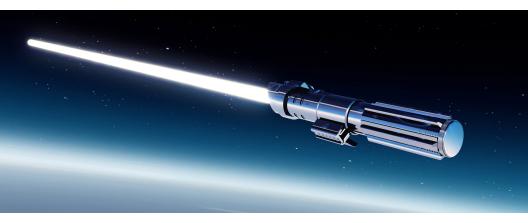
MAY 2021 | EVENTS & MORE









Library Information

Closures

Monday, May 31

*RSVP Required

See an asterisk beside an event you're interested in? This event requires an RSVP! Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar to let us know you'll attend. If you RSVP and can't attend, please let us know!

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Special Events & Exhibits

Art & Text: Artist as Storyteller

Now-May 17 Library Hours

Enjoy visual stories and the written word created by K–12 students in Laramie County School District #1. Art is located throughout all three floors of the library. (All Ages; All Floors)



The difference between a great library and an extraordinary library is not the buildings or the number of books, it's the service it provides. The Laramie County Library Foundation is an active group of citizens who believe so much in the Library's ability to make our community a better place that they give their time, expertise and resources to support it. They also inspire others to do the same.

Thank you to all of the donors who invest generously in the library. Visit **LaramieCountyLibrary.org/foundation** to see a list of our generous donors - and learn about opportunities to add your support.

Save the Date! Sunday, June 13, 2021 for a summer luncheon at the Metropolitan Downtown. Watch for details!

Kristi Wallin
Director, Laramie County Library Foundation







Summer Reading Challenge 2021: *Believe the imPAWsible!* May 21-August 16

Read for prizes in our annual Summer Reading Challenge! With ticket drawings, completion prizes, and events throughout the summer, it is sure to be a doggone good time! Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/summer-reading-challenge-2021

or scan the QR code to begin this year's Summer Reading adventure by registering for a Beanstack account or signing in with your existing account. Track your reading progress in Beanstack until you reach the final goal of 1200 minutes for the summer, then head to your local library in Cheyenne, Burns, Pine Bluffs, or the Bookmobile to claim your completion prize. (All Ages; All Branches)







May The 4th be with You!: Build Your Own Lightsaber*

Tuesday, May 4 Library Hours

The Force is strong with this one! Sign up to receive a DIY Lightsaber Kit to celebrate May the Fourth. Instructions will be included and an online tutorial will be available on the library website. This event is intended for kids in grades 3–12. Kits will be available for pick up on April 26th. Kits are limited so reserve yours online as soon as possible. May the Force be with you! (Grades 3–12; 2nd Floor)

Virtual Star Wars Original Trilogy Watch Party*

Tuesday, May 4 12–6:30pm

Join us via Zoom to watch all three of the original Star Wars movies. RSVP for the Zoom link, sit back, and enjoy a story from long ago in a galaxy far, far away...
(All Ages; Live via Zoom)



Virtual Brown Bag Book Club*

Thursdays: May 6, 20

6-7pm

Virtual Brown Bag Book Club will meet twice during the month of May. We will review the first half of the book on the 6th and the second half of the book on the 20th. Participants can pick up their book to check out on the 2nd floor of the library or by utilizing the library's curbside pick-up service, along with a "brown bag" with a dessert, drink, and an interactive activity! This month, we will be reading *The Egypt Game* by Zilpha Keatley Snyder.

Make sure you RSVP separately for the second session on May 20th. (Grades 4–6; Live via Zoom)

Book description: The first time Melanie Ross meets April Hall, she's not sure they'll have anything in common. But she soon discovers that they both love anything to do with ancient Egypt. When they stumble upon a deserted storage yard behind the A-Z Antiques and Curio Shop, Melanie and April decide it's the perfect spot for the Egypt game. Before long there are six Egyptians instead of two. After school and on weekends they all meet to wear costumes, hold ceremonies, and work on their secret code. Everyone thinks it's just a game until strange things begin happening to the players. Has the Egypt game gone too far?

Virtual Kindermusik®*

Saturday, May 8 10–10:30am

Join Laura Sutton from Rhythm & You for a fun time with books, music, and movement. Come to the 2nd floor of the library to pick up your free rhythm kit, or request one utilizing the library's curbside pick-up service to participate in all the fun!

(Ages 2–5; Live via Zoom)

Virtual Explorers Legion*

Saturday, May 15

4-5pm

Wish you could escape to another place? Want to explore the world without having to pack a bag? This is the club for you! We will be exploring the world's different places and cultures...virtually! Every month we will explore a new place, then we will meet to discuss the places we have visited. Don't forget to pick up your travel kit by stopping at the 2nd floor Ask Here Desk or by utilizing the library's curbside pick-up service. Kits will be available beginning May 8th. This event is recommended for elementary students in grades 3 through 6 and families with children ages 7 to 9. (Grades 3–6; Live via Zoom)

Virtual Choose Your Own Adventure Readaloud (CYOAR) Book Club*

Wednesday, May 19 6-7pm

Calling all adventurers! Join our club! This month we will be reading *Race Forever* by R.A. Montgomery. No need to read the book ahead of time, we will be reading and choosing our adventure together. Stop by the Ask Here desk on the 2nd floor of the library to pick up your interactive club activity bag (available beginning May 12th) and we will see you (virtually) on the 19th! (Children & Families; Live via Zoom)

Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff

Saturday, May 22 Library Hours

Summer Reading has begun! Join our Summer Reading Challenge Read-A-Thon to get started on your Summer Reading goal. As you read and complete activities, you will be able to earn minutes in your reading log. Stop by the 2nd floor Ask Here desk or use our curbside pick-up service to pick up your Read-A-Thon kit which will keep up your strength and endurance while reading. Read-A-Thon kits will be available May 21–May 22.

(Children & Families; 2nd Floor)

*RSVP REQUIRED

Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar or scan this QR code to RSVP for an event

and receive the Zoom link via email.



Early Literacy Classes

Each week, we will offer three chances to participate in an Early Literacy Class! A virtual class on

Tuesday at 10am, a virtual class on Thursday at 10am, and a pre-recorded session posted on Monday at 10am that you can watch at your convenience any time throughout the week. All virtual live classes require advanced RSVP through our events calendar. Just choose whichever session or format suits you and your family best!

Stop by the Ask Here desk on the 2nd floor to pick up a weekly craft packet and free rhythm kit to go along with the week's Early Literacy Classes whether you are joining us for the live version or the pre-recorded version!

Did you know?

All of our Early Literacy Classes follow a theme each week, so you can attend whichever session works best for your schedule!

Early Literacy Class Themes by Week:

May 3: Good Things to Eat May 10: A Day at the Beach May 17: Tails and Tales May 24: No Early Literacy Classes



Look for Elsie's paw print for all Early Literacy Class dates on the calendar grid, pages 7-8.

Virtual Pre-Recorded Early Literacy Class

Mondays: May 3, 10, 17 10–10:30am *can be watched at any time throughout the week

Join us for a pre-recorded interactive early literacy class. Practice new skills incorporating books, songs, rhymes, movement, and more! A new session is posted each Monday morning and will be available all week. Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/early-literacy-programming/ to participate. (Ages 18 Months–5 Years; Laramie County Library System Website)

Virtual Tales Together*

Tuesdays: May 4, 11, 18 Thursdays: May 6, 13, 20 10–10:30am

Join us for a live virtual Tales Together via Zoom! During this interactive Early Literacy Class we will practice new skills, incorporate books, songs, rhymes, movement, and more!
(Ages 18 Months – 5 Years; Live via Zoom)

Virtual Yoga Together*

Friday, May 21 10-10:30am

You don't need a Yoga mat to join in on this fun and different way of interacting with stories and books! Experience stretching, and fun with this special, virtual, live, early literacy class! (Children & Families; Live via Zoom)

Who are these mountain lion cubs and what are they doing in the library?

Elsie and Eddie are the early literacy mascots for Laramie County Library System. You'll see them around the library and sometimes around town! Wherever they are, they are helping to get young children ready to read!



*RSVP REQUIRED

Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar

or scan this QR code to RSVP for an event and receive the Zoom link via email.



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Adult Events

Virtual Teen Dungeons & Dragons*

Saturdays: May 1, 8, 15, 22 1-3pm

Role-playing adventure is just a click away. Join our Teen D&D online community and get started on creating a character today. You will receive the Discord invite link and information needed to create an account when you RSVP for the event online. (Teens; Live via Discord)



Don't have a Discord account yet?

No problem! Laramie County Library is now offering Discord Communities for teens to interact, chat, and play online. To participate, you will need a phone, tablet, or computer with internet connection and a Discord account.

Virtual Café Anime*

Wednesdays: May 5, 19 5-6pm

Connect with us on Discord to watch popular anime episodes and discuss them in the chat. Our Café community is growing and so are the activities. You will receive the Discord invite link and information needed to create an account when you RSVP for the event online. (Teens; Live via Discord)

Virtual Next Level Gaming*

Wednesdays: May 12, 26 5-6pm

Been itching for some Minecraft, Jackbox, or Twitch Plays: Pokémon? Join our Next Level community and help decide what we play together next. You will receive the Discord invite link and information needed to create an account when you RSVP for the event online. (Teens; Live via Discord)

*RSVP REQUIRED

Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar or scan this QR code

to RSVP for an event and receive the Zoom link via email.



Virtual Paint and Sip*

Thursday, May 20 6:30-8pm

Enjoy the company of fellow adults while learning to paint! Pick up your reserved painting kit at the 3rd floor Ask Here desk or via the library's curbside pick-up service and chill your favorite beverage for a creative evening of laid-back fun. We'll learn to paint a fun design together and sip the night away! Beginner and experienced painters welcome.

(Adults; Live via Zoom)

Virtual Jeopardy!®*

Friday, May 21 7-8pm

Think you've got what it takes to be a trivia champ? Join us for Jeopardy!® Battle for prizes and bragging rights! (Adults; Live via Zoom)

Did you know?

The library's Summer Reading Challenge: Believe the imPAWsible!, isn't just for kids.

Adults, teens and everyone in between can read for prizes, too! Use the Summer Reading platform Beanstack to write book reviews, keep track of the books you've read and so much more!

See page 2 for more details.



Virtual Book Discussion Group*

Tuesday, May 25 6-7pm

Join Laramie County Library for a Virtual Book Discussion Group! May's read will be My Sister, the Serial Killer by Oyinkan Braithwaite. RSVP for the event and come to the 3rd floor Ask Here desk to check out a copy of the book.

(Adults; Live via Zoom)

*RSVP REQUIRED

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and receive the Zoom link via email.



Genealogy Events

Library to Business Events

Virtual Preserving Your Family History*

Wednesday, May 12

3-4:30pm

Do you have old family photos or old newspaper clippings that you'd like to preserve? What should you do to care for the antique family Bible in your closet? Join us to learn how to preserve your genealogical research and family history documents.

(Adults; Live via Zoom)

*RSVP REQUIRED

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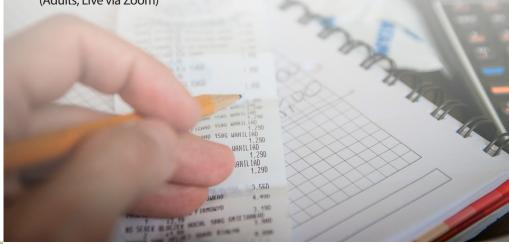
Time to get your garden growing! LaramieCountyLibrary.org/seed-library 11

Virtual Tax Refund Info: Earned Income Tax Credit*

Thursday, May 6

6-7pm

Jeri Hunter from the Wyoming Taxpayer Advocate Service will present an overview of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), which can help certain workers and families reduce their taxes and increase their refund amounts. We will cover the details of the EITC and help you determine whether you qualify. (Adults; Live via Zoom)



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Pine Bluffs Events

Moms are Marvelous Week

May 3-May 8 **Library Hours**

All week long you can pick up a craft packet with the supplies needed to create a pop-up tulip card for your mom, grandma, aunt, or any special someone. While you're here, check out the display of books featuring traditional and nontraditional roles of motherhood. (All Ages; Burns Branch Library)

Take It and Make It Mondays

Mondays: May 3, 10, 17, 24 **Library Hours**

Get crafty on Mondays! Visit the library to pick up a craft packet to take home and create a curled paper hyacinth bouquet; perfect to give to moms, a friend, or to brighten up a room. (All Ages; Burns Branch Library)

*RSVP REOUIRED

Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar

or scan this QR code to RSVP for an event and receive the Zoom link via email.



Virtual Dinner and a Book Club*

Tuesday, May 18 5:30-7pm

Go virtual with us! The book this month is Kitchens of the Great Midwest by J. Ryan Stradal. For more information, please call 307-547-2249 or visit with Burns Branch Library staff.

(Adults; Live via Zoom)

Virtual Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff: Go Wild for **BINGO!***

Thursday, May 20 5-6pm

We're kicking off our Summer Reading Challenge, Believe the imPAWsible! Join us for a wild hour of animal-themed BINGO to win prizes. After Bingo games, we will read The Baby BeeBee Bird and participate in a birdfeeder craft! Pick up Bingo and craft packets at the Burns Branch and also check out some PAWsome books to get you started on your summer reading goal. Upon request, arrangements can be made to pick up a packet at Laramie County Library or Pine Bluffs Branch (Children & Families; Live via Zoom)

Mother's Day Bouquet

May 4-May 8 **Library Hours**

Visit the library to pick up all the supplies you need to make colorful daisies, roses, tulips, and more!

(All Ages; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

Children's Book Week Superpower Challenge 2021

May 4-May 8 **Library Hours**

Celebrate the superpower of reading! Kids can earn badges while discovering a new passion or reaffirming a current interest. This challenge will involve activities divided into various categories from STEAM to social activism. Stop by the library for challenges, activities, and book lists.

(Ages 6–12; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

Virtual Pine Bluffs Book Club*

Saturday, May 15 11am-12pm

Join us on Zoom for our book club discussion of Indigo Girl by Natasha Boyd. Don't forget to pick up next month's title, Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger from the library (Adults; Live via Zoom)

Virtual Summer Reading Book Club*

Tuesday, May 18 4-5pm

Help us kick off our Summer Reading Book Club with The Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss and start out our summer scavenger adventure by finding books in the library and elsewhere throughout the community. (Ages 8–12; Live via Zoom)

Summer Reading Challenge Open House: Believe the ImPAWsible!

Friday, May 21 1-5pm

Join us at the Pine Bluffs Branch Library to kick off the 2021 Summer Reading Challenge with fun, games, crafts, and plenty of books to get your summer reading started! (All Ages; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

Events in both Burns and Pine Bluffs

Virtual Choose Your Own Adventure Readaloud (CYOAR) Book Club* Saturday, May 15

12:30-1:30pm

Ready for adventure? Join in our book club meeting! This month, we will be reading reading and choosing our adventure together! Drop in at the Burns or Pine Bluffs branch to pick up your interactive club activity bag before we meet virtually. (Children & Families; Live via Zoom)

Virtual STEAM Connections at Home* Friday, May 28

1-2pm

Have fun with a STEAM challenge each month that promotes creativity, building, and problem solving. The May challenge is to invent an original board game for your family to play. You are encouraged to finish the challenge and then join us for virtual STEAM kits can be picked up at the Burns Branch or Pine Bluffs Branch. (Grades 3–6 & Families: Live via Zoom)

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Locations & Hours

Cheyenne

2200 Pioneer Avenue Cheyenne, WY 82001-3610 307-634-3561 LaramieCountyLibrary.org

Hours:

 10:00am-9:00pm
 Monday-Thursday

 10:00am-6:00pm
 Friday, Saturday

 1:00pm-5:00pm
 Sunday

The Library Café Hours:

9am–2pm Monday–Friday Closed Saturday, Sunday

Burns

112 Main Street Burns, WY 82053 307-547-2249

LaramieCountyLibrary.org /branches/burns

Hours:

 1:00pm-5:00pm
 Monday

 10:00am-5:00pm
 Tuesday

 Closed
 Wednesday

 10:00am-7:00pm
 Thursday

 10:00am-5:00pm
 Friday

 9:00am-12:00pm
 Saturday

 Closed
 Sunday

Pine Bluffs

110 East 2nd Street Pine Bluffs, WY 82082 307-245-3646

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Monday

Hours: Closed

 10:00am-7:00pm
 Tuesday

 10:00am-5:00pm
 Wednesday-Thursday

 1:00pm-5:00pm
 Friday

 9:00am-12:00pm
 Saturday

 Closed
 Sunday

Bookmobile

307-773-7228

LaramieCountyLibrary.org /outreachservices

Note: Library facilities may close due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. If you are interested in attending an event or utilizing a service, please feel free to call your library branch or check the library website to ensure that everything is operating as scheduled.