



# Bon à Savoir

GOOD TO KNOW

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## Newsletter of the Terrebonne Parish Library System

Main | Bourg | Chauvin | Dulac | Dularge | East Houma | Gibson | Montegut | North

### 15th Annual | 3.3.18 JAMBALAYA Writers' Conference



The 15th annual Jambalaya Writers' Conference will be held **March 3, 2018** at the Main Library. Authors, poets, editors, and publishing professionals are slated to once again provide a day full of workshops, lectures, readings, and critiques for those in attendance.

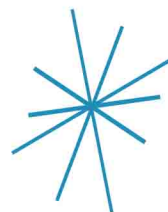
Registration opens December 1st! Visit [mytpl.org/jwc](http://mytpl.org/jwc) for more information.



### Friends CHOICE Book Sale

SAT, 12/2 from 9am - 5pm  
SUN, 12/3 from 2pm - 5pm

Gently used "like-new" books and more will be available at only \$1.50 an inch at Main Library. Great for Christmas gifts! All sales are used to provide quality library programming throughout the year.



### NOON YEAR'S EVE PARTY!

PreK - 3rd graders 12/29 @ 11am

Noon Year's Eve Party for PreK-3rd graders. Celebrate the New Year with noisemaker crafts, story time, music, and dancing.

### SHOWING OFF On the Bayou

12/4/17 | 7 pm | Dularge Branch

The public is invited to attend an art show featuring quilts, bead crafts, candle crafts, and other works completed during 2017 by patrons of the Dularge Branch Library.



### TARC BELL CHOIR



Main Library | 12/7 | 6:30pm

North Branch | 12/9 | 3pm

Members of the **TARC Bell Choir** will present an evening performance of Christmas music at the Main Library. As many as 300 individuals are served by the Music Therapy program offered by TARC to its clients. The Bell Choir of about 6 individuals is led by Karen Henderson. The members play their arrangements using Kodlay hand signals.

### ALL Terrebonne Parish libraries **CLOSED ON**

December 8 (staff meeting), 24, 25, & 26

December 31 & January 1

## MAIN

**FRI, 12/1 & 12/15 @ 4pm****Dancercize:** Work up a sweat at our all ages dance class!**FRI, 12/1 & 12/15 @ 4pm****YOGA Sessions:** Breathe in for a meditative experience with M Power Yoga Houma. Practice will be held out on our lawn or inside during inclement weather. Some mats will be provided, but supplies are limited.**Monday, 11/6 @ 11am & Tuesday, 11/28 @ 6:30pm****Tai Chi:** Alleviate stress and find your inner peace with Tai Chi instructor Mim Bergeron Beardslee.**SUN, 12/3, 12/10, & 12/17 @ 3pm****Holiday Movies****MON, 12/4 & 12/11 @ 6pm****The Vietnam War:** Movie Screening of the Ken Burns' Documentary Series. Made possible by the American Library Association.**Wednesday, 12/6 @ 7pm****Southern Writers' Workshop****THURS, 12/7 @ 4pm****YEAH! Book Club** Follow us on Facebook and tune in to our live-streaming book discussion. Leave comments, ask questions, laugh with us! This month we will read "Sing, Unburied, Sing" by Jesmyn Ward.**THURS, 12/7 @ 6pm****Homemade Holidays:** A presentation on the best resources for making handmade gifts and finding recipes.**SAT, 12/9 & 12/16 @ 9:15am****ACT Practice Test** (Registration Required)**SAT, 12/9 @ 11am****FiddleStitches** is an all-ages, all skill-level group of crocheters, knitters, and fiber artists.**MON, 12/11 @ 4pm****Any Book Book Club** Come talk about the books you are reading and learn about some new and upcoming titles.**MON, 12/11 @ 6pm****Adult Holiday Crafts****WED, 12/13 | MON, 12/18 @ 9:30am****What's Cooking Online?** A presentation of where to find cooking videos, blogs, and recipes to make your holiday feast brand new.**WED, 12/13 @ 6:30pm**Learn about the ancient **practice of Reiki**. Certified Reiki master teacher Cindy Lusco will introduce the ways Reiki can promote balance, positive energy, and deep relaxation in the lives of those who practice.**FRI, 12/15 @ 10am****Coffee and Coloring****MON, 12/18 @ 7pm****Career Cruising:** Learn about the Career Cruising database, which can help users decide on a profession by providing information on required training, education, work conditions and projected pay.**TUES, 12/19 @ 5pm****The Vietnam War: In Words and Pictures**

A monthly reading discussion facilitated by Dr. Paul Wilson and featuring several other NSU professors. The first meeting will be held at the Regional Military Museum Round Table Discussion and will give an overview of the Vietnam War. This program is made possible by the American Library Association.

**WED, 12/20 @ 9:30am - 10:30pm****Blogging Basics** Learn about what a blog is, why you might want to have one, how you can set one up, and how to make your blog a success. This class will focus on basics. Basic computer skills are required.**THURS, 12/21 & 12/22 @ 10am****Imagination Station** Spark your imagination, make new friends, and hear great stories! Join us for an hour of imaginative fun. This program is targeted towards adults with special needs or learning disabilities.**THURS, 12/27 @ 9:30am****Getting Started with Pinterest**

## DULAC

**Tuesdays @ 11:30am****Social Media 101****Fridays @ 11:30am****Community History Project:** We are collecting stories and photographs of the Grand Caillou and Dulac areas for a collaborative community history. Call 985-563-2014 for more information.**WED, 12/6 @ 11am****DIY Christmas Cards & Gift Tags****WED, 12/13 @ 12pm****Silhouette Cameo Lessons**

**BOURG**

**Friday, 12/1 @ 3pm**  
Scrapbooking Workshop

**TUES, 12/5 & THURS, 12/14 @ 1pm**  
Tablet How-to

**FRI, 12/15 @ 11am**  
The Young at Heart Group

**FRI, 12/22 @ 3pm**  
Painting Class

**MONTEGUT**

**Mondays @ 9:30am** 12/7, 14, 18, 19, 20, & 21  
Scrapbooking @ 9:30am Crafts

**NORTH**

**MON, 12/4 @ 4pm**  
Any Book Book Club

**SUN, 12/17 @ 2pm**  
Adult Coloring

**TUES, 12/12 @ 1pm & 6pm**  
Adult Craft

**SUN, 12/17 @ 2pm**  
B.Y.O.G.: Bring Your Own Game

**DULARGE**

**Tuesdays @ 10am**  
Oil Painting with Gail LeCompte Registration required.

**Wednesdays @ 1pm**  
Mexican Train Dominos

**Thursdays @ 10am**  
Sew/So Good Quilters Bring supplies needed for project and a covered dish to share.

**CHAUVIN**

**WED, 12/6 @ 1pm**  
Mexican Train Dominos

**THURS, 12/7 @ 1pm**  
Stitches Sewing Group

**GIBSON**

**TUES, 12/28 @ 12:30pm**  
Scrabble Club

**EAST HOUMA**

**Mondays @ 10am**  
Clip & Exchange Coupons & Recipes Program  
Bring your coupons and favorite recipes to share.

**Mondays @ 3:30pm**  
ZenSational Adult Coloring

**Wednesdays @ 6:30pm**  
Computer Q & A Have a computer and not quite sure how it works? Get your computer questions answered with this computer Q & A session. This class is for all skill levels (basic, intermediate, and proficient).

**Fridays @ 10am**  
Fitness Friday Low Impact Workout. Let's get moving! Water provided.

**SAT, 12/2 @ 2pm**  
Adult Plastic Canvas Workshop

**SAT, 12/1 @ 4pm**  
BINGO

**Tuesday, 12/5 @ 6:30pm**  
ESL "Ingles para Hispanohablantes" workshop  
La enseñanza de inglés como segundo idioma incluye instrucción en todas las habilidades del lenguaje - lectura, escritura, conversación

**SAT, 12/23 @ 4pm**  
Adult Craft

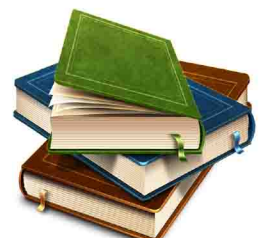


**ADULT BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

**MAIN LIBRARY**  
TUES @ 6:30pm  
12/5 *Real Santa* by William Hazelgrove

**DULARGE**  
MON @ 1:30pm  
12/11 *A Kights Christmas* by Carla Neggors

**EAST HOUMA**  
SAT @ 2pm  
12/23 *P.S. I Love You* by Cecelia Ahern





## MAIN



Sensory Story Time is a program designed to engage children ages 3-7. It is ideal for autism spectrum disorders, sensory integration challenges, or children who have difficulty sitting still. Space is limited and registration is required.

**Thursday, 12/7 @ 11am**

**Curso Básico de Inglés para Toda la Familia**



**Fridays, 12/1 & 15 @ 4pm**

**Dancercize**

Work up a sweat at our all ages dance class.

**SAT, 12/2 @ 11am & 3pm**

**Lego Robotics**

**SUN, 12/3 @ 3pm**

**Noise Makers Movement and Music**

Get your brain working and your body moving with fun music and movement activities that help build emergent reading skills.

**WED 12/6 | WED 12/20 | FRI 12/22 @ 4pm**

**Pokémon Gym** Meet other Pokémon fans & have fun. Bring your cards to build decks, trade, & battle.

**Crafternoons!**

**THURS, 12/7 @ 4pm** Winter Landscapes PreK-6th

**THURS, 12/14 @ 4pm** Paper Snowman PreK-6th

**THURS, 12/21 @ 4pm** Pony Bead Snowflakes PreK-6th

**THURS, 12/28 @ 4pm** Firework Painting PreK-6th

**SAT, 12/9 @ 11am**

**The FiddleStitches** is an all-ages, all skill-level group of crocheters, knitters, and fiber artists.

**SUN, 12/10 @ 3pm**

**Game Day for All Ages**

Join us for an hour of gaming fun. Choose from one of the library's board games or card games or bring your own to share.

**SAT, 12/16 @ 11am & 3pm**

**Lego Club for all ages**

**SUN, 12/17 @ 3pm**

**CREATE**

Join us for Create! an open-ended art lesson and craft. Each month we pick a new medium. Folks of all ages are welcome to join. This month we will be working with ancient Greek art.

**SAT, 12/23 @ 11am**

**MoboRobo: Robots on the Go!** Robotics Lab for PreK and up. Learn how to build robots, complete robotics challenges and more with our cubelet robots. This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. (Registration is required.)

**SUN, 12/20 @ 3pm**

**Family Movie Matinee: Cars 3 [G]**

## BOURG

**WED, 12/13 @ 3pm**

**Holiday Card Workshop for All Ages**

## MONTEGUT

**Mondays, 12/4 & 12/11 @ 1pm**

**Tiny Tots: Story Time**

**12/7, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, & 28 @ 3pm**  
**Crafts**

## ////// DULARGE ////

**TUES, 12/11 @ 4:30pm**  
I Care Reading Program for PreK

**MON, 12/18 @ 4:30pm**  
Story/Craft Time

**Fridays @ 4pm**  
Lego Club

## ////// EAST HOUMA ////

**SAT, 12/2 @ 10am**  
Family Story/Craft Time

**SAT, 12/16 @ 10am**  
Lego Mania

**SAT, 12/30 @ 10am**  
Science Saturday!

## ////// GIBSON ////

**WED, 12/13**  
**@ 11:30am** "It's a Wrap" Story/Craft  
**@ 12:00am** Holiday Tree Story/Craft  
**@ 2pm** "It's a Wrap" Story/Craft  
**@ 2:30pm** Gingerbread Man Story/  
**All Month** Make & Take Craft

## ////// CHAUVIN ////

**TUES, 12/5 @ 3:30pm**  
Lollipop Reindeer Craft

**TUES, 12/12 @ 3:30pm**  
Lego Club

### All Month

**Treasure Box:** Kids that check out and read 5 books will be able to pick out of our Treasure Box.

## ////// DULAC ////

**Wednesdays @ 3:30pm**  
STEM Challenges

**WED, 12/20 @ 1pm**  
**Pancakes & Pajamas:** Join us for a special holiday story time, hot chocolate, and ornament craft. Wear your PJ's!

**THURS, 12/21 @ 1pm**  
**Winter Solstice STEM Challenges:** Build a paper Christmas Tree, conduct a science experiment with tinsel, and more!!

### All Month

**Letters to Santa:** Get help writing a letter to Santa, put it in the library's special mailbox, and Santa will reply before Christmas!

## ////// NORTH ////

**SAT, 12/2 @ 1pm**  
STEAM Saturday

**TUES, 12/5 @ 6pm**  
Family Christmas Tree Craft

**SAT, 12/16 @ 3pm**  
Lego Robotics

**MON, 12/18 @ 6pm**  
Milk & Cookies with Santa!

**THURS, 12/21 @ 6pm**  
Little Ones Story/Craft Time

**FRI, 12/29 @ 4pm**  
Lego Club



Programs at all libraries may require registration. Please call ahead.



### MAIN LIBRARY

*Mondays*

**Toddler Story Time @ 10am**  
for 19 months to 3 years  
**Toddler Story Time @ 6pm**  
for 19 months to 3 years

*Tuesdays*

**Babygarten @ 10am**  
for newborns to 18 months  
**Family Story Time @ 6pm**  
for 4-8 year olds

*Wednesdays*

**PreK Story Time @ 10am**

*Thursdays*

**Toddler Story Time @ 2pm**

### BOURG

*Wednesdays, 12/6 & 20*

**Toddler Time @ 10am**

### DULAC

*Tuesdays*

**Toddler Tales @ 11:30am**

### EAST HOUMA

*Wednesdays*

**Peek-a-Boo Readers @ 10am**  
for newborns to 18 months

### NORTH

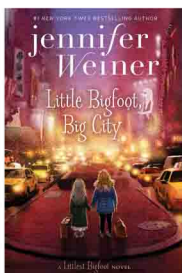
*Wednesdays*

**Toddler Story Time @ 10am**  
for 18 months to 3 years

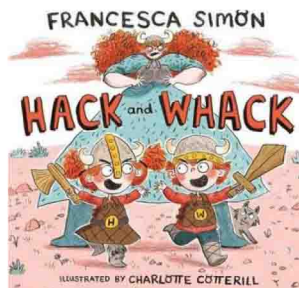
*Thursdays*

**Peek-a-Boo Readers @ 10am**  
for newborns to 18 months

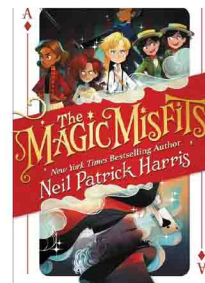
## NEW BOOKS FOR CHILDREN!



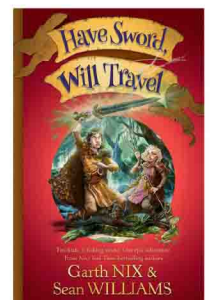
**Little Bigfoot, Big City**  
by Jennifer Weiner



**Hack and Whack**  
by Francesca Simon



**The Magic Misfits**  
by Neil Patrick Harris



**Have Sword Will Travel**  
by Garth Nix and Sean Williams

# NEW COMPUTER CLASSES

for the Holiday Season

## Homemade Holidays

**Thursday, December 7 | 6-7 PM | Main Library Computer Lab**

Looking for a way to add your personal touch to this holiday season? Are you trying to save money, while still giving a homemade gift that friends and family will truly enjoy? Join us for this fun computer class, where we will showcase a handful of thoughtful, easy DIY gifts and decor. We will also discuss websites you can use for DIY inspiration throughout the year. Basic computer skills are helpful, but not required for this class.

## What's Cooking online?

**Wednesday, December 13 & Monday, December 18  
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | Main Library Computer Lab**

Spice up your life with this all-new computer class, where you'll learn how to navigate a selection of free resources to expand your culinary horizons. The internet is a virtually endless world of possibilities when it comes to learning and sharing new recipes. In this class, we will review several sites where you can learn techniques, recipes, and join communities of other cooking enthusiasts. Learn how to save and share your own recipes with family and friends. Basic computer skills are helpful, but not required for this class.

## Blogging Basics

**Wednesday, December 20  
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | Main Library Computer Lab**

Do you have a story to share? Are you looking for a way to bring together a community of like-minded people to discuss your interests? Are you simply curious about how blogging works? Join us for a beginner's introduction to blogging. We will discuss types of blogs, best practices, and ways to set up your own blog for free. Basic computer skills are required. If you would like to set up your own blog during the class, you will need access to your own email account.

## Getting Started with Pinterest

**Wednesday, December 27  
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | Main Library Computer Lab**

Join us for an introduction to Pinterest. Pinterest is a visual way to bookmark and share millions of craft ideas, recipes, helpful hints, and so much more. In this class, you will learn how to create boards and "pin" your favorite ideas. We will explore Pinterest boards for celebrities, TV networks, magazines, and popular websites. If you would like to set up your own Pinterest account during the class, you will need access to your own email account.

## ////// MAIN ////

Fridays, 12/1 &amp; 15 @ 4pm



Thursdays @ 6:30



THURS, 12/7

THURS, 12/21

SAT, 12/9 @ 11am

THURS, 12/14 @ 6:30pm  
Writers Unite!

SUN, 12/17 @ 3pm

SAT, 12/23 @ 11am  
MoboRobo

SAT, 12/23 @ 3pm

Teen Anime and Manga Club

Teen Anime and Manga Club for grades 7th-12th. Do you love anime and manga? Want to meet more people your age who love it, too? Come watch some of the newest anime as they're released in Japan.

## ////// NORTH ////

MON, 12/4, 11, & 18 @ 6pm  
Chess ClubTUES, 12/5 @ 4pm  
Teen Any Book Book ClubTHURS, 12/7 @ 6pm  
Teen Gaming NightWED, 12/13 @ 3pm  
Teen DIY Craft

THURS, 12/14 @ 6pm

FRI, 12/15 @ 4pm  
Teen Writers Group

## ////// MONTEGUT ////

Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 3pm  
CraftsFridays @ 3pm  
PuzzleMania

## ////// DULAC ////

Thursdays @ 4pm  
**Research Paper Tips & Tricks**  
Learn how to research, organize an outline, and type your research paper using Microsoft Word.

WED, 12/6 @ 4pm  
DIY Christmas Gift: Bath Bombs

## ////// BOURG ////

WED, 12/13 @ 3pm  
Holiday Card WorkshopWED, 12/20 @ 1pm  
Hot Cocoa & Movie

## ////// DULARGE ////

Fridays @ 3:30pm  
Craft/Lego Time

## ////// EAST HOUMA ////

SAT, 12/9 @ 2pm  
Teen ColoringSAT, 12/30 @ 2pm  
Teen Book Discussion  
*Wintergirls* by Laurie Halse Anderson

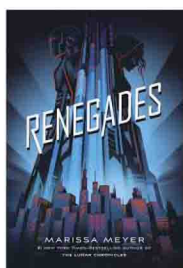
## ////// GIBSON ////

TUES, 12/12 @ 3:15pm  
Holiday Necklace Craft

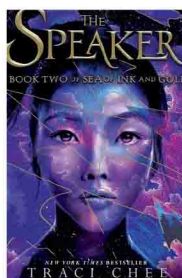
## ////// CHAUVIN ////

TUES, 12/5 @ 3:30pm  
Holiday Ornament Craft

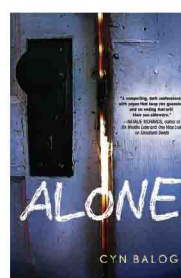
## NEW in TEEN fiction



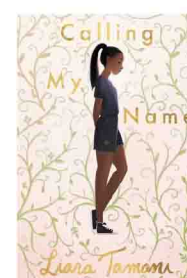
**Renegades**  
by Marissa Meyer



**The Speaker**  
by Traci Chee



**Alone**  
by Cyn Balog



**Calling My Name**  
by Liara Tamani

## LIBRARY DIRECTORY

**MAIN LIBRARY** 876-5861  
151 Library Drive  
**Reference** 876-1733  
MON - THURS 9 am - 9 pm  
FRI & SAT 9 am - 6 pm  
SUN 2 pm - 6 pm

**BOURG BRANCH** 594-4717  
4405 St. Andrew St.  
MON - THURS 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
FRI 9 am - 5 pm

**CHAUVIN BRANCH** 594-9771  
5500 Hwy. 56  
MON - THURS 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
FRI 9 am - 5 pm

**DULARGE BRANCH** 851-1752  
837 Bayou Dularge Rd.  
MON - THURS 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
FRI 9 am - 5 pm

**EAST HOUMA BRANCH** 876-7072  
778 Grand Caillou Rd.  
MON - THURS 9 am - 9 pm  
FRI & SAT 9 am - 6 pm

**GIBSON BRANCH** 575-2639  
6400 Bayou Black Drive  
MON - THURS 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
FRI 9 am - 5 pm

**DULAC BRANCH** 563-2014  
200 Badou Dr.  
MON - THURS 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
FRI 9 am - 5 pm

**MONTEGUT BRANCH** 594-4390  
1135 Hwy. 55  
MON - THURS 9:30 am - 5:30 pm  
FRI 9 am - 5 pm

**NORTH BRANCH** 868-3050  
4130 West Park Ave.  
MON - THURS 9 am - 9 pm  
FRI & SAT 9 am - 6 pm  
SUN 2 pm - 6 pm

# Staff SPOTLIGHT

## Amy Riche' North Branch Manager



### How long have you worked for TPLS?

Approximately 78 days and 7 hours. Although it sounds like I'm counting the minutes, time has actually flown by since I started in September.

### What do you love most about the library?

I love that we have the opportunity to impact lives every single day. I've had people burst into tears of joy when they are able to accomplish what they need with my help. ALA had a slogan many years ago, "Libraries Change Lives," and we see this in action all the time. We're very fortunate to play a role, big or small, in making someone smile, keeping them safe, or changing the direction of a life. We provide a listening ear for those who really need it. We never know where someone is in his/her life, and I remind myself of the potential I have every day.

### If you could choose any fictional character to have dinner with, who would it be and why?

Oh, I'm a classics girl! If I can't have an entire dinner party full of English heroines and American pioneers, I'll narrow it down to Betsy Ray and Tacy Kelly from the Betsy-Tacy series by Maud Hart Lovelace.

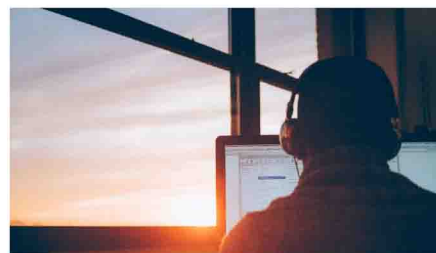
### Can you tell us a few of your favorite holiday traditions?

My heritage is Scandinavian and Polish. While there aren't a lot of Norwegians and Poles strolling the streets of Houma, there are many of us in Minnesota from where I recently moved. Many of my traditions have been handed down through the years and most involve food. I'm a baker, so I'm in the kitchen creating krumkake, Russian teacakes, pies and breads. I also make tons of caramels, which I pronounce CAR-mul but which everyone down here tells me is actually CARE-ah-mel. Sigh... I have so much to learn!

### You've been good this year! What book do you hope is waiting for you in your stocking?

This has been such a crazy busy year for me that I am way behind in my reading. I enjoy perusing the "best of" lists at the end of the year and would be happy with any of the 2017 highlights. That, or a signed first edition, dust jacket in-tact Betsy-Tacy book. They are very hard to come by and not cheap!

## FREE COMPUTER CLASSES // Main Library



MON, 12/4 @ 7 - 8:30pm: Intro to Excel

TUES, 12/5 @ 9:30 - 11:30am: Computer Basics

WED, 12/6 @ 9:30 - 11:30am: Intro to PowerPoint

THURS, 12/7 @ 9:30 - 11:30am: Intro to Microsoft Word

TUES, 12/12 @ 9:30 - 11:30am: Email Basics

THURS, 12/14 @ 9:30 - 11:30am: Internet Basics