

MAY PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS



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Adult Summer Reading Program

June 4-July 31, 2026

a dark academia mood that evokes images of crumbling universities, secret societies, and ancient knowledge.

Registration begins Tuesday, May 19.



1 Needlework in the Morning
10am-Noon at VPL

7 Beginner Crochet
VPL 5:30**
Class requires pre-registration and attendance at all three scheduled meetings: April 23, April 30, May 7. For Adults Only.

8 Needlework in the Morning
10am-Noon at MPL



9 From Depleted to Energized: A Jumpstart Your Wellness Workshop
1pm at MPL

Have Questions?
Email us at programs@bcpls.org, stop by, or call your library!
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12 Come see us at
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
5-8pm at the Long View Recreation Center

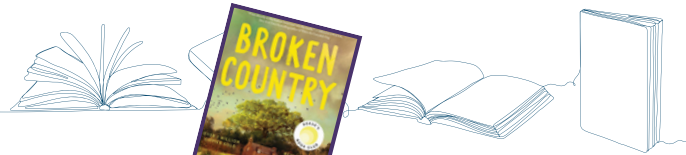
13 **PARTNERS** Improving Lives. Strengthening Communities. **EDUCATIONAL LUNCH SERIES**
Navigating Dementia: Sensory Changes
Wednesday, May 13 from 12-1pm at MPL
No registration. Bring your lunch. CEU's available.

Digital Literacy for Seniors: Smartphone Camera Uses Beyond Photography
Wednesday, May 13 from 2-3pm at MPL (Presented by WPCOG)

15 **Happily Ever Afters Anonymous Book Club**
Open to Adults and Teens.
CBH 4pm



19 **Plot Hounds** Book Discussion
10am at VPL



22 **Libraries closed for staff training day**

MPL (828-764-9261)
Morganton Public Library
VPL (828-874-2421)
Valdese Public Library
CBH (828-764-9283)
C.B. Hildebrand Public Library

25 **MEMORIAL DAY**
Libraries closed

26 **Digital Drop-In****
9:30am-Noon at MPL
Presented by WPCOG. Registration required. 30-minute one-on-one session with a Digital Navigator

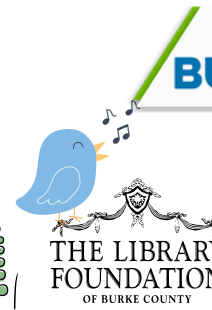
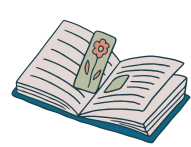
27 **Oxymorons**
New Adult Book Discussion
6pm at MPL
Open to Adults and Teens

28 **Crochet Cafe**
6pm at VPL
A needlework program for YA & adults.

29 Needlework in the Morning
10am-Noon at MPL

** = pre-registration required

MAY PROGRAMS FOR TEENS



MPL = Morganton Public Library
 VPL = Valdese Public Library
 CBH = C.B. Hildebrand Public Library

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Young Adult Services (YAS) programs are limited to middle and high school students only unless otherwise noted.

Register for YAS SRP 2026 at bcpls.readsquared.com or by downloading the READSquared app!



4 Game Night
6pm (CBH)

GAME ON!
@ your library

7 STEAM Craft Night: DIY Kneading Stress Balls**
4pm (MPL)

May is Mental Health Awareness Month!

9 Open YA Game Lounge
10-12 & 2-4 (CBH)



12 D&D @ the Library**
4:30pm
(online via Discord)

YOUNG ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2026
JUNE 8 - JULY 30

15 ++ Happily Ever Afters Anonymous Book Club
4pm (CBH)

Registration for this year's Summer Reading Program will open on Tuesday, May 19! Teens can register online or on the READSquared App using the QR code below!

18 Pop-Up Craft Night
6pm (CBH)

19 SRP REGISTRATION OPENS TODAY!



22 All library locations are closed for a staff training day!

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All library locations are closed in observance of Memorial Day on May 25th.

26 Movie & Make It Night
5:30pm (VPL)

27 ++ Oxymorons New Adult Book Discussion Group
6pm (MPL)

28 ++ Crochet Cafe
6pm (VPL)

29 Mario Kart Club
4pm (CBH)



Programs marked with a ** require pre-registration with the YAS Coordinator at 828-764-9273 or lizzie.whisnant@burkenc.org.
**** = pre-registration required | ++ = open to adults and teens**

MAY PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



MPL= Morganton Public Library - 828-764-9261
 VPL= Valdese Public Library - 828-874-2421
 CBH = C.B. Hildebrand Public Library - 828-764-9283
 ** = pre-registration required



MONDAY **TUESDAY** **WEDNESDAY** **THURSDAY** **FRIDAY** **SATURDAY**

Weekly Storytimes are available for all ages at all sites!

Pre-registration is required, and storytimes are divided by ages. For more information, visit bcpls.org, visit your library, or call: Morganton Public Library - 828-764-9274 | Valdese Public Library - 828-874-2421 | C.B. Hildebrand Public Library - 828-764-9283
 Storytimes will be on break from May 15 until Summer Reading Program begins June 8. Summer registration begins May 19.

1 Family Fun Friday
 CBH 10-11:30am

Have questions?
 Email us at programs@bcpls.org, stop by, or call your library!
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 Instagram @bcplsnrc

4 Peep Party!
 5:30-7pm at CBH
 Say goodbye to our hatched chicks! Also enjoy a food craft.




6 Weaving Wonders Woven Baskets
 3:30pm at CBH**
 Program is for children ages 5-12. Pre-registration required.



9 Paintbox
 Mother's Day Flower Bouquet
 3:00pm at MPL**
 Pre-registration required. Program for children K-5th grade.

Monthly Scavenger Hunts at MPL & CBH and I Spy Tank at VPL
 Have you joined the fun yet? Visit each of our libraries for a fun, self-guided experience. For kids; one prize per child (per site, per month). This month's themes:
MPL: Elephant Spring Break
CBH: Flowers
VPL: Under the Sea "I Spy" Tank

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 5-8pm at the Long View Recreation Center

CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM
JUNE 8-JULY 25, 2026
 JOIN US FOR A SUMMER FULL OF ADVENTURES!
 REGISTRATION BEGINS TUESDAY, MAY 19, ON READSQUARED AND AT YOUR LIBRARY!

16
Homemade Ice Cream Social
 Themed stories, crafts, and DIY ice cream in a bag with toppings of your choice
10:30-11:30am at MPL**
 Pre-registration required.



19 Frog & Toad Story Hour
 MPL 4pm**
 Stories, crafts, games, and cookie decorating. For kids ages 4 to 8. Pre-registration is required.

20
BRAIN TEASER BONANZA
 Drop in from 10-11:30am at CBH. For all ages.

SIGN-UP FOR PROGRAMS AND STORYTIMES BY VISITING OR CALLING YOUR LIBRARY!
 VISIT
BCPLS.READSQUARED.COM
 OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER FOR THE READING PROGRAM (BEGINNING MAY 19).

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23
My Family and Me Under the Sea
 2-3pm at VPL
 A sea-worthy adventure with Ms. Amber & special guest Sharon Clarke. Books, music, laughs, & a craft. For kids 5th grade and under. No registration required.

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26
Craft with Me Under the Sea
 Tuesday, May 26: 4-6pm at VPL**
 Ocean-themed crafts: suncatchers, aqua bead art, and a watercolor sea creature painting. For kids in K- 5th grade. Pre-Registration is required.




30
Adopt-A-Unicorn Storytime
 Saturday, May 30 - 10:30am at MPL**
 Adopt a mini unicorn stuffie to take home, make a magic wand to train your unicorn, and hear some unicorn stories. For kids ages 2-7. Pre-registration is required.



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