Arrive early for best selection! Master Gardeners accept cash, credit cards or check. Other plant and garden groups also sell items near the Gray/Campbell Farmstead (some groups may not accept credit cards).

April 28th

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Pickleball Clinic – Beginner @ The Fieldhouse Sportscenter (2235 W Kingsley Street, Springfield) from 10 am – Noon. For all ages - \$30/Player. Description: The Fieldhouse will be hosting monthly pickleball clinics for those who are new to the sport. These clinics are intended for beginner level participants with the purpose being to enhance player's skills/knowledge of the game. All clinics will be instructed by registered pickleball instructors. Pickleballs will be provided but participants must bring their own paddles. Register online. 417-837-5808.

April 30th

Funseeker Trip: Baker's Creek for ages 55 years and older. Leaving at 9 am. \$5/Fee (Pay for seeds and lunch on your own). Enjoy a fun day shopping for new seeds to put into your garden. We will enjoy lunch at Vaccaro's Pizza & Pasta. We will be taking the van. Register by Mon., April 28. 417-837-5808

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Tuesday, April 1st

Adult Bingo @ Blue Room Comedy Club from 7 – 9 pm. Raunchy jokes, epic games, and zero rules— Adult Bingo & Naughty Games at @blueroomcomedyclub is calling your name! You're an ADULT. Play Like ONE! Adult Bingo isn't just a GAME, It's a Hilarious and Naughty COMEDY GAME SHOW! Be prepared, this isn't your Grandma's Bingo! Play Adult Themed Bingo Rounds, Adult Themed Mini-Games and WIN ADULT PRIZES! Anything can happen at Adult Bingo & Naughty Games! Tickets: www.blueroomcomedyclub.com/shows/303993

Spring Leagues @ X-Golf Springfield from 7 pm. Join Our Golf Leagues – Sign Up Now! Looking for some friendly competition and a great time on the course? Our Golf Leagues are back, and we're inviting golfers of all skill levels to join! We offer half price draft beer & \$2 fireballs during league nights. Optional horserace after league. League Start Date: 2-person scramble Tuesday nights starts 4-2-25 and 3v3 stroke (handicapped) Wednesday nights starts 4-3-25 Warmups at 5:30 and tee off at 6:00pm. Entry Fee: \$250 a person. Prizes & Weekly Challenges! Limited spots available – secure yours now! Tag your golf buddies and sign up today! Register here: Call 417-202-2400 or Email Jason@xgolfspringfield.com

GLO Youth Group (Ages 12-17) @ The GLO Center from 3 – 8 pm. GLO Youth Group is a youth outreach group for LGBTQIA+ people ages 12-17. The group meets each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3-8 PM at The GLO Center. Dinner and meetings are generally held around 5:30 PM - 6 PM. For more information, visit: <https://www.glocenter.org/glo-youth/>

Missouri Jazz Orchestra @ Blue Room Comedy Club from 7 – 9 pm Join us every 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 7-9 pm at Blue Room in Springfield, MO. Get your free tickets here: <https://www.blueroomcomedyclub.com/events/89210> NO COVER, great food and drinks, free parking. Follow us on Instagram @mojobigband

Wednesday, April 2nd

Spring Leagues @ X-Golf Springfield from 7 pm. Join Our Golf Leagues – Sign Up Now! Looking for some friendly competition and a great time on the course? Our Golf Leagues are back, and we're inviting golfers of all skill levels to join! We offer half price draft beer & \$2 fireballs during league nights. Optional horserace after league. League Start Date: 2-person scramble Tuesday nights starts 4-2-25 and 3v3 stroke (handicapped) Wednesday nights starts 4-3-25 Warmups at 5:30 and tee off at 6:00pm. Entry Fee: \$250 a person. Prizes & Weekly Challenges! Limited spots available – secure yours now! Tag your golf buddies and sign up today! Register here: Call 417-202-2400 or Email Jason@xgolfspringfield.com

A Spring Paint Party @ Hold Fast Brewing! From 6 pm. Get ready to unleash your creativity – We’re hosting a SPRING PAINTING PARTY! We’re thrilled to partner with Shelby the Travel Artist to bring you a fun-filled night of painting, beer, and good vibes at Hold Fast Brewing! Join us Wednesday, April 2nd, at 6 PM for an evening of art, friends, and your favorite brews. Your \$40 ticket includes: Your first beer! An 11x14 canvas to take home, All the paints, brushes, easels & supplies you need, and A 2-hour guided experience with an instructor to help you create your masterpiece! We'll be painting a spring flower vase, the perfect way to welcome the season. Spots are limited! Click "Find Tickets" to reserve your seat today. See you there! Tickets:
www.lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/mpu4dxe/lp/5f819bc7-81a6-47c2-a291-2f204ebc2751

Gentle Flow Yoga @ Finley Farms from 6 – 7 pm. Join us in The Riverside Room beneath The Ozark Mill, where you'll enjoy a front-row view of the tranquil Finley River. Whether you're an experienced yogi or new to the practice, this class encourages you to slow down and prioritize your well-being. Bring your mat, an open heart, and a willingness to flow. Led by Leslie Smith, ERYT and Certified Transformation Coach, this session focuses on breathwork, and grounding practices designed to help you reconnect with yourself and the natural world around you. Each guest will receive a complimentary coffee or tea card for a free drink at The Workshop. Please Park in the brick lot located at The Ozark Mill and be sure to check in upon entrance. Please note: tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets bought through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/events/gentle-flow-yoga/>

Big Screen Classics: Best in Show (2000) @ Moxie Cinema from 7 – 9 pm. It's time once again for the Mayflower Kennel Club competition—the Super Bowl of dog shows! Dogs and their owners travel from all over the country to compete, hoping to take home the top honor: Best in Show. Get ready to laugh until it hurts with the king of mockumentaries. Christopher Guest's breakout hit, BEST IN SHOW (2000) screens Wednesday, April 2, at 7pm as part of the Big Screen Classics series. Free for members. With Christopher Guest, Parker Posey, Eugene Levy, Catherine O'Hara, Michael Hitchcock, John Michael Higgins. Don't miss this hilarious all-star cast on the big screen at Moxie Cinema. Tickets on sale now! A behind-the-scenes look into the highly competitive and cut-throat world of dog shows through the eyes of a group of ruthless dog owners. (PG-13, 90 min.) Celebrate cinema this with a lineup of beloved classic films that you NEED to see on the big screen! Tickets:
www.prod3.agileticketing.net/websales/pages/info.aspx

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<https://app.bibleengagementproject.com/i/REWIGA> www.northsideaog.com/give

Thursday, April 3rd

Homeschool Art, Music & PE: Van Gogh @ Art Zone from 10 am – 1 pm. Art Zone & Studio Fitness are teaming up to offer Art, Music & PE Homeschool classes!! During April Art we will be learning about Van Gogh and his Sunflower paintings. New Class Option: Music - 11am-12pm Fun with Music Ages 5-8, Students will explore singing, music games and instrument exploration. 12-1pm Music Basics Ages 9+, Students will explore singing, music theory and note reading. Each month will have a different art and PE focus. PE switches between Yoga, Dance and Hula Hooping. April has four weeks - Only Art 10am-11am- \$25, Only PE 11am-12pm \$25, Only Music: \$25, Art, PE & Music- \$55 (normally \$60), Art & Music- \$45, Art & PE- \$45, and PE & Music-\$45. Tickets:
www.mobileapp.app/to/MNs8Q0r

Dr Jordan Butcher on “Eating Elephants and Finding Bathrooms: How Rules Affect State Lawmakers” from 11 am. Join us for a special treat on Thursday, April 3, at 11:00 a.m. in the Lyceum (upper floor of the Olin Library). Dr.

Jordan Butcher (Drury University BA, 2015; University of Missouri Ph.D., 2020), an Assistant Professor currently at Arkansas State University, will give a talk entitled "Eating Elephants and Finding Bathrooms: How Rules Affect State Lawmakers." Dr. Butcher is a widely recognized scholar of state legislatures, legislative term limits, and state politics generally. Her first book "Navigating Term Limits," was published last year. We hope to see you! Where: The Lyceum (upper floor of Olin Library).

Springfield Lutheran High School's Launch the Legacy Spring Gala @ The Old Glass Place from 6 – 9 pm.

Reserve your tickets or event sponsorship today (<https://givebutter.com/springlegacygala>) and make plans to join us for an unforgettable evening at the Launch the Legacy Spring Gala. Ticket & Sponsorship Options: General Admission: \$60 per ticket. We'll enjoy coming together to celebrate, support, and strengthen the future of SLHS. This elegant night of fellowship and generosity will directly impact our students, faculty, and school community—paving the way for a thriving future rooted in Christ-Centered Education, a Relationship-Driven Culture, and Academic Excellence. Guests will enjoy: A delicious dinner and cash bar, Hearing the latest updates on the launch, and exciting auction items and experiences. Your participation and generosity will help fund critical infrastructure, campus security, educational resources, and community-building initiatives, leaving a lasting legacy for generations to come. Dress as you're so inclined—cocktail attire suggested for this special evening.

GLO Young Adult Group (Ages 18-25) @ The GLO Center from 4 – 8 pm. The Young Adult Group is held every Thursday at the GLO Center from 4-8 PM. This group is for LGBTQIA+ young adults ages 18-25. Come join us for opportunities to socialize, learn important life skills, and get connected with resources. Dinner is provided for free each week. The facilitators are volunteers within the 18-25 age range. For more information, please email Collins@glocenter.org

Friday, April 4th

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry @ Holy Trinity Catholic Church from 5 – 7 pm. Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. It's time for the Lenten Fish Frys again! This year we will have carry out service and dine-in options available! The prices are: \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children ages 11 and under. Menu: Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Cornbread, Brown Beans & Dessert. Grilled Cheese option for Children. Stations of the Cross will be going on at 5:30pm in the Church.

The Art of The Cocktail @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 6 – 8 pm. Join us at Finley Farms for an immersive mixology workshop where you'll explore the art of crafting exceptional cocktails. Under the guidance of our seasoned mixologists, you'll delve into the history and techniques behind classic drinks, empowering you to recreate these beverages at home. Each session showcases a unique theme, with this one featuring Jim Beam Pineapple and Jim Beam Black bourbons. Whether you're a novice or a seasoned enthusiast, our workshops offer a hands-on, informative, and enjoyable experience. Please note: tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets bought through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/events/the-art-of-the-cocktail/>

Cellar + Plate presents Stevie Newman from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Stevie's voice is the perfect background for your evening. Come see us!

Women of Joy @ Branson Convention Center from April 4th – 6th. This is a can't miss event! Join Charles as he leads worship for the Women of Joy Conference. Share a few days with Women of Joy - a ministry that has been changing the lives of women since 1994. Based in Decatur, AL, and led by Phil and Debbie Waldrep, these weekends serve and minister to crowds ranging from 1,000 to 14,000 women at each event. This event is at the Branson Convention Center in Branson, MO. Check out more info at: www.womenofjoy.org

Double Feature: Dido & Aeneas / Alcina @ Ellis Hall from 7:30 – 9:30 pm. Experience an evening of spellbinding drama and exquisite music as MSU Opera presents a unique operatic double feature: Purcell's Dido & Aeneas paired with Handel's Alcina. Journey to Carthage for Dido & Aeneas, Purcell's masterpiece of passion and fate, culminating

in one of opera's most heartbreaking laments. Then, lose yourself in the sorcery and deception of Alcina, where the enchantress's illusions unravel in a tale of love, betrayal, and transformation—distilled to bring you some of Handel's most mesmerizing music. Two iconic operas, one unforgettable night. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the magic of Baroque opera in a thrilling double-feature in C-Minor Recital Hall. Tickets available at door
Students: FREE and Adults: \$5

Psychobilly Cadillac! @ Southbound Bar & Grill from 8 pm. Join us for a night of all your favorite country hits from yesteryear and today!

Saturday, April 5th

Sparta Easter Egg Hunt 2025 @ 837 Division Street, Sparta from 2 pm. Join us at Sparta Roller Park for the Sparta 2025 Easter Egg Hunt!! Sparta Park & Recreation will be hosting the 2025 Easter Egg Hunt at Sparta Roller Park from 2-3 pm April 5th, 2025. There are 5 Age Groups with various start times. 2:15 - Special Needs & 0 - 1 Age Group Hunt, 2:30 – 2 - 4 Age Group Hunt, 2:45 – 5 – 7 Age Group Hunt and 3:00 – 8 and up Age Group Hunt. A free Shuttle Service will be available from 1:30-3:30 from the Sparta High School to the Park as the only parking at the park will be for accessible parking only. Please bring your own basket to collect your eggs! Select Eggs will have tickets in them for prizes. If you receive a prize ticket in your egg, please visit the prize table that corresponds with your color balloon/age group! We hope to see you there!

Easter Egg Hunt/Kite Fly @ Brookline Church of Christ from 1 pm. Egg hunt, kite fly, face painting, cookies, games, crafts, farm animals and car show.

Easter Egg Hunt @ Pleasant Hope Middle School from 1 pm. Sullivan Bank is hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 5th at 1:00PM. Patty Shack and Smore's Food Trucks will be there! Be sure to arrive early to snap a few photos with the Easter Bunny from 12:15PM-12:45PM. There will be grand prize golden eggs, and you will need to bring your own basket. Age Groups: Preschool – Kindergarten, 1st-2nd Grade, and 3rd-4th Grade. If you are interested in donating candy, eggs, or your time to this event, please contact Mikenzi Hayes at 417-530-3045 or mhayes@sullivanbank.com. We look forward to seeing everyone there for a hopping good time!

Potter's House (Steve Proffitt Legacy) 5K + Fun Run @ The Potter's House (Springfield) from 9 am. Want a fun opportunity to gather with friends and family this spring, run (or walk) a 5K in the heart of Springfield, all while supporting a local cause? The 3rd Annual Potter's House (Steve Proffitt Legacy) 5K + Fun Run is right around the corner. This year, we're celebrating 25 years of Potter's House! Join us Saturday, April 20th at 9am. In person and virtual registration is NOW open below. Whether you're a runner, walker, student, alumni or friend of Potter's House, we'd love to have you join us as we come together for our 3rd annual 5K! Let's come together to support the future of Potter's House. Spread the word & get registered today! (Register by March 21st to guarantee a race day t-shirt). runsignup.com/Race/MO/Springfield/PottersHouseCelebration5K Interested in being a race-day sponsor? We need you! Partner with us today at thepoho.com.

Babysitting Basics @ 1000 E Primrose Street, Springfield from 9 am – Noon. For ages 11-14 interested in babysitting. Learn about caring for children at different developmental stages, the basics of child safety & infant care, first aid and age-appropriate activities. \$15 per child. Parents drop children off for this class. Two educators will be present during class. Snack will be provided, please let us know about any allergies. Held in-person. Call The Women's Center to register at 417-269-4664, option 2. Registration is required for all classes and ends 3 days before the class or when class is full

Det 993 Spring Picnic @ American Legion Post 649 (Vietnam War Memorial) from 10 am – 2 pm. Come enjoy the start of Fall with members of Det 993 and its Ladies Auxiliary. Detachment will provide cooked meats and drinks. Sides and desserts requested. Contact Ed Todd 417-425-2447.

forget to snap a picture with the Easter Bunny! To ensure everyone has a fair chance, we'll have different age groups and time slots for each hunt. 417-344-3937. We can't wait to celebrate this egg-citing day with you!

"Maytime" – SMAS April 2025 Concert @ First Baptist Church, Springfield from 3 pm. Springfield Mid-America Singers is proud to present "Maytime," our final concert of the 2024-25 season! We will perform Poulenc's "Gloria." Held at First Baptist Church in Springfield, this event is FREE and open to the public! Francis Poulenc's Gloria is a vibrant and dynamic choral masterpiece, blending sacred reverence with playful exuberance. Written in 1959, it combines lush harmonies, bold rhythms, and moments of profound beauty, capturing Poulenc's unique fusion of spirituality and joy.

Charles Billingsley Concert @ Hopedale Baptist Church (Ozark) from 6 pm. Join Charles for an incredible concert at Hopedale Baptist Church in Ozark, MO. If you are in the area, please make plans to join us. It all starts at 6pm Central, Address: 5370 N. State Hwy NN, Ozark, MO 65721. Website: <https://www.hopedale.org> Phone: (417) 581-3836.

Refuge Transgender/Nonbinary Support Group @ The GLO Center from 3 – 5 pm. Refuge is a peer-led Transgender/Nonbinary/Gender Expansive support group. We hold in-person meetings every Sunday from 3 PM to 5 PM! We are a safe space to be an authentic version of yourself, especially if you are in the process of figuring that out. We meet at GLO Center, 518 E. Commercial. You are welcome to join us in person or online. You can email us at Refuge@glocenter.org if you would like more info.

Monday, April 7th

Chess Night @ Tie & Timber Beer Co from 6 – 8 pm. Join us every Monday for a casual evening of chess in the taproom. We have the boards; you bring the strategy. All levels welcome making this a great way to learn chess and build your skill. Best of all you can ponder your next move over a pint of tasty brew. Games start at 6pm, but you can drop in anytime and join in.

Greek Lunch Cooking Experience @ Pickwick & Cherry – Fine Foods & Gourmet Gifts from 11 am – 1 pm. Join us for a cheerful, delicious and hands-on Greek-inspired lunch! We'll be making bright, creamy avgolemono (egg-lemon-chicken soup), Greek village salad, grilled pork souvlakia with tzatziki and handmade pitas, and for dessert, portokalopita, a uniquely wonderful, custardy orange cake! Each ticket admits ONE. Tickets: www.pickwickandcherry.com/events/list

Spring Luncheon & Survivor Fashion Show: 25th Anniversary GYNCA Celebration @ Oasis Hotel & Conv Center from 11 am – 1 pm. A cheerful celebration of survivorship, reflection, friendship and fashion held in the beautiful Oasis Hotel and Convention Center! All funds raised from this event help provide education, support and resources to gynecologic cancer patients and their families in more than 30 counties in the Southwest Missouri area. Tickets: www.zeffy.com/e-US/ticketing/24th-annual-spring-luncheon-and-survivor-fashion-show

Homeschool Art & Dance: Pinatas @ Art Zone from 3 - 5 pm. Art Zone & Studio Fitness are teaming up to offer Art & Dance Homeschool classes!! During April we will be learning about paper mâché. Students will create a piñata of their own. One hour will focus on art followed by an hour of dance. The dance class will include Jazz, Ballet and Hula Hoop instructed by Ms. Jenni. Classes meet for 4 weeks Mondays 3-5pm. April has four weeks- \$45 Art & Dance. Only Art 3-4pm- \$25 and Only Dance 4-5pm \$25. Tickets: www.mobileapp.app/to/r9BUzUr

Homeschool Days @ Wonders of Wildlife April 7th – 11th from 10 am – 7 pm daily. Explore the wonder of our land and oceans during our seasonal Homeschool Days at a discounted rate – exclusively for students! Tickets are available in-person only; not available online. Student tickets: \$18 and Adult chaperone tickets: \$25. Learn more: wondersofwildlife.org/homeschool *This offer is available for homeschool students ages 4-18 and their chaperone. No more than one chaperone is allowed per 2 students. Proof of homeschooling is encouraged.

Acceptable proof of homeschooling may include, but is not limited to, any of the following: a daily lesson log, a homeschool association membership card, or a written educational plan book. Not available on weekends or holidays

The Lactation Club – Evening Support Group – Guest Speaker CoxHealth Dietician discussing breastfeeding and pumping @ 1000 E Primrose St, Spfd from 6 – 7:30 pm. Join us for our breastfeeding support group. Moms that are breastfeeding or pumping and their babies are welcome. No partners please. Bring your baby for a weight check, get your questions answered by one of our lactation consultants, or just come to connect with other moms. No registration required. For April, our guest speaker will be a dietician to discuss how to introduce solids to your baby and toddlers. Come prepared with any questions you may have. We will meet in The Women's Center Conference room within the Turner Center, Suite 130. ****If you can't make it this month, we meet monthly on the first Monday of each month. If a holiday falls on the first Monday, group will meet the second Monday. Sometimes group will meet in the morning. Pay close attention to the time.

Tuesday, April 8th

GLO Youth Group (Ages 12-17) @ The GLO Center from 3 – 8 pm. GLO Youth Group is a youth outreach group for LGBTQIA+ people ages 12-17. The group meets each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3-8 PM at The GLO Center. Dinner and meetings are generally held around 5:30 PM - 6 PM. For more information, visit: <https://www.glocenter.org/glo-youth/>

Schools Out Day Camp @ Wonders of Wildlife from 8 am – 3 pm. Drop your Kindergartener through 5th Grader off for a fun day deciphering codes and clues! This mystery-filled class provides a space where participants can spend time deciphering codes and clues both as a group and on their own! We will use critical thinking to discover new, exciting facts about creatures and the world around us all leading up to a special, mystery animal guest! See all upcoming camps: wondersofwildlife.org/camps

Acrylic Pour Class – Swiping Starbursts/Sunflowers @ Where House Bar from 6 – 8 pm. Join us for a fun and creative Acrylic Pour Class where we'll explore the swiping technique to create stunning starbursts and sunflowers! No experience? No problem! Our instructor will guide you step by step, swipe with precision, and achieve mesmerizing effects. You'll create a beautiful, one-of-a-kind masterpiece, enjoy meeting new people, and have a fun time! All materials provided. Perfect for beginners & experienced painters alike! Paintings will need to dry, pickup time is Saturday April 12th, starting at 11am. Spots are limited (15), so reserve yours today! Message us or sign up <https://square.link/u/wLyZ9kFB> Let's pour, swipe, and create something magical together! Cost \$40/Person. Save 10% off if you bring a friend!

Prepared Childbirth – Part One @ Turner's Center from 5:30 - 9 pm. This is a two-part class. This event shows Part One and you would attend Part Two the following week, the same day & same time. A one-day Saturday class is also available. See separate event for details. In this class, you and your support person will learn what to expect before, during and after childbirth. Content includes late pregnancy expectations, the process of labor and birth, pain relief and comfort measures, medical interventions, cesarean sections and newborn and postpartum care. Includes tour of Labor & Delivery and Women & Newborn. You do not need to sign up for the separate Labor & Delivery tour if you are attending this class. Recommended to take Prepared Childbirth or Natural Childbirth, but not both. Videos of Breastfeeding, a Vaginal Birth, and glimpses of a C-Section will be shown. Offered in-person. Classes are for those delivering at CoxHealth. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664 option 2. Plan to attend during the last trimester of your pregnancy but call around 20-25 weeks to register for the best availability. Registration ends 3 days before class or when full.

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Vintner's Vision: A Night with Adam Lee @ Vino Cellars from 5 pm. Hope" will have a special screening at College Station Theater on March 9th at 3:00 PM. The film, which has won over 50 prestigious national and international film awards, including Best Documentary at the Paris Cinema Awards and Best Adventure – Grand Winner at the Cannes World Film Festival, tells the powerful story of people coming together for something bigger than themselves. Set on the northernmost 300 miles of Alaska's dangerous Dalton Highway, during winter, the film raises awareness for children battling pediatric cancer. Running the world's 10th most dangerous road, Delivering Hope aims to give a voice to the warriors—children and families who fight every day, often in silence. This documentary has captivated audiences across the globe, sparking much-needed conversations and shining a light on the darkness of childhood cancer. "Delivering Hope" highlights how resilience can help overcome tremendous odds to make a difference. The documentary not only shares a captivating story but also serves as a testament to the strength of the human spirit. Ticket Information:

Tickets for the event can be purchased online at <https://omniwebticketing2.com/college-station/...>

Natural Childbirth @ Turner's Center from 5:30 - 9 pm. This is a two-part class. This event shows Part One and you would attend Part Two the following week, the same day & same time. A one-day Saturday class is also available. See separate event for details. In this class, you and your support person will learn what to expect before, during and after childbirth. Content includes late pregnancy expectations, the process of labor and birth, pain relief and comfort measures, medical interventions, cesarean sections and newborn and postpartum care. Includes tour of Labor & Delivery and Women & Newborn. You do not need to sign up for the separate Labor & Delivery tour if you are attending this class. Recommended to take Prepared Childbirth or Natural Childbirth, but not both. Videos of Breastfeeding, a Vaginal Birth, and glimpses of a C-Section will be shown. Offered in-person. Classes are for those delivering at CoxHealth. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664 option 2. Plan to attend during the last trimester of your pregnancy but call around 20-25 weeks to register for the best availability. Registration ends 3 days before class or when full.

Spring Arrangements @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 6 – 7:30 pm. Flower farmer and intentional florist, Cherrelle Hitchcock of Flora & Forge Floral & Farm, invites you to craft a stunning bouquet with the freshest flowers spring has to offer. Discover the art of harvesting and designing arrangements with fragrant, specialty narcissus, ranunculus, anemones, tulips, stock, and seasonal foliage. Come prepared to unleash your creativity and leave with a vase arrangement you adore! Please note: tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets bought through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/events/spring-arrangements/>

Improv Jam @ The Creamery Arts Center from 7 – 8:30 pm. A free night of playing Improv. Get together with some fellow fun seekers for an Improv Jam. This is not a class or a workshop this is just hanging out and having fun playing Improv. Each attendee is asked to bring along an Improv Game that you can explain to the others at the Jam. You are welcome to bring family or friends to participate or to watch. We meet in the Boardroom

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Camping World Open House @ Camping World (Springfield) from April 10th – 13th. The Camping World Open House Is Coming to Springfield! Join us at the dealership April 10th through 13th to shop special Open House prices on Missouri's best selection of new and used RVs! RVs For Less Than \$5/Day, Fully Reconditioned Used RVs, Nationwide Network of Lenders, Fun Onsite Activities...and more! 4/10 Thu: 9AM–7PM CDT, 4/11 Fri: 9AM–7PM CDT, 4/12 Sat: 9AM–7PM CDT, and 4/13 Sun: 11AM-5PM CDT.

Conservation Federation Missouri Springfield Banquet @ Relics Event Center from 5 – 8:30 pm. Join us for the Conservation Federation of Missouri's Springfield Banquet on Thursday, April 10th, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Relics Event Center in Springfield, MO. This exciting evening will feature speakers Chip and Teresa McGeehan, along with raffles, games, and activities for all ages. Enjoy a delicious dinner while participating in our silent and live auctions to support conservation efforts in Missouri. Ticket prices are as follows: Table of 10: \$450, Couple: \$90, Individual: \$50, and Youth: \$20. Don't miss out on this fantastic event! Purchase your tickets online at www.confedmo.org/springfield.

Navigate Your Real Estate Investments 101 @ Keller Williams of Springfield from 6 -7:30 pm. It's time for our quarterly free investor seminar! The April 10th meetup will be focused on new investors. We will walk you through the different investment strategies and discuss any lingering questions you might have about today's market. The market changes every single day and it's important to know and understand all the factors that will affect your investment! RSVP HERE: <https://bit.ly/InvestorClassApril10> This event is hosted by Colton Moos and has quickly become a passion project of his. Colton is dedicated to pouring into the community and believes in the transformative power of knowledge and connections to help people achieve their financial goals. Join us for this free event! Realtors welcomed - please bring your clients! Food and drinks provided. SEE YOU THERE!

Breastfeeding Basics @ 1000 E Primrose Street, Springfield from 6 – 8 pm. Discussion topics include the importance of breastfeeding, latch and positioning, preventing nipple pain, signs baby is getting enough milk, and collecting and storage of milk. Support person encouraged to attend. Videos of breastfeeding and hand expression will be shown. Offered in-person. Classes are for those delivering at CoxHealth. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664 option 2. Plan to attend during the last trimester of your pregnancy, but call around 20-25 weeks to register for the best availability. Registration ends 3 days before class or when full.

The Drowsy Chaperone – A Musical Within a Comedy! @ Parkview High School from 7 pm. Experience the delightful charm of "The Drowsy Chaperone," a This award-winning musical affectionately parodies the golden age of Broadway. A whimsical show-within-a-show features a man in a chair who, feeling blue, plays his favorite album—a fictional 1928 musical called "The Drowsy Chaperone." As the record plays, his apartment transforms into a vibrant stage, bringing the musical to life with all its colorful characters and toe-tapping numbers. Join us for an evening full of laughter, catchy tunes, and theatrical magic that will promise to leave your worries at the door. ABOUT THE PLAY: "The Drowsy Chaperone", a fictional 1928 musical comedy, begins with a solitary musical theater enthusiast seeking to cure his sadness by listening to a recording of his favorite show. As he listens, the characters spring to life in his apartment, transforming it into a dazzling Broadway set. The plot centers on the wedding day of oil tycoon Robert Martin and Broadway star Janet Van De Graaff, who plans to leave the stage for married life. Hilarity ensues with a cast of eccentric characters, including a bumbling best man, a desperate theater producer, a not-so-bright hostess, two gangsters posing as pastry chefs, a misguided Latin lover, and an intoxicated chaperone. The show is a loving send-up of 1920s musical comedies, complete with mistaken identities, dream sequences, and show-stopping numbers. Don't miss this uproarious and heartwarming tribute to the magic of musical theater! Purchase your tickets today!

How to Stay Safe Around Dogs! @ Mercy Hospital Springfield from 7 – 8:15 pm. Hear from an experienced Certified Professional Dog Trainer and dog behavior consultant, RN, and former certified critical care nurse and licensed paramedic about how to recognize impending dog bites, prevent being bitten, and how to respond if threatened or bitten. This talk is being hosted by Mercy Hospital in Springfield, MO and is FREE and open to the public. Pre-registration requested due to limited seating.

Revive Buffalo @ Buffalo City Park from April 10th – 13th. ALL are WELCOME! We will be holding tent revival 7 pm nightly. There will be Praying, Singing, and Preaching each night at the Buffalo City Park.

Blues Society of the Ozarks open Jam @ The Where House Bar from 6 pm. Have some fun with the Blues Society of The Ozarks at Where House on the second Thursday of each month! Bring your instrument and come jam, sing, or just listen! Any way about it, you'll have a blast!

Friday, April 11th



Adult Easter Egg Hunt @ 102 E Front Street, Rogersville from 8 am – 4 pm. Get ready for a twist on tradition! Join us on April 11th for our 2nd Annual Adult Easter Egg Hunt! We're hiding eggs packed with awesome prizes like gas cards, gift baskets, and gift cards! It's a hunt you won't want to miss! Mark your calendars and get ready to hop into some fun! F•I•V•E Easter Eggs will be hidden around the City of Rogersville. When you find an egg, you will come to the Rogersville Chamber and Claim your prize. Prizes include ~ Gas Card~ Gift Basket~ Sonic Gift Card~and more!

2025 HBA Home & Outdoor Living Show @ Ozark Empire Fairgrounds from April 11th – April 13th. Find Information and Inspiration at the 2025 HBA Home & Outdoor Living Show. Don't just dream about your next home project—make it happen! The HBA Home & Outdoor Living Show is your ultimate destination for inspiration and expert advice. Whether you're building your dream home, planning a renovation, or upgrading your spaces, you'll find cutting-edge trends, connect with industry pros, and dive into interactive workshops. Bring your vision to life and see where it takes you—this is the event you won't want to miss. Get your tickets today. SHOW HOURS April 11 | 12PM - 6PM, April 12 | 10AM - 6PM, and April 13 | 11AM - 4PM. Tickets: www.hbaspringfield.com/Missouri-home-outdoor-living-show

Wine & Nine Anniversary Party @ Retreat Day Spa (Shell Knob) from 3 – 7 pm. Please join us in celebrating 9 years!! 417-858-6800.

Sharkcutterie @ Wonders of Wildlife from 6 – 9 pm. SEArround yourself with our stunning aquarium while learning the art of charcuterie! Whether you're looking for a unique date night or a girl's night out, this event is the perfect opportunity to enjoy some food and try out a few new skills. After burning your own wood board, learn how to arrange the perfect charcuterie with an expert-eye guiding your hand. *One drink and hors d'oeuvres are included! Boards will be held for 7 – 14 days after class to apply stain and oil. Learn more: wondersofwildlife.org/events

Crafting the Beef Wellington @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 6 – 8:30 pm. Join our culinary workshop and master the art of Beef Wellington with Executive Chef Brandon Peterson! You'll learn the steps, gather expert tips, and roll your own Wellington to take home. After refining your skills, savor a delightful three-course dinner featuring some of our favorites, including a Beef Wellington crafted by Chef Brandon himself. Fine wines will be available throughout the evening for an additional \$25 per person. Please note: tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets bought through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/.../crafting-the-beef-wellington/>

Insidious: the Further You Fear @ Juanita K Hammons Hall from 7:30 pm. Join us for a spine-chilling experience with "Insidious: The Further You Fear"! Step into the world of the paranormal at this immersive live event. Get your tickets now at Tickets Helper and prepare to be scared! Don't miss out on this unforgettable journey into the unknown. #InsidiousLive #TheFurtherYouFear   Visit the link below to secure your spot: [\[https://www.ticketshelper.com/.../insidious-the-further...\]](https://www.ticketshelper.com/.../insidious-the-further...)

and dreams come true. 5k or 13.1 - whichever you race, it'll be a blast! Link to Register + More Info: <https://www.gogirlrun.com/springfield-mo.html#/>

Waterfalls Hike Glory Hole + Kings River Falls @ Farmer's Park from 8:15 am. Early Spring in the Ozarks is the best time of year to visit our area's spectacular waterfalls. The water will be flowing as we first stop at Glory Hole. This amazing waterfall Glory Hole Falls is one of the most unique waterfalls in the Ozarks. The waterfall is formed by a stream that flows through the ceiling of an overhang cave. After relaxing at the falls we will head to our second waterfall, Kings River Falls. This easy hike is a hidden gem in the area. The rocks on the side create a perfect gathering spot for a rest with the best views and sounds one can be surrounded by. *This trip leaves from Bentonville, AR. Tickets: www.37northexpeditions.com/all-adventures

14th Annual Ozark Mountain Monopoly Tournament @ Best Western Branson Inn and Conference Center from 9 am – 1 pm. Calling all Monopoly lovers – don't miss OACAC's 14th Annual Ozark Mountain Monopoly Tournament on Saturday, April 12, 2025! Registration opens at 9:00am with the tournament beginning at 9:30am. The player fee includes a position for the first 90-minute elimination round and potentially a seat in the championship round. The first 75 registered are guaranteed to play. Ages 14+. All who register by March 28 will receive a tournament t-shirt at the event. Those who register after March 28 will receive their t-shirt following the event. This event benefits poverty relief in Stone County, MO through the services of the OACAC Stone County Neighborhood Center. Tickets: www.ozarksharecommunityactioncorporation-bloom.kindful.com/e/14th-annual-ozark-mountain-monopoly-tournament

Prepared Childbirth @ 1000 E Primrose, Spfd from 9 am – 5 pm. This is a one-day Saturday class. A two-part evening class is also available. See separate event for details. In this class, you and your support person will learn what to expect before, during and after childbirth. Content includes late pregnancy expectations, the process of labor and birth, pain relief and comfort measures, medical interventions, cesarean sections and newborn and postpartum care. Includes tour of Labor & Delivery and Women & Newborn. You do not need to sign up for the separate Labor & Delivery tour if you are attending this class. Recommended to take this class or Natural Childbirth, but not both. Videos of Breastfeeding, a Vaginal Birth, and glimpses of a C-Section will be shown. Offered in-person. Classes are for those delivering at CoxHealth. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664 option 2. Plan to attend during the last trimester of your pregnancy but call around 20-25 weeks to register for the best availability. Registration ends 3 days before class or when full.

ID Camp @ Missouri State Ice Hockey Arena from 10 am. Are you interested in playing college hockey at Missouri State? Follow the link and get signed up today, spots are limited. <https://missouristatehockeygear.square.site/id-camp-2025>

Easter @ Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park from 10 am – 2 pm. Hop over to Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park on Sat., April 12 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for Easter at the Farm 2025! Celebrate spring with arts and crafts, games and visit with the Easter Bunny. FREE Admission for all ages. Egg hunt with candy for kids ages 12 yrs. and under (Bring your own Easter baskets. Yard games: Parko & Easter Egg Toss. Crafts offered in the barn classroom. \$2/Person Cow Train rides (pay at the Gift Shop). For more information visit ParkBoard.org/FarmPark

Easter Planters @ Art Zone (Nixa) from 10 am – 6 pm. Create your own flowerpots! Use our cookie cutters to create a bunny pot! Create in studio or get a Kit To Go (Small-\$12, Medium-\$15, and Large-\$20). No reservations needed for in Studio creating. This is a come and go event. Activity takes about an hour to complete. Creations are ready two weeks after creating. Tickets: www.mobileapp.app/to/eGfByb9

Souled Out Easter Egg Hunt! @ Cribbs Family Youth Park (Bolivar) from 10:30 – 12:30. We can't wait for our 2nd annual Souled Out Easter Egg Hunt!! This egg hunt is for kids ages 1-11 y/o. Bring the whole family!! We will be hunting easter eggs, providing free lunch and playing at the youth park. This event is for the whole community so invite your friends!! You will not want to miss this!!

Women's Empowerment: A Yoga & Sound Bath Experience with Tonya Hockett @ Essential Yoga Studio from 2 – 4 pm. Join Essential Yoga Studio as we host Reiki master, sound healer, and yoga instructor Tonya Hockett for A Yoga & Sound Bath Experience all about Women's Empowerment! Is 2025 YOUR year? Are you reclaiming your power? Reignite your inner fire, reconnect with yourself, & unlock and reclaim your own powerful energy. Join us as we use somatic movements, breathwork, & moments of stillness to find confidence, set boundaries and gain inner strength to take control of our lives. We will end with a sound bath allowing us to fall into a deep meditation, encouraging releasing and healing of the mind, body, and spirit. We'll leave feeling empowered, more confident, and rejuvenated in our intention to make 2025 our year. Dress comfortably; hot tea and water provided. Mats, props, and blankets are available in-studio but you're welcome to bring anything that helps you feel comfortable in a studio setting. This is a women's only event. \$30 per person or \$25 for members of Essential Yoga Studio. Please book your spot in advance via the ticket link or the Store inside the Wellness Living Achieve app. Tickets: www.essential-yoga.com/events

3rd Gala with the Aroma of Coffee @ The Barley House at Moon Town Crossing from 7 – 11 pm. Join us for Acompañarte's 3rd Gala – "Gala con Aroma a Café" on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at The Barley House at Moon Town Crossing! This special evening will celebrate Colombian culture and Acompañarte's anniversary with live music, traditional dance, delicious Colombian cuisine, drinks, and exciting raffles. Enjoy a night of entertainment while supporting our mission to bring the community together through art and culture. Don't miss this unforgettable event! To purchase tickets, contact Herminia at (417) 773-6259 or Nicole Millan at (417) 893-8220.

Springfield Prom @ The Shrine from 7 pm. Come join the fun. Tickets: www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/512a3c84-471a-4427-8661-a234da2dc2f3

Springfield Impro Presents April Edition @ Springfield Studio 1 from 7 – 8:30 pm. Springfield Improv presents a night of brand new funny. First up, the brand-new group "Itty Bitty Bit Committee", featuring classic hilarious Improv with an all-new cast. Followed by, "That's It!" to round out the night with long form Improv involving a series of scenes all based off one suggestion from you, the audience. Purchase Early Tickets for only \$12. Day of Tickets \$15. www.square.link/u/E4iTKKMU

Sunday, April 13th

2025 Easter Egg Hunt @ Spring Creek Estates from 1-3 pm. Spring is in the air, and we're bringing the Easter spirit to Spring Creek Estates in Republic, MO! Join us for an unforgettable Easter Egg Hunt filled with fun activities, live music, and plenty of surprises for all ages! What's Included? Age-Divided Easter Egg Hunts (up to age 18); Live Music from Local Artists; Photos with the Easter Bunny; Spring-Themed Activities; Egg Decorating, Cookie Decorating, and More! Delicious Food & Drinks Available for Purchase; NOT your average Easter Eggs with unique prizes and GOLDEN EGGS! Ticket Pricing: \$10 per child (includes participation in the egg hunt, egg and cookie decorating, and a fun party favor) \$5 per adult (general admission) Family Pass: \$30 (up to 5 people) How to Get Tickets: Purchase online at <https://www.springcreekestates.co/easteregg hunt>

Gateway Real Estate 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt! 729 W Center Circle, Nixa from 4 – 6 pm. We are HOPPING with egg-citement to bring you our 3rd annual Gateway Real Estate Easter Egg Hunt! This event is fun for the whole family! Of course we will have the egg hunt and the Easter bunny! Come see the fluffles, aka the bunnies of Easter aka the cutest bunch of fluff ever, there might even be a goat or a pig if you're nice! We will have face painting by the mega talented Lucid Arts! Come hungry because Fatty's burgers will be working their magic on the grill and it pairs perfectly with a refreshing treat from George and Squeezys Deluxe Lemon Shake Ups!

NL Kids Easter Egg Hunt @ New Life Church (776 W Farm Rd 186, Springfield) from 8 am – Noon. Our annual Easter egg hunt is coming up on Sunday, April 13th, following each service. Inflatables; Over 5,000 Easter eggs; Tons of candy; Fun for the whole family. Our hunt will take place at Cherokee Middle School, just a little over a mile away. Stick around until the end of service and we'll share details on exactly what time each hunt will star

Refuge Transgender/Nonbinary Support Group @ The GLO Center from 3 – 5 pm. Refuge is a peer-led Transgender/Nonbinary/Gender Expansive support group. We hold in-person meetings every Sunday from 3 PM to 5 PM! We are a safe space to be an authentic version of yourself, especially if you are in the process of figuring that out. We meet at GLO Center, 518 E. Commercial. You are welcome to join us in person or online. You can email us at Refuge@glocenter.org if you would like more info.

13th Annual Hospitality Leadership Wine Tasting Event @ Bond Learning Center from 2 pm. The wine event you know, and love is back! Get ready for an unforgettable evening at the 13th Annual Hospitality Leadership Wine Tasting, where we take you on a global journey through wine, beer and food. This year, we're embracing an Around the World theme, featuring a curated selection of wines from the United States, France and South America, all from our long-time partner and alum owned Vino Cellars Wine Shop & Lounge, paired with delicious regionally inspired dishes. Alongside these international flavors, enjoy craft beer from our alum-owned 4 by 4 Brewing Company and bid on amazing silent auction items, all in support of the future of the hospitality industry. Contact Information Matt Bekebrede, 417-836-3278, MattBekebrede@MissouriState.edu Tickets: www.alumni.missouristate.edu/s/1691/bp23/interior.aspx

Monday, April 14th

Easter Egg Hunt @ (Nova Center of the Ozarks) 1311 E Woodhurst Dr, Springfield from 5:30 – 6:30 pm. Please join us for the April 2025 parent/caregiver support group. April will feature a sensory friendly Easter Egg Hunt. See flyer for details!

Chess Night @ Tie & Timber Beer Co from 6 – 8 pm. Join us every Monday for a casual evening of chess in the taproom. We have the boards; you bring the strategy. All levels welcome making this a great way to learn chess and build your skill. Best of all you can ponder your next move over a pint of tasty brew. Games start at 6pm, but you can drop in anytime and join in.

Across the Universe Movie Party @ Alamo Drafthouse Springfield from 6:20 pm. Jude (Jim Sturgess) is a dock worker from Liverpool who moves to America in hopes of a new beginning. When his path collides with college student Max (Joe Anderson, THE GREY) and Max's younger sister Lucy (Evan Rachel Wood, Westworld), the three souls' journey along with an eclectic group of characters on a remarkable journey of transcendental, psychedelic American life that will either change them or change the world around them forever. A mind-blowing, over-the-top blend of live-action and animation, director Julie Taymor (FRIDA) creates a musical that not only captures the essence of free speech and Vietnam wartime in 1960s America but also weaves a truly powerful love story conceived entirely from totally memorable Beatles songs, with every notable lyric pulsing in and out of the storyline. We invite you to come along for this Magical Mystery ride, and to make this movie party extra special, we'll supply the props: protest buttons, rolling papers, a blue syringe pen, and rainbow glasses. The only question we ask you is, are you the Eggman or the Walrus? Tickets: www.drafthouse.com/springfeild/event/movie-party-across-the-universe

Dog Sense @ 1000 E Primrose Street, Springfield from 7 – 9 pm. This class helps expecting parents prepare the family dog for the addition of baby while covering topics such as understanding family order, knowing and preparing your dog, making introductions, safety, and future considerations. Taught by Stan Murray, a certified dog behavioral therapist and trainer. \$ 10 per couple. Offered in-person. Call The Women's Center to register at 417-269-4664, option 2. Registration ends 3 days before class.

Tuesday, April 15th

GLO Youth Group (Ages 12-17) @ The GLO Center from 3 – 8 pm. GLO Youth Group is a youth outreach group for LGBTQIA+ people ages 12-17. The group meets each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3-8 PM at The GLO Center. Dinner and meetings are generally held around 5:30 PM - 6 PM. For more information, visit: <https://www.glocenter.org/glo-youth/>

Preschool Learning Classes @ Wonders of Wildlife from 10 am – 2:30 pm. Join us for another Preschool Adventures Learning in Science class this April! Frogs, toads, and salamanders, oh my! Join us for PALS this month as we discover the secret world of salamanders! We will learn all about these amazing animals through hands-on activity stations, story time, and crafts! Class times available: 10 - 11 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; or 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. *For ages 2-6 with a parent. Learn more and register: wondersofwildlife.org/homeschool

Be Their Hero – Trauma Informed Training Class @ Greene County Public Safety Center from 10 am. Attention law enforcement, educators, juvenile justice professional, mental health providers...!! Come join us in Springfield, MO for a special event focused on trauma informed care. Presented by Handle with Care MO with speaker Josh Varner. This class is intended for law enforcement, educators, juvenile justice professional, mental health providers. Location of event is pending, will update soon. Two out of every three students in the United States are impacted by a traumatic event. At this training you will: -Learn how to identify and support individuals impacted by trauma -Learn how the brain and body respond to trauma and how that impacts behavior – in the classroom, at home, and in the community and -Leave with a CALL TO ACTION and be equipped to respond and support students impacted by trauma. This training is FREE. Lunch is provided. Must be registered to attend. Tickets: www.eventbrite.com/e/1113115541549

“Cup of Sunshine” Paint Party @ Mudhouse Coffee from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. "Cup of Sunshine" Painting on 11 x 14 Canvas. Cost is \$35 to join. You must Pre-Pay! Includes all supplies and step-by-step instructions. Beginners welcome and all painters leave with a finished painting. Come enjoy a creative and relaxing evening while enjoying your favorite cup of coffee! Tickets: www.lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/vvkpxwn

Painting with a Splash: Honeybee @ Wonders of Wildlife from 6 – 8 pm. Fly into spring and paint along with our instructor to create this un“bee”lievable painting! Enjoy snacks, beverages, and great views while following instructions for the perfect warm-weather painting. *This class is available for ages 8 and up. Learn more and sign up: wondersofwildlife.org/events

Missouri Jazz Orchestra @ Blue Room Comedy Club from 7 – 9 pm Join us every 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 7-9 pm at Blue Room in Springfield, MO. Get your free tickets here: <https://www.blueroomcomedyclub.com/events/89210> NO COVER, great food and drinks, free parking. Follow us on Instagram @mojobigband

Wednesday, April 16th

GLO Youth Group (Ages 12-17) @ The GLO Center from 3 – 8 pm. GLO Youth Group is a youth outreach group for LGBTQIA+ people ages 12-17. The group meets each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3-8 PM at The GLO Center. Dinner and meetings are generally held around 5:30 PM - 6 PM. For more information, visit: <https://www.glocenter.org/glo-youth/>

Mid-Week Service & Bible Study – LIVE @ North Side Assembly of God Church from 6:30 – 8 pm. LEARN Sundays 9am. Download Bible Engagement Project, Join the Group, attend online or in-person!! <https://app.bibleengagementproject.com/i/REWIGA> www.northsideaog.com/give

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Watercolor: Painting Spring @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 6 - 8 pm. Join local artist Ashleigh Hawkins for an evening of watercolor painting. Inspired by the colors and moods of the changing seasons, Ashleigh will guide you through basic watercolor techniques, color mixing, and brushwork. This class is perfect for beginners, with no prior

drawing or painting experience required. You'll have access to pre-drawn images or blank canvases if you prefer to create your own designs. All materials are provided, and you'll leave with the skills and tools to continue your artistic journey at home. Please note: tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets bought through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/events/watercolor-painting-spring/>

Baby Basics @ 1000 E Primrose Street, Springfield from 6 – 9 pm. Learn infant care basics (bathing, diaper changes, swaddling, cord care, circumcision care), safe sleep, car seat safety, when to call the pediatrician, and calming a fussy baby. Offered in-person. Classes are for those delivering at CoxHealth. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664 option 2. Plan to attend during the last trimester of your pregnancy but call around 20-25 weeks to register for the best availability. Registration ends 3 days before class or when full.

Girls Night Out (the Show) @ Blue Room Comedy Club from 7 – 9:30 pm. The #1 Ladies Night Event Is Coming to Springfield on Wednesday April 16th! Limited Tickets on Sale NOW! Open to Ages 18+ Doors open at 6pm Purchase tickets here: <https://www.blueroomcomedyclub.com/>

Thursday, April 17th

GLO Young Adult Group (Ages 18-25) @ The GLO Center from 4 – 8 pm. The Young Adult Group is held every Thursday at the GLO Center from 4-8 PM. This group is for LGBTQIA+ young adults ages 18-25. Come join us for opportunities to socialize, learn important life skills, and get connected with resources. Dinner is provided for free each week. The facilitators are volunteers within the 18-25 age range. For more information, please email Collins@glocenter.org

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Lifeline Screening @ First Baptist Church (Marionville) from 8 am. Since 1993, Lifeline Screening has been the premier provider of annual preventive health screenings for stroke and cardiovascular disease risk as well as other chronic illnesses. A package of five screenings to identify cardiovascular disease and other chronic conditions will be offered: • Carotid artery ultrasound that scans the carotid arteries for buildup of fatty plaque-one of the leading causes of strokes. • Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound screening for an abdominal aneurysm that could lead to a ruptured aorta. • Heart Rhythm Screening (AFIB) A quick and easy test using a 6-lead EKG placed on the arms and legs to identify the presence or absence of an irregular heartbeat. • Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening- Evaluates for PAD in the lower extremities, which increases the risk of cardiovascular disease. • PLUS, a FREE Hypertension Screening! As the host of the event, Lifeline Screening is extending a special offer to all of our members for a screening package that enables you to get peace of mind or early detection. WWW.LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA or call 888-814-0466 to schedule your appointment! A simple screening can be worth a lifetime.

Kristi McLelland Women's Event @ Second Baptist Church, Springfield from 6 - 8 pm. This April, spend part of your Holy Week with Kristi McLelland at Second Baptist! Enjoy a message from Kristi, a light dessert, and a 45-minute Q&A session to wrap up the evening. Tickets are \$15. Invite a friend or gather a whole group! To purchase more than 5 tickets, please call the church directly at 417-887-3111 or stop by during business hours, Monday-Thursday, 7:30am-5:30pm. Tickets: www.my.secondbaptist.org/OnlineReg/1047

Friday, April 18th

Mercy Me Tickets @ Great Southern Bank Arena from 7 pm. Join MercyMe for an uplifting concert experience filled with heartfelt lyrics and inspiring melodies. Let their powerful music move your soul and lift your spirit. Get your tickets now on Hunt Tickets! Tickets: www.hunttickets.us/tickets/6834096/mercyme-tickets-fri-apr-18-2025-great-southern-bank-arena

Spend the Night at the Aquarium @ Wonders of Wildlife from April 18th (7 pm) – April 19th (8 am). Seeking a new adventure for you and your beloved stuffed animal? Embark on a magical journey at Wonders of Wildlife after dark with your fluffy companion! This enchanting event invites you and your stuffed friend for an unforgettable night. Meet live animal ambassadors, perform health checks on your plush buddy, and explore Wonders of Wildlife by the soft glow of flashlight! As the night winds down, snuggle up for a movie and popcorn with breathtaking underwater views before drifting off to sleep in our mesmerizing Great Barrier Reef exhibit. *For ages 5 and up. Tickets: www.wondersofwildlife.org/event/stuffed-animal-sleepover

Saturday, April 19th

Easter Egg Hunt @ James River Church North Campus from 9 am. You are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt event at James River Church! Kids 5th grade and under will have a blast hunting eggs during a huge indoor egg hunt, playing on giant inflatables, listening to live music, enjoying free donuts, juice, and more! Join us from 9:00am - 12:00pm at any James River Church location. From getting your photo taken with the Easter Bunny to hunting for lots of candy-filled eggs, there are so many fun things to do at the James River Church Easter Egg Hunt! For more information visit: <https://jamesriver.online/egghunt/>

Easter Egg Hunt: Sponsored by Mac Dental (701 N Taylor Way, Nixa) from 9 – 11:30 am. The Easter Bunny is coming to town! Get ready for a hoppin' good time at our Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th, presented by Mac Dental! This FREE family-friendly event is packed with excitement, including face painting sponsored by Legacy City Church, inflatables sponsored by Thrive Church, games, a helicopter egg drop, and, of course, visits with the Easter Bunny! Helicopter Egg Drop at 9:25 AM (weather permitting) Food trucks on-site with tasty treats for purchase. Egg Hunt Schedule: 9:30 AM – 6 months to 2 years; 9:35 AM – 3 to 5 years; 9:40 AM – 6 to 8 years; 9:45 AM – 9 to 12 years; and 10:30 AM – Sensory Egg Hunt. Don't be late—arrive early to catch your age division's hunt! Grab your baskets and join the fun!

Easter Egg Hunt – Easter Weekend @ James River Church, Ozark from 9 am – Noon. You are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt event at James River Church! Kids 5th grade and under will have a blast hunting eggs during a huge indoor egg hunt, playing on giant inflatables, listening to live music, enjoying free donuts, juice, and more! Join us from 9:00am - 12:00pm at any James River Church location. From getting your photo taken with the Easter Bunny to hunting for lots of candy-filled eggs, there are so many fun things to do at the James River Church Easter Egg Hunt! For more information visit: <https://jamesriver.online/egghunt>

Easter Egg Hunt @ James River Church West Campus from 9 am. You are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt event at James River Church! Kids 5th grade and under will have a blast hunting eggs during a huge indoor egg hunt, playing on giant inflatables, listening to live music, enjoying free donuts, juice, and more! Join us from 9:00am - 12:00pm at any James River Church location. From getting your photo taken with the Easter Bunny to hunting for lots of candy-filled eggs, there are so many fun things to do at the James River Church Easter Egg Hunt! For more information visit: <https://jamesriver.online/egghunt/>

Easter Egg Hunt @ Wild Animal Safari from 11 am – 2 pm. Join us for our 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th. Ages 6 & under will start their egg hunt at 11am & ages 7-12 will start theirs at 12:30pm. Will YOU find the Golden Egg with a secret surprise?

Adult Easter Egg Hunt @ Mile 6 Taproom, Willard from Noon. We are hosting our first ever Adult Easter Egg Hunt! Do you love watching the delight of a child chasing after and picking up candy filled eggs? So do we! And we thought nothing would be more delightful than watching full grown adults do it too! HA! Except our eggs will be loaded with a lot more than candy! Our doors will open at 11:45 am and we will hunt at noon! All eggs will be hidden in our beer garden area (unless it rains & then they will be hidden in the game room!) All ages can attend but only 21 & up can participate! Eggs will be filled with Mile 6 Merch, Candy, Gift Cards, & \$1 bills! You will need to bring your own basket or bag to collect eggs!

Easter Egg Hunt with City of Walnut Grove in the City Park hosted by Walnut Grove First Baptist Church from 1 – 3 pm. Walnut Grove First Baptist Church is Hosting an Easter Egg Hunt open to the public for Free. Luckys Foam Factory will be bringing the Famous Foam and games (Foam with weather permitting) along with other activities the younger age group will be going first at 1:10 for ages 5 and under; 1:30 for Age 6-12; and 2:00 will start open play in the Foam and games will begin That LFF is running other activities will start at 1 pm.

Easter Egg Hunt! – Infant thru Elementary – Candy & Toys @ Campbell United Methodist (1747 E Republic Rd, Springfield) from 1 pm. Join us for our last Easter Egg Hunt at this location! Invite the kiddos in your life for an afternoon of fun and treats! There will be hunts of varying difficulty for kids of all ages, infant through elementary. For those with allergies, there will also be small toys in place of candy so EVERYONE can participate! Let's have a joyful day of play!

HOGS for Kids Easter Egg Hunt @ 3980 W Sunshine Street, Springfield from 10 am. Mark your calendars and watch the weekly E-blast for more details. Look at Ozark Mountain HOG Chapter, Springfield on Facebook.

Easter Jam @ South Haven Egg Hunt from 11 am – 1 pm. Join us for an egg-citing Easter event for the whole family! Bounce Houses, Food trucks, Yard games, Live Music, and a lot more fun! Then Egg hunt will begin at 12:00pm
*This event is free to attend; food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Easter Egg Hunt @ 2900 S Jefferson Aven, Springfield from 1 pm. We're hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on April 19th @ 1 pm. Join us! All are welcome for an egg-citing inclusive experience.

Planet Unity Event @ Planet Unity (2214 E Seminole Street, Springfield) from 9 am – 4 pm. Come to this earth day event on April 19th! I'll have goodies from the farm as well as a large selection of gluten free baked goods!

Floating Easter Egg Hunt 2025 @ Chesterfield Family Center and Park from Noon – 4 pm. Get ready for a hoppin' good time with a floating twist at the 2025 Floating Easter Egg Hunt! Kids splash, swim and plunge in the pool to gather floating Easter eggs and win prizes. Bring a waterproof basket or bucket. REGISTRATION REQUIRED, space is limited. Register at Chesterfield Family Center or online: [ParkBoard.org/Aquatics](https://parkboard.org/aquatics). Call for more info: 417-891-1616. Age: 6 months- 12 yrs., in staggered time slots. Times: • 6 months-4 yrs. | 12-1 p.m. • 5-8 yrs. | 1:30-2:30 p.m. • 9-12 yrs. | 3-4 p.m. (non-swimmers and kids ages 8 yrs. and under must have an adult in the water.) Fee: \$15/Member, \$25/Non-member (Scholarships available. Apply at [ParkBoard.org/Scholarships](https://parkboard.org/scholarships).)

Garden Bed Prep with Brendan @ Finley Farms Lane, Ozark from 1 – 3 pm. Springtime in the Ozarks is approaching, which means it's time to prepare your garden beds for new growth! Join Farmer Brendan at Finley Farms for an exciting demonstration of various tools and techniques to get your garden beds ready for healthy crops all year long. Participants will learn how to add different amendments to supercharge the soil and get hands-on experience with the amazing tools used on our urban farm. Plus, you'll receive a complimentary transplant to plant in your own garden at home. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to kickstart your gardening season! This is a BYOO (bring your own overalls) activity. Please note: tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets bought through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/.../garden-bed-prep-with.../>

Sunday, April 20th

Easter Egg Hunt for the Grownups! @ The Attic (404 S Massey, Nixa) from 10 am – 6 pm. We are hiding eggs around the store! Find one and you could win a prize, percentage off purchase or a gift card. We also will have a craft for the kiddos to do!

Easter @ High Street Baptist Church, Springfield from Noon. You're invited to join us for our 9 am or 10:30 am service followed by our Helicopter Egg Drop! We are going to be dropping 15,000 eggs and we want your family to be a part of the fun! SERVICE INFO: SUNDAY || 9AM 10:30AM; In Person || 900 N Eastgate Ave
Online || HighStreet.org/live

Children's Easter Egg Hunt @ 1900 E Baratavia Street, Springfield from 11 am. Time is approximate. Children in fifth grade and younger should meet in Room 14. The Easter Egg Hunt will start following the 10 am worship service at Brentwood Christian Church.

4th Annual Adult Easter Egg Hunt @ Stepchild Lounge, Springfield from 2 pm. \$5 to enter the hunt. This event is Sponsored by Weed Rx located in Ozark. We'll offer up some finger foods but please bring a snack to share! The Easter eggs will have one or more of the following: New this year will be a very special adult treat you don't want to miss. CASH, DRINK TICKETS, SCRATCHER TICKETS, and CANDY! And one Golden Egg with all the prizes! Bring a Easter basket to collect eggs and join the fun! 21+ Only \$5 Entry

Refuge Transgender/Nonbinary Support Group @ The GLO Center from 3 – 5 pm. Refuge is a peer-led Transgender/Nonbinary/Gender Expansive support group. We hold in-person meetings every Sunday from 3 PM to 5 PM! We are a safe space to be an authentic version of yourself, especially if you are in the process of figuring that out. We meet at GLO Center, 518 E. Commercial. You are welcome to join us in person or online. You can email us at Refuge@glocenter.org if you would like more info.

Easter Sunday @ Resurrection Church – The Cross We Can't Avoid from 10:30 am. This Easter, join us at Resurrection Church for a powerful celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ! We will gather to reflect on the cross and its profound significance in our lives. The sermon is titled, "The Cross We Can't Avoid," we'll explore Matthew 16:21–23 and Matthew 28:1–10 to uncover why the cross was essential for our salvation. The resurrection is a victory, but it came at a price—a price we couldn't pay on our own. Sometimes the truth of the cross is hard to confront, but it's the very heart of our faith. "The cross confronts us with the truth we don't want to hear, but it's the only way to the hope we long for." Let's come together to celebrate the good news that Jesus conquered death and sin! Whether you're new to Resurrection Church or a longtime member, we welcome you to experience this meaningful service with us. Bring your family and friends and let's rejoice in the victory of Easter! We can't wait to celebrate with you—He is risen, just as He said!

Easter Buffet @ The Mill (Ozark) from 10:30 am – 7 pm. Indulge in the flavors of spring and join us at The Ozark Mill for a festive all-you-can-eat Easter buffet featuring: • Salad Station • Carving Station • Dessert Station. Plus, enjoy a variety of additional entrées, flavorful sides, and our NEW build your own mac & cheese bar. Please note that reservations are required and will become available at 10AM on March 20. MENU & RESERVATIONS: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/.../easter-buffet-at-the-ozark.../>

Monday, April 21st

Chess Night @ Tie & Timber Beer Co from 6 – 8 pm. Join us every Monday for a casual evening of chess in the taproom. We have the boards; you bring the strategy. All levels welcome making this a great way to learn chess and build your skill. Best of all you can ponder your next move over a pint of tasty brew. Games start at 6pm, but you can drop in anytime and join in.

Back to Work Breastfeeding Success @ 1000 E Primrose Street, Springfield from 6 – 7:30 pm. Learn how to prepare you, your baby, and caregivers for your successful return to work including, maintaining milk supply, pumps and parts, breastmilk storage, and bottle feeding. Plan to attend in the first month of your maternity leave. Support person welcome to attend. Offered in-person. Classes are for those delivering at CoxHealth. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664, option 2. Registration ends 3 days before the class or when full.

Taurus Season Collage Necklaces + Mini Astrology Reading @ Forming Art Studios from 6 – 8 pm. Did you know that in astrology, every single person has every single zodiac sign present in their natal chart? This means that, whether you have planets in a certain sign or not, there is an area of life where you express the energy of any given sign. Taurus season begins on April 19th this year. Taurus is a Venus-ruled, Fixed Earth sign symbolized by the bull. This sign represents our inner resourcefulness, and our drive to acquire the physical comforts we want in life. This sign governs physical sensuality, money, and things. Things that feel good to wear, things that feel good to consume, and things that make us feel stable. Wherever we have Taurus in our charts represents where we like to find indulgence and leisure. Leisure is sure to come this Taurus season, but this is a sign that works hard to relax even harder. Connect to your inner Taurus material girl with us at Forming Art Studios, where we will make beautiful collage necklaces to adorn ourselves with. This workshop is led by Astrologer Misty Lane who will provide an overview of this Taurus season and guidance on decorating your necklaces. Participants will then receive personal astrology readings to gain a deeper understanding of their inner Taurus. All supplies provided with light snacks. Register to attend by April 20th at formedgallery.com/classes

Tuesday, April 22nd

GLO Youth Group (Ages 12-17) @ The GLO Center from 3 – 8 pm. GLO Youth Group is a youth outreach group for LGBTQIA+ people ages 12-17. The group meets each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3-8 PM at The GLO Center. Dinner and meetings are generally held around 5:30 PM - 6 PM. For more information, visit: <https://www.glocenter.org/glo-youth/>

Vegan Sushi Night @ 1251 E Sunshine Street, Springfield (Project Animal Freedom) from 6 – 8 pm. Join us for a vegan sushi night at Craft Sushi, Springfield's premier sushi destination! At this tasty meet-up, you can enjoy: Vegan Tofu Sushi Rolls, Vegan Tasty Tofu Bowls, and Vegan Spicy Tofurritos. You can also enjoy countless other vegetable combinations, including avocado, cucumber, and carrot drizzled with their delicious Thai peanut sauce. Good vegan sushi is a delicacy that's hard to find. But Craft Sushi has plenty of delicious options to choose from. Don't miss this opportunity to indulge in vegan sushi, connect with local vegans, and celebrate Earth Day! If you're interested in more plant-based events, check out the Veg Club of the Ozarks on Meetup: <https://www.meetup.com/vegetarian-vegan.../events/306703177/>

The three Roman pasta: Cacio e Pepe, Grancia and Carbonara @ Italian Kitchen from 6 – 8:30 pm. Master the art of Rome's iconic pastas: Gricia, Cacio e Pepe, and Carbonara. Pecorino, pepper, eggs, and guanciale star in our workshop! Embark on a culinary journey to the heart of Rome with our exclusive pasta-making class at Italian Kitchen. This evening is dedicated to three beloved Roman classics: Gricia, Cacio e Pepe, and Carbonara. Perfect for culinary enthusiasts, this workshop will delve into the rich flavors and techniques behind these iconic dishes. Dinner is included, and it's BYOB. Tickets: via Eventbrite

Wednesday, April 23rd

GLO Youth Group (Ages 12-17) @ The GLO Center from 3 – 8 pm. GLO Youth Group is a youth outreach group for LGBTQIA+ people ages 12-17. The group meets each Tuesday and Wednesday from 3-8 PM at The GLO Center. Dinner and meetings are generally held around 5:30 PM - 6 PM. For more information, visit: <https://www.glocenter.org/glo-youth/>

Mid-Week Service & Bible Study – LIVE @ North Side Assembly of God Church from 6:30 – 8 pm. LEARN Sundays 9am. Download Bible Engagement Project, Join the Group, attend online or in-person!!
<https://app.bibleengagementproject.com/i/REW1GA> www.northsideaog.com/give

Pinecone Succulent Garden @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 6 – 8 pm. Join our nature experts from Wonders of Wildlife for a fun-filled session of painting, crafting, and creativity. Participants will paint pieces of pinecones to resemble vibrant succulent plants and arrange their painted pinecones in a personalized artwork masterpiece. At the end of the workshop, participants will take home a unique and charming pinecone succulent garden to display. This workshop is ideal for those who love art and nature! Please be aware that tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets purchased through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/.../kids-pinecone-succulent.../>

Yelowolf @ Gillioz Theatre from 8 pm. Yelowolf is bringing his high-energy fusion of hip-hop, rock, and country to the stage! Don't miss this electrifying performance packed with raw lyrics, intense beats, and unstoppable energy. Get your tickets now at Hunt Tickets! Tickets: www.hunttickets.us/tickets/6971667/yelowolf-tickets-wed-apr-23-2025-gillioz-theatre

Thursday, April 24th

GLO Young Adult Group (Ages 18-25) @ The GLO Center from 4 – 8 pm. The Young Adult Group is held every Thursday at the GLO Center from 4-8 PM. This group is for LGBTQIA+ young adults ages 18-25. Come join us for opportunities to socialize, learn important life skills, and get connected with resources. Dinner is provided for free each week. The facilitators are volunteers within the 18-25 age range. For more information, please email Collins@glocenter.org

Lunch & Learn @ Meek's (Nixa) from 11 am – 1 pm. Join us at Meek's Nixa on Thursday, April 24, from 11am - 1pm for a FREE Lunch & Learn event! Reps. from Windsor Windows will be on site!

Italian Kitchen's Interactive Pasta Making Class @ 540 W McDaniel Street, Springfield from 6 – 8:30 pm. Come learn how to make fresh Italian egg pasta, like fettuccine, tagliatelle, lasagnette. Dinner is included. BYOB. Pasta Class (is back)! Come join us at Italian Kitchen on West McDaniel Street in Springfield, MO, USA for a fun and interactive pasta-making experience! As usual the class includes dinner, created by us, the class, and the pasta that you will take home. The event is BYOB! We can't wait to share our love for Italian cuisine with you. Whether you're a beginner or a pasta pro, this hands-on event is perfect for anyone looking to learn the art of making fresh pasta from scratch. Get ready to roll up your sleeves, get messy, and enjoy the delicious fruits of your labor. Don't miss out on this tasty opportunity to elevate your cooking skills and impress your friends and family with homemade pasta! Tickets: \$50 via Eventbrite.

Salts, Scrubs, and Natural Repellants @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 6 pm. Join the fun with Canyon's Edge Farm and create your own luxurious bath salts, sugar scrubs, and repellants! Prepare for spring in the Ozarks by creating your own all-natural formula to keep those pesky insects away. Rejuvenate yourself by getting creative with different recipes for your indoor self-care favorites and your outdoor adventures planned this season. Guests will learn about the variety and the benefits of different bath salts, how to safely incorporate essential oils, and which ones work best for these projects. Each guest will leave with their own formulated bath salts, sugar scrubs, and recipe cards with detailed instructions, along with two bottles of all-natural repellent (one repellent for insects and another for ticks). By the end of the class, each guest will be equipped with the knowledge to successfully make their own formulas to try at home! Tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We cannot issue refunds for tickets obtained from unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/.../salts-scrubs-and-natural.../>

Supporting Your Partner @ 1000 E Primrose Street, Springfield from 6:30 – 8 pm. FOR PARTNERS ONLY. Partners will learn how to provide support before, during, and after childbirth and how to adjust to their new role. Held in-

person. Classes are for those families delivering at CoxHealth only. Register online at www.coxhealth.com/events or call The Women's Center at 417-269-4664, option 2. Registration ends 3 days before class or when full.

Friday, April 25th

Fenton's Collectibles 30th Anniversary Bash @ Relics Event Center from April 25th – 27th (10 am – 5 pm daily)
Fenton's Collectibles 30th Anniversary BASH!! We hope you can all come to Springfield, MO for a great gathering of Fenton friends!! We celebrate all things related to Fenton Art Glass with 45 vendor spaces.

The Haygoods in Branson Plus 3 Night stay for 2 @ Westgate Branson Woods Resort from April 25th – April 28th.
Don't miss the opportunity to catch Branson's most popular show, The Haygoods! This talented musical group consists of 5 brothers and one sister who grew up in the backwoods of the Ozark Mountains and have consistently provided an exceptional experience. In 2015, The Haygoods assisted famous actor Barry Williams from The Brady Bunch as he moved to Branson from California in the TV show "A Very Barry Branson." The show became a success and increased the artists popularity. Now you can see The Haygoods live at one of their incredible shows filled with special effects, new songs a drone light show and more! Seating is in the left or right sections. Your getaway takes place with 3 nights of luxurious accommodations at Westgate Branson Woods Resort where you'll enjoy a VIP check-in and a \$50 Visa Gift Card to use for dinner or shopping around Branson, MO. Plus, enjoy a late checkout on your final day. Westgate Branson Woods Resort is situated on 145 scenic and wooded acres and ideally located near Branson's famed entertainment district as well as dozens of attractions such as Silver Dollar City and the spectacular Branson Lakes area. The resort also offers extensive onsite amenities, including indoor and outdoor swimming pools, an exercise facility and recreational opportunities like basketball, sand volleyball, horseshoes and shuffleboard. There's also a children's playground, bike rentals, a campfire area and more. *Please note, transportation will not be provided for this event. Tickets: www.westgateevents.com/events/the-haygoods-branson

Saturday, April 26th

Easter Egg Hunt and Stick Pony Rodeo @ 134 Commerce Road, Marshfield from 10 am. Marshfield Saddle Club presents: Easter Egg Hunt & Stick Horse Show. Free Public Event! Saturday, April 26th. Registration 10am-10:30am, fun to follow after registration closes. Stick Horse Show first. Egg Hunt to follow. *Bring your own Stick Horse encouraged but not required. *Bring your child's own basket or bag to collect eggs as baskets will not be provided. Event is free to the public, but kids must be registered to run their stick pony in the rodeo games. Just so we get the kids into the correct age divisions.

Indoor Triathlon 2025 @ Chesterfield Family Center and Park from 8 am. Feel the burn at the Chesterfield Family Center's 7th Annual Indoor Triathlon on Sat., April 26! Compete in a 1-hour physical challenge to test your endurance: 10-minute swim, 30-minute spin-bike ride and 20-minute run. All participants get a commemorative t-shirt. Register NOW in person or online by April 17. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Call 417-891-1616 or visit ParkBoard.org/Chesterfield to secure your spot! For ages 16 yrs. and up. Begins at 8 a.m. Arrive early to be sorted. Member fee: \$40, Non-member: \$50.

Master Gardener Plant Sale 2025 @ Springfield Botanical Gardens at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park from 8 am – until sold out. Join the Master Gardeners of Greene County for their annual plant sale! Located at the Mizumoto Japanese Garden Pavilion within the Springfield Botanical Gardens at Nathanael Greene/Close Memorial Park. Sale includes house plants, annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, bulbs, grasses, vines, ground covers, shrubs and trees. FREE admission, prices vary per plant. Held RAIN OR SHINE. Arrive early for best selection! Master Gardeners accept cash, credit cards or check. Other plant and garden groups also sell items near the Gray/Campbell Farmstead (some groups may not accept credit cards). Call 417-874-2963 for more information or visit MGGreene.org/PlantSale

Plant and Seed Swap and Shop @ 212 E College Street, Walnut Grove from 9 am – Noon. Join us to kick off the Farmers Market season with our Plant & Seed Swap and Shop! Bring your extra plants, seeds, or gardening supplies

to swap or shop from your friends and neighbors. Whether you're looking to expand your garden, explore new seeds, or have over-planted and need to find new homes for your extra plants, this event is the perfect opportunity to share and discover. Come celebrate the start of a vibrant market season!

Seasonal Herbalism: Spring Herbs @ Finley Farms (Ozark) from 4 – 6 pm. Join our resident farmer and herbalist, Liesel McCleary, for an enlightening discussion on herbs for wellness support throughout the seasons. This class will spotlight herbs for spring and include an introduction to herbal energetics, focusing on cleansing and energizing herbs. Participants will learn about herbal preparations, actions, and applications, and will receive recipes and resources to take home. The class will be held in the cozy farmstead building next to our greenhouse at Finley Farms. Tickets must be purchased directly from Finley Farms. We are unable to issue refunds for tickets purchased through unauthorized third-party sellers. LEARN MORE: <https://finleyfarmsmo.com/.../spring-herbalism-with.../>

Pottery Wheel Date Night @ Art Zone, Nixa from 6 – 9 pm. This event is for 18 and older. No kids. 21 and up BYOB! Bring your favorite beverage to enjoy. Each participant will get to create and glaze a piece on the wheel while spending time with the one you love! We'll be creating bowls! \$60 per couple. Register online www.artzonenixa.com

Springfield Improv presents 4th Saturdays @ Springfield Studio 1 from 7 – 8:30 pm. Springfield Improv adds another night of outrageous funny to the month. Every 4th Saturday we bring you two incredible Improv teams. First up, No Strings Attached, the all-puppet Improv Team with sidesplitting fast paced funny. Followed by On the Tropes, creating movie mayhem by taking you live to a different genre of movies each time. This month On the Tropes explores the genre of Jane Austen. Don't miss this show! Purchase Early Tickets for only \$12. Day of Tickets \$15.

Sunday, April 27th

Refuge Transgender/Nonbinary Support Group @ The GLO Center from 3 – 5 pm. Refuge is a peer-led Transgender/Nonbinary/Gender Expansive support group. We hold in-person meetings every Sunday from 3 PM to 5 PM! We are a safe space to be an authentic version of yourself, especially if you are in the process of figuring that out. We meet at GLO Center, 518 E. Commercial. You are welcome to join us in person or online. You can email us at Refuge@glocenter.org if you would like more info.

Buffalo River Paddle + Hike Day trip @ Farmer's Park (Ozark) from 8 am – 8 pm. One of the few remaining undammed rivers in the United States, and its first National River, the Buffalo National River offers some of the best paddling you can experience in the region. This float typically lasts 4-6 hours, depending on the individual and river level. Guests will have the opportunity enjoy a 37 North guided hike from the river. 37 North Expeditions is a Permitted Guide Service for Day Hiking and Overnight Backpacking/Camping within the boundaries of Buffalo National River. We're excited to offer this guided outdoor paddle adventure in partnership with our friends at the Buffalo Outdoor Center. The Buffalo Outdoor Center is authorized to provide canoe rentals and transport services within the Buffalo National River. Tickets: www.37northexpeditions.com/all-adventures/buffalo-river-060824-wb7ej-dkypg

April Show Me Poetry Slam! @ Nathan P Murphy's from 6 – 8:30 pm. Get ready for an amazing experience full of passion and creativity in the form of uncensored, original poetry. Doors open @ 5:30; show starts around 6. Sign-up sheet is pulled at 6 pm so arrive before 6 to sign up! Show is capped at 12 performers. \$7 entry fee for audience and judges; \$5 entrance fee for performers. \$50 cash prize for first place winner! \$20 cash prize for second place winner! 21+ only. Attendees will have the opportunity to compete, to judge, or to just relax and listen

Monday, April 28th

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Italian Lunch Cooking Experience @ Pickwick & Cherry – Fine Foods & Gourmet Gifts from 11 am – 1 pm. Join us for a cheerful, delicious and hands-on Italian-inspired lunch! We'll be making deliciously filling Zuppa Toscana with sausage, kale and potatoes, Garlic Ciabatta, shaved Fennel & Citrus salad, Caprese salad and of course, tiramisù. A perfect menu for a lovely spring day! Each ticket admits ONE. Tickets: www.pickwickandcherry.com/events/list

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Special Class: “Gnocchi alla Romana” @ 540 W McDaniel Street from 6 – 8:30 pm. Discover the magic of Gnocchi alla Romana! Semolina flour, milk, butter, and pecorino Romano meet to create a dish like no other. BYOB Join us at Italian Kitchen for a delightful evening where you'll dive into the art of making Gnocchi alla Romana, a cherished Roman delicacy. This workshop is designed for culinary enthusiasts of all levels who are eager to expand their cooking repertoire under the guidance of our experienced chef, Alessandro De Luca. Dinner is included and it's BYOB. Tickets - \$50 via Eventbrite.

Wednesday, April 30th

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Springfield Greene County Library

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 01: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 01: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Stories in the Park - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 01: 10:00am - 10:30am, J.R. Martin Park - *300 E. Hines St., Republic*. Young children are invited to enjoy stories, songs and activities at a special outdoor story time.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 01: 10:30am - 11:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 01: 10:30am - 11:15am, Willard Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 01: 11:15am - 12:00pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Creative Aging Mixed Media Art Journals - for adults aged 55 and older, Tuesday, April 01: 3:00pm - 5:00pm, Fair Grove Senior Center - *122 S. Orchard Blvd., Fair Grove*. Join Cory Leick, artist and illustrator, for an 8-week workshop on creating an art journal using a variety of painting techniques. Registration required.

Art Studio - for ages 12-18, Tuesday, April 01: 3:00pm - 4:30pm, Midtown Carnegie Branch Library. Unleash your creativity every Tuesday in the Teen Room, and we'll showcase your masterpiece on our walls for everyone to admire. Materials will be provided.

LEGO Brick Builders - for families with children of all ages, Tuesday, April 01: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Willard Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. Bring the whole family to our LEGO brick free-for-all and challenge yourself to build something together.

Spooky Friends Book Club - "Midnight Rooms", Tuesday, April 01: 6:00pm - 7:00pm, Library Station - *Stagecoach Conference Room (8)*. Ghosts, goblins, gore and so much more to read about in our horror book club.

Pajama Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 01: 6:30pm - 7:15pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 02: 10:00am - 11:00am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Wednesday, April 02: 10:00am - 10:30am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 02: 10:30am - 11:30am, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 02: 11:00am - 12:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 02: 11:00am - 12:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Voice Your Writing, Wednesday, April 02: 6:00pm - 8:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Share a sample of your writing in a casual setting with like-minded individuals.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 03: 10:00am - 11:00am, Strafford Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Spring is in the Air - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 03: 10:00am - 11:00am, Strafford Branch Library. Discover the magic of spring as it awakens from a long winter's nap and plant your own flower seed to take home. Materials will be provided.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 03: 10:00am - 11:00am, The Fairbanks Community Hub - *1126 N. Broadway Ave*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Reading Pals - for ages 5-12, Thursday, April 03: 4:30pm - 5:30pm, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Practice your reading skills with our furry friends from Pet Therapy of the Ozarks. Registration required.

Bricks and Books Club - for ages 8-12, "Uprooted", Thursday, April 03: 6:30pm - 7:15pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Love books and LEGO bricks. We've got a club for you! Each month, we'll read a book, chat about it and build something related to the book of the month.

Feel Good Fiction - "The House in the Cerulean Sea", Thursday, April 03: 7:00pm - 8:00pm, Library Center - *Community Room A (20)*. Discuss stories filled with kindness, humor, heroism, hope, empathy and compassion.

Next Level Book Club - for ages 11-14, "A First Time for Everything", Thursday, April 03: 7:30pm - 8:30pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Love books and being creative? Meet other readers and talk about our monthly read while crafting, building with LEGO bricks or playing a game that goes along with the book.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 04: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

The Pretenders: A Preschool Playgroup - for ages 3-6, Friday, April 04: 10:00am - 11:00am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Play is one of your child's best teachers. We'll provide a variety of play stations designed to promote imagination, spark creativity and promote social-emotional development.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 04: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Friday, April 04: 11:15am - 12:00pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

From Pen to Publication - Jan Cameron Bloch, Friday, April 04: 1:30pm - 3:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Explore the writing and publishing journey through the stories of local authors.

Local History Roundtable, Friday, April 04: 4:30pm - 5:30pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Join fellow history lovers in a roundtable discussion of Ash Grove's history and the Nathan and Olive Boone Homestead.

Teen Night! - for ages 12-18, Friday, April 04: 6:00pm - 7:30pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. If it's Friday night, there's something going on at the Station just for teens. Stop in weekly for games, crafts, hangouts and more.

First Friday Art Walk, Friday, April 04: 6:30pm - 9:00pm, Park Central Branch Library. Join us for First Friday Art Walk and the opening of a new exhibit.

Helping to Bring the Humanities to the Public Square, Friday, April 04: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Park Central Branch Library. "Occupations of the Late 19th to Mid-20th Century in the Ozarks" exhibit opening reception and presentations.

Craft & Tell, Saturday, April 05: 10:30am - 11:30am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Work on a craft while chatting with fellow crafters. We welcome any craft that is quiet and doesn't make a mess. Whether starting a project or struggling to finish one, this group is for you.

Cuppa Comics - "Something is Killing the Children" Vol. 1-3, Saturday, April 05: 10:30am - 11:30am, Traveler's House Coffee & Tea - 824 S. National Ave. Warm up your weekend with a nice cup of coffee and an invigorating conversation about comics and graphic novels.

Tall Tales - for ages 5-10, Saturday, April 05: 10:30am - 11:30am, Library Center - *Auditorium (100)*. **Discover the tales of three legendary American folk heroes. Race the steam machine like John Henry, split logs like Paul Bunyan and lasso a horse like Pecos Bill, while having fun with creative play.**

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Saturday, April 05: 11:00am - 11:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

TTRPG Exploration - for ages 12-18, Saturday, April 05: 2:00pm - 4:30pm, Library Station - *Santa Fe Community Room (50)*. **Try out tabletop role-playing games, like Dungeons & Dragons and others. Join one-shot campaigns with pre-built characters or librarian-generated ones.**

Dungeons & Dragons - for ages 12-18, Saturday, April 05: 3:00pm - 4:00pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Come along for a fun-filled adventure through the Forgotten Realms. Bring your own character or use one of our premade ones. Join the wait list**

Dungeons & Dragons - for ages 12-18, Saturday, April 05: 4:15pm - 5:15pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Come along for a fun-filled adventure through the Forgotten Realms. Bring your own character or use one of our premade ones. Join the wait list**

Banned Book Club - "The House in the Cerulean Sea", Sunday, April 06: 12:00pm - 1:00pm, The GLO Center - *518 E. Commercial St.* **Discuss "The House in the Cerulean Sea" and the issues surrounding its ban with the GLO Center and library staff.**

Craft & Chat: Greeting Cards, Monday, April 07: 1:00pm - 3:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. **Meet and connect with fellow crafters while working on a new craft project and trading ideas. Materials will be provided.**

Dance with Me Beyond the Sea, Monday, April 07: 1:00pm - 3:00pm, Savoy Ballroom - *224 E. Commercial St.* **Join us for a dance lesson that celebrates personal expression in a welcoming space for all.**

Superhero Afternoon - for ages 13-18, Monday, April 07: 3:00pm - 5:00pm, Willard Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. **Munch on snacks while watching some of our favorite superhero movies, rated PG-13.**

Pajama Storytime - for infants-age 6, Monday, April 07: 6:00pm - 6:30pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Exploring Genealogy - Untangling Family Folklore, Monday, April 07: 7:00pm - 8:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. **Uncover the mystery of an orphan train rider's origins, from Kansas to Italian roots revealed through DNA and records.**

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 08: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 08: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Stories in the Park - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 08: 10:00am - 10:30am, J.R. Martin Park - 300 E. Hines St., Republic. Young children are invited to enjoy stories, songs and activities at a special outdoor story time.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 08: 10:30am - 11:00am, Library Center - Story Hour Room (45). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 08: 10:30am - 11:15am, Willard Branch Library - Community Room (40). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 08: 11:15am - 12:00pm, Library Station - Story Hour Room (30). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Friendship Fest: Beads and Besties, Tuesday, April 08: 1:00pm - 3:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. Get creative with beaded jewelry-making! An array of beads and materials in different colors, sizes and textures will be provided to craft something unique to keep or share. A One Read event.

Flying Needles, Tuesday, April 08: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - Community Room (25). Work on your latest knitting and crochet projects with fellow fiber artists.

Mystery Book Club - "Vera Wong's Unsolicited Advice for Murderers", Tuesday, April 08: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, The Fairbanks - Bikes & Brew Bodega - 1126 N. Broadway Ave. Discuss all manner of mystery, from classic to current, cozy to thriller, series and standalone.

Evening Book Discussion - "Lessons in Chemistry", Tuesday, April 08: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - Benway Conference Room (8). Chat about our monthly title with other literary lovers in the community.

Pajama Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 08: 6:30pm - 7:15pm, Library Station - Story Hour Room (30). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Baby Book Club - for infants-12 months, Wednesday, April 09: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - Story Hour Room (45). Read, sing and play at our special babies-only playtime.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 09: 10:00am - 11:00am, Republic Branch Library - Community Room. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Wednesday, April 09: 10:00am - 10:30am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - Community Room (100). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 09: 10:30am - 11:30am, Ash Grove Branch Library - Community Room (25). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 09: 11:00am - 12:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 09: 11:00am - 12:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Book Discussion - "Sipsworth", Wednesday, April 09: 1:00pm - 2:30pm, Library Center - *Community Room B (30)*. Chat about our monthly title with other literary lovers in the community.

Book Discussion - "The Weight of Blood", Wednesday, April 09: 1:00pm - 2:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. Chat about our monthly title with other literary lovers in the community.

Misunderstood Monsters in Literature Panel, Wednesday, April 09: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Library Center - *Auditorium (100)*. Explore the complexities of iconic monsters in literature as local professors delve into how these characters challenge our ideas of monstrosity and humanity in storytelling. A One Read event.

FilmStubs - "Fantastic Planet," rated PG, Wednesday, April 09: 7:00pm - 9:00pm, Moxie Cinema - 305 S. Campbell Ave. #101. Both novice and seasoned cinephiles are welcome to join our free viewings of classic and cult films at The Moxie, with discussion after the films. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.

iPhone Class for Seniors, Thursday, April 10: 10:00am - 12:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. If you would like to get more out of your iPhone or iPad, join us for free classes taught by veteran instructor Julie Mahaffey. This is a six-part series that covers different topics at each session.

Strafford Stories in the Park - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 10: 10:00am - 11:00am, Howard Smith Community Park - 408 E. Bumgarner Blvd., Strafford. Join your favorite children's librarians for an outdoor story time featuring stories, songs and activities. Provided in partnership with Strafford City Hall.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 10: 10:00am - 11:00am, The Fairbanks Community Hub - 1126 N. Broadway Ave. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Book Discussion - "All the Colors of the Dark", Thursday, April 10: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Chat about our monthly title with other literary lovers in the community.

STEAM Explorers: Homeschool Thursday - for ages 6-12, Thursday, April 10: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. Develop creative, problem-solving skills through exciting STEAM activities and challenges. Registration required.

Dabbling in Art - for age 15-adult, Thursday, April 10: 4:00pm - 5:30pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Join us for an evening of sketching, painting or crafting! Whatever your skill level, try your hand at something new, learn from others and have a creative time. Materials will be provided.

Downtown Book Club - "The House in the Cerulean Sea", Thursday, April 10: 6:00pm - 7:30pm, Downtown Springfield Association - 134 Park Central Square, Suite 120. Join us to chat about our monthly title while enjoying the urban skyline at this library-sponsored book group. Presented in partnership with the Downtown Springfield Association.

Teen Café - for ages 12-18, *Life-Sized Perfection*, Thursday, April 10: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Try your hand at a giant version of the game *Perfection* and race against the timer to match all the shapes.

Banned Book Club - "*The House in the Cerulean Sea*", Thursday, April 10: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Mother's Brewing Company - The Cufflink Room - 215 S. Grant Ave. Read books that have recently been in the news for being banned or challenged. We'll discuss the book, the reasons it was banned or challenged and ideas surrounding intellectual freedom.

Get to Know Your Telescope, Thursday, April 10: 7:00pm - 8:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Dust off your telescope and get it ready for starry nights with expert tips from the Springfield Astronomical Society.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 11: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 11: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Northview Center Book Discussion - for age 55 and older, "*The House in the Cerulean Sea*", Friday, April 11: 10:30am - 11:30am, Northview Center - 305 E. Talmage St. Chat about our monthly title with other readers at this library-sponsored book group just for older adults.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Friday, April 11: 11:15am - 12:00pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

From Pen to Publication - Janet Perry, Friday, April 11: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Explore the writing and publishing journey through the stories of local authors.

Teen Night! - for ages 12-18, Friday, April 11: 6:00pm - 7:30pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. If it's Friday night, there's something going on at the Station just for teens. Stop in weekly for games, crafts, hangouts and more.

Books and Boards - Flame craft, Friday, April 11: 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Village Meeple Board Game Cafe - 1570 E. Battlefield Road, Suite F. Board games and books make the perfect pairing! Play a board game, hear about books that match the game's theme and chat about your favorite games and books. Admission is free to participants.

Reading Pals - for ages 5-12, Saturday, April 12: 10:00am - 12:00pm, Strafford Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. Practice your reading skills with Evie, our friend from Alliance of Therapy Pets.

Guided Nature Walk - for families with kids ages 5-12, Saturday, April 12: 10:30am - 11:30am, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield - 5242 S. State Highway ZZ, Republic. Join us for a walk-through Wilson's Creek National Battlefield with reserve staff and stories read by library staff.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Saturday, April 12: 11:00am - 11:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Potty Party Storytime - for infants-age 6, Saturday, April 12: 11:00am - 11:45am, Library Station. **Take part in a special potty-themed story time to interest your child in learning to use the potty or to celebrate new skills.**

STEAM Explorers - for ages 6-12, Saturday, April 12: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Library Station - *Santa Fe Community Room (50)*. **Develop creative, problem-solving skills through exciting STEAM activities and challenges.**

Crafting Cards and Stationery, Saturday, April 12: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. **Celebrate National Card and Letter Writing Month by crafting unique notecards and letters. We'll provide the materials—just bring your creativity.**

Nonfic Book Club - "There's Always This Year", Saturday, April 12: 3:00pm - 4:30pm, Big Momma's Coffee & Espresso Bar - 217 E. Commercial St. **Enjoy lively discussions on thought-provoking nonfiction books over a cup of coffee.**

Check Mates and Board Game Buddies - for ages 5 and older, Sunday, April 13: 2:00pm - 4:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. **Play against your friends or meet a new match with our selection of chess sets and board games. Stop by for a game or three, have a snack and make a new buddy. Refreshments will be provided.**

"Ghost World" at the Moxie, Sunday, April 13: 7:00pm - 9:00pm, Moxie Cinema - 305 S. Campbell Ave. #101. **R, at the Moxie.**

Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions, Monday, April 14: 9:00am - 11:30am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. **Create action plans, share support and learn how to manage your health in this 6-week program.**

Pajama Storytime - for infants-age 6, Monday, April 14: 6:00pm - 6:30pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 15: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 15: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Stories in the Park - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 15: 10:00am - 10:30am, J.R. Martin Park - 300 E. Hines St., Republic. **Young children are invited to enjoy stories, songs and activities at a special outdoor story time.**

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 15: 10:30am - 11:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 15: 10:30am - 11:15am, Willard Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. **Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.**

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 15: 11:15am - 12:00pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Ash Grove Bibliophiles - "The House in the Cerulean Sea", Tuesday, April 15: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Chat about our monthly fantasy title with other literary lovers in the community.

Pajama Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 15: 6:30pm - 7:15pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Found Family Community Forum, Tuesday, April 15: 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Library Center - *Auditorium (100)*. Experience the value of connection with local organizations in our community.

Regency Reticule Craft, Tuesday, April 15: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Learn how to craft a Regency-style reticule handbag. Materials will be provided. A Year with Jane Austen event.

Books on Tap - "The Book Eaters", Tuesday, April 15: 7:00pm - 8:00pm, 4 By 4 Brewing Company - 2811 E. Galloway St., Suite A. Brewing off-beat discussions about books that aren't in the mainstream.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 16: 10:00am - 11:00am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Wednesday, April 16: 10:00am - 10:30am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 16: 10:30am - 11:30am, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

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Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 16: 11:00am - 12:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Spring Reading Pals - for ages 5-12, Wednesday, April 16: 3:30pm - 4:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Hop into reading with one of our favorite furry friends from Pet Therapy of the Ozarks. Registration starts April 2; call 417-616-0713.

Rosie Book Club - "The Small and the Mighty", Wednesday, April 16: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Hold Fast Brewing - 235 N. Kimbrough Ave. Meet at woman-owned businesses to chat about titles that spark conversation with other women in business. Presented in partnership with Leadership Springfield's Rosie project.

Jane's Regency Readers - "Sense and Sensibility", Wednesday, April 16: 6:30pm - 7:30pm, Library Center - Auditorium (100). Converse about our bimonthly Jane Austen title with other regency readers in the community.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 17: 10:00am - 11:00am, Strafford Branch Library - Community Room (40). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 17: 10:00am - 11:00am, The Fairbanks Community Hub - 1126 N. Broadway Ave. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Travelogue - Two Weeks in Japan, Thursday, April 17: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - Community Room (100). Enjoy a relaxing afternoon through Japan.

Book Discussion - "The Kaiju Preservation Society", Thursday, April 17: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Strafford Branch Library - Community Room (40). Chat about our monthly title with other literary lovers in the community.

Cosplay Crash Course - for ages 13-18, Bendy and the Ink Machine, Thursday, April 17: 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Library Center - Story Hour Room (45). Get tips for creating your own cosplay from items you may already have on hand.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 18: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - Story Hour Room (45). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Empowered Caregiver - Supporting Independence, Friday, April 18: 10:00am - 11:00am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - Community Room (100). The Alzheimer's Association will share insights and strategies to support and empower caregivers of those with Alzheimer's or dementia.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 18: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - Story Hour Room (30). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Velociraptor Awareness Day - for ages 13 and older, Friday, April 18: 10:00am - 12:00pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - Community Room (25). Awareness of velociraptors and how to handle encounters is key, even if they only exist in fiction. Watch "Jurassic Park," rated PG-13, and enjoy some animal crackers, especially the goat-shaped ones.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Friday, April 18: 11:15am - 12:00pm, Library Station - Story Hour Room (30). Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Silver Screen Surfers - "The Ghost and Mrs. Muir," rated TV-G, Friday, April 18: 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - Community Room (25). Step back in time with classic films that bring the magic of the silver screen to life.

From Pen to Publication - Michelle Underwood, Friday, April 18: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - Community Room (100). Explore the writing and publishing journey through the stories of local authors.

Teen Night! - for ages 12-18, Friday, April 18: 6:00pm - 7:30pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. If it's Friday night, there's something going on at the Station just for teens. Stop in weekly for games, crafts, hangouts and more.

Wild Bob's Musical Book Club Presents - "The House in the Cerulean Sea", Friday, April 18: 7:00pm - 9:00pm, Lindberg's Tavern - 318 W. Commercial St. Local musicians and poets from Wild Bob's Musical Book Club host an evening of live music and laughs, sharing songs and poems inspired by TJ Klune's "The House in the Cerulean Sea." A One Read event.

Paint a Brick Book, Saturday, April 19: 10:00am - 12:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Transform a brick into a masterpiece inspired by the magical world of "The House in the Cerulean Sea." Materials will be provided. A One Read event.

The Tornado Outbreak of April 18, 1880, Saturday, April 19: 10:30am - 11:30am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Learn about the tornado outbreak that impacted multiple states, causing widespread destruction in Missouri.

Home Orchid Growing, Saturday, April 19: 10:30am - 11:30am, Library Center - *Auditorium (100)*. Learn how to grow and care for orchids with the Springfield Orchid Society.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Saturday, April 19: 11:00am - 11:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Goblin Get-Together - for ages 10 and older, Saturday, April 19: 2:00pm - 4:00pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. Party like a goblin and celebrate the cozy fantasy genre with themed crafts, games and snacks. Explore books and graphic novels while making treasure-filled slime. Materials will be provided.

Dungeons & Dragons - for ages 12-18, Saturday, April 19: 3:00pm - 4:00pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Come along for a fun-filled adventure through the Forgotten Realms. Bring your own character or use one of our premade ones.

Crafternoon with Jane, Saturday, April 19: 3:00pm - 5:00pm, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Bring a craft and partake in an afternoon of artistry while watching "Sense and Sensibility," rated PG, 1995. Hot tea and light refreshments will be provided. A Year with Jane Austen event.

Dungeons & Dragons - for ages 12-18, Saturday, April 19: 4:15pm - 5:15pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Come along for a fun-filled adventure through the Forgotten Realms. Bring your own character or use one of our premade ones. Join the wait list

Libraries Closed, Sunday, April 20: 7:00am - 9:00pm, Library Center. All Library branches will be closed, and the Mobile Library will not make its scheduled stops Sunday, April 20.

Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions, Monday, April 21: 9:00am - 11:30am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Create action plans, share support and learn how to manage your health in this 6-week program.

Science Time with STEM Kits - for ages 5-12, Monday, April 21: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Willard Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. Come explore science with the Library's STEM Kits, featuring a different kit each month.

Spring Terrarium in a Jar - for ages 6-10, Monday, April 21: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Fair Grove Branch Library. Bring your creativity to craft a kid-friendly mini spring terrarium. Materials will be provided.

We Love Comics - for ages 6-10, "Escape from Balloonina", Monday, April 21: 4:30pm - 5:00pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Explore how art and story work together in graphic novels perfect for emerging readers. We'll have a related activity for each monthly book selection.

Teen Art Studio - for ages 12-18, Stamp Carving, Monday, April 21: 6:00pm - 8:00pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. Unleash your creativity and try new art techniques.

Pajama Storytime - for infants-age 6, Monday, April 21: 6:00pm - 6:30pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 22: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Tuesday, April 22: 10:00am - 10:45am, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Stories in the Park - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 22: 10:00am - 10:30am, J.R. Martin Park - 300 E. Hines St., Republic. Young children are invited to enjoy stories, songs and activities at a special outdoor story time.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Tuesday, April 22: 10:30am - 11:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

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Financial Aid Updates for College, Tuesday, April 22: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Drury GO will discuss financial aid options for students seeking higher education.

Jane Austen Scholars, Tuesday, April 22: 6:30pm - 8:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Explore the world of Jane Austen with Dr. Roger E. Moore.

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Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 23: 10:00am - 11:00am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

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Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 23: 10:30am - 11:30am, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

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Austen on Screen - "Sense and Sensibility," rated PG, 1995, Wednesday, April 23: 6:30pm - 9:00pm, Library Center - *Auditorium (100)*. Watch our bimonthly Jane Austen film adaptation with other Austen fans in the community. A Year with Jane Austen event.

iPhone Class for Seniors, Thursday, April 24: 10:00am - 12:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. If you would like to get more out of your iPhone or iPad, join us for free classes taught by veteran instructor Julie Mahaffey. This is a six-part series that covers different topics at each session.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 24: 10:00am - 11:00am, Strafford Branch Library - *Community Room (40)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Racing to Read Storytime - for infants-age 6, Thursday, April 24: 10:00am - 11:00am, The Fairbanks Community Hub - *1126 N. Broadway Ave*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

Creative Aging Nature and Landscape Drawing - for adults aged 55 and older, Thursday, April 24: 10:00am - 12:00pm, Library Station - *Story Hour Room (30)*. Join Ashley Laren, artist, for an 8-week workshop on various drawing techniques. Registration required.

Introduction to Alzheimer's, Thursday, April 24: 10:30am - 11:30am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Learn the differences between Alzheimer's and dementia, including stages, risk factors, research and FDA-approved treatments with the Alzheimer's Association Greater Missouri Chapter.

Afternoon Book Discussion - "That Librarian", Thursday, April 24: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, Library Station - *Santa Fe Community Room (50)*. Discuss a wide range of books in various genres, including both fiction and non-fiction titles.

A Conversation with TJ Klune - "The House in the Cerulean Sea", Thursday, April 24: 7:00pm - 9:00pm, University Plaza Hotel & Convention Center - 333 S. John Q Hammons Parkway. Join us in welcoming our One Read featured author TJ Klune and hear him discuss his novel "The House in the Cerulean Sea."

Tiny Tots Storytime - for infants-36 months, Friday, April 25: 9:30am - 10:00am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Introduce young children to books, reading and language with stories, songs and activities. Parents learn fun ways to build the early literacy skills their children need to learn to read.

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Dirt Play Day - for ages 2-6, Friday, April 25: 10:30am - 11:30am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Learn about the importance of soil through exploratory play like digging, scooping and other hands-on activities. Dress for a mess.

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From Pen to Publication - Connie Yen, Friday, April 25: 1:30pm - 2:30pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Explore the writing and publishing journey through the stories of local authors.

Teen Anime Night - for ages 14-18, Friday, April 25: 6:00pm - 7:30pm, Library Station - *Frisco Community Room (70)*. Munch on popcorn while we watch some of our favorite anime, rated TV-14 or under, on Crunchyroll! Popcorn provided.

Exploring Death Records, Saturday, April 26: 10:30am - 11:30am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Death certificates and obituaries offer valuable genealogical insights. Library Assistant Dean Barker will discuss available death records, focusing on Missouri.

The STEMusic Concert - for ages 2-7, Saturday, April 26: 10:30am - 11:30am, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*, Dive into a world where music and STEM unite for an unforgettable adventure of discovery and fun.

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Collection Connection with the Springfield Art Museum - Flowers, Fine Art and Fashion, Saturday, April 26: 2:00pm - 3:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Learn how the Museum's Art in Bloom event inspires creativity and connects art with floral and fashion design with Joshua Best, Springfield Art Museum educator.

Cardstock Cafe, Saturday, April 26: 3:00pm - 5:00pm, Library Center - *Auditorium (100)*. Bring your scrapbooking, journaling or card-making projects, and we'll supply the workspace and crafting tools. Create freely or follow along with this month's guided paper craft.

Cookbook Book Club, Sunday, April 27: 3:00pm - 4:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Whatcha got cookin'? Try a recipe from a cookbook, then meet with other culinary aficionados to discuss how everyone's recipes turned out. All experience levels welcome, food pictures encouraged!

Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions, Monday, April 28: 9:00am - 11:30am, Republic Branch Library - *Community Room*. Create action plans, share support and learn how to manage your health in this 6-week program.

Superhero Day - for ages 2-5, Monday, April 28: 10:30am - 11:30am, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Celebrate National Superhero Day with crafts and activities. Material will be provided.

Superhero Day - for ages 6-10, Monday, April 28: 4:00pm - 5:00pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Celebrate National Superhero Day with crafts and activities. Material will be provided.

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Exploring the Docuverse - "Origami in the Garden Film," not rated, Monday, April 28: 6:00pm - 9:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Journey through the vast cosmos of documentary films with us. Each month, we'll explore new real-life stories that shed light on diverse topics, including history, science, culture and society.

TikTok Made Me Read It - "The Spellshop", Monday, April 28: 7:00pm - 8:00pm, Library Center - *Community Room A (20)*. Discuss trending books made popular on BookTok and connect with fellow readers.

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Government Contracting and Small Business Certification, Tuesday, April 29: 11:30am - 1:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. Learn how to navigate government contracting and discover eligibility for small business certifications.

Mastering Modern Technology - Internet Basics, Tuesday, April 29: 1:30pm - 3:00pm, Ash Grove Branch Library - *Community Room (25)*. Explore the basics of today's technology and build the confidence to use it with ease, perfect for beginners.

History Explorers: The Battles of Lexington and Concord, Tuesday, April 29: 3:00pm - 4:00pm, Schweitzer Brentwood Branch Library - *Community Room (100)*. The Ozark Mountain Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution will explore the Battles of Lexington and Concord, the first significant military engagements of the American Revolutionary War.

Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale - Friends Preview Night Sale, Tuesday, April 29: 4:00pm - 8:00pm, E*Plex at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds - 3001 N. Grant Ave. Every Friends of the Springfield-Greene County Library sale holds surprising treasures for lovers of books, movies and music (CD and vinyl!), and the Spring 2025 Book Sale won't disappoint.

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Mother Goose Storytime - for infants-age 6, Wednesday, April 30: 10:30am - 11:30am, Ash Grove Branch Library. Mother Goose is visiting Ash Grove for a story time brimming with beloved rhymes, captivating tales and crafts.

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Creative Aging Painting and Mixed Media Showcase, Wednesday, April 30: 6:00pm - 7:30pm, Library Center - *Story Hour Room (45)*. Join us in showcasing mixed media creations made by participants of our 8-week workshop, Creative Aging Painting and Mixed Media.



ONGOING

ARC of the Ozarks (www.thearcoftheozarks.org) 417-864-7887

Champion Athletes (www.championathletes.org) 417-890-1599

Discovery Center (info@discoverycenter.org) 417-862-9910

Down Syndrome Group of the Ozarks (www.ozarksdsg.org) 417-885-9905

MPACT – Missouri Parents Act (www.missouriparentsact.org) 800-743-7634

Missouri Job Center (417-887-4343 and 417-874-2730)

Empower Abilities (www.empower.org) 417-886-1188

Southwest Missouri Autism Network (www.swmoautismnetwork.org) 417-890-1399

Special Olympics Springfield Missouri (spingfieldmospecialolympics@gmail.com)

Springfield-Greene County Park & Recreation (www.Parkboard.org/AR) 417-837-5808