A TASTE OF HERBS AND SPICES
LSU AGCENTER’S PROGRAM INTRODUCES ALTERNATIVES TO SALT
FLIPSTER MAGAZINES
THERE’S A MAGAZINE FOR EVERY PERSONALITY!
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The book sale is cash only. All book sale proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library, who support Library programming. The book sale is the last Friday and Saturday of each month. October’s Friends of the Library Book Sale is on Friday, October 27th and Saturday, October 28th from 9-3 p.m. at West Ouachita Branch Library.

HEY HOMESCHOOLERS!

Join Mrs. Angela at the Main Branch for an activity designed with homeschoolers and their families in mind. Homeschool Learning Express is every Monday from 10:30-12:30 p.m.

THANKSGIVING CLOSURE

Thursday, November 23rd & Friday, November 24th

All Library branches close at 5 p.m. the day before a holiday closure.

Find Billie the Bookworm!

Our Bookworm, Billie, is hidden six times throughout these pages. See if you can find all six!
Hypertension, or high blood pressure, increases the risk for heart disease and can be a precursor to other health risks. The Louisiana Department of Health reports that many adults over 55 in Ouachita Parish have heart disease. Eating a low-sodium diet is a great way to help lower blood pressure, and a great way to limit salt intake is to start cooking with more herbs and spices.

Flavors of Health is a nutrition initiative from the LSU AgCenter that encourages Louisiana cooks to do just that. “A Taste of Herbs and Spices” at the Louise Williams Branch Library will feature a new herb or spice each month with an informational handout and a sample to try at home and occasional cooking demonstrations from Flavors of Health Agent Markaye Russell. Flavors of Health aims to engage our communities by providing nutrition and food education that support healthy eating.

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| AGES 6-12 | Join us for a special program with Dr. Anne Hanks, professor of atmospheric sciences and associate director of ULM’s School of Science. |
| AGES 6-12 | Join Mrs. Dana as she guides you in creating a block print art project, using Styrofoam and paint. Please wear paint appropriate clothing. Register by calling 327-1470 or sign up in the children’s room. |
| FAMILY | Looking for a spooky, family-friendly thrill? Come to the Library to watch The Addams Family 2. Rating PG. |
| FAMILY | Join us for a spooky Q-Tip Skeleton craft. |
| AGES 6-12 | Just days before the Annular Solar Eclipse on Oct. 14th, we will make our very own interactive solar eclipse models. |
| AGES 6-12 | Prepare for your Solar Eclipse Experience. Supplies are limited so please register at 327-1478. |
| AGES 6-12 | Here’s a fun and exciting STEM! Let’s create something creepy by using some of your favorite Halloween treats! |
| AGES 6-12 | Come join us for a special space-themed storytelling, and learn about the solar eclipse. |
| AGES 6-12 | Ready for the eclipse? Join us for a fun craft in preparation! |
| FAMILY | Are you excited to see the eclipse? So are we! Please join us for a special Science Storytime as we learn about the eclipse. |
| FAMILY | Jackson Cox from Black Bayou Lake National Wildlife Refuge will join us to teach us about the Louisiana Pine Snake, the rarest snake in North America. |
| AGES 6-12 | Stop by our branch for a craft. You’ll receive a special treat and a small token for your participation. |
| FAMILY | Learn all about the eclipse with Chief Meteorologist Marcus Walker. Each participant will receive a pair of glasses to watch the eclipse as supplies last. |
| FAMILY | Enjoy a movie and popcorn while watching The Addams Family 2. Rating PG. |
| FAMILY | Make your very own superhero capes to use as a Halloween costume or just for fun! Call 318-327-1382 or go to Sterlington Memorial Library to register. Registration is required. |
| FAMILY | Bring the family for a day of board games! |
| FAMILY | Make your own tutu for an easy Halloween costume or just for fun! Please call 318-327-1382 or sign up at Sterlington Memorial Library. |
| FAMILY | Come one, come all to our fantastic Fall Festival! You’ll be glad you did! |
| FAMILY | Potion Shop Pretend Play! Ever wanted to visit a witch’s shop? Join us for a fun pretend play themed around Halloween! |
| AGES 9-12 | Foam Pumpkin Face Magnets. Personalize your foam pumpkin to decorate your fridge. |
| AGES 6-12 | STEMonday! Join us for a fun Halloween-themed STEM challenge! |
| AGES 6-12 | Students will share their solar eclipse experience. Please bring pictures for the Carver-McDonald Solar Eclipse Collage. |
| AGES 6-12 | Enjoy playing Boo Bingo with candy markers and have a howling good time as you win prizes. |
| FAMILY | Join us for a Halloween party with treats, prizes, a craft, and the “Monster Mash Freeze Dance”. Costumes are encouraged. |
| FAMILY | Show off your costume at our Halloween party! |
| AGES 18-36 MONTHS | Kids are invited to wear their costumes to an extra special storytelling event. |
| FAMILY | Great movies and tasty treats will be yours to enjoy! Join us! |
| FAMILY | Celebrate Halloween by dressing up as your favorite book character and join us for games, prizes, tricks, and treats. |
ALL THINGS TWEEN AGES 6-12 | Main | Every Thurs. at 4-5 p.m.
Oct. 5: Play book Bingo and win a book
Oct. 12: Pool noodle Halloween craft
Oct. 19: Cupcake workshop
Oct. 26: Mason jar mummies
Nov. 2: Autumn pumpkin painting
Nov. 9: STEMulating Thursday
Nov. 16: Centerpiece flowerpot turkey
Nov. 30: DIY Autumn Q-Tip painting

KIDS’ WORLD AGES 6-12 | West Monroe | Tues. at 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Oct. 3: Make your own pizza
Oct. 17: STEM - dancing Frankenworms
Nov. 7: Make and Take Thanksgiving crafts
Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Bingo with edible pieces

TWEENS CLUB AGES 9-12 | West Monroe | Tues. at 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Oct. 10: Make edible fall crafts
Oct. 24: Make your own dry eraser board
Nov. 14: Decorate a small pumpkin
Nov. 28: Create a story by using story dice

STEMULATING MONDAY AGES 6-12 | West Ouachita | Mon. at 4-5 p.m.
Oct. 2: Make your own ghost rocket
Oct. 16: Harry Potter STEM challenge
Nov. 6: Make fizzing apples
Nov. 20: Thanksgiving STEM challenge
| **TEEN PROGRAMS** |
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| **CRAFT**         | **ACTIVITY**    | **BOOKISH & EDUCATION**         |
| **ALL ABOUT ECLIPSES** | Tues., Oct. 3 3:45-4:45 p.m. | Louise Williams |
| **GLOW IN THE DARK CLINICS** | Tues., Oct. 3 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **GLOW IN THE DARK ECLIPSE SHIRTS** | Wed., Oct. 4 4-5 p.m. | Ollie H. Burns |
| **OCTOBER 28 ACT REGISTRATION** | Fri., Oct. 6 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Carver-McDonald |
| **ECLIPSE ENTERTAINMENT** | Mon., Oct. 9 3:45-4:45 p.m. | West Monroe |
| **ECLIPSE YOUR SHIRT** | Tues., Oct. 10 3-4 p.m. | Sterlington Memorial |
| **ECLIPSE CHALK ART** | Tues., Oct. 10 4-5 p.m. | Searcy Memorial |
| **SPOOKY KEYCHAINS** | Tues., Oct. 10 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **GLOW IN THE DARK ECLIPSE SHIRTS** | Tues., Oct. 10 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Ouachita Valley |
| **GAMING GUILD: DUNGEONS & DRAGONS** | Wed., Oct. 11 3-5 p.m. | Anna Meyer |
| **PREPARATION FOR OCTOBER 14TH ECLIPSE** | Wed., Oct. 11 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Carver-McDonald |
| **JACK-O-LANTERN LUMINARIES JARS** | Wed., Oct. 11 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Ollie H. Burns |
| **ECLIPSE CHALK ART** | Fri., Oct. 13 3-4 p.m. | Anna Meyer |
| **ACT PRACTICE TEST** | Sat., Oct. 14 1-4:30 p.m. | Searcy Memorial |
| **STEM - CANDY CORN TOWER** | Mon., Oct. 16 3-4:45 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **PAPIER MÂCHÉ MASK** | Tues., Oct. 17 3-4:30 p.m. | Ouachita Valley |
| **GAME NIGHT** | Tues., Oct. 17 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **VIDEO GAME & VIBE** | Tues., Oct. 17 4-6 p.m. | Searcy Memorial |
| **PUMPKIN PAINTING PARTY** | Tues., Oct. 17 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Ouachita Valley |
| **SPOOKY STORIES TO TELL IN THE DARK** | Wed., Oct. 18 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Ollie H. Burns |
| **MASK PAINTING** | Wed., Oct. 24 3-4:30 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **DAY OF THE DEAD CRAFTS** | Wed., Oct. 24 4-5 p.m. | Searcy Memorial |
| **BOOKTOK BOOK CLUB** | Wed., Oct. 24 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **GAMING GUILD: MAGIC THE GATHERING** | Wed., Oct. 25 3-5 p.m. | Anna Meyer |
| **SOLAR ECLIPSE MEMORIES** | Wed., Oct. 25 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Carver-McDonald |
| **GAME NIGHT** | Wed., Oct. 25 4-5 p.m. | Main |
| **HALLOWEEN PARTY** | Mon., Oct. 30 3-4:30 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **SPIKE-TINGLING CINEMA** | Mon., Oct. 30 3-4:30 p.m. | Ollie H. Burns |
| **CREEPY ORIGAMI** | Tues., Oct. 31 3-4:30 p.m. | West Ouachita |
| **COSTUME PARTY** | Tues., Oct. 31 4-5 p.m. | Ouachita Valley |
| **SPOOKY CINEMA** | Tues., Oct. 31 5:15-6:45 p.m. | Ouachita Valley |
If you ever wanted to write your own book, now is your chance! Come and have a place to begin writing your book. Can you write a novel in only 30 days?

LEAF DECORATING
Wed., Nov. 1
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ollie H. Burns
Create designs and showcase your art on leaves.

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS COLLABORATIVE POSTER
Fri., Nov. 3
3:45-4:45 p.m.
Anna Meyer
Celebrate the Day of the Dead, a day late, with a collaborative art poster. Come color a piece of a larger picture, visit with friends, and enjoy some snacks.

SWITCH GAMING
Tues., Nov. 7
3:40 p.m.
Sterlington Memorial
Enjoy gaming on our library’s Nintendo Switch.

RECYCLED PAPER ORIGAMI
Tues., Nov. 7
4-5 p.m.
Searcy Memorial
Craft beautiful origami creations out of recycled book pages.

GAME NIGHT
Tues., Nov. 7
4-5 p.m.
West Ouachita
Come join us for snacks and classic board games.

BAD ART NIGHT
Tues., Nov. 7
6-7 p.m.
Ouachita Valley
Let your creativity run wild, without the pressure of making something “good”. Create something truly tacky and terrible with glitter, sequins, and more!

GAMING GUILD DUNGEONS & DRAGONS
Wed., Nov. 8
3-5 p.m.
Anna Meyer
Come join the Gaming Guild. Our meeting this month will be a Dungeons & Dragons session, so come make a character and join in the adventure!

SNOW FLURRIES IN SIGHT
Sat., Nov. 11
2-4 p.m.
Carver-McDonald
Students will create a flurry of snow in November. Come join us!

NANOWRIMO WORKSHOP
Sat., Nov. 11
2-4 p.m.
Searcy Memorial
Start plotting your next novel and get feedback from other aspiring novelists.

BOOK PAGE PUMPKIN
Mon., Nov. 13
3:45-4:45 p.m.
West Monroe
With an old book and some craft supplies, teens are invited to create a bookish pumpkin that can match any fall décor!

ORIGAMI MADNESS
Tues., Nov. 14
3:40 p.m.
Sterlington Memorial
Form your own origami bookmarks.

PERLER BEADS
Tues., Nov. 14
4-5 p.m.
West Ouachita
Come decompress after school with some chill video games.

VIDEO GAME & VIBE
Tues., Nov. 14
4-6 p.m.
Searcy Memorial
Come and see why board games are considered classics.

THANKSGIVING SLIME
Tues., Nov. 14
5:30-6:30 p.m.
West Monroe
Join us in making Thanksgiving-inspired slime that smells good enough to eat!

FUN WITH CIRCUITS
Wed., Nov. 15
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Searcy Memorial
Scientific fun with circuitry as teens explore the principles behind electric currents.

DIY CRAFT
Wed., Nov. 15
4-5 p.m.
Main
Draw & Shrink Crafts. Draw, color, and bake to shrink your own drawings into one-of-a-kind charms.

THANKSGIVING SLIME
Thurs., Nov. 16
4-5 p.m.
Louise Williams
Join us in making Thanksgiving-inspired slime that smells good enough to eat!

ACT DEADLINE
Fri., Nov. 17
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Carver-McDonald
Get help registering for the December 9th ACT test.

LOUISIANA BANDS
Sat., Nov. 18
11 a.m.-12 p.m.
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Sterlington Memorial
Come and watch highlights of Louisiana bands as they perform on the field.

BOARD GAMES
Tues., Nov. 21
3:40 p.m.
Ollie H. Burns
Come and see why board games are considered classics.

DIY CRAFT
Tues., Nov. 21
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ollie H. Burns
Craft a fall gnome to add to your fall décor.

FALL GARDEN GNOME
Wed., Nov. 22
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Carver-McDonald
Discover Solar Vehicle Creations to develop engineering skills.

SOLAR FUN
Mon., Nov. 27
3:45-4:45 p.m.
West Monroe
Teens can let their creative juices flow with designing or re-creating fall designs with Perler beads. Make a keychain or a simple desk decoration!

FALL PERLER BEADS
Tues., Nov. 28
4-5 p.m.
Searcy Memorial
Let’s find out if these books live up to their TikTok hype! Our book for November is Six Crimson Cranes by Elizabeth Lim.

BOOKTOK BOOK CLUB
Tues., Nov. 28
3-4:30 p.m.
Sterlington Memorial
Paint your stress away.

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
The Fall of Dark by Caleb Roehrig
Bad Witch Burning by Jessica Lewis
The Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater
The Initial Insult by Mindy McGinnis
M is for Monster by Talia Dutton

YA SPOOKY BOOK PICKS
JOIN A BOOK CLUB

MOCHA MONDAY **MAIN**
Celebrate the stories of People of Color.
Mon., Oct. 2 at 5:30-7 p.m.
*Maame* by Jessica George
Mon., Nov. 6 at 5:30-7 p.m.
*The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray

BOOKS AND BANTER **ANNA MEYER**
Come discuss your current and recent reads, and get suggestions from like-minded readers!
Wed., Oct. 18 at 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 15 at 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

PAGE TURNERS **WEST OUACHITA**
Join us as we discuss thrilling and suspenseful page turning books.
Fri., Oct. 13 at 2-3 p.m.
*City Under One Roof* by Iris Yamashita
Fri., Nov. 10 at 2-3 p.m.
*Everyone in My Family Has Killed Someone* by Benjamin Stevenson

THRILLING THURSDAYS **MAIN**
Thrilling Thursdays discusses books with twists and turns that keep you on the edge of your seat.
Thurs., Oct. 19 at 5:30-7 p.m.
*Secluded Cabin Sleeps Six* by Lisa Unger
Thurs., Nov. 16 at 5:30-7 p.m.
*All the Dangerous Things* by Stacy Willingham

LOST IN THE STACKS **MAIN**
If you love literary fiction, you’ll love the Lost in the Stacks Book Club.
Tues., Oct. 10 at 6-7:30 p.m.
*Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan
Tues., Nov. 14 at 6-7:30 p.m.
Title will be announced at the October meeting.

BEYOND THE PAGES **WEST MONROE**
Join Beyond the Pages Book Club as we discuss our favorite books over coffee and cookies.
Wed., Oct. 25 at 2-3 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 8 at 2-3 p.m.

JUST READ **SEARCY MEMORIAL**
Join us as we discuss recent and classic fall reads together.
Thurs., Oct. 26 at 2-3 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 30 at 2-3 p.m.

TRUE CRIME **OLLIE BURNS**
Wed., Oct. 18 at 4-5 p.m.
We will be discussing the Gilgo Beach Murders.
Wed., Nov. 15 at 4-5 p.m.
We will be discussing the Black Swan Murder. The case against Ashley Benefield.

RAINBOW READS **MAIN**
For members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies. For more information: emasters@oplib.org
Mon., Oct. 30 at 5:30-7 p.m.
To celebrate Spooky Season, we’ll be choosing our own read! Come tell us about the amazing book you just read, or recommend your old favorite.
Mon., Nov. 27 at 5:30-7 p.m.

COMMUNITY READERS **OLLIE BURNS**
Mon., Oct. 30 at 10-11 a.m.
*Gone Tonight* by Sarah Pekkanen
Mon., Nov. 20 at 10-11 a.m.
*Everyone Here Is Lying* by Shari Lapena

ONLINE BOOK CLUB **FACEBOOK**
Check online to see what book we will be reading and discussing. Join us at facebook.com/groups/OuachitaParishPublicLibrary

TRUE CRIME **OLLIE BURNS**
Wed., Oct. 18 at 4-5 p.m.
We will be discussing the Gilgo Beach Murders.
Wed., Nov. 15 at 4-5 p.m.
We will be discussing the Black Swan Murder. The case against Ashley Benefield.

SCIFI-FANTASY **STERLINGTON MEMORIAL**
We read and discuss great sci-fi and fantasy books with others that enjoy them too!
Sat., Oct. 28 at 2-3 p.m.
*Dark Harvest* by Norman Partridge
Sat., Nov. 25 at 2-3 p.m.
*Dark Matter* by Blake Crouch

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DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAMS

MAIN BRANCH

COMPUTER BASICS
Wed., Oct. 11 at 10-11 a.m.
Learn basics like how to start your computer, save and re-open a file, and create a folder in this workshop.

MOBILE DEVICE BASICS-IPHONE AND IPAD
Tues., Nov. 14 at 10-11 a.m.
This workshop is for those who have a new iOS mobile device, or are considering getting one, and want to learn more about the basic functions. It will support attendees to get connected, identify common apps, and build confidence in using their device safely.

MOBILE DEVICE BASICS-ANDROID
Wed., Nov. 15 at 10-11 a.m.
This workshop is for those who have a new Android mobile device, or are considering getting one, and want to learn more about the basic functions. It will support attendees to get connected, identify common apps, and build confidence in using their device safely.

ANNA MEYER BRANCH

Space is limited. Call to register: (318) 327-1351

CORE COMPUTER CLASS
Every Tuesday & Thursday
Morning Class 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Afternoon Class 1-3 p.m.
Core classes are meant for people with little to no experience with computers. Learn to operate a computer with our computer instructor.

BEGINNER COMPUTER CLASS
Every Monday & Wednesday
Morning Class 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Afternoon Class 1-3 p.m.
The beginner computer classes are perfect for those who know just enough about computers to get by. In this class, we will enhance the knowledge you already have and introduce you to more.

OLLIE H. BURNS BRANCH

YOU DON’T NEED TO BE AFRAID OF COMPUTERS!
Thurs., Oct. 5 at 10-11 a.m.
Learn more about the computers involved in daily life, common myths and misconceptions about computers and technology, and even where to access a computer for free.

INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS
Mon., Oct. 9 at 10-11 a.m.
An introductory lesson to computers. Learn what computers do and why they have become so important in all parts of life.

PARTS OF THE COMPUTER
Tues., Oct. 10 at 10-11 a.m.
Don’t know the difference between a mouse and a motherboard? Come learn about the different parts that make up computers, such as the monitor, the hard drive, and peripheral devices such as the mouse and keyboard.

TYPING ON A COMPUTER KEYBOARD
Thurs., Oct. 12 at 10-11 a.m.
Learn how to type properly on a standard computer keyboard. You’ll improve speed and keyboard memory in a lesson centered around typing.

COMPUTER MOUSE AND LAPTOP TOUCHPAD
Thurs., Nov. 2 at 10-11 a.m.
The mouse is the most prominent device used to navigate a computer. Learn how to use a computer mouse, its basic parts, and how it differs from a touchpad on a laptop.

OPERATING SYSTEMS
Mon., Nov. 6 at 10-11 a.m.
Join us for a lesson in the Windows 10 environment to learn about computer operating systems, as well as the basic components of the Windows 10 Desktop and how to open Applications on the computer.

REVIEW INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS
Tues., Nov. 7 at 10-11 a.m.
Join us for a general review of what we have learned about computers and why they are so important in daily life.

REVIEW TYPING ON A COMPUTER KEYBOARD
Thurs., Nov. 9 at 10-11 a.m.
Test your typing skills as we review proper typing techniques to help you improve your speed and accuracy when typing.
ADULT PROGRAMS

HISTORY & GENEALOGY

GHOSTS OF OUACHITA PARISH
West Monroe | Wed., Oct. 4, 2-3 p.m.
Lora Peppers from the Genealogy Department shares her wealth of knowledge about the ghosts of Ouachita Parish. Refreshments will be served.

WHAT’S IN IT FOR YOU?: SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND GENEALOGY AT THE LIBRARY
Anna Meyer | Tues., Oct. 10, 3-4 p.m.
Join us as we delve into the resources available at the Ouachita Parish Public Library to help you with Local History and Genealogy.

DISCOVERING POVERTY POINT
Sterlington Memorial | Thurs., Oct. 12, 2-3:30 p.m.
Join Dr. Diana Greenlee, Poverty Point Station Archaeologist, as she tells us about current research at the remarkable Poverty Point World Heritage Site.

POVERTY POINT WORLD HERITAGE SITE
Louise Williams | Thurs., Nov. 2, 1-2 p.m.
Visit the Louise Williams Library and hear the story of Poverty Point.

NATURE

PLANNING YOUR BEST GARDEN
West Ouachita | Thurs., Oct. 26, 1-2 p.m.
Kerry Heafner of the LSU AgCenter extension will share strategies to plan your best garden.

FALL PLANT SWAP
West Ouachita | Thurs., Oct. 26, 2-3:30 p.m.
It’s that time again! Come to the library with or without plants or seeds to trade. Fun and educational!

FACTS ABOUT FIREWOOD
Louise Williams | Wed., Nov. 15, 1-2 p.m.
Learn about firewood from Kerry Heafner of LSU AgCenter extension.

A TRIP TO YELLOWSTONE
West Monroe | Wed., Nov. 15, 2-3 p.m.
Come and join us as Rocky Boudreaux shares some wonderful photographs and details about his trip to Yellowstone National Park. He will share tips on how to plan your own trip.

SOCIALS & MOVIES

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS MOVIE MATINÉE
Searcy Memorial | Thursday, Oct. 12, 2-4 p.m.
To commemorate the Oct 14th solar eclipse, we will be showing Little Shop of Horrors (PG-13). Join us for an afternoon of fun when the solar eclipse delivers mysterious plants to Planet Earth! We’ll have Sun Chips, Moon Pies, and Sunkist soda. Glasses for viewing the real solar eclipse will be provided for patrons to take home while supplies last.

TIMELESS MOVIE CLUB
Main | Mon., Oct. 16, 5-7 p.m.
Join us as we screen the 1963 Horror classic The Haunting. Rated G.

MOVIES IN THE AFTERNOON
West Ouachita | Fri., Oct. 20, 1:30-3:45 p.m.
Movie with popcorn! Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris: In 1950s London, a cleaning lady falls madly in love with a couture Dior dress and embarks on an adventure to Paris that will change her life. Rated PG.

FALL FESTIVAL
Ollie H. Burns | Sat., Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Free health screenings, information about the Library and its resources, craft tables, fire truck, small petting zoo, and food trucks--Dee’s Delight and Tamale Truck.

TIMELESS MOVIE CLUB
Main | Mon., Nov. 13, 5-7 p.m.
Join us as we screen the Alfred Hitchcock’s 1956 thriller The Man Who Knew Too Much starring James Stewart and Doris Day. Rated PG.

MOVIES IN THE AFTERNOON
West Ouachita | Thur., Nov. 30, 1:30-3:45 p.m.
Movie with popcorn! A Man Called Otto: A grumpy widower whose only joy comes from criticizing his neighbors meets his match in quick-witted and very pregnant Marisol. Rated PG-13.

GAMES

THE CAT’S TAIL GUILD
Main | Wed., Oct. 4, 5-7 p.m.
Adventure awaits at the Cat’s Tail Guild Hall!

BINGO BONANZA
Anna Meyer | Mon., Oct. 23, 3-4 p.m.
Come join us for some rousing rounds of Bingo!

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THURSDAY CRAFT CLUB
West Ouachita | Thurs., Oct. 19, 1:30-3:30 p.m.
Join us to paint a spooky owl in a tree! Supplies provided but spaces are limited. Please either register in person or call 318-327-1235 to register.

WORLD ORIGAMI DAYS
Sterlington Memorial | Oct. 24-Nov. 22
Japanese legend says the maker of a thousand paper cranes will be granted a wish. Join the Sterlington Branch and help us fold a thousand paper cranes during World Origami Days Oct. 24-Nov. 22.

FOLLOW YOUR ART
Main | Tues., Oct. 24, 6-8 p.m.
Follow Your Art: Come paint a full moon with acrylic on canvas. Registration required, limited supply of materials. To register call 327-1490 or email griviella@oplib.org.

WATERCOLOR PET PORTRAIT WORKSHOP
Sterlington Memorial | Tues., Nov. 7, 2-4 p.m.
Whether your pet is furry, feathered, or scaly, Alex Ogle will help you create a watercolor pet portrait. Registration is required. Please call 318-327-1382 or email croane@oplib.org to register. Once registered you will need to email Clair a picture of your pet. Beforehand, Alex will sketch out your pet on an 8x10 print, and then she will teach you how to watercolor your pet!

HOLIDAY CRAFTING & HOME DECOR!
Carver McDonald | Thurs., Nov. 9, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Brenda Wade, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation Supervisor at Harvey Benoit Community Center, will show the patrons how to create holiday bows, wreaths, and table centerpieces.

EASY NO-SEW BURLAP PUMPKINS
Searcy Memorial | Thurs., Nov. 9, 2-3:30 p.m.
Join us for a fall craft where we will be making a table centerpiece pumpkin out of burlap. Limited to the first 12 patrons, so call Searcy Memorial at 318-327-1240 to register for the program.

HOLIDAY LEFTOVERS
Ouachita Valley | Thurs., November 16, 2-3 p.m.
Markaye Russell of LSU AgCenter extension presents Holiday Leftovers and discusses ways you can create new dishes with holiday leftovers.

SCAM ALERT!
Louise Williams | Thurs., Nov. 23, 1-2 p.m.
Jo Ann Deal of Better Business Bureau will talk about scams and how to avoid them.

BOOKISH
ADULT STORYTIME
Anna Meyer | Mon., Oct. 9, 10-11 a.m.
We will begin reading Norse Mythology by Neil Gaiman. Come in, grab a seat, and listen to a story!

AUTHOR CLEO SCOTT BROWN, BOOK TALK & SIGNING
Carver McDonald | Thurs., Oct. 12, 11-12:30 p.m.
Author Cleo Scott Brown will have a Book Talk and Signing of her book, Witness to the Truth: John H. Scott’s Struggle for Human Rights in Louisiana.

ADULT STORYTIME
Anna Meyer | Mon., Nov. 6, 10-11 a.m.
We will continue reading Norse Mythology by Neil Gaiman. Come in, grab a seat, and listen to a story!
Signing in is simple. Just select your library and enter your library card number. Then you can browse for magazines by category or search by title or keyword. Downloaded magazines will appear on your shelf, and navigation tools make it easy to locate articles within each issue.

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CHECK OUT: Wanderlust and Taste & Travel International

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A MAGAZINE FOR EVERY PERSONALITY!
The Genealogy and Special Collections Department has a variety of periodical publications available for patrons to browse. There are magazines that appeal to a general audience, journals that are more scholarly, and newsletters that provide information to a targeted audience. The Northeast Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Society, our local society, publishes *Lost Louisiana*, a journal of local genealogy and history. *Cattails* is the Ouachita Parish Public Library newsletter that is designed for Ouachita Parish Public Library patrons.

*Louisiana Historical Quarterly, Vol. 10, 1927*
The Louisiana Historical Quarterly is a publication of the Louisiana Historical Society that was founded in 1835. Genealogy has bound issues from 1917 to 1956 and a few scattered issues from the 1960s. Genealogy also has Louisiana History, the journal of the Louisiana Historical Association from 1960 to the present. The National Genealogy Society publishes the National Genealogical Society Quarterly and the NGS Magazine. The Quarterly provides detailed articles from specific genealogy research and often includes historical documentation. The Magazine provides helpful articles of interest to all levels of researcher – from beginner to advanced. Family Tree Magazine by Yankee Publishing provides helpful articles on how to begin genealogy research and what sources can be used. It includes tips on using the latest technology.

There are periodicals published by local genealogical societies. A few popular ones include the Mississippi River Routes, Kinfolks and the Natchitoches Genealogist. Mississippi River Routes is a quarterly publication of the Vicksburg Genealogical Society. It contains information on the early Mississippi areas of Natchez, Vicksburg, Lake Providence, Vidalia and Tallulah. Kinfolks is published by the Southwest Louisiana Genealogy Society and The Natchitoches Genealogist is published by the Natchitoches Genealogical and Historical Society. These periodicals are great if you have ancestors who lived or passed through those areas.

Special Collections has historic issues of the Profile of Ouachita magazine (1978-1986) and the Monroe Magazine (1965-1968). Main Branch also has periodicals that pertain to local history and culture. The Historic New Orleans Collection Quarterly and 64 Parishes, published by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities are housed with other periodicals at Main Branch. Please remember that we have great periodicals the next time you visit the library.
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