Reminiscing Our Way Through April!

Spring winds will blow you back to the past at the library this month! Our April program calendar features some fun and interesting guest speakers that you will not want to miss. Details of three spotlight programs are below and our full adult program calendar can be found on pages 5—7.

Saturday, April 14, 10 am—12:30 pm
It’s Worth How Much?! Kate Bateman Antique Appraisals

British antique appraisal expert Kate Bateman will be at the library to appraise your antiques and collectibles. Bateman is a featured appraiser on the BBC’s Bargain Hunt and Flog It! television shows and co-founded Batemans Auctioneers & Valuers in Stamford, UK. Participants can bring one item for appraisal. Appraisals are $5, and proceeds go to the Friends of the EPLD. Event is limited to 30 participants; call the library to register for an appraisal time.

Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 pm
From Actor to Writer: John Ronane’s Story

John Ronane of Eureka will be at the library to share his recently published memoir, Rubber-soled Shoes, and stories from his acting career as well as his current career as an author. Ronane was born in Kensington, London, and struggled through poverty and homelessness as a child during and after World War II. He persevered and became a stage actor in the West End and a member of the Royal Shakespeare Company. He also starred in television and film, including The Avengers (1961), King Rat (1965), The Six Wives of Henry VIII (1970), Strangers (1978-1982), and many more. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Space is limited; call the library to register by April 21.

Monday, April 30, 6:30 pm
Pastor Tom Zobrist: Look What God Can Do

Pastor Tom Zobrist of Eureka will be at the library to discuss his recent book, The Zobrist Family: Look What God Can Do. The book chronicles Zobrist’s journey of faith from his childhood in Morton to the seventh game of the 2016 World Series when his son Ben made history as the MVP of the World Champion Chicago Cubs. This is a free program. Books will be available for sale and signing. Space is limited; call the library by April 27 to register.
April 8-14 is National Library Week, an annual celebration of the life-changing work of libraries, librarians and library workers. Libraries aren’t just places to borrow books or study—they’re also creative and engaging community centers where people can collaborate using new technologies and develop their skills and passions. Libraries of all types have long been evolving to meet the needs of the communities they serve. Diverse groups including elected officials, small business owners and students depend upon libraries and the resources they offer. Resources like e-books and technology classes, materials for English-language learners and programs for job seekers are just a few ways libraries and librarians are transforming to lead their communities. Community members can also develop their own leadership skills at the library, with endless opportunity to build skills and confidence through resources and programming. “The library helps lead our community by advocating for widespread access to crucial services and lifelong learning,” said Eureka Public Library Director Ann Reeves. “Libraries level the playing field for people of any age who seek information and access to technologies to improve their quality of life.”

We could not meet our mission without the help of a great group of volunteers at the Eureka Public Library District. The following individuals donate their time and talents to a variety of tasks. We greatly appreciate their enthusiasm and all of their hard work!

* Olivia Blunier
* Sue Knep
* Kathy Zeid
* Peg Heinold
* Wanda Robinson
* Curt Jones
* Pam Terry
* Fern Knapp
* Gerry Wilder

**WINTER READERS GO FOR THE GOLD!**

Fifty-six daring readers registered for the library’s Winter Olympics Reading Challenge, which took place January 16—March 3. Readers were challenged to read up to 15 books in different categories. Ten readers turned in their logs, and they read a combined total of 133 books and 39,150 pages. Congratulations to everyone for undertaking the challenge! Drawings were held to select our Bronze, Silver, and Gold medal winners. Winners were: Bronze (7 challenges) - Abby Green; Silver (11 challenges) - Chris Lee; and Gold (15 challenges) - Wanda Robinson. All received Eureka Business Association Gift Checks.

Winners (left to right): Abby Green, Chris Lee, and Wanda Robinson.

**LIBRARY CLOSED MORNING OF APRIL 12**

The library will be closed from 8:30 am to 1 pm on Thursday, April 12 so that library staff can be trained on the new AED defibrillator located next to the adult circulation desk. We apologize for any inconvenience and hope we never need to use this!

**NEXT CRAFT SWAP EVENT DATE SET**

The library will be holding a second Craft Swap event alongside our annual Book Sale on Saturday, May 19 from 8 am to 12 pm. Start cleaning out your craft stash!
**Fiction**

F Anderson – Green Sun
F Bears – The Atomic City Girls
F Berry – The Bishop’s Pawn
F Bishop – Lake Silence
F Blackstock – If I Live
F Box – The Disappeared
F Briggs – Burn Bright
F Cabot – A Borrowed Dream
F Chapman – Who the Bishop Knows
F Cossette – Counted with the Stars
F Deveraux – As You Wish
F Feehan – Covert Game
F Fielding – The Bad Daughter
F Fox – Crimson Lake
F Goodkind – The Girl in the Moon
F Graham – A Dangerous Game
F Gray – His Risk
F Halpern – Summer Hours at the Robber’s Library
F Howard – The Woman Left Behind
F Hunt – Paul, Apostle of Christ
F Jackson – One Last Breath
F Jennings – Holding the Fort
F Kleypas – Hello Stranger
F Mamet – Chicago
F Margolin – The Third Victim
F May – I’ll Keep You Safe
F Meltzer – The Escape Artist
F Oliveira – Winter Sisters
F Patterson – Red Alert
F Peterson – In Places Hidden
F Rice – Bone Music
F Rosenberg – The Kremlin Conspiracy
F Rosenfelt – Fade to Black
F St. James – The Broken Girls
F Shipman – The Recipe Box
F White – Caribbean Rim
F Wolfson – Rosie Colored Glasses

**Mystery**

M Albert – The Darling Dahlias & the Unlucky Clover
M Childs – Plum Tea Crazy
M Fluke – Raspberry Danish Murder
M Jance – Duel to the Death
M Leon – The Temptation of Forgiveness
M Mackenzie – The Body on the Doorstep
M O’Connor – Murder in an Irish Churchyard
M Pronzini – The Bag of Tricks Affair
M Wilson – A Different Kind of Evil
M Winspear – To Die But Once

**Nonfiction**

155.2 SAN – Soon
155.43 FAD – The Boy Crisis
155.5 SIM – Enough As She Is
158.1 SHR – I’ve Been Thinking...
305.42 ORE – Don’t Call Me Princess
305.896 WHI – The Untold Story of Smoketown
306.874 ISA – Unconditional Love
306.8743 GUN – A Pocketful of Hope for Mothers
320.973 SCH – Secret Empires
339.46 NOV – The Blue Sweater
364.15 MCN – I’ll Be Gone in the Dark
364.152 PAT – Murder Beyond the Grave
364.152 PAT – All-American Murder
613.2 HYM – Food: What the Heck Should I Eat?
613.2 POM – Metabolism Revolution
614 BAL – The Cadaver King & the Country Dentist
646.7 ZIE – Mommy Burnout
745.5068 SUT – How to Sell Your Crafts Online
745.592 WIL – Flip Dolls & Other Toys
746.432 POR – Big Needle Knits
746.46 SCH – Skinny Quilts
796.51 WIL – Rail-Trails: Illinois, Indiana & Ohio
914.404 STE – Rick Steves’ France 2018
917.2104 CAI – Fodor’s 2018 London
917.404 HAR – Top 10 New England
917.47 STL – Discover New York City
967.57 HOD – Bloody Rwanda
973.932 ORE – Pinheads and Patriots
977.3 FLI – Tales & Trails of Illinois

**Adult Movies & Series**

DVD 3622 S – S.W.A.T.: Complete Series
DVD 3630 W & B-R 439 W – Wonder
DVD 3631—3632 F – Fuller House: Seasons 1 & 2
DVD 3636 O – Over the Garden Wall
DVD 3639 J & B-R 441 J – Just Getting Started
DVD 3640 D – Doctor Who: Twice Upon a Time
DVD 3641 M & B-R 442 M – Murder on the Orient Express
DVD 3642 S – Sailor Moon R
DVD 3643 D & B-R 443 D – Daddy’s Home 2
DVD 3644—3645 S – Supergirl: Seasons 1 & 2
DVD 3648 S – Same Kind of Different as Me
DVD 3649—3650 B – Blue Bloods: Seasons 5 & 6
DVD 3652 L – LBJ

**Children’s Movies**

DVD 3646 P CH – Peppa Pig. The Easter Bunny
DVD 3651 W CH – Wall-E
B-R 440 W CH – Wall-E

For a complete listing of all new books & movies, visit www.eurekapl.org
Bring your **Wild About Reading** book log back each week in April to show us what animal books you’ve read and to get a sticker. When you’ve completed the month of reading, stop at the desk to pick up a book to take home.

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**Read to Your Baby Week: April 2-6**

Parents of babies ages 1 month to 12 months can visit the library to receive a boardbook for their child, check out the collection of boardbooks available at the library and pick up additional information about the importance of reading to babies.

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**FROG DAYS ~ HOP ON IN!**

Monday April 23

9:30 am

Ages 3-5

3:15 – 4 pm

Grades K-2

Stories  Fun Activities  Craft

Registration required. Register at the desk.

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We’ll see you at the Davenport School Carnival on Friday, April 27.

Stop by and say Hi!

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**NEW CHILDREN’S BOOKS**

**Picture Books:**
*I am NOT a Chair!*, Ross Burach
*There Might Be Lobsters*, Carolyn Crimi
*Wordy Birdy*, Tammi Sauer
*Tree: A Peek-Through Picture Book*, Britta Teckentrup
*Feathers and Hair: What Animals Wear*, Jennifer Ward

**Fiction:**
*The 78-story Treehouse*, Andy Griffiths
*Firelight*, Kazu Kibuishi (Amulet)
*Dark Side of the Moon*, Jeramey Kraatz (Space Runners)
*Time Jumpers*, Brandon Mull (Five Kingdoms)
*The Children’s Blizzard*, Lauren Tarshis (I Survived)

**Nonfiction:**
*Rodent Rascals*, Roxie Munro
*The Arts: A Visual Encyclopedia*, DK
*101 Games to Play Before You Grow Up*, Joe Rhatigan
*Year in Sports 2018*

**Biographies:**
*Kevin Durant: Champion Basketball Star*, Ryan Nagelhout
*Jordan Spieth: Golf Sensation*, Tyler Mason
*All About Steve Wozniak*, Paul Freiberger

For a complete listing of all new books, visit www.eurekapl.org
Tuesdays, April 3 and 17, 5:30—8 pm, Sit and Stitch Join fellow knitters, crocheters, needleworkers, and crafters for this informal gathering. We enjoy each other’s company as we work on our own projects and help each other with pattern ideas and projects gone awry! The group will gather starting at 5:30 pm at the library on the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays each month. Not able to make it at 5:30? Feel free to stop by anytime between 5:30 and 8 pm.

Saturday, April 7, 10 am, Country Spring Decorating on a Dime It is time for spring! Come to the library and get some great inspiration on how to use things you may already have, in a new way. Debi Smith will have lots of examples and tips on brightening your home and outdoor living spaces in time for warmer weather. This is a free program. Register by April 5.

Monday, April 9, 10 am, 3 M Mystery Book Club Join the 3 M Mystery Book Club to help solve crimes of mystery, mayhem, and murder! The 3 M Mystery Book Club meets the second Monday of each month to discuss their favorite authors, what they are currently reading, and different themes and authors within the mystery and suspense genres. For the April meeting, participants will be discussing mysteries they’ve been reading the past month.

Monday, April 9, 3:30—5 pm, Middle School Paper Crafters Does your middle school-aged child enjoy making cards, scrapbooking, or craft projects? Instructors Danielle Husted and Debi Smith teach participants different decoration techniques using a variety of fun paper designs. In April the group will be creating secret boxes. This is a free program, but registration is limited to 10 participants. Register by April 7.

Monday, April 9, 6:30 pm, Make & Take Cards Night Join instructor Debi Smith for a fun night of paper crafting at the library. You will make two to three different types of cards and take your creations home at the end of the evening. Class fee is $2. Register by calling the library by April 7.

Tuesdays, April 10, 17, and 24, 5:30—8 pm, Homework Help Brian Boggs of Eureka is offering free tutoring and homework help for high school and middle school students in the subjects of math, science, history, and English. Students can attend 30 minute one-on-one help sessions each Tuesday evening when school is in session. Walk-ins are welcome, but priority will be given to students who make appointments. Parents and families are welcome to sit in on the sessions. Contact the library to register for an appointment. For more information, contact Brian Boggs at homeworkhelp@mediacombb.net.

Tuesday, April 10, 5:30—8 pm, Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers Do you enjoy rug hooking or other fiber arts? Join the Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers group at the library for some quality craft time the second Tuesday of each month. Open to the public, you can drop in anytime and work on your own project in the company of fellow fiber enthusiasts. For more information, call Linda deFreese at 309-830-2626.

Thursday, April 12, 6:30 pm, Small Space Gardening Want to grow your own vegetables but don’t have enough space for a garden? You can grow all you can eat in a small garden space. University of Illinois Woodford County Extension Master Gardeners will show you some creative ways (wooden pallets, kitchen colander, window boxes, etc) to grow a garden in a few square feet. For more information and to register, call the library by April 11.

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Mondays, April 16 and 30, 9—10 am, Baby Talk The Woodford County Special Education Association is offering a parent-child workshop for Eureka-area residents. Baby Talk will positively impact your child’s development and nurture your relationship with your child during the critical early years from 0 to 36 months. Topics will include play, behavior management, toilet learning, separation anxiety, car seat safety, and more. Register with Woodford County Special Education Association (367-4901) or the library.

Monday, April 16, 4:30—6 pm, Master Gardener Plant Clinic Bring your gardening questions, landscape problems, and unidentified plant and insect samples to the Eureka Public Library and get free information and advice from University of Illinois Extension Woodford County Master Gardeners.

Monday, April 16, 6:30 pm, Home Buying and Selling 101 Olivia Blunier and Deb Houch, real estate brokers with Jim Maloof Realtor, will be at the library to share what you need to know when getting ready to buy or sell a house. They will cover preparing to sell your home, staging, commission, repairs, and more. Free program. Register by April 13.

Tuesday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 18, 9 am—1 pm, AARP Driver’s Safety Program An AARP driving instructor will be at the library to teach a driver safety refresher course especially designed for drivers age 50 and over. Since 1979, the course has helped over 14 million drivers learn proven safety strategies and tips for how to adapt one’s driving to compensate for physical and cognitive changes that may come with aging. After taking the two-day course, you may even be eligible for a discount on your car insurance. Class fee is $15 for AARP members and $20 for non-members. Space is limited, call the library to register.

Thursday, April 19, 3—5 pm, Sewing with Faux Fabrics It’s fun and easy to sew fashion apparel and accessories with the new faux furs, leathers, and even plastic. The Woodford County Sewing Guild will be teaching participants some techniques and tools that will make your make project stand out. All participants will be given the supplies and instructions they need to make a furry Pom-Pom. The class is free and open to the public. For more information, call Robin Staudenmeier at (309) 370-2696.

Thursday, April 19, 6:30 pm, Writer’s Circle Have you thought about becoming an author, would like to write down your family’s stories, or simply love to express yourself through writing? Join this informal writer’s group to share your ideas and writings. Members offer positive support, feedback when requested, and incentive to keep writing. This group meets on the third Thursday evening each month.

Friday, April 20, 4—5:30 pm, Kids Photography Club Erin Miller, professional photographer, is teaching an introduction to the fundamentals of photography class for kids ages 10—14. Topics such as shutter speeds, aperture, and ISO will be reviewed. Participants will get to test all of these functions out in class with Miller there to answer any questions. Participants will also learn about different types of lighting, white balance, and exposure. Participants should bring their own camera to class (digital single-lens reflex [DSLR] model preferred, but not required). This is a free class, but space is limited. Register by April 18.

Saturday, April 21, 10 am, Researching Your American Revolution Ancestor Do you have an ancestor who fought in the Revolutionary War, or think you do, and want to learn more? If so, come hear Karen Heinrich, MA, MLIS, professional genealogist and lecturer with over 18 years’ experience, and learn what records are available and how to trace your ancestor’s connection to the American Revolution. Societies and organizations will also be discussed. Free class. Register by April 20.
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Wednesday, April 25, 9:30 am, Medicare Made Clear  Unsure about Medicare supplement plans? This free program includes an overview of all four parts of Medicare and the standardized plans of Medicare Supplements. Several recent changes and updates will be included in the discussion followed with time for questions and answers. This is for educational purposes only and no particular rates or plans will be shared. The program will be presented by Julie Bicksler. Call the library to register.

Thursday, April 26, 10 am, Book Chat  Love to read? Stop by the library to share your love for reading with like-minded others. Library staff will share what’s new on the shelves and what’s being published the next month. Participants will share what they’ve been reading recently and help advise the library on new selections based on a review of the latest LibraryReads list. Join this informal, fun group of book lovers and help select new releases.

Thursday, April 26, 6:30 pm, Money Smart Week: Pay Yourself First: Saving and Planning for Your Financial Future  Do you feel alone in your struggle to save? Financial experts have emphasized the importance of saving for unexpected events and long-term financial goals. However, individuals and families at different income levels encounter challenges with saving. This Money Smart Week program, presented by University of Illinois Extension Consumer Economics Educator Camaya Wallace Bechard, addresses this issue and provides practical ways to help you establish and maintain healthy saving behaviors even on a limited income. This is a free program. To register, please visit moneysmartweek.org, click on Find Event and enter zip code 61530, click on Search and find “Pay Yourself First: Saving and Planning for Your Financial Future.”

Saturday, April 28, 10 am, Infant Massage  Infant Massage is a very old parenting practice that has been modernized and is in active use today. Its supported by evidence-based research that promotes healthy bonding between parent and child, as well as supports a child’s healthy development physically, emotionally, and mentally. In this 1-hr class by Certified Infant Massage Instructor Rebekah Hollenberg, LMT, parents or guardians of infants 1 year old or younger will learn a simple routine to follow with their babies. $5 materials fee will help offset the cost of the class booklet and massage oils. Bring your baby, a blanket, and a pillow if needed for sitting on the floor. Register by April 27. For more information about infant massage, visit www.lovingtouch.com or contact Rebekah at (480) 678-7179.

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