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NIXA BRANCH GRAND OPENING

On May 19th, the first public library in Nixa's history will open at 208 McCroskey Street. The Nixa Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting at 11:00 a.m. and doors will open to the public from 12:00-5:00 p.m. that day.

Christian County voters approved a renewal of the Christian County Library's 20-cent levy in August 2017. The library has operated a branch in Ozark since 1956, but until now, has not had the funding to establish new branches. Since last summer, the library has been working to design and infill the Nixa Branch, which is located in an existing building just behind the Southern Bank branch on Highway 14. Sapp Design is the architect on both the Nixa project and the Ozark Branch renovations. Nesbitt Construction was selected as the contractor on both projects.

While the Nixa Branch is just launching, the Ozark Branch is temporarily closed to undergo its first major renovation in decades and is slated to reopen August 11. Ozark residents will still see a lot of the library this summer, with storytimes happening at Tiger Paw Early Childhood Center, and events and pick-up and drop-off services at The OC. The Clever Branch, in its storefront location on Highway 14, now has expanded hours. Beginning in 2019, the library will begin setting aside money to build new standalone branches in Sparta and Clever in the next 3-5 years. Library Executive Director Geri Godber said, "We're working hard to deliver the promises we made to voters, and build libraries the community can be proud of."

LOCATIONS & HOURS

NIXA BRANCH
208 N McCroskey St
Nixa, MO 65714
(417) 724-6100
info@christiancountylibrary.org

OPEN

MON-THU | 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM
FRI-SAT | 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
SUN | CLOSED

OZARK BRANCH
1005 N 4th Ave
Ozark, MO 65721
(417) 581-2432
info@christiancountylibrary.org

OPEN

MON-THU | 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM
FRI-SAT | 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
SUN | CLOSED

CLEVER BRANCH
7450 W Veterans Blvd
Clever, MO 65631
(417) 743-2277
clever@christiancountylibrary.org

OPEN

MON-FRI | 10:00AM - 7:00 PM
FRI | 2:00-7:00 PM
SAT | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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2018 SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

TAKE THE CHALLENGE

MAY 14 - JULY 31

Time to rock 'n' roll, Summer Readers! The annual Summer Reading Challenge begins May 14. Registration opens May 5 at http://ChristianCountyLibrary.Beanstack.org.

The Summer Reading Challenge is an easy way for parents to make reading a fun summer activity and help children and teens improve their reading level during summer break. There's even a program for adults, because kids aren't the only ones who enjoy a challenge.

The library is once again using Beanstack to host our Summer Reading Challenge. Reading can be reported online at http://ChristianCountyLibrary.Beanstack.org. Participants earn online badges as they progress and are notified when they've completed their challenge and can collect their prize at the library. Paper game boards will be available at the library for those who prefer not to participate online.

This year's theme is "Libraries Rock!," and we have a new format that will make it easier for kids, teens, and adults to participate. The challenge for all age groups is to earn 500 points through a combination of reading, completing activities, and attending library events. Participants earn one point for each minute read. (Pre-readers earn one point for each minute someone reads to them.)

To earn more points, participants can try a variety of fun activities that will connect them with library and community resources and create fun ways for families to interact and learn together. The activities are listed on Beanstack. Each activity will be worth 5, 10, or 20 points, depending on difficulty.

Summer at the library also means a variety of classes, performances, and programs every week for children, teens, and adults. Participants can earn points for each event they attend, up to five events per person. (Each event will have a special code that participants can enter on Beanstack or the paper game board.) Events will take place in locations across the county, including the new Nixa Branch, the Clever Branch, and The OC in Ozark (while the Ozark Branch undergoes renovations).

Best of all, this year we have an assortment of prizes that will rock your world! After the first 500 points earned, babies, kids, and teens win a NEW BOOK and a COUPON BOOK with awesome deals from local businesses. Adults win a library BOOK BAG. All participants will get a ticket for the PRIZE BASKET drawing of their choice. Kids, teens, and adults can choose from four themed prize baskets: a TECH Basket, a BOOK Basket, a FOOD & MOVIE Basket, and a MUSIC Basket. (Every additional 500 points earned is another ticket into the drawing for a prize basket.) Babies can win a prize basket based on their age: one for ages 1-2 and one for ages 2-3.

PROGRAMS for KIDS

Dino O'Dell's Libraries Rock

NIXA BRANCH **MAY 19, 2018**
Registration Not Required **2:30 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Music is all around us: birds singing in the trees, the clickety-clack of a train rolling down the track, and the beating of our hearts. Join Dino as we sing about monsters under our beds, swim in a pond full of peanut butter, and learn about the four categories of instruments: percussion, wind, string, and electronic. It's an interactive and educational musical adventure!

Oh My Gosh Josh: The Mystery of Camp Runamucka

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 4, 2018**
Registration Not Required **10:30 AM**

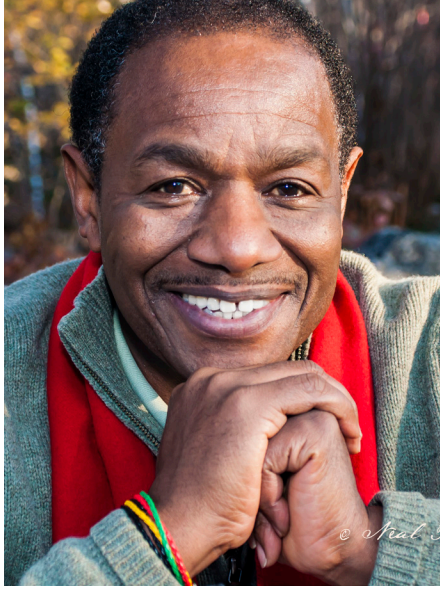
FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join Oh My Gosh Josh for a trip to Camp Runamucka, where a mystery is at hand. You'll meet Brian the Raccoon, who learns that someone at camp is an imposter trying to shut down the fun! Rock out with a campfire sing-a-long and hear tall tales that reveal clues to the mystery. You will laugh and sing your way to the solution. In the end we will solve the riddle with library books!

KY3 Kids Storybreak with Sara Forhetz

THE OC in OZARK **JUNE 7, 2018**
Registration Not Required **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: KY3 News Anchor Sara Forhetz will read her favorite stories to us. Come see one of your favorite TV personalities in person! **NOTE:** This program will be held at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

Stories with Bobby Norfolk



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NIXA BRANCH — **JUNE 14, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **2:00 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Bobby turns traditional tales into finger-snapping, toe-tapping verse. He transforms selections from his favorite authors into comical and creative raps, and fills them all with zany vocal effects, lively animation, and tons of humor. **NOTE:** This program will be held at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

Laughing Matters: Stories of Note

NIXA BRANCH — **JUNE 15, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **12:00 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Jay and Leslie celebrate the language of music and the music of language in their 2018 summer library program "Stories of Note." Highlights include real juggling with fake rocks and a detective mystery radio play that takes a musical turn. Libraries make our lives better, and Jay and Leslie will make summer more fun when they visit yours!

Dickerson Park Zoo: Conservation Rocks!

CLEVER BRANCH — **JUNE 12, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **1:30 PM**

NIXA BRANCH — **JUNE 18, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**

THE OC in OZARK — **JUNE 21, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: This engaging program includes ambassador animals from Dickerson Park Zoo's Education Department. **NOTE:** The program on June 21 will be held at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

Songs, Stories, and a Boingy Boingy Thing with Mike Anderson

NIXA BRANCH — **JUNE 22, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **2:30 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Mike's dynamic performance style keeps the audience, both young and old, entertained. His show is one kids will talk about for quite a while!

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Brian Wendling: Can You See the Juggling Music?

NIXA BRANCH — **JUNE 25, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Award-winning juggler Brian Wendling weaves juggling and music into an interactive mix of fun and amazement! Are you listening to the juggling or watching the music? Maybe you are doing both!

Dickerson Park Zoo: Eagles of North America

NIXA BRANCH — **JULY 2, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: This program by the Dickerson Park Zoo will feature our national emblem, the bald eagle. Find out what factors contributed to the demise of the bald eagle population and what conservation efforts worked to remove the bald eagle from the endangered species list.

Tommy Terrific's Wacky Magic

NIXA BRANCH — **JULY 5, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **2:30 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join Tommy Terrific for his Rockin' Magic show, featuring magic tricks representing the top rock and roll artists from the Golden Age of Rock and Roll (1950s-1960s). Artists such as Elvis, Chuck Berry, Little Richard, and many others will be featured!

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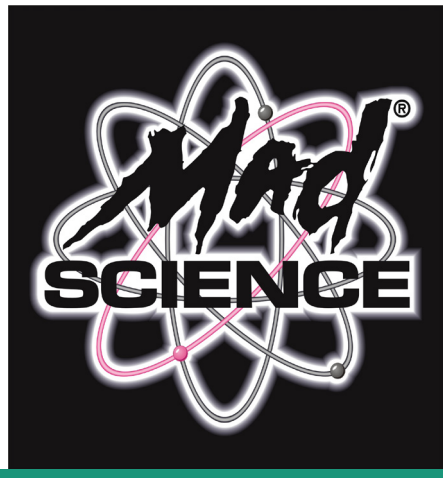
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: KY3 News Anchor Ethan Forhetz will read his favorite stories to us. Come see one of your favorite TV personalities in person!

Mad Science: Libraries Rock Our World!

THE OC in OZARK — **JULY 12, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**



FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Children will learn about the Science of Summer Sounds, like crickets, squirrels, birds, and more! Audience members will make up a Mad Sounds Band to accompany our Mad Science Summertime performance! **NOTE:** This program will be held at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

To see the full schedule of programs for kids visit http://ChristianCountyLibrary.org/Programs/Kids

Disney Trivia for Families

NIXA BRANCH **JULY 14, 2018**
Registration Required **6:00 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join us for Family Trivia Night! An expert MC will guide you and your family through rounds of Disney trivia. All questions will be geared for age 7 and up. Refreshments provided. Registration required.

Babaloo Music and Fun

NIXA BRANCH **JULY 16, 2018**
Registration Not Required **2:00 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Babaloo is a high-energy musical comedy act for kids. One man, one guitar, and a trailer full of fun props will keep the Summer Readers laughing, singing, and dancing in the library!

Marty Hahne: The Reading Magician

NIXA BRANCH **JULY 17, 2018**
Registration Not Required **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: This 45-minute show is appropriate for ages 5 -12, but even toddlers will enjoy the magic and fun. There's loads of magic, comedy and audience participation. You'll love the "Human Xylophone." With eight helpers on stage and the surprise appearance of our live bunny rabbit, there's something for everyone in the Musical Magic Show!

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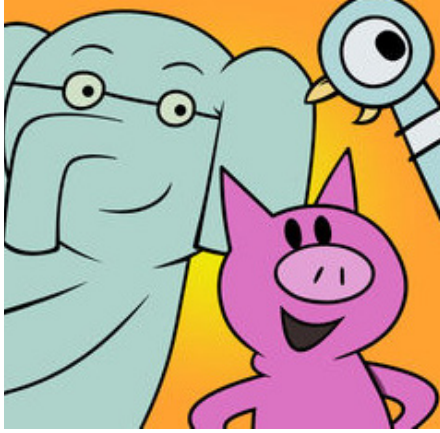
SIGNING TIME for KIDS

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

THURSDAYS, JUNE 7 - AUGUST 2
5:00 - 5:45 PM

FAMILIES AND PRESCHOOLERS: Join Bethany Hornbeck, licensed American Sign Language teacher and Signing Time representative, as you and your preschooler learn various signs. Each week will feature a different topic, but join us every week for a buildable lesson you and your child can learn together! **NOTE:** No lesson on July 26.



Elephant and Piggie Party

THE OC in OZARK — **JULY 19, 2018**
Registration Not Required — **10:30 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join us for a party featuring Elephant and Piggie stories, activities, and a special appearance by Elephant and Piggie themselves. **NOTE:** This program will be held at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

Library Luau at the Finley River Park

FINLEY RIVER PARK in OZARK — **JULY 24, 2018**
Registration Required — **11:00 AM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join Christian County Library for some luau fun! We'll have water activities for children of all ages, so wear appropriate clothes. After a little fun in the sun, we'll snack on some beach-themed foods. All children under the age of 9 must be accompanied by an adult. Please let the library know if your child has any food allergies. Registration required. **NOTE:** This program will be held at the Finley River Park in Ozark.

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

NOTE: NO Storytimes scheduled the week of Fourth of July

Clever Family Storytime

CLEVER BRANCH — **TUESDAYS**
Starts May 22, 2018 — **11:00 AM**

INFANTS - AGE 6: Family Storytime is for families with infants to age 6. This storytime has stories, songs, and activities for parents and children to do together while learning early literacy skills using Racing to Read, the library's early literacy initiative.

Ozark Family Storytime

TIGER PAW CENTER in OZARK — **WEDNESDAYS**
Starts May 30, 2018 — **11:00 AM**

INFANTS - AGE 6: This storytime has stories, songs, and activities. **NOTE:** This program will be held at the Tiger Paw Early Childhood Center in Ozark at 202 North 4th Avenue. Enter through the red doors on the west side of the building and go to the gym.

Nixa Family Storytime

NIXA BRANCH — **THURSDAYS**
Starts May 24, 2018 — **10:00 AM**

INFANTS - AGE 6: Family Storytime is for families with infants to age six. This storytime has stories, songs, and activities for parents and children to do together while learning early literacy skills using Racing to Read, the library's early literacy initiative.

Nixa Movement and Music Storytime

NIXA BRANCH — **FRIDAYS**
Starts May 25, 2018 — **11:00 AM**

INFANTS - AGE 2: Music and Movement is for families with infants up to 2 years old. This storytime includes finger plays, action rhymes, and plenty of songs! Your child will learn early literacy skills that will help them grow into eager readers.

PROGRAMS for TWEENS

Oh My Gosh Josh: Magic and Mystery Workshop

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

JUNE 5, 2018
4:00 PM

GRADES 3-6: Come and learn magic from a real magician! Kids learn magic tricks and illusions to amaze their family and friends. In addition to the secrets behind the magic, Oh My Gosh Josh will coach in performance and presentation skills. Each participant will receive five small tricks to keep.

Tin Can Dulcimer Workshop with Mike Anderson

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Required

JUNE 21, 2018
2:30 PM

GRADES 3-6: Build a functioning tin can dulcimer with Mike Anderson! Limited seating. Registration required.

PAWS for READING

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

JUNE 12, 2018
4:30 - 6:00 PM

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

JULY 10, 2018
4:30 - 6:00 PM

ALL AGES: Read to a dog trained by the Alliance of Therapy Pets in this program! Children who are having reading difficulties can be self-conscious about reading aloud, but sitting and reading with a dog can help them relax, build self-esteem, and associate reading with a fun experience.

PROGRAMS at the PARK

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Live. And Learn.

Bug-A-Palooza!

FINLEY RIVER PARK in OZARK — **JUNE 12, 2018**
Registration Required — **11:00 - 12:30 PM**

CLEVER PARK — **JUNE 27, 2018**
Registration Required — **1:30 - 2:30 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join Christian County Library and Christian County 4-H for a bug-filled adventure. Together we will learn about bugs in Missouri, explore what worlds are just below our feet, and make a nature journal to keep track of bugs we see. Water and a small snack will be provided. Please call the library if your child has any food allergies. Adult supervision is required for children under 9 years of age. Registration is required for this event. **NOTE:** The program on June 27 will be at the park behind Clever City Hall. In case of inclement weather, such as rain, the program will be cancelled.

The Many Layers of Earth at the Finley River Park

FINLEY RIVER PARK in OZARK — **JULY 10, 2018**
Registration Required — **11:00 - 12:30 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join Christian County Library and Christian County 4-H for a rockin' program! Together we will learn about the layers of soil, explore what earth looks like on the inside, and make a fun snack, too. Water will also be provided. Please call the library if your child has any food allergies. Adult supervision is required for children under 9 years of age. Registration is required for this event.

Ways of Weather with Christian County 4-H

CLEVER PARK — **JULY 18, 2018**
Registration Required — **1:30 - 2:30 PM**

FAMILIES - ALL AGES: Join Christian County Library and Christian County 4-H for a program all about weather! Together we will learn about weather systems and explore how weather patterns work. Water and a small snack will be provided. Please call the library if your child has any food allergies. Adult supervision is required for children under 9 years of age. Registration is required for this event. **NOTE:** This program is at the park behind Clever City Hall. In case of inclement weather, such as rain, the program will be cancelled.

All 4-H Programs are presented in partnership with Christian County 4-H and University of Missouri Extension

BOOK BINGO!

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 16, 2018**
Registration Not Required **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

NIXA BRANCH **JULY 21, 2018**
Registration Not Required **11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

ALL AGES: We're playing Book Bingo at the library! It's regular BINGO, but the prize is a book of your choice. Bring the whole family and see who will win!

PROGRAMS for TEENS

Josh Routh: Bizarro Galore! Sideshow Stunts and More!

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 6, 2018**
Registration Required **5:00 PM**

GRADES 7-12: Join us for a fun event as Oh My Gosh Josh shares tricks and stunts straight out of the classic sideshows. He will swallow swords, lay on a bed of nails, perform mind reading stunts and much more. This program is for teens only and will fill up fast!

Disney Trivia Night

THE OC in OZARK **JUNE 11, 2018**
Registration Required **4:00 - 6:00 PM**

GRADES 7-12: Are your Disney songs always on point? Or do you know all the names of the Disney villains? Then join us for Disney Trivia Night, where participants will be asked rounds of questions about classic Disney movies. Come join a team before the program starts or bring your own teammates! Registration required. **NOTE:** This program is at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

PROGRAMS for TEENS continued on **PAGE 12**

Bobby Norfolk: Rhythms, Rhymes and Raps

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 14, 2018**
Registration Not Required **5:30 PM**

GRADES 7-12: Bobby turns traditional tales, such as "Little Red Riding Hood" and "Three Billy Goats Gruff," into finger-snapping, toe-tapping verse. He transforms selections from his favorite authors into comical and creative raps and fills them with zany vocal effects, lively animation, and tons of humor. He also includes prose from the Harlem Renaissance era to add a jazzy feel to his stories that is ideal for teens.

Sing-Along Movie Night: High School Musical

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 20, 2018**
Registration Not Required **5:00 - 7:00 PM**

GRADES 7-12: It's the start of something new at the Nixa Branch! Celebrate the new library opening with a High School Musical Sing Along! Snacks provided.

Teen Bingo Night

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 27, 2018**
Registration Not Required **4:00 - 5:30 PM**

GRADES 7-12: It's Bingo night for teens! Come play to win a free book in this teens-only event.

Movie Party: Jumanji!

THE OC in OZARK **JULY 9, 2018**
Registration Required **4:00 - 6:00 PM**

GRADES 7-12: Do you love Jumanji? Then this program is for you! Bring a friend or come join a group with themed food and a quote-along party that you'll love! Registration required. **NOTE:** This program is at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

TEEN BOOK CLUBS

Join us for a discussion of this month's book selection. Snacks provided.
Need a copy of a book? Email youthservices@christiancountylibrary.org.

June Book Club

NIXA BRANCH **JUNE 1, 2018**
Registration Not Required **3:30 - 4:30 PM**

KALAHARI by JESSICA KHOURY: Deep in the Kalahari Desert, a Corpus lab protects a dangerous secret... but what happens when that secret takes on a life of its own?

July Book Club

NIXA BRANCH **JULY 6, 2018**
Registration Not Required **3:30 - 4:30 PM**

THE INQUISITOR'S TALE: OR, THE THREE MAGICAL CHILDREN AND THEIR HOLY DOG by ADAM GIDWITZ: An exciting and hilarious medieval adventure from the bestselling author of A Tale Dark and Grimm.

Sheet Music Art

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

JULY 11, 2018
4:00 - 5:30 PM

GRADES 7-12: Use instrumental sheet music to create your own work of art! All materials provided.

Board Game Bonanza!

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

JULY 18, 2018
4:00 - 5:30 PM

GRADES 7-12: We're pulling out all of our board games, from Ticket to Ride to Pandemic. Bring some friends to play or join a group! Snacks provided.

Doctor Who Crafting

THE OC in OZARK
Registration Not Required

JULY 20, 2018
4:00 - 6:00 PM

GRADES 7-12: Are you a Whovian? Come make themed crafts while enjoying some Doctor Who inspired snacks. Registration required. **NOTE:** This program will be held at The OC at 1530 West Jackson Street in Ozark.

3rd Annual World Food Tasting for Teens

NIXA BRANCH
Registration Not Required

JULY 25, 2018
4:00 - 6:00 PM

GRADES 7-12: It's the 3rd Annual World Food Tasting Feast! Using the library database A to Z World Foods, staff will create wonderful dishes for you to taste and review. Bring a friend, and we'll provide the food!

SUMMER MOVIES

Join us on Saturdays from 2:30 to 4:30 PM at the Nixa Branch for movie musicals at the library!

JUNE 2, 2018
COCO

JUNE 9, 2018
MUPPET TREASURE ISLAND (1996)

JUNE 16, 2018
TEEN BEACH MOVIE

JUNE 30, 2018
ANNIE (1982)

JULY 7, 2018
CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG (1968)

JULY 21, 2018
MOANA

JULY 28, 2018
BEDKNOBS AND BROOMSTICKS (1971)

PROGRAMS for ADULTS

Arts and Crafts Classes and Make-and-Takes

MAKE-AND-TAKE: RAINSTICK — **MAY 22-26, 2018**
NIXA BRANCH — **ALL DAY**
Registration Not Required

Stop by the make-and-take table at the library and create a rainstick, and make some music.

MAKE-AND-TAKE: PATRIOTIC PAPER FAN WREATH — **JUNE 26-30, 2018**
NIXA BRANCH — **ALL DAY**
-Registration Not Required

Celebrate Independence Day by making a red, white, and blue paper fan wreath to decorate your home.

ACRYLIC POURING — **JUNE 9, 2018**
NIXA BRANCH — **10:00-11:30AM**
Registration Required: Opens 5/19

Instructor Katie Gaspard will demonstrate the tools and methods for acrylic pouring, a painting technique that doesn't use a brush or palette knife to apply paint, but uses gravity to move paint across a surface. Adults only - no children under 12 can be admitted.

Books and Baristas

Are you a busy adult navigating the world who'd like some time out to discuss books (and drink coffee!) with fellow literature lovers? Then join us for our new adult book club, meeting the second Tuesday of every month at Walkabout Coffee Shop in Nixa! No registration is required. Here are upcoming book selections and meeting dates:

THE BONE SEASON — **MAY 8, 2018**
By Rainbow Rowell — **6:00 - 7:00 PM**

BROOKLYN — **JUNE 12, 2018**
By Colm Tóibín — **6:00 - 7:00 PM**

WILD — **JULY 10, 2018**
By Cheryl Strayed — **6:00 - 7:00 PM**

Brown Bag and Book Club

Join us each month a to discuss recent and popular fiction and non-fiction titles. Bring your lunch if you'd like, and we'll provide drinks and dessert. This book club temporarily meets at the Nixa Branch while the Ozark Branch is being renovated. No registration is required. These are our upcoming book selections and meeting dates:

KILLERS OF THE MOON FLOWER: THE OSAGE MURDERS AND THE BIRTH OF THE FBI — **MAY 22, 2018**
By Gail Honeyman — **1:00 - 2:00 PM**

NEWS OF THE WORLD — **JUNE 26, 2018**
By Paulette Giles — **1:00 - 2:00 PM**

LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE — **JULY 24, 2018**
By Celeste Ng — **1:00 - 2:00 PM**

CCL Cooking School

Join us each month to learn a new culinary technique or dish with CCL staff or community chefs, plus browse and check out the library's cookbooks on the subject.

A Taste of the Farmer's Market: Farmer's Market of the Ozarks

JUNE 23, 2018, 9:00-11:00AM

Pre-Registration: Required; Opens 6/2/2018

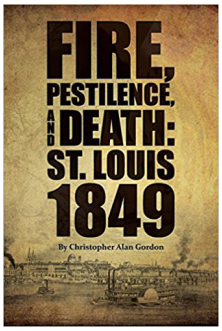
Join us for a special edition of CCL Cooking School as we take a field trip to Farmers Market of the Ozarks in Springfield! We'll go on a guided tour of the Market, learning more about the benefits of local food resources from the farmers themselves, and discover the history of the Market. Patrons may also find unique gifts that are made from local artisans and enjoy the musical talents of local artists, all within the Market's laid back atmosphere. Meet at the Nixa Branch no later than 8:30 to travel to the Farmer's Market in Springfield.

Homemade Soda and Other Concoctions — **JULY 28, 2018**

NIXA BRANCH — **12:00AM - 1:00 PM**

Registration Required: Opens 7/7

Come to the new Nixa Branch to cool off from the summer heat with this interactive lesson on mixing your own sodas and other carbonated drinks! You may learn a thing or two about the history of human-enhanced beverages, too.



History

Fire, Pestilence, and Death: St. Louis, 1849 with Christopher Gordon — **JUNE 2, 2018**

NIXA BRANCH — **11:30AM - 1:30 PM**

Registration Not Required

Join Ozark High School graduate and current Library Director of the Missouri Historical Society for a presentation on and signing of his new book, "Fire, Pestilence, and Death: St. Louis, 1849". Using newspaper accounts, letters, diaries, city and county records, as well as contemporary publications, Christopher Alan Gordon brings to life the stories of St. Louisans who lived through this tumultuous year and their surprising resilience and optimism in a time of extreme crisis.

Homeownership

Marrhya Williams of Keller Williams facilitates real estate professionals from around the area to give you the information you need to buy, sell, and maintain your home.

New Construction: Is it Right for You? — **MAY 26, 2018**

EAGLE RIDGE ESTATES in NIXA — **10:00-11:00AM**

Registration Required: Opens 5/5

Are you considering purchasing a newly-constructed home, or selling your existing home and wondering how you can compete with new construction? Tour some homes in Eagle Ridge Estates with Bussell Building, and get your new construction questions answered. For sellers, learn what buyers want from a modern home in today's market.

How to Buy a Home — **JUNE 23, 2018**

NIXA BRANCH — **10:00 - 12:00 PM**

Registration Required: Opens 6/2

Would you like to buy a home in the next five years? Our Homeownership Program coordinator, Marrhya Williams of Keller Williams Realty, will cover the steps you need to take, including establishing your needs versus your wants, evaluating how homes fit your needs, researching types of financing available, and much more about the home buying process from start to finish.

Planning for the Future — **JULY 28, 2018**

NIXA BRANCH — **10:00 - 11:00 AM**

Registration Required: Opens 7/7

What happens to your home if one spouse moves to a nursing home or passes away? What if a homeowner becomes disabled? How should your home figure into your will or trust? Attorney Patty Schilling will address these legal matters and more.

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Life Hacks is a new library program series aimed at helping you figure out the "how-tos" of being an adult. These monthly classes will bring you together with experts on an array of topics designed to give you practical knowledge to make your life better.

American Sign Language with Signing Time

Pre-Registration: Required, opens 5/15
Location: Nixa Branch

Bethany Hornbeck, licensed American Sign Language and Signing Time teacher, will lead adult participants through an 8-week course on ASL. There is a limit of 20 participants, and each registration includes the entire 8-week course. Participants will be required to purchase access to the online Signing Time curriculum, which is a $10 monthly fee.

JUNE 5, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JUNE 12, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JUNE 19, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JUNE 26, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JULY 3, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JULY 17, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JULY 24, 2018	5:30-6:30PM
JULY 31, 2018	5:30-6:30PM

The Best of Bobby Norfolk

JUNE 15, 2018
1:00-2:00PM
NIXA BRANCH

Join us an engaging presentation from storyteller Bobby Norfolk, who brings current topics and insights to the stage, all backed up by a long and illustrious career as an award-winning storyteller and three-time Emmy Award-winning performer. No registration required.

Writing the Stories of Our Lives

Find your voice so you can begin to tell your story in writing. Susan Rogers will help you discover what tools work best for you and help you find inspiration for the story you want to tell, no matter what it is. No registration required.

June Meeting **NIXA BRANCH**	**JUNE 12, 2018** **12:00 - 1:30 PM**
July Meeting **NIXA BRANCH**	**JULY 10, 2018** **12:00 - 1:30 PM**

Yoga

Debra Tucker of 417Create Art and Ageless Yoga teaches our popular gentle, restorative yoga class. Learn basic principles of alignment and technique while slowly strengthening the body and calming the mind. No registration required.

May Yoga Classes **CHRISTIAN COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT** **1750 S 15TH AVE in OZARK**	**THURSDAYS, MAY 3-31** **6:00 - 7:00 PM**
June Yoga Classes **NIXA BRANCH**	**THURSDAYS, JUNE 7-28** **6:00 - 7:00 PM**
July Yoga Classes **NIXA BRANCH**	**THURSDAYS, JULY 5-26** **6:00 - 7:00 PM**

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