Alamance County Public Library News Releases for April 2022. All library programs are free and open to the public.

April 1 – April 30

Alamance County Public Libraries – all locations. Success Closet Clothing Drive. Our libraries are currently collecting clean, gently used, adult men's and women's clothing and shoes that would be suitable for job interviews. This is in anticipation of having a 'Success Closet' at the Graham Public Library in May. Individuals needing professional clothing for interviews will be able to come to the program and select items free of charge to help them present a professional appearance during their job search. For more information, call (336) 570-5730.

May Memorial Library. Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2-12. Drop by during library hours for a self-led scavenger hunt! Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change every other week. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Colors Scavenger Hunt. For children pre-school -5^{th} grade. Visit the front desk to participate in this scavenger hunt that is all about colors! Any child who completes the hunt will receive a small prize. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Scavenger Hunt. For ages 2 – 5 and their caregivers. Drop by during library hours for self-led scavenger hunts designed to promote learning through observation, exploration, and play. Participants will earn a small prize for each completed scavenger hunt, and the scavenger hunt challenges will change weekly. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. Butterfly Science Corner. During library hours. For preschool - 5th graders. Witness the stages of a butterfly's life cycle, pick up fun and educational take-home activities, and enter our butterfly naming contest! For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. Spring Scavenger Hunt. For K – 6th graders. Celebrate Spring with fun facts about animals, plants and more! See the Children's Desk to get started and receive a small prize when you're done. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

North Park Library. Take and Makes. Pick up a packet of activities to take home and enjoy. This month's activities will be based on SCIENCE in celebration of the NC Science Festival. It will be full of at-home experiments, activities, crafts, and more. To get your packet, come into the library starting on the 4th. Available only while supplies last. For more information call (336) 226-7185.

Alamance County Public Libraries. NC Science Festival Month of Science! Registered participants will receive an email every day during the month of April with a video message from a local scientist or science enthusiast with a simple science activity to do with items found at home. You will explore different kinds of science and see what activates your electrons! A

calendar will help guide the participants through science experiments, crafts, and games. We will kick off the event with a Zoom program on April 1st! The month culminates with a backyard campout on April 30th where we will host activities throughout the night like star hunts, campfire building, and smores. This year we are partnering with Eastern Alamance High School and more to showcase the many different kinds of science in the comfort of your home or backyard. There will also be opportunities to meet up on Saturdays with around-town activities! For more information call (336) 226-7185.

April 1

May Memorial Library. Stuffed Animal Sleepover. For families. Have your favorite stuffed friend come spend the night at the library! Drop off your friend any time before 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 1st for a fun night filled with activities. Pick up your friend on Saturday, April 2nd at 10:00 a.m. and enjoy a storytime telling of all the fun your stuffed friends had! For more information, contact Amanda Shoop at ashoop@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

Week of April 4

May Memorial Library. Teen Take and Make Craft Kits! For 6th - 12th graders. Looking for a fun project to do at home? Check out our new monthly Take and Make Craft Kits for teens and tweens! This month we're making DIY Stickers! Kits are limited, so contact May Memorial at (336) 229-3588 for pickup dates and times.

Graham Public Library. Rain Sticks – Elementary Take and Make. For grades K-5. Make some noise for our rain stick craft project! Use everyday objects to mimic the sound of falling rain for fun, whatever the weather. Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

April 5

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Yoga Storytime. 11:00 a.m. For ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Breathe and bend with stories, rhymes, and songs on the library's front lawn. Please bring a towel or mat with you and wear comfortable clothing for the program. Registration is required and space is limited. The rain date for this program is April 7^{th} . To register or for more information, email Amy at asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. Spring Wreath Workshop. Noon. For adults. Welcome spring with a festive wreath to display on your front door or anywhere in your home. All materials will be provided. Registration for this workshop is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Family Storytime. 1:00 p.m. For children ages 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program outdoors filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. This week's theme is "Rain, Rain, Go Away." For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Device Drop-In. 3:00 p.m. Drop-in for help with devices, apps, technology, and library-related questions. No registration required! Staff will be available in the Local History Room. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Spring Wreath Workshop. 6:00 p.m. For adults. Welcome spring with a festive wreath to display on your front door or anywhere in your home. All materials will be provided. Registration for this workshop is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

April 6

Burlington Food Hall, 268 E. Front Street, Burlington. Burlington Reads Book Club. Noon. For adults. Join us for a new adult book club. Each month, we will read and discuss a non-fiction book that covers an issue that affects the Burlington community. This month, we will be discussing *Love Where You Live: Creating Emotionally Engaging Places* by Peter Kageyama. Copies of the title are available for checkout out May Memorial Library. For more information, email agramley@alamancelibraries.org.

April 8

North Park Library. North Carolina Star Party at Three College Observatory. 8:00 p.m. Registration required. Only 50 spots available. Join us for a night under the stars! We will have activities, binoculars, small telescopes, and everyone will be able to view space through one of the largest telescopes in the southeast! Participants will leave with a swag bag of solar science. For more information call (336) 226-7185.

April 9

May Memorial Library. K-5 Make & Takes. All Day. Ages 5–12. Looking for a fun activity? Check out our Make and Takes! Drop by during library hours and make a craft, then take it home and show it off! We'll be making plastic egg-toss games! For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

North Park Library. Storywalk Anniversary. 1:00-3:00 p.m. North Park has been serving the community with a storywalk for six years now! Come out to enjoy the storywalk and for fun activities around the walk while you read this month's story, *Hair Love!* by Matthew Cherry. For more information call (336) 226-7185.

Week of April 11

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Take and Makes. For ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Pick up our preschool craft kits designed to encourage self-expression, build fine motor skills, and promote active play! Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. Elementary Take and Makes! For K – 5th graders. Celebrate National Poetry Month with this hands-on take and make packet! Packets are available on a first come, first served basis while supplies last. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. Teen Take and Make Kits. For 6th – 12th graders. Check out our monthly Take and Make Kits for teens and tweens for a fun project you can do at home! This month, celebrate spring with a mini herb garden and seed bomb kit! Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

April 11

Graham Public Library. Crayon Melt Art – Teen Take and Make. For grades 6th – 12th. Release the rainbow with our crayon melt art kit! Our kits contain an outline of North Carolina for use, but you can think outside the box as well to make this craft your very own. Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

May Memorial Library. Lunch Bunch Book Club. 12:00 p.m. For adults. All are welcome! This month, our book club will be discussing *So Happiness to Meet You* by Karin Esterhammer. Copies are available for pick up at May Memorial Library. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Dragon Readers Book Club – I Hate Zoom! Virtual Program. 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Elementary students from 1st -3rd grade are invited to release their frustration together, learning to express their emotions, explore coping mechanisms, and send letters to the library. Registration is required to obtain the Zoom link. To register or for more questions, call (336) 570-6730.

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.) Meeting. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. Earn volunteer hours and help shape future of teen and tween programs at your library! During this Zoom meeting we'll make tiny terrariums! Space is limited and registration is required. Participants must register by April 8th to receive the terrarium kit needed for the meeting. To register or for more information, email treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

April 12

North Park Library. D.E.A.R. Day. All-day. For National Library Week we are celebrating the best day of the week - Drop Everything and Read Day. Come into the library where you will find pillows and books galore to drop everything and read! We will also be providing tea and coffee, but not around the books! For more information please call (336) 226-7185.

May Memorial Library. Family Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program outdoors filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. This week's theme is "Bunnies." For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Device Drop-In. 3:00 p.m. Drop-in for help with devices, apps, technology, and library-related questions. No registration required! Staff will be available in the Local History Room. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. LEGO® Buddies. 4:00-6:00 p.m. For K – 5th graders. Love LEGO®? Love stories? Become a LEGO® Buddy by joining this interactive book & building club for elementary school kids! Ms. Samantha will share a surprise story and a building challenge over Zoom, then participants will have time to build their LEGO® creations off-screen. In a second Zoom meeting, participants can share their creations with the group! To register for the program or for more information, email shunter@alamancelibraries.org.

April 13

North Park Library. Scrabble Day. All-day. Come out for a game of scrabble or work on our community Scrabble Game. For more information, call (336) 226-7185.

April 15

All branches of the Alamance County Public Libraries will be closed in recognition of Good Friday.

April 18 – 22

North Park Library. Spring Break Week. 1:00-3:00 p.m. We will have science activities each day for you to enjoy. Experience simple science with hands-on experiments, science-based crafts, and games. For more information, call (336) 226-7185.

April 18 – 23

Graham Public Library. Lava Bead Bracelet – Adult Take and Make. For ages 16 and up. This kit will have everything you need to make a fashionable black lava bead bracelet with a turquoise accent bead. Information is included as to how this bracelet can also be scented using your favorite essential oil or fragrance! Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

April 19

Mebane Public Library. Move to the Music. 11:00 a.m. For children ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Gather on the library's lawn for a morning of dancing and music-making! Children will have an opportunity to move creatively, play instruments, and explore music through active play. Please bring a towel or blanket with you and wear comfortable clothing for the program. The rain date for this program is April 22nd. Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, email Tampa at treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. Family Storytime. 1:00 p.m. For children ages 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program outdoors filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. This week's theme is "Rhyming." For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Device Drop-In. 3:00 p.m. Drop-in for help with devices, apps, technology, and library-related questions. No registration required! Staff will be available in the Local History Room. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

April 20

Mebane Historical Museum. Noonday Book Club. 12:00 p.m. For adults. All are welcome. This month, our book club will be discussing *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin. Copies are available for pick up at the Mebane Public Library. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. Awesome Readers. 4:30 p.m. For 3rd – 5th graders. Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders! This is a virtual book club just for you! Each month we meet over Zoom to talk about a selected book and do activities based on the title. This month's book selection is *The Fourteenth Goldfish* by Jennifer L. Holm. To register for the program or for more information, email asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

The Mini Dingo, 111 E Front Street, Burlington. PRISM Book Club. 6:30 p.m. For adults. Everyone is welcome to join PRISM (People Reading Inclusive Stories Meeting) Book Club! This month's selection is *Giovanni's Room* by James Baldwin. Copies of the book are available for pickup at May Memorial Library. For more information, email ehill@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

April 21

May Memorial Library. The Page Turners' Book Club. 4:30 p.m. A storytime for K – 2nd graders. Calling all Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders! This is a book club just for you. Each month we will read a book together and then do activities based on that book. This month's selections are *Straw* and *Chopsticks* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal. To register for the program or for more information, call (336) 229-3588, or email ashoop@alamancelibraries.org.

April 22

May Memorial Library. Earth Day Crafts! All Day. Ages 5–12. Looking for a fun Earth Day activity? Come use your imagination to make a recycled craft! This is a floating event. Just show up and have some creative fun! Contact May Memorial Library at (336) 229-3588 for more details.

Mebane Public Library. Paint and Plant Crafternoon. 4:30 p.m. For $K-5^{th}$ graders and their caregivers. Celebrate Earth Day on the library lawn with some creative gardening fun! Participants will decorate terracotta planters, make planters from recycled materials, and plant

seeds and seedlings to take home and watch grow. All supplies will be provided, but blankets, towels, or camping chairs are recommended for seating in the lawn space. Registration is required and space is limited. In the event of rain, registrants can pick up a "Rainy Day" kit to take home. To reserve your spot, or for more information, email treese@alamancelibraries.org or call (919) 563-6431.

April 23

May Memorial Library. Family Make & Takes. All Day. Ages 5–12. Looking for a fun activity? Check out our Make and Takes! Drop by during library hours and make a craft, then take it home and show it off! We'll be making egg carton crafts! For more information call (336) 229-3588.

April 25

North Park Library. Senior Craft Time. 2:00 p.m. DIY Throw Pillows. To add warmth and love to your space in a fun way. All materials provided. Registration required. To register or for more information call (336) 226-7185.

April 25 - 30

Graham Public Library. Pipe Cleaner Tree – Elementary Take and Make. For grades $K - 5^{th}$. Arbor Day is when we recognize the contributions of trees both to our lives and that of the world around us. Celebrate Arbor Day with this great craft kit that lets you create your very own tree! Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

April 25

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. AniMebane Anime and Gaming Meetup. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. Watch anime episodes and try snacks that are popular in Japan—all over Zoom! To receive a snack pack, participants must register by April 22nd. To register for the program or for more information, email <u>treese@alamancelibraries.org</u> or call (919) 563-6431.

April 26

May Memorial Library. Family Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program outdoors filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. This week's theme is "Trees." For more information, and to register, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Preschool Storytime. 2:00 p.m. For children ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. This week's theme is "Rhyming." Registration is required! For more information, and to register, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Device Drop-In. 3:00 p.m. Drop-in for help with devices, apps, technology, and library-related questions. No registration required! Staff will be available in the Local History Room. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Adopt a House Plant. 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Join us for our first plant swap! Pick up a house plant, share cuttings, or drop off a plant that is no longer working for you. Stop by anytime during the two hours to pick up or drop off (or both). Help us spread the love of plants! For more information, email agramley@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 229-3588.

April 29

May Memorial Library. One Tree Planted. 4:30 p.m. For families. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program filled with learning about trees on Arbor Day! Each family will receive a kit to grow their own tree! Registration is required. For more information, and to register, call (336) 229-3588.

April 30

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. Backyard Campout. Month of Science Finale. Backyard Campout where we will host activities throughout the night like star hunts, campfire building, and smores – all in your own backyard! To register or for more information contact Alexis Vivian at avivian@alamancelibraries.org or call (336) 226-7185.