

Check out up to five
seed packets!



EVENTS
NEWSLETTER
MAR/APR 2026



CHRISTIAN COUNTY LIBRARY **SEED LIBRARY**

christiancountylibrary.org/seed-library



March 2
THRU
May 30

ADULTS ages 18 and older

March

Yoga with Debra Tucker

Ozark Branch Tuesdays, 6-7 p.m.

Nixa Branch Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.

Refresh your mind and body each week with 417 Create Art & Yoga Studio. *Wellness*

Genealogy Guide

Clever Branch

Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

*Registration opens Feb. 19

Family tree research have you stumped? Learn how to use online databases and library resources to dig into your roots with one-on-one assistance from a staff member.

History

Tai Chi with Chuck Mercer

Clever Branch

Thursdays, 11 a.m.- Noon

Discover balance, focus and mindful movement with Legacy Martial Ways. *Wellness*

Families Eating Smart and Moving More

Nixa Branch

Thursdays (March 5 - April 9)

1-2 p.m.

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Take the first step toward a healthier home. Learn how shopping on a budget, cooking healthy recipes and incorporating daily exercise can help build lasting wellness. *Wellness*

In partnership with MU Extension.



Let's Play: Hues and Cues

Sparta Branch

Saturday, March 7, 2-4 p.m.

Colors, clues and clever guesses come together in this fast-paced game. *Games*

Seed Starting with Christian County Master Gardeners

Nixa Branch

Tuesday, March 10

5:45-6:45 p.m.

Sparta Branch

Tuesday, March 24, 10-11 a.m.

Get your seeds off to a great start.

Learn what helps them grow (and what doesn't!) *Outdoors*



Lit Happens!

Clever Branch

Wednesday

March 11

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Inspired by

Kentucky's Pack

Horse Librarians, "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" celebrates courage, resilience and the power of books. *Book Clubs*



Reel Reads

Sparta Branch

Thursday, March 12

3:30-5:30 p.m.

Maggie O'Farrell's historical fiction novel "Hamnet"

dramatizes the life of the Shakespeare family. *Book Clubs*



#BookClub

Nixa Branch

Friday, March 13

10-11 a.m.

Small-town southern charm, a heartwarming

romance and pie. Join us as we discuss "Midnight at the Blackbird Café" by Heather Webber. Toys provided for kids, with supervision by parents/caregivers. *Book Clubs*

Cook Book Club

Ozark Branch

Wednesday, March 18, 3-4 p.m.

Bring a new or favorite Mexican dish to share as we chat about our culinary adventures. *Culinary*

Computers 101

Ozark Branch

Friday, March 20, 10-11:30 a.m.

Explore computer basics and get tech help. Bring your laptop or use one we provide. *Technology*

Kinusaiga Landscapes

Sparta Branch

Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m.- Noon

*Registration opens March 7

Learn a Japanese fabric painting technique that turns scraps into serene landscape art.

Arts & Crafts

Paper Craft Social

Nixa Branch

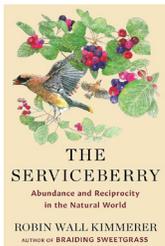
Monday, March 23, 4-6 p.m.

Join fellow crafters for a self-paced session featuring scrapbooking and journaling. Supplies provided. *Arts & Crafts*

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Tiny Art Show Ozark Branch

Wednesday, March 25, 2-4 p.m.
Paint a mini canvas to be displayed in an art show during April. All skill levels are welcome. *Arts & Crafts*



Books & Baristas
The Baked Bean Coffee Shop, 1860
N. Commerce Drive
Nixa, Saturday
March 28, 10-11 a.m.
In "The Serviceberry:

Abundance and Reciprocity in the Natural World" Robin Kimmerer shares nature's wisdom to enrich our daily lives. *Book Clubs*

Bring and Bling a Book Ozark Branch

Monday, March 30, 10-11 a.m.
*Registration opens March 16
Decorate your book with rhinestones to create a unique, blinged-out cover. *Arts & Crafts*



Author Talk:
Jan Bloch
Clever Branch
Tuesday, March 31
10-11:30 a.m.
*Registration opens March 16

Hear from the author of "Following Christ – God's Word: Basic Truths and Guiding Principles," on how faith impacts people's lives.
Talks & Lectures

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Let's Play: Rummy
Sparta Branch
Saturday, April 4, 2-4 p.m.
It's strategy, memory and a little luck to be the first to get rid of your cards in this classic game. *Games*

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FOL BOOK SALE **OZARK – 4-H COMMUNITY BUILDING**
PREVIEW SALE: Wednesday, April 15, 3-7 p.m. **Thursday, April 16 – Saturday, April 18**

ADULTS ages 18 and older

April



#BookClub
Nixa Branch
Friday, April 3
10-11 a.m.

A cozy fantasy romance about magic, redemption

and starting over in "Violet Thistlewaite Is Not a Villain Anymore" by Emily Krempholtz. Toys provided for kids, with supervision by parents/caregivers. *Book Clubs*

Make Your Bed with Christian County Master Gardeners
Clever Branch

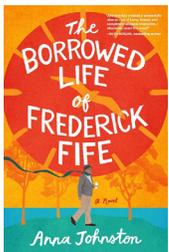
Tuesday, April 7, 5:45-6:45 p.m.

Ozark Branch

Tuesday, April 21, 10-11 a.m.

Learn the steps to get your garden ready for the planting season.

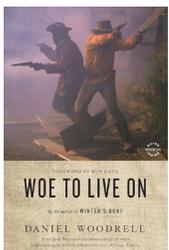
Outdoors



Lit Happens!
Clever Branch
Wednesday, April 8
10:30-11:30 a.m.

"The Borrowed Life of Frederick Fife" by Anna Johnston

is a heartfelt case of mistaken identity. See how a lonely man gets an unexpected chance at family and belonging. *Book Clubs*



Reel Reads
Sparta Branch
Thursday, April 9
3:30-5:30 p.m.

Loyalty, brutality and identity collide in Daniel Woodrell's

Civil War novel "Woe to Live On."

Book Clubs



Crime Talk:
Dr. Aida Hass-Wisecup
Ozark Branch

Thursday, April 9
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Hear from MSU's

Graduate Director of Criminology on crime, criminal theory and safety prevention strategies.

Talks & Lectures

Tree Giveaway and Open House
Ozark Branch

Saturday, April 11, 10 a.m.- Noon

All ages

Pop in for crafts, informational booths and raffles. Then grab a sapling to take home. *Engagement*

Cook Book Club
Ozark Branch

Wednesday, April 15, 3-4 p.m.

Bring a new or favorite casserole to share as we chat about our culinary adventures. *Culinary*

App-y Hour
Ozark Branch

Thursday, April 16, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Up your outdoor skills over mocktails by learning all about the nature apps AllTrails, eBird and Seek. *Technology*

Embossed Foil Cards
Sparta Branch

Saturday, April 18, 2-4 p.m.

*Registration opens April 2

Create striking greeting cards with textured patterns and metallic foil for a handmade shine. *Arts & Crafts*

Blackout Poetry
Ozark Branch

Wednesday, April 22, 2-3 p.m.

Create new poems from old pages during National Poetry Month.

Arts & Crafts

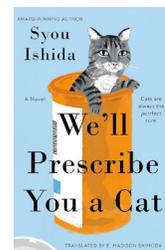
Local Authors Expo
Nixa Branch

Saturday, April 25

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.

All ages

We are celebrating all of the unique stories found in our backyard. Here is your chance to meet emerging and established local authors, purchase their works and find a new favorite read. *Engagement*



Books & Baristas

The Baked Bean Coffee Shop, 1860 N. Commerce Drive
Nixa, Saturday
April 25, 10-11 a.m.

"We'll Prescribe You

a Cat" by Syou Ishida imagines a mysterious clinic where the cure for life's troubles... is a cat. *Book Clubs*

Paper Craft Social
Ozark Branch

Monday, April 27, 4-6 p.m.

Join fellow crafters for a self-paced session featuring scrapbooking and journaling. Supplies provided.

Arts & Crafts

True Crime Club
Ozark Branch

Thursday, April 30, 5:30-7 p.m.

The discovery of a police officer's body in the snow shocked the nation. Did Karen Read kill her boyfriend? Let's discuss.

Entertainment

March

Dungeons & Dragons Club

Ozark Branch

Monday, March 2, 4:30-6 p.m.

Monday, March 16, 4:30-6 p.m.

Band together with others to journey through magical realms and battle legendary monsters while creating your own story in the ultimate RPG.

Games

Teen Hangout

Nixa Branch

Thursday, March 5, 4-5 p.m.

Bring friends to play the Nintendo Switch, learn a new board game, finish homework or just hang out.

Games

TAB (Teen Advisory Board)

Ozark Branch

Monday, March 9, 5-6 p.m.

Grades 9 and up

Got ideas for library events?

Share them at our next meeting.

Engagement

Cloud Wall Hanging

Sparta Branch

Tuesday, March 10

4:30-5:30 p.m.

**Registration opens Feb 24*

Brighten your space for spring using colorful yarn and cardboard.

Arts & Crafts

Crafternoon: Design-a-Button

Nixa Branch

Thursday, March 12, 4-5 p.m.

Create a fashionable button that fits your style. *Arts & Crafts*

Donuts and Games

Clever Branch

Monday, March 16, 4-5 p.m.

Get ready for some good old hole-some fun! *Games*

Teen Hangout: Pizza Wars!

Nixa Branch

Thursday, March 19, 4-5:30 p.m.

Sample slices from local pizzerias to vote for the best slice in town at this ultimate pizza showdown. *Culinary*

Mandrake Planters

Clever Branch

Monday, March 23, 4-5 p.m.

**Registration opens March 9*

Craft your own magical decoration inspired by the wizarding world of Harry Potter. No earmuffs required (we promise.) *Engagement*

Patch and Pin Bar

Ozark Branch

Tuesday, March 24, 4-6 p.m.

Drop in and get creative—customize a canvas bag or bring something from home and deck it out. *Arts & Crafts*

Crafternoon: Coaster Art

Nixa Branch

Thursday, March 26, 4-5 p.m.

Turn a simple coaster into a mini masterpiece with Mod Podge magic. *Arts & Crafts*

April

Teen Hangout

Nixa Branch

Thursday, April 2, 4-5 p.m.

Thursday, April 16, 4-5 p.m.

Thursday, April 30, 4-5 p.m.

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Games

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Monday, April 6, 4:30-6 p.m.

Monday, April 20, 4:30-6 p.m.

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Crafternoon: DIY Bookmarks

Nixa Branch

Thursday, April 9, 4-5 p.m.

Design your own magnetic bookmark with washi tape and markers. *Arts & Crafts*

Mini Beaded Bouquets

Ozark Branch

Tuesday, April 14, 4-6 p.m.

Learn how to twist colorful beads and wire into tiny flowers. *Arts & Crafts*

TAB (Teen Advisory Board)

Nixa Branch

Tuesday, April 14, 5-6 p.m.

Grades 9 and up

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Engagement

TEENS grades 7-12

April

Design-a-Button

Clever Branch

Monday, April 20, 4-5 p.m.

Create a fashionable button that fits your personal style. *Arts & Crafts*

Crafternoon:

Round Robin Painting

Nixa Branch

Thursday, April 23, 4-5 p.m.

Paint a canvas and then pass it on. Each person will leave with a collaborative art piece!

Arts & Crafts

Gemstone Bracelets

Sparta Branch

Monday, April 27, 4-5 p.m.

**Registration opens April 13*

Manifest good vibes with this piece of jewelry and learn the meanings behind each stone. *Arts & Crafts*

KIDS & FAMILIES Pre-K - grade 6

March

Green Eggs and Ham

Storytime

Nixa Branch

Monday, March 2, 11-11:45 a.m.

Read a Dr. Seuss classic and enjoy a sweet and salty snack to celebrate his birthday. *Storytimes*

Dr. Seuss Craft Day

Clever Branch

Monday, March 2, 3:30-5 p.m.

Wumbus and Zuzz! Step into the Seussian world and get crafty.

Arts & Crafts

St. Patrick's Day Wreath

Nixa Branch

Wednesday, March 4

10-10:45 a.m.

Add a touch of green to your space with a festive wreath. *Arts & Crafts*

Oreo STEM Challenge

Ozark Branch

Wednesday, March 4

4:30-5:30 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Build it, test it and taste it in this yummy challenge. *Education*

Sensory Bottles

Sparta Branch

Saturday, March 7, 10-11 a.m.

**Registration opens Feb. 27*

Explore sight and sound while making a beautiful creation using baby oil, glitter and pom poms.

Arts & Crafts

Barbie Play Day

Nixa Branch

Monday, March 9, 11-11:45 a.m.

Celebrate National Barbie Day by bringing your favorite doll and wearing pink. *Engagement*

Super Mario Craft Day

Ozark Branch

Monday, March 9, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Power up your creativity with these Mario themed crafts. *Arts & Crafts*

Marble Art

Clever Branch

Thursday, March 12, 4-5 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Forget the paintbrushes! Shake and roll to create amazing art instead.

Arts & Crafts

Bug Storytime

Ozark Branch

Saturday, March 14, 10-11 a.m.

Buzz on over for a good time. We'll read stories, sing songs and explore the world of insects. *Storytimes*

Perler and Pizza

Sparta Branch

Monday, March 16, 4-5 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Take a break with some pizza while creating colorful pixel art.

Arts & Crafts



Movie Day:

Gabby's

Dollhouse

Sparta Branch

Saturday, March 21

3-5 p.m.

Make your own cat ears and join Gabby on her new adventure. Rated G. *Movies*

KIDS & FAMILIES Pre-K - grade 6

April

No Sew Bunnies

Sparta Branch

Tuesday, April 7, 4-5 p.m.

**Registration opens March 24*

Make an adorable stuffed bunny with a sock, using simple tying and stuffing techniques. *Arts & Crafts*

Things That Go Play Day

Nixa Branch

Wednesday, April 8, 10-10:45 a.m.

Zoom into high-speed fun with toy cars, trucks, trains and more.

Entertainment

Axolotl Habitat Orbs

Ozark Branch

Wednesday, April 8

4:30-5:30 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Decorate a habitat for your new crafted underwater pal to live in.

Arts & Crafts

Bee Wind Chimes

Clever Branch

Thursday, April 9, 4-5 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

**Registration opens March 26*

Craft a *bee-utiful* wind chime and enjoy its gentle music. *Arts & Crafts*

Preschool STEM:

Little Light Explorers

Ozark Branch

Tuesday, April 14, 10-11 a.m.

Discover the magic of light and color through hands-on experiments using flashlights and more. *Education*

Paper Windmills

Clever Branch

Thursday, April 16, 4-5 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Spin and twirl with this simple origami craft. *Arts & Crafts*

Play-Doh Bakery

Sparta Branch

Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m.- Noon

Put on your chef's hat and roll out some dough. Play-Doh, that is!

Entertainment

Jazz Concert with the

Ozark High School Jazz Band

Nixa Branch

Saturday, April 18, 2-3 p.m.

Get ready to dance! Celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month with the lively sounds from a local band. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and settle in for the show. *Performances*

Mario Tic-Tac-Toe

Sparta Branch

Tuesday, April 21, 4-5 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

**Registration opens April 7*

Level up your crafting skills and create your own tic-tac-toe game using air dry clay. *Arts & Crafts*

Touch a Truck

Ozark Branch

Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m.- Noon

Join us for a hands-on vehicle exploration event where families can see, touch and learn about a variety of community trucks and equipment. *Engagement*

Build a Bird's Nest

Clever Branch

Monday, April 27, 4-5 p.m.

Grades 3 and up

Learn the science behind nest building and try the tough task of assembling one. *Education*

May Baskets

Nixa Branch

Wednesday, April 29

10-10:45 a.m.

Put together a spring-themed basket for a friend or neighbor to celebrate the turning of the seasons. *Arts & Crafts*

Family Storytime

kids up to age six

Sparta Branch: Mondays

11-11:45 a.m.

Nixa Branch: Tuesdays

10-10:45, 11-11:45 a.m.

Ozark Branch: Wednesdays

10-10:45, 11-11:45 a.m.

Clever Branch: Fridays

10:30-11:15 a.m.

Baby Bounce

babies up to 18 months

Ozark Branch: Thursdays

9:45-10:30 a.m.

Toddler Time

children 18 months-3 years

Nixa Branch: Mondays

9:30-10:15 a.m.

Ozark Branch: Thursdays

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SPRING INTO READING CHALLENGE

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Read each day and grow your way!
Put some spring into your step by entering
the reading challenge on  beanstack.

LOCAL
AUTHORS
EXPO

Hey local authors!
Secure your booth
by applying online
or in person
before March 17.



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