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Friends of the Library Board Meetings

Crewe:

1st Thursdays, 4-5pm
(bi-monthly)

Blackstone:

3rd Tuesdays, 4-5pm

The Friends of the Library are non-profit, volunteer organizations which work to support the Nottoway County Public Libraries. They raise funds for library improvements and programs and gladly welcome new members.

The Nottoway County Public Library offers a wide selection of **eBooks and digital magazines**. These are available to download through the website at www.nottlib.org



The Information Junction



Celebrate Earth Day with Us throughout the month of April

This year, we're not celebrating Earth Day just once during the month... instead, after Spring Break, Ms Melissa has a variety of activities planned each week in April.

First, you'll have the chance to bring the kiddos and help - or simply watch - them **make bug hotels** using recycled water bottles, twigs, and other objects. Give it a try in Blackstone (**Tues. 4/9** from 12-3), in Crewe (**Wed. 4/10** from 5-8) or in Burkeville (**Thurs. 4/11** from 1-4).

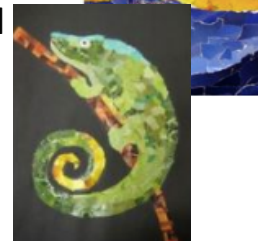
The following week, you'll have a chance to re-purpose old magazines to make new works of art. Join Ms Melissa at whichever time and location best suits your schedule, and let your artistic side have a little fun! She'll be making **magazine mosaics** on **Wed. April 17** in Crewe (from 5-8), on **Thurs. April 18** in Burkeville (from 1-4), and on **Sat. April 20** in Blackstone (from 11-2)

Officially speaking, Earth Day is April 22, and we'll be celebrating with activities throughout that week, too. Bring the kiddos and come see Ms. Melissa and learn how to turn toilet tissue into seed paper for use in your home garden. Give it a try in Blackstone (**Tues. 4/23** from 12-3), in Crewe (**Wed. 4/24** from 5-8) or in Burkeville (**Thurs. 4/25** from 1-4).

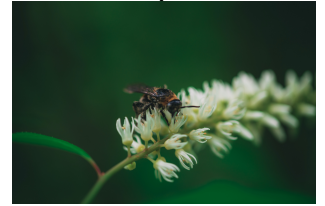
If your unable to make it to one or more of these programs, don't worry - you'll have one more chance to try some Earth Day - or Month - activities. **Each of these activities will be available at the Crewe Library on Saturday, April 27 from 11-2. Free seeds, seedlings, and more will be available for you to take home (while supplies last).**

Seed Library is "Open for Business"

While it might have taken somewhat longer that expected, we're quite pleased to say that our Seed Library is ready and **waiting for you at the Crewe branch**. Seed Libraries use the same idea as Little Free Libraries... simply **take what seeds you need** (most are already packaged and ready to go) and **leave any excess seeds you have** for others to take. If you're sharing your leftover seeds, please leave them either in their original packaging or in a labeled envelope.



What's Next?



www.nottlib.org

Locations

BLACKSTONE Library
Demetrius Nelson, Manager
434-292-3587
415 South Main Street

Sun	closed
Mon	closed
Tue	12-6
Wed	12-6
Thur	12-6
Fri	10-2
Sat	10-2

BURKEVILLE Library
Agnes McCormick, Manager
434-767-5555
224 W Nunnally St

Sun	closed
Mon	closed
Tue	9:30-5
Wed	closed
Thur	9:30-5
Fri	10-2
Sat	9-12

CREWE Library
Susan Howe, Manager
434-645-8688
414 Tyler Street

Sun	closed
Mon/Thur	10-6
Tue	10-8
Wed	10-8
Thur	10-6
Fri	closed
Sat	10-2

Administration

Jacqueline Zataweski,
Director

Demetrius Nelson,
IT Tech

More Ways to Celebrate Earth Day

Like last year, we are again welcoming the donation of any socks you'd like to share. They will be sent to a recycling program, so there's no need to worry about whether they have holes, have lost their mates, or just aren't trendy! **Bring your clean, used socks** to the final Earth Day event at the Crewe Library on **Saturday, April 27** and they'll be sent off to find new life in a different form.



Consider composting! World-wide, nearly half of the solid waste produced is organic or biodegradable, meaning it can decompose in a few weeks or months. If you'd like more information about how to get started, your library has books available both in print and in eBook form.



Bring your alkaline batteries to the the Crewe Library on **Saturday, April 27** - or before, if you can't wait - and we'll add them to our bucket. Once the bucket is full (it holds up to 10 pounds), we'll make sure they are disposed of responsibly.

Pick up a **free aluminum water bottle** at the Crewe library. Like the sock collection and battery recycling, this giveaway, too, will take place on **Saturday, April 27 and is while supplies last**. Why use such a water bottle? Because globally, we produce about **310 million tons of plastic each year**. That is 83 pounds per person, and plastic production is expected to quadruple by the year 2050!



Visit a VA State Park! Pocahontas and Powhatan, Sailors Creek and Bear Creek, Twin Lakes and High Bridge - each one of these parks, and many others has Earth Day events scheduled. Visit the State Parks website to learn more.

New Items in Our Collection

Some recent – and upcoming – items include:

