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OUACHITA PARISH
PUBLIC LIBRARY

RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

GLOBAL ROAD WARRIOR -
A COUNTRY-BY-COUNTRY
RESOURCE FOR LEARNING

PUMPKIN BASH, A CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

A ONE-OF-A-KIND
PERFORMANCE AND
PUMPKIN DECORATING
CONTEST!



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ARMISTICE DAY



Find Billie the Bookworm!

Our Bookworm, Billie, is hidden six times throughout these pages. See if you can find all six!

LIBRARY CLOSURES:

The Library will close at 5pm on Wednesday, November 23 and will remain closed until Saturday, November 26

The Library has partnered with the Ouachita Parish Citizen Broadband Advisory Committee to offer digital literacy training in our parish by starting computer classes at all branches. Patrons who are interested in attending upcoming computer classes should contact their local branch Library for more details.

Congratulations to OPPL Library Board of Trustees President Ms. Betty Ward-Cooper. She was elected Trustees Chair for Louisiana Library Association at the Annual Conference held in July.



WELCOME
LOUISIANA
LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL
CONFERENCE
ATTENDEES



STAFF PICKS

COOKBOOK EDITION!



Meghan McConkey

SEARCY BRANCH, REFERENCE AND YOUNG ADULT LIBRARIAN

Sweet Potato Love by Jackie Garvin

Sweet potatoes are often relegated to the holidays, but they are healthy, versatile, and available all year long. *Sweet Potato Love* is a fantastic cookbook because it offers a variety of creative recipes to help you incorporate sweet potatoes into every season. If you end up with more sweet potatoes than you needed for your pies or casserole this Thanksgiving, Barbeque Stuffed Sweet Potatoes are a great way to use leftovers. They are delicious, simple, and can be customized for a variety of dietary needs.



Aimee Yates

STERLINGTON BRANCH, CIRCULATION ASSISTANT

Hello, sugar! Classic Southern Sweets by Beth Branch

Death by Chocolate Mousse Cake. This recipe is from *Hello, sugar! Classic Southern Sweets* by Beth Branch. I love to make this for my family because everyone loves it. It's sometimes hard for my family to decide on one dessert but this recipe is always a winner. I find this recipe a little time-consuming, but the result is well worth it. I hope this recipe will make your family as happy as it makes mine.



Karus Leonard

IT DEPARTMENT, COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

The New American Heart Association Cookbook

Several years ago, I had a heart attack, and since then I have had to watch my diet. I have recently found *The New American Heart Association Cookbook* and it has helped me cook healthy yet delicious meals. This cookbook teaches you more than recipes, it also has shown me how easy it is to have a healthy diet. My son and I both enjoy the Shredded Beef Soft Tacos--you can make it as spicy or mild as you like.



GLOBAL ROAD WARRIOR



Global Road Warrior is the world's most extensive country-by-country resource for learning about culture, customs, history, and language worldwide. Global Road Warrior consists of 174 country guides of 119 topics each. No other single resource covers so many topics, so well, for so many countries.



Find Global Road Warrior at oplib.org/global-road-warrior

FOR RESEARCHERS

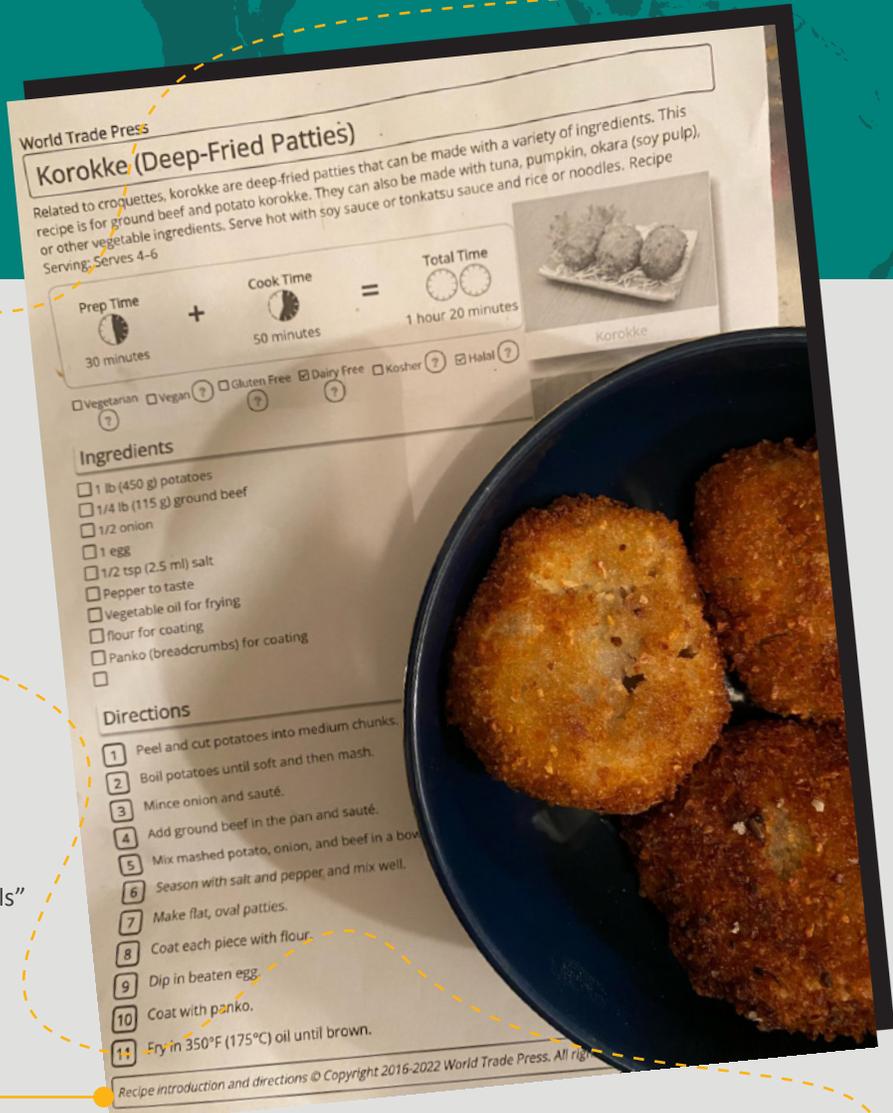
Global Road Warrior (GRW) is a fantastic resource for students of all ages. Whether you are in the third grade writing your first paper about a foreign country, or a high school senior writing your term paper, GRW has the information you need. This resource includes information about the cultures, climates, politics, religions, education systems, and geography of each country.

FOR TRAVELERS

Travelers will enjoy GRW for preparing for international trips. GRW includes the current weather in the capital of each country featured. It also includes handy info like what type of electrical plugs the country uses. Each country's page includes a section called "Travel Essentials" that will help travelers know what documentations and immunizations they need to enter the country. It even explains a tipping etiquette for each country.

FOR THE CURIOUS

Not a student or an international traveler? GRW can still help you out. Main Branch Circulation worker, Ellen, loves Global Road Warrior. She uses this site to find new, international recipes for her family. Ellen has made recipes from many countries including Ireland, Lebanon, and Honduras, but her favorite recipe to make is from Japan. Ellen found a recipe for Korokke, deep-fried potato patties, and they have become a regular meal in her home. "Korokke are delicious and surprisingly versatile. I've made them enough now that I've started experimenting with and tweaking the recipe, but I always end up with a large batch that I can freeze and store for quick lunches and snacks." Says Ellen. Each recipe lets the reader know if it is vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, dairy free, Kosher, or Halal, allowing people with dietary restrictions to easily see if the recipe is right for them. Explore the world through cooking and find recipes to suit even the pickiest eaters. Everyone can explore the world with Global Road Warrior!



Pumpkin Bash



A CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

PRESENTS

LadyChops

on October 15th

10 a.m. | Main Branch

2 p.m. | Ouachita Valley Branch

Elizabeth Vidos, also known as LadyChops, is a talented percussionist whose past work includes performing in the hit show "STOMP." Her performance includes buckets, body percussion and the Cajun rubboard.

Bring a pumpkin decorated like a book character for the Pumpkin Character Contest after LadyChops's performance. All kids who attend will receive a free age-appropriate book.

Color and create your own pumpkin bash book mark! Then, bring it to your local library branch the week of Oct. 10-15 and receive a free age-appropriate book!



KIDS PROGRAMS



CRAFT

GAME ON

STEM

ACTIVITIES

MOVIES

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|  MOVIE MATINEE | Oct. 1 at 2-4 p.m. | Main | Wear your favorite Halloween costume and enjoy an all-time favorite movie, <i>Hocus Pocus</i> . |
|  GIANT TOILET PAPER MUMMY | Oct. 4 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Make a mummy as big as you! |
|  3-D SPIDERS | Oct. 4 at 4-5 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Make giant spiders out of cups. These critters are just too cute to be spooky! |
|  PUMPKIN CRAFT | Oct. 6 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Searcy | Fun Fall Decor - Make a pumpkin out of a roll of toilet paper! |
|  ALL THINGZ TWEEN | Oct. 6 at 4-5 p.m. | Main | Make a monster rock craft. |
|  CHILDREN'S CINEMA | Oct. 7 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Louise Williams | Join us and watch <i>Monsters, Inc.</i> with friends in the Library! |
|  SATURDAY MATINEE | Oct. 8 at 12-4 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Bring the kids to watch SPOOK-tacular Halloween movies at the Library! |
|  STEMULATING MONDAY | Oct. 10 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Come join us for a LEGO STEM challenge! We will be making and racing cars using wind power. |
|  STEM: VANISHING GHOST TUESDAY | Oct. 11 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | See how you can make your ghost disappear. |
|  TWEEN CLUB | Oct. 11 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Decorate a mini pumpkin. |
|  VANISHING GHOST TUESDAY | Oct. 11 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | See how you can make your ghost disappear. |
|  WEIRD SCIENCE: SPIDER OOBLECK | Oct. 12 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Ready to have some fun? Let's make Spider Oobleck! Fun science, fine motor skills, and sensory play in one easy activity! |
|  ALL THINGZ TWEEN | Oct. 13 at 4-5 p.m. | Main | Make a paint drip monster. |
|  SPOOKY PAINTING | Oct. 14 at 2-3 p.m. | Sterlington | Come paint a slightly spooky painting just in time for Halloween! |
|  SUPER SIZZLIN SATURDAYS | Oct. 15 at 2-3 p.m. | Main | Make Halloween crafts. |
|  STEM: ANIMAL CAMOUFLAGE | Oct. 15 at 1-2 p.m. | Louise Williams | Why do animals camouflage themselves? What's the difference between concealing, disguising, and mimicking camouflage methods? Join us as we learn about and explore cool animals and their adaptation! |
|  PUMPKIN CRAFT | Oct. 19 at 4-5 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Celebrate the Fall season by designing a pumpkin craft. |
|  ALL THINGZ TWEEN | Oct. 20 at 4-5 p.m. | Main | Make tie-dye coasters. |
|  FRIENDLY MONSTER ART | Oct. 20 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Searcy | We will make a friendly blow art monster using watercolor and straws. |
|  CHILDREN'S CINEMA | Oct. 20 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Louise Williams | Watch <i>Pooh's Heffalump Halloween</i> with friends in the Library! |
|  MOLD AND PLAY 3-D TOYS | Oct. 20 at 5-6 p.m. | Carver-McDonald | Kids will make a Mold n Play 3D figure of a toy character. Each participant will make their own character to take home. While supplies last. |
|  STEMULATING MONDAY | Oct. 24 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Come dressed in costume, if you want, and launch ghost rockets! |
|  TWEEN CLUB | Oct. 25 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Make a walking robot. |
|  ALL THINGZ TWEEN | Oct. 27 at 4-5 p.m. | Main | Make a Halloween wood monster craft. |
|  HALLOWEEN BINGO | Oct. 28 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Sterlington | BINGO! Come dressed for Halloween (or not) and win prizes! |
|  COSTUME PARTY | Oct. 28 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Show off your costume at our costume party and then color a picture for our collaborative Halloween drawing! |
|  CINEMA DAY | Oct. 29 at 2-4 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Join us for movie time fun as we feature <i>Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation</i> . |

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|  HALLOWEEN FUNDAY | Oct. 31 at 4-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Come dressed in your Halloween best! We'll have fun with crafts, stories, music, and a costume contest! |
|  HALLOWEEN PARTY | Oct. 31 at 4-6 p.m. | Main | Enjoy crafts and games while wearing your Halloween costume. |
|  THANKSGIVING CRAFTS | Nov. 1 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Use different supplies to create your own Thanksgiving craft. |
|  UPCYCLED OWLS | Nov. 3 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Searcy | Make an owl craft using recycled kitchen containers and lids. |
|  ALL THINGZ TWEEN | Nov. 3 at 4-5 p.m. | Main | Make a Q-tip pumpkin craft. |
|  TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY | Nov. 4 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Bring your teddy bear and tea cup along for a tea party while we watch <i>Winnie the Pooh</i> . Coloring pages and crayons will also be available. |
|  MOVIE MATINEE | Nov. 5 at 2-4 p.m. | Main | Join us to watch <i>The Peanuts Movie</i> . |
|  STEMULATING MONDAY | Nov. 7 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Join us for a story and STEM and figure out how to catch a turkey! |
|  THANKSGIVING TURKEY CRAFT | Nov. 7 at 3:30-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Create a Thanksgiving craft, while watching the movie <i>Chicken Run!</i> |
|  TWEEN CLUB | Nov. 8 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Use your imagination to disguise your turkey. |
|  PUMPKIN JARS | Nov. 8 at 4-5 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Create a glowing pumpkin lantern with a mason jar. |
|  STEM: ANIMALS IN WINTER | Nov. 10 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | What do animals do during winter? How do they stay warm and cozy? Come learn with us in the Library! |
|  PAPER KITE | Nov. 11 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Sterlington | Come make a paper kite out of string, straws, and tissue paper and see if it will fly! |
|  SATURDAY MATINEE | Nov. 12 at 12-4 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Bring the kids out to watch delightful Thanksgiving movies at the Library! |
|  STEMULATING MONDAY | Nov. 14 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Can you build a ship to get the Pilgrims safely to Plymouth Rock? |
|  ROLL A TURKEY GAME | Nov. 15 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Can you roll a turkey? Find out in this game! |
|  GAME DAY | Nov. 16 at 4-4:45 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Visit our branch and get your game on! Fun and prizes! |
|  THANKSGIVING CRAFT | Nov. 16 at 4-5 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Celebrate Thanksgiving by designing a craft! |
|  BINGO | Nov. 17 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Searcy | Join us for a game of Bingo. Win small prizes. |
|  ALL THINGZ TWEEN | Nov. 17 at 4-5 p.m. | Main | Create a Fall painting. |
|  CHILDREN'S CINEMA | Nov. 17 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Louise Williams | Are you ready for Thanksgiving dinner? Come and watch <i>Ratatouille</i> to prepare yourself! |
|  FAMILY FUN FOR THANKSGIVING | Nov. 17 at 4:30-5:30 p.m. | Carver-McDonald | Create greeting cards to share in celebration of Thanksgiving Day. While supplies last. |
|  SUPER SIZZLIN | Nov. 19 at 2-3 p.m. | Main | Make Thanksgiving crafts. |
|  CINEMA DAY | Nov. 19 at 2-4 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Join us for movie time fun as we feature Disney Pixar's <i>Brave</i> . |
|  THANKSGIVING CRAFTS | Nov. 21 at 2-4 p.m. | Sterlington | Drop in any time from 2-4 p.m. for Thanksgiving crafts. |
|  TWEEN CLUB | Nov. 22 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | West Monroe | Make a Thanksgiving craft by using different supplies. |
|  MOVIE TIME | Nov. 29 at 3:30-5 p.m. | West Monroe | Watch <i>The Penguins of Madagascar Operation: Antarctica</i> |

HOMESCHOOL LIBRARY EXPRESS (HSLE) | Main Branch at 10:30-12:30 p.m.

HSLE aims to meet the needs of homeschoolers and their families through learning how to use library services as well as enjoy recreational programs each month. In adhering to the mission statement of the Ouachita Parish Public Library, to advance literacy, inspire lifelong learning, and strengthen our community by serving everyone in Ouachita Parish, HSLE creates a valued partnership and an avenue of social, recreational and educational interaction between the library and the homeschool community. HSLE has received national recognition from the American Library Association Public Programs Office.

Oct. 3 | Visualizing and making art with local artist, Vitus Shell
 Oct. 17 | STEM Games and Experiments
 Oct. 24 | Field Trip: Must register with Angela at agreer@oplib.org

Oct. 31 | Fall Festival
 Nov. 7 | Veterans Day Program
 Nov. 28 | Field Trip: Must register with Angela at agreer@oplib.org



TEEN PROGRAMS



CRAFT



GAME ON



STEM



ACTIVITIES



STORIES & MOVIES



MENTAL HEALTH



BOOKISH

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|  | GHOST TERRARIUMS | Oct. 4 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Boo! Come join us and make a home for a friendly ghost pet! |
|  | TALK IT OUT | Oct. 4 at 4-5 p.m. | Searcy | Check in on your mental health with a casual and open discussion and learn how to access reliable mental health information and resources through the Library. |
|  | MINI PUMPKIN DECORATING | Oct. 4 at 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Decorate your own miniature pumpkin to celebrate Fall! |
|  | FALL INTO THE TWILIGHT ZONE | Oct. 5 at 3-4:30 p.m. | Sterlington | Watch some of the most infamous <i>Twilight Zone</i> (1959) episodes. |
|  | GIRLS WHO CODE | Oct. 5 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Join our Girls Who Code Club and learn how to use code to change the world. Register in person or by phone at (318) 327-5422. |
|  | PUP PRESENTATION | Oct. 6 at 3:45-4:45 p.m. | Louise Williams | Learn about the Humane Society, the importance of adoption, and how you can support your community. After the presentation, you will have the chance to pet and play with Benjamin Moonshine! |
|  | MOVIE NIGHT | Oct. 6 at 3:45-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | We will watch <i>Haunted Mansion</i> (PG, 2003). |
|  | WEEKEND WIND DOWN | Oct. 8 at 9 a.m.-4 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Stop by to hang out in the game room! Giant Jenga and Perler beads will be available, and movies will run continuously all day. |
|  | "BONE" BRIDGE | Oct. 10 at 3:30-4:45 p.m. | West Monroe | Test your skills and creativity with a bone-tingling Halloween activity. |
|  | GAMING GUILD: MAGIC THE GATHERING | Oct. 11 at 3-5 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Come join the Gaming Guild! This month, we're playing Magic: The Gathering! New and experienced players welcome! |
|  | DECORATE MINI PUMPKINS | Oct. 11 at 4-5:15 p.m. | Main | Decorate your own miniature pumpkin to celebrate Fall! |
|  | SCARY STORIES IN THE DARK | Oct. 13 at 4-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Sit around the table to hear scary stories in the dark! |
|  | GAME NIGHT | Oct. 18 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Come dressed in costume, if you want, and join us for board games! |
|  | A SPOOKY ONE-SHOT | Oct. 18 at 4-6:30 p.m. | Searcy | Choose a premade character and join us for a tabletop RPG adventure full of thrills and chills! |
|  | HALLOWEEN MINUTE TO WIN IT | Oct. 19 at 3-4:30 p.m. | Sterlington | We will be playing games and giving out creepy prizes. |
|  | GIRLS WHO CODE | Oct. 19 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Join our Girls Who Code Club and learn how to use code to change the world. Register in person or by phone at (318) 327-5422. |
|  | CANDLE MAKING WITH HAILEI | Oct. 20 at 4-5 p.m. | Carver-McDonald | Candlemaker and candle bar owner Hailei Beckwith will discuss candle making and bring sample candles to display. Participants will be able to create their own candles if time permits while supplies last. |
|  | MOVIE SHOWING: WARM BODIES | Oct. 21 at 3:30-5:15 p.m. | West Monroe | Enjoy the frightful yet funny flick... <i>Warm Bodies</i> . |
|  | SKULL STRING ART | Oct. 24 at 3:30-4:45 p.m. | West Monroe | We will "string up" this spooky skull piece with flair. Register in person or by phone at (318) 327-1365 by Oct. 18. |
|  | DIY PUMPKIN KING BOWTIE | Oct. 25 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Main | Make your own Jack Skellington Bat Bow Tie. |
|  | SPOOKY CINEMA | Oct. 27 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Louise Williams | Join us for a showing of a Halloween movie. |
|  | HALLOWEEN FUNDAY | Oct. 31 at 4-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Wear your Halloween costume for a costume contest and enjoy some fun games. |
|  | COLLABORATIVE ART PROJECT | Nov. 1 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Main | Together we will make a Día de los Muertos Collaborative Poster to display in the Library |

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|  | NANOWRIMO WORKSHOP | Nov. 1 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Searcy | Kick off National Novel Writing Month by learning how to plot a novel and get feedback from other aspiring novelists. |
|  | GIRLS WHO CODE | Nov. 2 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Join our Girls Who Code Club and learn how to use code to change the world. Register in person or by phone at (318) 327-5422. |
|  | TANGLE ART | Nov. 2 at 3-4:30 p.m. | Sterlington | We will be creating tangle art, so strap in for some psychedelic fun. |
|  | BOOK PAGE FALL LEAVES | Nov. 3 at 4-4:30 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Upcycle old book pages into Fall crafts |
|  | FALL MACRAME RAINBOW | Nov. 7 at 3:30-4:45 p.m. | West Monroe | Come create this festive Fall craft! |
|  | GAMING GUILD: DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS | Nov. 8 at 3-5 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Come join the Gaming Guild! This month, we're playing Dungeons and Dragons. Make your own character and join in the adventure! |
|  | PAINTING WITH A POP | Nov. 8 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Come join us for a cute Fall painting. |
|  | LABYRINTH | Nov. 9 at 3-5 p.m. | Sterlington | We will be watching the modern classic <i>Labyrinth</i> . |
|  | SCARECROW MASON JAR | Nov. 10 at 4-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | Come make this festive craft to add to your Fall decor |
|  | UPCYCLED BOOK PUMPKINS | Nov. 10 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Upcycle old books into new pumpkin decor! |
|  | UPCYCLED OWL CRAFT | Nov. 15 at 4-5 p.m. | Searcy | Use recycled materials to create a unique owl art piece. |
|  | HEXA-FLEXA-WHAT?! | Nov. 15 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Main | We will make hexaflexagons... hexa-flexa-what?! Flat models made by folding strips of paper, that can be flexed in certain ways to reveal faces besides the two that were originally on the back and front. |
|  | GIRLS WHO CODE | Nov. 16 at 4-5 p.m. | Louise Williams | Join our Girls Who Code Club and learn how to use code to change the world. Register in person or by phone at (318) 327-5422. |
|  | FAMILY FUN FOR THANKSGIVING | Nov. 17 at 4-5 p.m. | Carver-McDonald | Create a floral arrangement to display on Thanksgiving Day. While supplies last. |
|  | DIY FELT TURKEY PLUSH | Nov. 18 at 3:30-4:45 p.m. | West Monroe | Gobble! Gobble! Come create this turkey plush sure to put you in the Thanksgiving spirit! |
|  | BOOK BINGO | Nov. 22 at 4-5 p.m. | West Ouachita | Come join us for bingo, and win a book! |
|  | GAME NIGHT | Nov. 22 at 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Join us to play Apples to Apples, a card game that is easy to learn and sure to cause laughter! |
|  | WEEKEND WIND DOWN | Nov. 26 at 9 a.m.-4 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Stop by to hang out in the game room! Giant Jenga and Perler beads will be available, and movies will run continuously all day. |
|  | TEEN TUESDAY | Nov. 29 at 4-5:30 p.m. | Main | Join us to play the classic game, Yahtzee! |

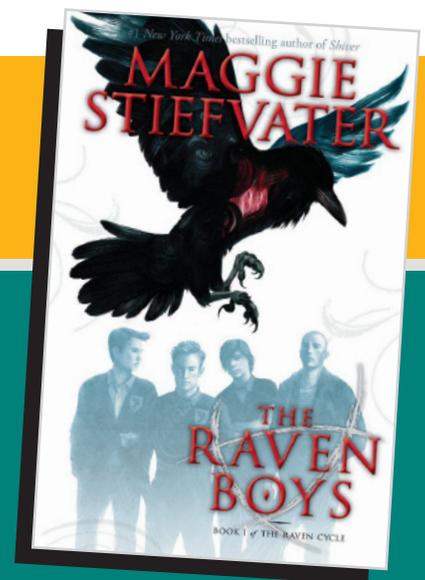


ONLINE TEEN BOOK CLUB



facebook.com/groups/opplteens
Month of October

Join our bimonthly Online Teen Book Club on the Library's Facebook page to find your next favorite read. We will be reading *The Raven Boys* by Maggie Stiefvater which is available in print and book on CD as well as on CloudLibrary as an e-book and e-audiobook.





ADULT PROGRAMS



Find out if you or your family are eligible to receive **discounted internet service**. Visit your local branch Library for information on how to apply for the Affordable Connectivity Program.

CORE COMPUTER CLASS

Every Tuesday & Thursday
Tues. at 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Thurs. at 1 p.m. & 3 p.m.

Anna Meyer Branch

Core classes are meant for people with little to no experience with computers. Learn to operate a computer with our computer instructor. Space is limited. **Call to register: 318-327-1351**

BEGINNERS COMPUTER CLASS

Every Monday & Wednesday
Mon. at 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
Wed. at 1 p.m. & 3 p.m.

Anna Meyer Branch

Beginner classes build your computer knowledge by teaching you new things and reinforcing what you already know. If you have some computer knowledge already, then this class is for you. Space is limited. **Call to register: 318-327-1351**

ONE-ON-ONE TECH TUTORING

Register by Appointment
Main Branch

Schedule one-on-one personalized computer help sessions to learn at your own pace. **Call to register (318) 327-1490 or email to register bpearce@oplib.org**

ONE-ON-ONE COMPUTER CLASSES

Every Friday at 10:30 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Anna Meyer Branch

Schedule a one-hour session with our computer instructor for a personalized computer lesson. Space is limited. **Call to register (318) 327-1351 or email to register sholmes@oplib.org**

INTRODUCTION TO WORD

Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 10-11 a.m.
Main Branch

Learn how to format, change fonts, and save a Word document. Also, learn how to open, save, and rename documents to a USB drive.

TYPING LESSONS

Tuesday, Nov. 15 at 10-11 a.m.
Main Branch

Learn how to type and improve your speed.

INTRODUCTION TO ANCESTRY.COM

Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 2-3:30 p.m.
Ouachita Valley

Lora Peppers will discuss how to use Ancestry.com.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE!

The Friends of the Library hold a book sale on the last Friday and Saturday of every month at the West Ouachita Branch. The Friends of the Ouachita Public Library is a nonprofit organization that supports activities and programs of the Library.

West Ouachita Branch

Friday, October 28th from 9am-3pm

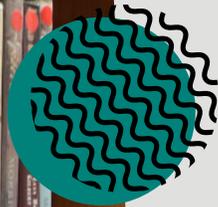
Saturday, October 29th from 9am-3pm



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|  | THE WORLD OF SUPERNATURAL | Oct. 3-31 at 4-5 p.m. | Ollie Burns | We will be showing an episode of Season 1 of <i>Supernatural</i> (TV-14, 2005) each day for the month of October. |
|  | OCTOBER IS HEALTHY LUNG MONTH | Oct. 4 at 10-11 a.m. | Ollie Burns | Tobacco Cessation Part I: In October, many organizations join to educate about the hazards of smoking, and during this presentation, Cheryl Sutton of Northeast Delta Human Services Authority will discuss the truth about second-hand smoke and its effects on our lungs. |
|  | KERRY HEAFNER ON HEIRLOOM SEEDS | Oct. 5 at 2-3 p.m. | West Monroe | Kerry Heafner will speak to us about Heirloom Seeds. |
|  | FOOD DOLLAR MANAGEMENT | Oct. 5 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Money can be tight during the holidays. Join Pam Sapp from the LSU AgCenter to learn tips to help save money at the grocery store. |
|  | CROCHET CLUB | Oct. 6 at 1:30-3:30 p.m. | West Ouachita | Have you ever wanted to learn to crochet? Or hang out with others who love to crochet? This is the program for you! Supplies will be provided but feel free to bring your own project! |
|  | 8 PROVEN STEPS TO PUBLISH BOOKS WITH EASE | Oct. 6 at 5-6 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Self-published author Khayriyah Israeh will discuss her book <i>8 Proven Steps to Publish Books with Ease</i> . |
|  | BEEKEEPING | Oct. 13 at 11 a.m.-12 p.m. | Sterlington | Amy Weeks, Master Craftsman Beekeeper with the LSU AgCenter will discuss how to get started in beekeeping. |
|  | FRESH FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS | Oct. 13 at 11 a.m.-12 p.m. | Carver-McDonald | Florist Denise Hardy, owner of Petals and Pearls flower shop, is well known for her talent designing unique and rare flower arrangements. She will demonstrate how to arrange a floral bouquet, and participants will create their own arrangement to take home. |
|  | LORA PEPPERS: GHOSTS OF OUACHITA PARISH | Oct. 13 at 1-2 p.m. | Louise Williams | Ouachita Parish Public Library's own Lora Peppers will talk about the ghosts of Ouachita Parish. |
|  | CREATIVE THURSDAY: FALL PAINTING | Oct. 13 at 1:30-3:30 p.m. | West Ouachita | Paint a Fall scene to welcome the season! |
|  | FLORAL PUMPKIN CENTERPIECE | Oct. 13 at 2-3:30 p.m. | J. R. Searcy Memorial | Make a beautiful floral pumpkin centerpiece. Limited to 10 patrons. Register in person or by phone at 318-327-1240. |
|  | MICROGREENS WITH MATT WALL | Oct. 13 at 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Main | Join Matt Wall of Wall Greens Farm as he shares about the health benefits of growing your own microgreens. |
|  | FALL PLANT SWAP | Oct. 20 at 1:30-3:30 p.m. | West Ouachita | Swap plants and bulbs with other plant lovers! Fun to be had by all green thumbs (and aspiring green thumbs, too!) |
|  | A FEEL GOOD MOVIE! | Oct. 27 at 10 a.m.-12 p.m. | Ollie Burns | <i>You've Got Mail</i> (1998, PG): All the wit, charm, and warmth you'd expect from a reunion of the stars (Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan)! |
|  | GHOSTS OF OUACHITA PARISH | Oct. 27 at 2-3 p.m. | Ouachita Valley | Lora Peppers will speak about the ghosts of Ouachita Parish |
|  | WORLD WAR II IN THE GULF NEAR NEW ORLEANS | Nov. 2 at 2-3 p.m. | West Monroe | Join speaker Margaret Rivoire to hear about what happened during World War II in the Gulf near New Orleans. She will talk about the German U-boats that came so close to our Gulf shores here in Louisiana. |
|  | FOOD SAFETY | Nov. 2 at 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Anna Meyer | Join in some fun and learn about keeping your food safe. You will be amazed when you see how easily germs can spread. |
|  | CROCHET CLUB | Nov. 3 at 1:30-3:30 p.m. | West Ouachita | Have you ever wanted to learn to crochet? Or hang out with others who love to crochet? Join Madeline at this new club! |
|  | HEART DISEASE PREVENTION | Nov. 10 at 11 a.m.-12 p.m. | Carver-McDonald | Markaye Russell, LSU AgCenter Agent, will discuss heart disease, early warning signs and symptoms, risk factors and prevention, as well as information on heart attack, heart failure, and heart health. |
|  | VETERANS DAY MATINEE | Nov. 10 at 2-4 p.m. | J. R. Searcy Memorial | In honor of Veterans Day and the brave men and women of the armed forces, we will be showing <i>Megan Leavey</i> (2017, PG-13). A story based on true events of a Marine corporal and a military dog named Rex. |
|  | PUB TRIVIA | Nov. 10 at 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Main | Trivia Theme: Run |
|  | DIY PINE CONE CRAFT | Nov. 16 at 2-3:30 p.m. | Sterlington | This pine cone craft makes a great centerpiece for holidays. Bring your own decorative bowl. All other supplies provided. Limited to 10 patrons. Register in person or by phone at 318-327-1382 beginning Nov.1. |
|  | DEADLY EFFECTS OF SECONDHAND SMOKE | Nov. 17 at 10-11 a.m. | Ollie Burns | Cheryl Sutton HSA will explain the effects of secondhand smoke. |
|  | STORIES FROM THE HEART | Nov. 17 at 1-2 p.m. | Louise Williams | A local writing group will come to share stories that will touch your heart. |
|  | BOOK TO MOVIE MATINEE: THE PRINCESS BRIDE | Nov. 17 at 1-2:30 p.m. | West Ouachita | Read <i>The Princess Bride</i> by William Goldman, then come to the Library to watch the movie! True love lost and found, villains, fighting, and the greatest kiss of all time! |



JOIN A BOOK CLUB!



THE BOOK WAS BETTER ANNA MEYER

The Book Was Better Book Club discusses books that have been adapted into movies and TV Shows.

Fri., Oct. 14 at 5-6 p.m.

The Shining by Stephen King

Fri., Nov. 11 at 5-6 p.m.

The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien



LOST IN THE STACKS MAIN

If you love literary fiction, you'll love the Lost in the Stacks Book Club.

Tues., Oct. 11 at 6-7:30 p.m.

The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires by Grady Hendrix

Tues., Nov. 8 at 6-7:30 p.m.

I Almost Forgot About You by Terry McMillan



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October: *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn

November: TBD



BEYOND THE PAGES WEST MONROE

Beyond the Pages Book Club will meet to discuss their favorite books that they have been reading.

Wed., Oct. 26 at 2-3 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 16 at 2-3 p.m.



RAINBOW READS MAIN

For members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies. For more information: elee@oplib.org

Mon., Oct. 31 at 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Join us on Halloween to discuss our favorite spooky LGBTQ+ reads! Email elee@oplib.org if you need help finding an LGBTQ+ horror book!

Mon., Nov. 28 at 5:30-7:30 p.m.

White Houses by Amy Bloom



TRUE CRIME OLLIE BURNS

Thurs., Oct. 20 at 4-5 p.m.

I'll Be Gone In The Dark by Michelle McNamara

Thurs., Nov. 17 at 4-5 p.m.

A Serial Killer's Daughter by Kerri Rawson



MOCHA MONDAY MAIN

Celebrating stories of People of Color

Mon., Oct. 3 at 5:30-7 p.m.

Noor by Nnedi Okorafor

Mon., Nov. 7 at 5:30-7 p.m.

All Her Little Secrets by Wanda M. Morris



SCIFI-FANTASY STERLINGTON

Sat., Oct. 22 at 2-3 p.m.

The Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern

Sat., Nov. 26 at 2-3 p.m.

Stardust by Neil Gaiman



COMMUNITY READERS OLLIE BURNS

Mon., Oct. 24 at 10-11 a.m.

Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson is the story of estranged grown siblings who come together after the death of their mother and discover a secret that upends everything they've ever known about their family.

Mon., Nov. 21 at 10-11 a.m.

Community Readers! Let's Fall into your favorite read of the season! Bring your Fall favorite good read to our book talk this month because I would love LOVE to hear all about it!



JUST READ SEARCY

Thurs., Oct. 27 at 2-3 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 17 at 2-3 p.m.

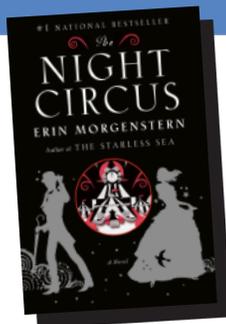
We will be discussing old and new titles for the Fall season.

NaNoWriMo BOOK LIST

Can you really write a novel in one month? Of course you can! That's what NaNoWriMo is all about.

NaNoWriMo, also called National Novel Writing Month, is an organization built around a challenge: Write 50,000 words of a new novel over the course of November. Sounds like a lot, right? If you break it down, those 50,000 words equal out to 1,667 words a day for the 30 days of November. NaNoWriMo is designed to help new writers find their voice and ultimately get their stories published.

So, if you love to write, or think you'd like to try it, NaNoWriMo is a great place to start and to say yes to your own story. For more information about NaNoWriMo, visit nanowrimo.org.

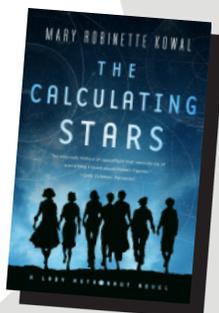
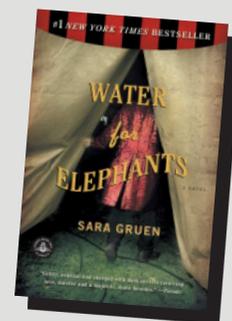


NIGHT CIRCUS BY ERIN MORGENSTERN

Waging a fierce competition for which they have trained since childhood, circus magicians Celia and Marco unexpectedly fall in love with each other and share a fantastical romance that manifests in fateful ways. Available in print, large print, book on CD, and cloudLibrary as an ebook & eaudio book.

WATER FOR ELEPHANTS BY SARA GRUEN

Ninety-something-year-old Jacob Jankowski remembers his time in the circus as a young man during the Great Depression, and his friendship with Marlena, the star of the equestrian act, and Rosie, the elephant, who gave them hope. Available in print, book on CD & playaway, cloudLibrary as ebook & eaudio book, and hoopla as an eaudio book.

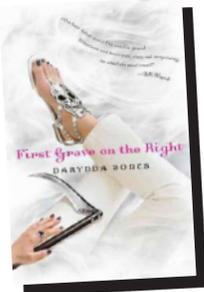


THE CALCULATING STARS BY MARY ROBINETTE KOWAL

In 1952, a meteorite falls to earth and destroys the eastern seaboard, including Washington D.C. The Meteor decimates the U.S. government and paves the way for a climate cataclysm. This threat calls for an accelerated timeline in the earth's efforts to colonize space. Available in print, cloudLibrary as an ebook, and Hoopla as an ebook (in Spanish).

AN ABSOLUTELY REMARKABLE THING BY HANK GREEN

The first to document the appearance of the Carls, giant robot-like statues popping up around the world, April May finds herself at the center of an intense media spotlight that puts her relationships, identity and safety at risk. Available in print and cloudLibrary as an ebook & eaudio book.

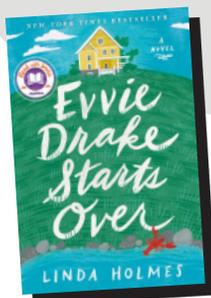
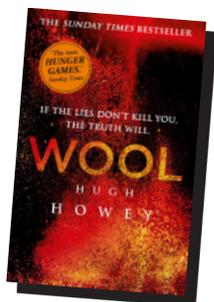


FIRST GRAVE ON THE RIGHT BY DARYNDA JONES

Grim Reaper Charley Davidson is responsible for convincing souls to "go into the light." But when people die under unnatural circumstances, they sometimes ask Charley to bring their murderers to justice. Available in print, book on CD, cloudLibrary as an ebook & eaudio book.

WOOL BY HUGH HOWEY

In a future toxic landscape, a community that lives in an underground silo is rocked by the desire of Sheriff Holston, who has upheld the group's rules for years, to go outside, setting in motion events that kindle the fire of revolution. Available in print, cloudLibrary as an ebook, and hoopla as an ebook.



EVVIE DRAKE STARTS OVER BY LINDA HOLMES

Young widow Evvie Drake and major league pitcher Dean Tenney, who has lost his game and needs a chance to reset his life, form an unlikely relationship when Dean moves into an apartment at the back of Evvie's house. Available in print, cloudLibrary as an ebook & eaudio book.



FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Library's Genealogy and Special Collections Department helps patrons research local and family history. Learn more about how to explore your own family history at oplib.org/family-local-history.



VETERANS DAY, ONCE RECOGNIZED AS ARMISTICE DAY



Veterans Day is Nov. 11, a federal holiday that is meant to honor all veterans of the uniformed services who served or are still serving during times of peace as well as war. Veterans Day has its origins at the end of World War I when at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, the fighting ended with the signing of an armistice. In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the first Armistice Day, Nov. 11. Armistice Day became a federal holiday by congressional act approved May 13, 1938. In 1954, at the urging of veterans' organizations, Congress changed the name to Veterans Day to honor service members who had served in all of the nation's wars. (U.S. Department of Defense website, defense.gov)

A program from the Nineteenth Armistice Day Celebration of Lott Goins Chapter No. 4, D.A.V. (Disabled American Veterans) of W.W. is housed in the Ouachita Parish Public Library Special Collections. Before World War II, World War I was sometimes referred to as "the world war" and "the great war." The celebration was held Nov. 11, 1937, and included scripture readings, songs, speakers, and a parade led by Ben Burton's Band.

Our Honored Dead

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| PVT. SAM JACKSON | Headquarters Company |
| PVT. WILLIAM WARD | Headquarters Company |
| PVT. WILSON JACKSON | Supply Company |
| PVT. FRED HOWARD | Medical Detachment |
| PVT. TOM GRIFFIN | Medical Detachment |
| PVT. LYNN BOND | Company "A" |
| PVT. WILL BREWSTER | Company "A" |
| PVT. NED BROOKS | Company "A" |
| PVT. COXY CHERRY | Company "A" |
| CORP. LOT GOINS | Company "A" |
| PVT. WORLEY BANKS | Company "B" |
| PVT. CLYDE UNDERWOOD | Company "B" |
| PVT. ARCH L. BRISCO | Company "B" |
| PVT. EUGENE D. CAMPBELL | Company "B" |
| PVT. LEONARD L. CLAY | Company "B" |
| PVT. WOODS L. DAY | Company "B" |
| PVT. PAUL DEARBONE | Company "B" |
| PVT. ALBERT O. HELENCAMP | Company "B" |
| PVT. CHARLIE HIGGINBOTHAM | Company "B" |
| PVT. WALTER HOUSE | Company "B" |
| PVT. HENRY W. JOHNSON | Company "B" |
| PVT. TOM MILAM | Company "B" |
| PVT. ISAAC MORGAN | Company "B" |
| PVT. D. L. VIVIAN | Company "B" |
| PVT. VAN WILEY | Company "B" |
| PVT. LEVI H. WOODS | Company "B" |
| PVT. CHARLEY BLAIR | Company "C" |
| PVT. WILLIS BALES | Company "C" |
| PVT. WILLIAM ANDERSON | Company "C" |
| PVT. HENRY DODD | Company "C" |

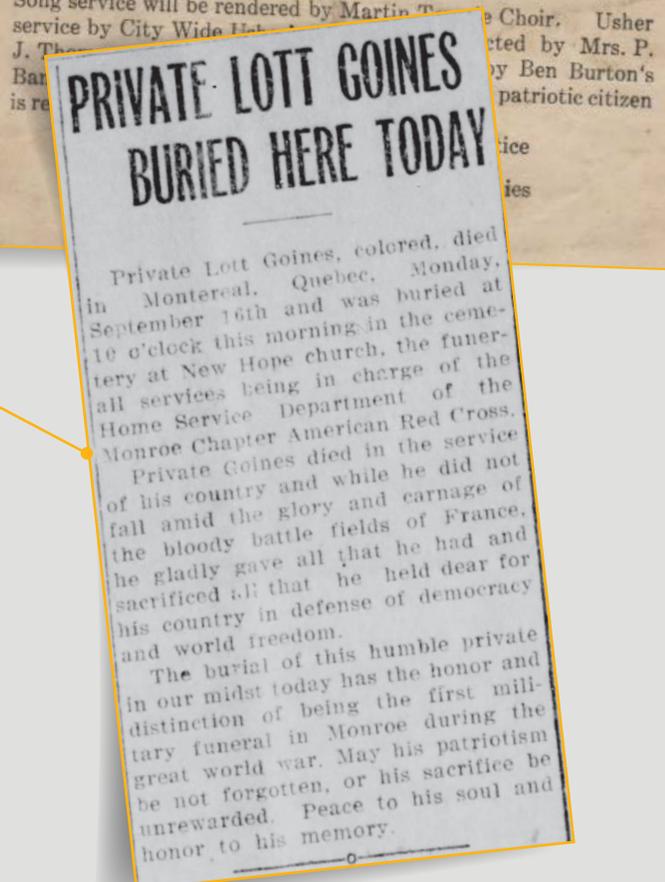
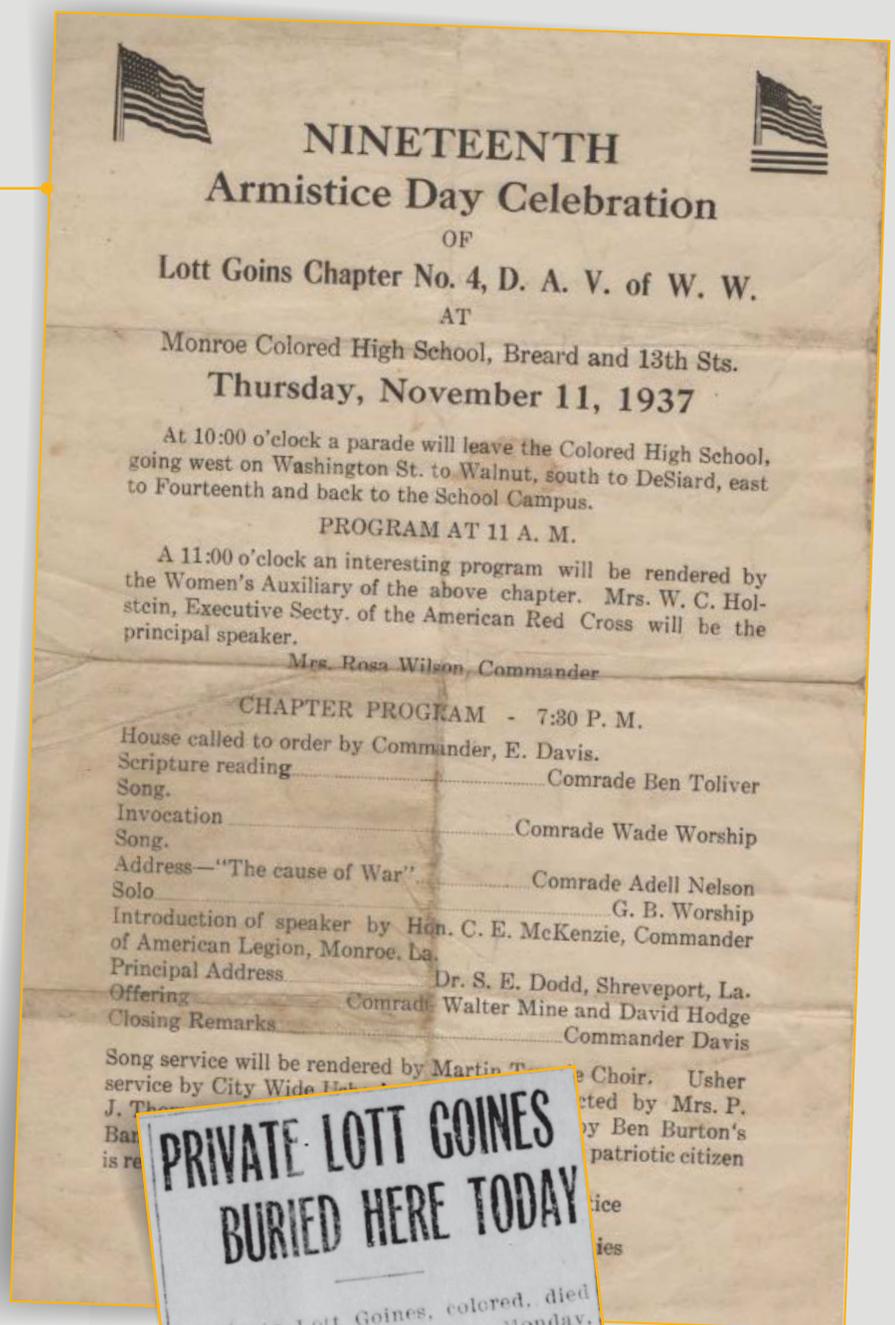
The program has been scanned and is in the Louisiana Digital Library. (Louisianadigitallibrary.org).

The Lott Goins Chapter of the D.A.V. was named for Lott Goins, a Monroe soldier who died in World War I. There is not a great deal of information on Goins but a few sources in Special Collections and online have been identified. A manuscript in the Ouachita Parish Public Library Special Collections, Record of Veterans World War Ouachita Parish, lists Lott Goins as a 29-year-old private affiliated with Company A, 805 Pion Inf who died of diphtheria Sept. 16-18, 1918. The abbreviations in the entry stand for 805th Pioneer Infantry, an African-American infantry regiment organized in May of 1918 according to Victory: History of the 805th Pioneer Infantry American Expeditionary Forces by Major Paul Bliss. This now out-of-print 1919 book lists Corporal Lot Goins as one of the "Honored Dead" of the 805th. Lott is spelled with one t instead of two and his rank is listed as corporal instead of private in Bliss's book.

A Sept. 23, 1918, *Monroe News-Star* article "Private Lott Goins Buried Here Today" stated that Lott's funeral was the first military funeral in Monroe during the great world war.

Goins' WWI draft card is available on Ancestry.com which is accessible at Main and all other Ouachita Parish Public Library branches.

Genealogy and Special Collections is the source for genealogists, history enthusiasts and anyone looking for more information on Ouachita Parish. Check out the web page at oplib.org/family-local-history or visit the Main Branch Library at 1800 Stubbs Avenue, Monroe, LA.





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