



April 2024

Calendar of
Events

Let's Celebrate! National Library Week April 7-13

Director's Note:

The first full week of April is National Library Week and as we close up the library's Fiscal Year, it's also a time of reflection for me. Every day I get to witness all the different ways the library serves our community.

To name just a few:

- public computers & printing
- research of family history & local history
- relaxing and reading the newspaper
- making a new friend and socializing at a craft night
- discussing an amazing book & looking for a new one
- singing, crafting, and learning at preschool storytime
- signing a child up for their very first library card
- utilizing all of our amazing electronic resources and audiobooks
- using our meeting spaces to gather with colleagues

And sometimes, the library is a friendly, quiet place to just BE.

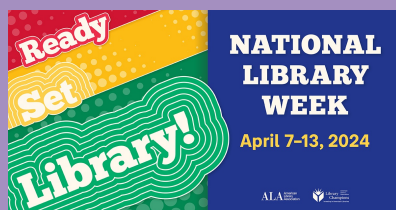
The library provides all of these things and more. The other part that is just as important as the services we provide, is the environment we provide-**EVERYONE** is welcome at the library. It doesn't require money to use the library, we are open for you every day, and we truly want to better our community.

As I've said before-libraries are magical. There's no other place quite like them.

We have a very busy month ahead. There are so many programs and events going on, so make plans to attend one this month and invite a friend.

Come by and see us.

Happy Library Week,
Jamie Sparks, Director



What does the library mean to you?

The theme for National Library Week 2024, "Ready, Set, Library!", promotes the idea that in our always online world, libraries give us a green light to something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skill, and focus on what matters most.

New Books for April

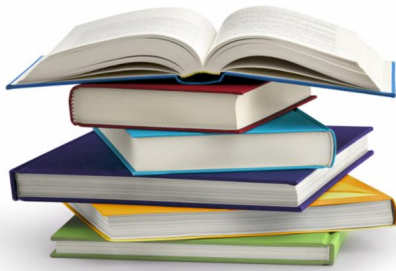
Click [here](#) for a list of new Books & Movies for Adults.

Click [here](#) for the new Books & Movies for Children's & Young Adult.



April Book Display-Stop by and check out the books we have on display for National Poetry Month and National Garden Month.

Upcoming Library Programs



ADULT PROGRAMS IN APRIL

Adult Book Club:

Crazy Rich Asians, by Kevin Kwan

April 8th (5:30pm) or
April 9th (2pm)

You are welcome either day! Stop by the front desk to pick up your copy for our monthly meeting!
Queen City Room.

Chess Club-3rd Saturday

April 20th
10am to noon

Join our growing community of Chess Players! All Skill Levels welcome!
Queen City Room.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS IN APRIL

(Note-Children's programs will take a break in May, as we prepare for Summer Reading!)

Preschool Storytime- Thursday's at 10am (preschoolers)

April 4-Rainbows
April 11-Library
April 18-Gardens
April 25-Weather

KIDS NIGHT-

Create and Connect: Craft Night for Adults **April Project: Junk Journals, led by Vickie Sheridan**

4th Monday of each Month, 5:30-6:30pm.

April 22

Queen City Room

All supplies are provided, FREE.

CRAFT SWAP!

Starting April 22, bring in your gently used craft supplies and swap them out for something new!

Reference Room

Cookie Decorating with The Girls Next Door:

April 13

10am-noon

Queen City Room

Please sign up for this event [HERE](#).

6 cookies, \$36

The Story Keeper:

Join us as we learn about preserving and sharing the stories that matter most-our family history!

Presented by Author and

Genealogist: Wendy Fowler Homan

April 27, 10am

Queen City Room

Adult Services Contact: Sarah Harper

Monday's at 5:30pm (lower elementary)

April 1-April Fool's Day with Optical Illusions

April 8-Let's celebrate National Library Week with a Library Treasure Hunt

April 15-Grow Your Own Bean Plant

April 29-Make Your Own Harmonica

Kids Saturday, April 20, 10am-noon

Family Game Day (families)

Gather your family, take a break from online games, and stop by the library for some good old fashion games!

Children's Department & Reference Room.

All materials provided.

Find the April Children's Department Newsletter [HERE](#).

Children's Department Contact: Samantha Setzer

What Can Children Learn From Playing Games?

Don't Miss Game Day-April 20

- Basic math skills such as number recognition, counting, and arithmetic
- Self-regulation – children have to wait their turn
- Personal space bubble – children have to stay in their area while they take turns or wait to take a turn
- Literacy skills such as letter identification, sight words, reading, and vocabulary
- Deductive thinking
- Problem solving
- Visual perceptual skills
- Reasoning

- Language skills

Mark your calendars for our Summer Reading Program Kick Off Event!

Adventure Begins at Your Library

June 3

3-6pm

(Check your water bill this month for a note about our program!)



Services Spotlight-Microfilm

Did you know the library has The Sedalia Democrat dating back to 1871 on Microfilm? Stop by some time to check out these valuable resources that help us preserve our community's history.

You can also make a Genealogy Request [HERE](#) and we can help you find what you are looking for.



Sedalia Public Library

311 West Third
Sedalia, MO 65301
(660) 826-1314

Open 7 days a week:

Monday 9-7pm

Tuesday thru Thursday 9-6pm

Friday 9-5pm

Saturday 9-1pm

Sunday 1-5pm

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