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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.

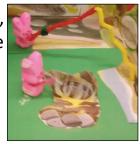
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Public Library offers a
wide selection of eBooks
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website at
www.nottlib.org

The Information Junction



Spring is Here...and So Are Peeps!

We know you're not supposed to play with your food, but sometimes you just can't resist...especially when the "food" in question is those marshmallow peeps. A few years back, we visited Crewe Primary after school and the students used peeps to create dioramas like this —> based on books.





https://apolloafterschool.com/ learning-with-marshmallow-peeps/

This month, Ms Melissa has other plans for those peeps...they're going "sky diving"! Well, maybe not sky diving exactly, You'll have three tries to design a 'chute that lets your peep have a slow fall and gentle landing into the target zone. You have two chances to show off your engineering skills, both at Crewe - Wednesday, April 16 (5-8pm) or on Thursday, April 17 (4-6pm).

Third Annual Earth Day Event

Join us on Friday, April 25 from 6-8pm to enjoy some earth-friendly activities for all ages. Free seeds, seedlings, and more will be available for you to take home (while supplies last), and all who attend will be entered into a drawing for a Stanley Quick Flip Water Bottle.

Officially speaking, Earth Day is Tuesday, April 22, and we plan to start the celebration on that day with a **water cycle craft**. Bring the kiddos and come see Ms. Melissa to discover what it's all about. Join her on Tuesday, April 22 in **Blackstone** (from 2-6), on Wednesday, April 23 in **Crewe** (from 2-8), or on Thursday, April 24 in **Burkeville** (from 11-3) or in Crewe (from 3:15-6).

Friday evening, we will offer a variety of activities for a range of ages and abilities. You'll have the chance to build a bird feeder out of craft sticks, learn how to make planters out of newspaper, make a pressed floral bookmark and more! We will have information about local parks and other agencies, and...dirt! Dirt cake, that is, complete with everyone's favorite species of worm (gummy). Mark your calendar and join us at the

Crewe branch for this FREE event!



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	10-6
Tue	10-8
Wed	10-8
Thur	10-6
Fri	closed
Sat	10-2

Administration

Jacqueline Zataweski, Director

Demetrius Nelson, IT Tech

Don't Forget to Recycle!



Cardboard can make a great barrier to prevent weeds from coming up in your garden, but remember...if you can't re-purpose it, you can always recycle. **STEPS, Inc.** in Farmville accepts cardboard for recycling - just bundle it up and drop it off at the center on **Industrial Park Road.**

Closer to home, we continue to collect alkaline **batteries for recycling** at the Crewe Library. Bring them when you come to the Earth Day event or before, if you can't wait - and we'll add them to our bucket so that they'll be disposed of responsibly.

IMLS? What's That?

It's possible that you've heard of the IMLS before. IMLS is the acronym for the **Institute of Museum** and Library Services, and on March 14, the IMLS was one of seven agencies named in an executive order, instructed to reduce the performance of their functions and personnel to the minimum presence and function required by law. On March 31, all IMLS staff were placed on administrative leave.



What does the IMLS do for you? Through its grants to states, the IMLS does quite a lot. These funds provide statewide access to Gale in Context & Gale Legal Forms, to Brainfuse's HelpNow, JobNow, & VetNow, and to Universal Class and Transparent Language. It was also IMLS funding that provided nature backpacks and state park (parking) passes, and it is these funds that provides access to thousands of digital magazines through the Magzter platform. All of these resources are now at risk.

New Items in Our Collection

Some recent – and upcoming – items include:





