

**Alamance County Public Library News Releases for May 2023.**  
**All library programs are free and open to the public.**

**May 1 -31**

May Memorial Library. GED Classes. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. For adults. Need to complete your high school education in order to improve your academic skills or qualify for a better job? Please call or stop by the library to sign up for ACC's free GED classes. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

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.

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 change weekly. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. “Asian American and Pacific Islander Changemakers” Scavenger Hunt. For K – 6th graders. Celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month with this interactive scavenger hunt featuring changemakers, from past to present! See the Children’s Desk to get started, and receive a small prize when you’re done. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

**May 1**

Graham Public Library. Dragon Readers Book Group – Locomotion. 4:00 p.m. For families with children in K-2nd grade. All aboard! Choo choo! This month we’ll be learning about trains in this full-body-motion hour of reading and activities! For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

**May 2**

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Yoga Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For ages 2 – 5 and their caregivers. Breathe and bend with stories, rhymes, and songs! Please wear comfortable clothing for the program. Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. Baby/Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0 – 2 years old 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 “Sneaky Feet!” For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

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

### **May 3**

Graham Public Library. Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. My Plants Are in the Ground. What's Next? with the North Carolina Extension Master Gardener™ Volunteers. 6:00 p.m. For adults. Now that we've planted our seedlings, what's next? Join us for a fun and informative evening and learn the next step in the gardening process from the experts! Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

### **May 4**

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Mebane Public Library. Baby and Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children from birth to 2 and their caregivers. This lively program is designed to enrich your child's life through music, movement, fingerplays, and stories! Registration is required, and space is limited. To register or for more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Mebane Public Library. Baby and Toddler Storytime. 11:15 a.m. For children from birth to 2 and their caregivers. This lively program is designed to enrich your child's life through music, movement, fingerplays, and stories! Registration is required, and space is limited. To register or for more information, call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. HOPE's Credit & Money Management Workshop. 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. Operation Hopes Credit & Money Management Program is designed to transform disabling financial mindsets—teaching people the language of money, how to navigate credit, and make better decisions with the money they have. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Jumping Genres Book Club. 4:30 p.m. For 3rd – 5th graders. Meet up with old friends and meet new friends at Jumping Genres Book Club! This month, we will discuss *Dumpling Days* by Grace Lin. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

## **May 6**

May Memorial Library. LEGO® Fun! All day. For families. Drop in to create robots, challenge each other, build your favorite animal, and more! There is no registration needed for this program, and all LEGO® will be provided. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Free Comic Book Day. All day, while supplies last. The first Saturday in May is Free Comic Book Day! Help us celebrate by stopping by the library to receive a free comic book – while supplies last. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. Breakfast Book Club. 10:30 a.m. For adults age 16 and up. Join us for a lively discussion of our latest book club selection. This month's selection is *Maid* by Stephanie Land. Copies of the book are available at the desk for checkout. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. Soap Making 101. 2:00 p.m. For adults. Learn how easy it is to make your own soap at home! The whole process will be demonstrated from start to finish and you will be able to take home recipes and a sample of soap. Registration is required. For more information call (336) 570-6730.

Alamance County Poetry Stroll 2023 Reception. 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Alamance Arts, Graham. Join us to celebrate the wonderful poets who participated in this year's Poetry Stroll! We will be awarding Reader's Choice Awards at the reception. Call 336-570-6981 for more information.

Mebane Public Library. Cosplay Prop Workshop. 3:00 – 5:00 pm. For 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> graders. Learn how to create cosplay props like weaponry, armor, and accessories using PVC foam! All supplies will be provided. Registration is required. To register or for more information, email [treese@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:treese@alamancelibraries.org) or call (919) 563-6431.

## **May 8**

May Memorial Library. Lunch Bunch Book Club. 12:00 p.m. For adults. All are welcome! This month, the book club will be discussing *The Dry* by Jane Harper. Copies are available for pick up at all library locations. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Homeschooling Basics. 6:30 p.m. What is homeschooling all about? Get the facts about choosing a curriculum, state requirements, socialization, and more from Homeschool Coach, Jessica Embry, M. Ed. Registration is required. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library. Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.) Meeting. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. Make something cool for yourself and work on a service project for your community! Participants who help with this month’s service project will earn volunteer time. Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, email Tampa at [treese@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:treese@alamancelibraries.org) or call (919) 563-6431.

### **May 9**

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 3 – 5 years old and their caregivers. Gather with us for stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy! This week’s theme is “Down on the Farm!” Registration is required, and space is limited. To register for the program or for more information, call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. Baby/Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0 – 2 years old 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 “Picnic!” For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Mebane Public Library. Paws for Reading. 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. For Ages 5-12. Children are invited to read to Beckett, a certified therapy dog, for 15 minutes in a relaxed, one-on-one session. Give your child a chance to practice reading and build confidence in a non-judgmental setting. Registration is required. To register for a reading session, call (919) 563-6431.

Graham Public Library. The Book Begins. 4:00 p.m. For 3rd-5th grades. ‘What in the world has happened to your tail?’ ‘Don’t talk about it, please,’ said Mr. Fox. ‘It’s a painful subject.’ Join us for this exciting book group that will be an adventure every time! We’ll start the first chapter of a new book, try story-inspired treats, and encourage participants to check out the book to continue at home. In the next meeting, we’ll discuss who chose to read the book, why or why not, and what they liked or disliked about the book. Afternoon snacks will be served. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

### **May 10**

Graham Public Library. Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

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Graham Public Library. Device Advice. 2:00 p.m. Drop in for help with devices, apps, technology, and library-related questions. No registration is required! Staff will be available in the meeting room. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. Chill & Play. 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. For grades 6-12. Join us to eat pizza, show off your artistic skills, and decide if the Nintendo Switch™ game of the night will be Minecraft or Just Dance! For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

May Memorial Library. Board Game Night. 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. For adults. Join us to play a fun selection of games! You can bring games of your own to share, or try out one of ours. Beginner board gamers are welcome; we are happy to teach you how to play! Snacks will be provided. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Mebane Public Library. Vinyl Society Social Club. 6:00 p.m. Vinyl Society Social Club is a program for record collectors and music lovers to gather over the music they love, bring in records to share, and socialize with like-minded people. Attendees are encouraged to bring as many records as they would like to share (the more the merrier), but we welcome anyone to join us with or without vinyl. Vinyl Society Social Club is about records, but it is mostly about people who love music connecting with each other. Join us! For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

## **May 13**

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 I Spy Bottles! For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Mebane Public Library. Game On! 2:00 p.m. For adults. Meet new people who enjoy getting together for some laughs and learning how to play new games – or re-visiting old favorites! For more information call (919)-563-6431 or email Meredith Hayden at [mhayden@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:mhayden@alamancelibraries.org).

## **May 15**

Graham Public Library. Art Attack! 4:00 p.m. For grades 3-5. Join us for an hour of creative fun with friends. You never know what we'll be making next! For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library. Book Buddies. 4:30 p.m. For grades K – 2nd. This program explores a variety of themes and authors through great books and fun activities! Registration is required, and space is limited. To register for the program or for more information, call 919-563-6431 or email Amy at [asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org).

May Memorial Library. Paws for Reading. 4:30 p.m. For ages 5 - 12. Children are invited to read for 15 minutes in a relaxed, one on one session with certified therapy dog, Beckett! All of the dogs who participate in Paws for Reading have been certified as therapy dogs by an accredited organization. Registration is required. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

## **May 16**

Mebane Public Library. Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 3 – 5 years old and their caregivers. Gather with us for stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy! This week's theme is "Celebrate Asian and Pacific Islander Authors!" Registration is required, and space is limited. To register for the program or for more information, call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. Baby/Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0 – 2 years old 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 "Beach!" For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Paper Quilling. 12:00 p.m. For adults. Learn a new papercraft in this month's craft program. Paper quilling, also known as paper filigree, allows you to make beautiful art with just paper strips and glue. No previous crafting experience is necessary and all supplies will be provided. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Experiment with Art. 2:30 p.m. For adults 16 and up. Join us for a casual, no-pressure, no-judgment, experimental art lab – no previous artistic experience is needed! Each month we will try a different technique or artistic style and maybe you'll find something that inspires you to pursue it as a hobby! Registration is required, and space is limited. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

May Memorial Library. Paper Quilling. 6:00 p.m. For adults. Learn a new papercraft in this month's craft program. Paper quilling, also known as paper filigree, allows you to make beautiful art with just paper strips and glue. No previous crafting experience is necessary and all supplies will be provided. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

## May 17

Graham Public Library. Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library. Noonday Book Club. 12:00 p.m. at the Mebane Historical Museum. For adults. All are welcome. This month, our book club will be discussing *The Tobacco Wives* by Adele Myers. Copies are available for pick up at the Mebane Public Library. For more information, call (919) 563-6431.

Graham Public Library. Read with Rebecca. 2:30 p.m. For families with children ages 0-12. Join Ms. Rebecca for storytime fun for the preschool and under-crowd. There will be stories, rhymes, songs, and more to encourage your little one's love of reading. This month's theme will be 'Turtles!' For more information or to register, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library. Awesome Readers. 4:30 p.m. For 3rd – 5th graders. Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders for a book club just for you! Each month we talk about a selected title and engage in activities based on the book's themes. This month's book selection is *Stargazing* by Jen Wang. To register for the program or for more information, email Amy at [asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:asegposyan@alamancelibraries.org) or call (919) 563-6431.

## May 18

May Memorial Library. Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 3 – 5 years old 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 "Beach!" For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Books Over Coffee. 12:00 p.m. For adults 16 and up. Take a break from your busy day and enjoy a leisurely chat with fellow book lovers. It's a great way to learn about new authors and hear what's new, what's good, and what's not. Bring a book you have recently read and join us on the third Thursday of each month at noon. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

## May 20

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 filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. This week's theme is "Beetles, Bugs, and Butterflies!" For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Paws for Reading. 1:00 p.m. For ages 5 - 12. Children are invited to read for 15 minutes in a relaxed, one on one session with certified therapy dog, Winston! All of the



dogs who participate in Paws for Reading have been certified as therapy dogs by an accredited organization. Registration is required. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Knots and Needles. 2:30 p.m. For adults 16 and up. Bring your knitting, crochet, sewing, quilting, spinning, weaving, embroidery, and/or other fiber arts projects to work on while we hang out. This is not an instructional program, but simply a way to meet and chat with others interested in fiber arts. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Village of Alamance Plaid Day Festival. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Alamance County Public Libraries will have a booth at the Plaid Day Festival. Join us and celebrate the Village of Alamance’s textile history and strong community! Call 336-570-6981 for more information.

## **May 22**

Alamance County Public Libraries – Zoom. AniMebane Anime Club. 5:00 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. Watch anime episodes, hang out with friends, and try popular Asian market snacks— all over Zoom! To receive a snack pack, participants must register by May 18th. To register for the program or for more information, email Tampa at [treese@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:treese@alamancelibraries.org) or call (919) 563-6431.

May Memorial Library. Paws for Reading. 4:30 p.m. For ages 5 - 12. Children are invited to read for 15 minutes in a relaxed, one on one session with certified therapy dog, Beckett! All of the dogs who participate in Paws for Reading have been certified as therapy dogs by an accredited organization. Registration is required. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. 6:00 p.m. Introduction to Canning. For adults. Join Elisa from NC Cooperative Extension to learn the basics of canning. In the presentation, Elisa will walk participants through the entire process for both pressure and water bath canning. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, call (336) 229-3588.

Graham Public Library. Novels @ Nite Book Group. 6:30 p.m. For adults 16 and up. Join us on the fourth Monday of each month as we read and discuss books from various genres. This month’s selection is *The Thirteenth Tale* by Diane Setterfield. Copies of the book are available for checkout. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

## **May 23**

May Memorial Library. Baby/Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0 – 2 years old 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 “Bugs!” For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

Mebane Public Library. Move to the Music. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Join us for a morning of dancing and music-making! Children will have an opportunity to move creatively, play instruments, and explore music through active play.



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Graham Public Library. BrainSTEM. 4:00 p.m. For grades 3-5. Science (the ‘S’ in STEM) includes the study of aerodynamics which is the study of the way air moves around objects. This month we’ll be making parachutes out of different materials to see what works the best! For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. North Carolina Reads Book Discussion Webinar Series Watch Party—*Under a Gilded Moon* by Joy Jordan-Lake. 6:30 p.m. For adults. North Carolina Humanities 2023 statewide book club, North Carolina Reads, features five books that explore issues of racial, social, and gender equality and the history and culture of North Carolina. Join us to watch the fourth webinar in the series, featuring a discussion of the book *Under a Gilded Moon* by author Joy Jordan-Lake and Dr. Jennifer Le Zotte. You do not need to have read the book to participate in North Carolina Reads. For more information go to <https://nchumanities.org/program/north-carolina-reads/> or call (336) 570-6730.

## **May 24**

Graham Public Library. Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children 0-5 years old and their caregivers. Join us for a 30-minute interactive program filled with stories, songs, and activities that encourage early learning and literacy. For more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Graham Public Library. Creativity Lab – Air Dry Clay Creations. 12:00 p.m. For ages 16 and up. This month, we’ll be creating with air dry clay. Registration is required and space is limited. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

Mebane Public Library. Kids’ Crafternoon. 4:30 p.m. For K – 5<sup>th</sup> graders and their caregivers. Drop in and explore arts and crafts with us! All supplies will be provided. Registration is required and space is limited. To reserve your spot, or for more information, or call (919) 563-6431.

## **May 25**

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Graham Public Library. Eclectic Coloring. 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Ages 10 and up. Bring your friends for an afternoon of coloring and listening to music. Coloring sheets pulled from a variety of sources are provided or you are welcome to bring your own project. Colored pencils, markers, and crayons will be provided. Registration is preferred as space is limited. To register or for more information, call (336) 570-6730.

May Memorial Library. Teen Wonder Space: Rice Toss Art! 4:30 p.m. For 6th – 12th graders. Join us and see if you can master the art of rice throwing, a popular trend that has taken Tiktok by storm! All supplies are included. For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

## **May 26**

Burlington Downtown 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays. 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. Alamance County Public Libraries will have a booth at 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays, the monthly downtown Burlington street festival. We will have information on the library's programs and services and a fun craft for kids of all ages! Call 336-570-6981 for more information.

## **May 27**

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 Icy Pop Holders! For more information, call (336) 229-3588.

May Memorial Library. Community Closet. 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. For adults. This event will feature donated, gently used business clothing in a variety of sizes and styles for community members to choose from, at no cost. For more information, email [cwoodard@alamancelibraries.org](mailto:cwoodard@alamancelibraries.org) or call (336) 229-3588.

Mebane Public Library. Art in the Afternoon. 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. For adults. Join us for an "open studio" experience where participants can choose a medium (acrylic, pastels, or watercolor), get creative, share, and socialize. For more information call (919) 563-6431.

## **May 29**

Memorial Day. All Alamance County Libraries will be closed.

**May 30**

May Memorial Library. Baby/Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. For children ages 0 – 2 years old 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 "Ice Cream!" For more information, call (336) 229-3588.