Alamance County Public Library News Releases for September 2021. All library programs are free and open to the public.

North Park Library: Take and Make Kit. Come in for a selection of the activities going on throughout the month with a Take and Make packet. It will be full of newspaper activities, Grandparents Day crafts, a free mini-golf certificate, mooncake recipes, Johnny Appleseed STEM projects, and more. To get your packet, come into the library starting September 1st. Limit of 25 packets. For more information call (336) 226-7185.

September 1

Smitty's Homemade Ice Cream, 107 E Front Street, Burlington: Mayor's Book Club. 12:00 p.m. Join Mayor Ian Baltutis for a monthly book club. This month's selection is *Just Medicine: a cure for racial inequality in American health care* by Dayna Bowen Matthew. Copies are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. For more information, email agramley@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

Week of September 6

May Memorial Library: Teen Take and Make Craft Kits! For $6^{th} - 12^{th}$ graders. Looking for a fun project to do at home? Check out our new monthly Take and Make Craft Kits for teens and tweens! Kits are limited. For more information please call (336) 229-3588.

September 7 – 18

May Memorial Library: Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2-12. Drop by during library hours for a self-led scavenger hunt! Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change every other week. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

September 7 - 30

Mebane Public Library: Preschool Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Drop by during library hours for self-led scavenger hunts designed to promote learning through observation, exploration, and play. Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change weekly. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

September 7

May Memorial Library: Circle Weaving Class. 12:00 p.m. For adults. Learn how to make and weave on a circular loom. No previous weaving experience is needed. Finish the class with a new skill and a piece of beautiful art. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library: Rejuvenating You. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. For adults. Join Health and Wellness Coach Kendra Babbey for an 8-week journey to improve your mental, physical, and emotional health. During the program participants will connect with a community to build motivation and accountability, share simple food recipes, learn to develop a healthy mindset around food, implement mental and physical exercise routines, and set SMART Goals. Take the journey to a more positive, peaceful, and productive lifestyle. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

September 8

North Park Library: Newspaper Olympics. 5:00 p.m. For all ages. To celebrate International Literacy Day, we are holding the first-ever Newspaper Olympics! Competitions include the Roll and Bag Race, the Carry, Paper Toss Bullseye, an obstacle course, and News Rock, Paper, Scissors Doubles. For the younger competitors, we have Newsies activities and crafts. Adults may read the paper or join in the fun. Register through the event form on our website or for more information please call (336) 226-7185.

September 9

May Memorial Library: Circle Weaving Class. 6:00 p.m. For adults. Learn how to make and weave on a circular loom. No previous weaving experience is needed. Finish the class with a new skill and a piece of beautiful art. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

September 11

May Memorial Libraries: Make & Takes! All Day. Ages 5–12. Looking for a fun activity? Check out our Make and Takes! Drop by during library hours to make a craft. Then take it home and show it off! For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Week of September 13

Mebane Public Library: Teen Take and Make Craft Kits. For $6^{th} - 12^{th}$ graders. Looking for a fun project to do at home? Check out our monthly Take and Make Craft Kits for teens and tweens! This month's theme: "Stress Less!" For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

September 13

May Memorial Library: Lunch Bunch Book Club. 12:00 p.m. For adults. This month, our book club will be discussing *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom: Coding Crew! 4:00 p.m. For children ages 8 – 12. Learn the basics of computer science by animating stories with code! We'll customize characters, create backgrounds, write programs, and bring it all to life! For more information, email eweber@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library: Dragon Readers Book Group. 4:00 p.m. Grades K-2nd. Students in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are invited to join the new Dragon Readers Book Group, formed in honor of Graham's newest citizen, Erasmus the Dragon. This month will feature stories and activities all about dragons! Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library/Holt St. Park: Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.) Meeting. 5:00 p.m. For rising 6th – 12th graders. At this special T.A.G. meeting, we will make water bead stress balls and custom graphic pins. We will also create new panels for the library's preschool scavenger hunt. All who attend will earn an hour of volunteer time. This program is in partnership with the Mebane Recreation and Parks Department and will be hosted at 411 Holt St. Mebane, NC 27302. Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, email treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

North Park: Music Monday. 5:00 p.m. For children age 5-10. In partnership with Magnolia Melodies Music Therapy and the Mayco Bigelow Community Center, we proudly offer a music program that provides an opportunity for individuals to experience creativity in active music-making. It also effectively provides a way to decrease stress! This month's theme is "National Piano Month". For more information or to register, please call (336) 226-7185.

September 14

Alamance County Public Libraries: Zoom. Virtual Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 2 – 5 and their caregivers. Twice a month we offer fun, interactive storytimes on Zoom. We will share great stories, songs, and early literacy activities you can do at home. This month's theme is "A World of Color" presented by Ms. Tampa. For more information email treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. LEGO® Buddies. 4:00 – 6:00 pm. For rising K – 5th graders. Love LEGO®? Love stories? Become a LEGO® Buddy by joining this interactive book & building club for elementary schoolers! Ms. Samantha will share a surprise story and a building challenge over Zoom, then participants will have time to build their LEGO® creations off-screen. In a second Zoom meeting, participants can share their creations with the group! To register for the program or for more information, email shunter@alamancelibraries.org.

September 15

May Memorial Library: Resume Creation & Job Search Class. 2:30 p.m. For adults. The class will cover basic information about how to search for a job online and how to navigate an online application. The class will also cover programs that can be used to create a free and professional resume. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Historical Museum, 135 W Elm St. Graham: May Memorial Library Genealogical Research Club. 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. All are welcome! For this month's meeting, join us for a tour of The Graham Historical Museum. For more information, please contact the Local History Librarian at May Memorial Library at (336) 229-3588 ext. 16130.

Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Awesome Readers. 4:30 p.m. For rising 3rd – 5th graders. Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders! This is a virtual book club just for you! Each month we will meet over Zoom to talk about a selected book and do activities based on the title. This month's book selection is *RUMP* by Liesl Shirtliff. To register for the program or for more information, email asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

September 16

May Memorial Library: The Page Turners Book Club! 4:00 p.m. For K-2nd graders. Calling all Kindergarten, 1^{st} , and 2^{nd} graders! This is a book club just for you! Each month we will read a book together and then do activities based on that book. To register for the program or for more information, call (336) 229-3588, or email ashoop@alamancelibraries.org.

September 17

Graham Public Library: Constitution Day. We hear it spoken about often, but how familiar are you with the Constitution? Celebrate the 234th anniversary of the document written by the Founding Fathers that frames our government and continues to guide our country today. Pick up a pocket-sized copy of the United States Constitution, one per person, while supplies last. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

September 19 – October 2

May Memorial Library: Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2 - 12. Drop by during library hours for a self-led scavenger hunt! Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change every other week. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Week of September 20

Mebane Public Library: Elementary Take and Makes! For K – 5th graders. Looking for something fun to do at home? Check out our Take and Make Packets! Each packet contains supplies for a craft or activity designed to promote creativity and hands-on learning. This packet's theme: "Fall Fun!" Packets are available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

September 20

Graham Public Library: Mini Clay Pot Succulents-Adult Take and Make. For adults 16 and up. Available beginning Monday, September 20 – one per person, while supplies last. Make a realistic faux succulent from paper to "plant" in a mini clay pot. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library: Home Sweet Home Funerals. 6:00 p.m. For adults. This presentation provides all the basic information one needs about the home funeral

movement. Home funerals can be done safely and legally. During this presentation, you will learn about the care, ceremony, and honoring of a body while keeping a loved one at home; legalities and other components of family-directed home funerals; and forms for agencies/families in your community. For those who prefer not to attend in person, the program will also be available via Zoom. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library: Outdoor Yoga Storytime. 6:00 p.m. For families with children ages 4 and up. Join us as we breathe and bend together with stories, rhymes, and songs on the library's front lawn. Please bring a towel or mat with you and wear comfortable clothing for the program. Registration is required and space is limited. In the event of rain, registrants can pick up a Rainy Day Yoga kit at Mebane Public Library. To register for the program or for more information, email asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

September 21

Graham Public Library: Stories vs. STEM. 4:00 p.m. Grades 3-5. All stories have problems that need to be solved. Can STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) solve them all? This month we'll be reading the book *Alistair in Outer Space* by Marilyn Sadler and building a rocket to see if we can get Alistair home. Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

September 22

Mebane Public Library: Crafternoon at Holt St. Park! 4:30 p.m. For $K-5^{th}$ graders. Gather with us at Holt St. Park in Mebane for fall crafting fun! This program is in partnership with the Mebane Recreation and Parks Department. Registration is required, and space is limited. In the event of rain, participants can pick up a Crafternoon Take and Make packet at Mebane Public Library. To register for the program or for more information, email treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

Persnickety Books, 347 S Main Street, Burlington: PRISM Book Club. 6:30 p.m. For adults. Everyone is welcome to join our new PRISM (People Reading Inclusive Stories Meeting) Book Club! This month's selection is *Black Water Sister* by Zen Cho. Copies of the book are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. For more information, email kmoore@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

September 23

North Park Library: Checkers Day. 5:00 p.m. For elementary ages. Checkers Day is actually about a speech given by Richard Nixon where he introduced his dog named Checkers, but we are actually going to play Checkers. We will have four boards set up and everyone that joins will take a board home to continue the fun. For more information please call (336) 226-7185.

September 25

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September 27

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Alamance County Public Libraries - Zoom. Among Us & Anime Meetup. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. During this month's hybrid meetup, we will play a few private *Among Us* matches and watch anime together via Zoom. All interested teens and tweens are welcome! To register for the program or for more information, email <u>treese@alamancelibraries.org</u> or call (919) 563-6431.

September 28

North Park Library: Johnny Appleseed STEAM program. 5:00 p.m. For all ages. Explore STEM with apples to celebrate Johnny Appleseed and his contributions to apples everywhere! For our younger audience, we will read *Ten Apples Up on Top* by Theo LeSieg and do stacking activities after. For our middle-schoolers, will be creating an Apple Wrecking Ball. We will also have art activities and of course, apples to eat. Join the fun by registering for this event in advance. Space is limited. For more information please call (336) 226-7185.