UNION COUNTY LIBRARY

ALL TOGETHER NOW

Summer Reading Program | Jun 5 - Aug 5, 2023

explore. create. learn.

Registration Opens May 26

Library Locations & Hours

Main Library
316 E. Windsor St.
Monroe, NC 28112
T. 704.283.8184, option 1

Dickerson Genealogy & Local History Room
T. 704.283.8184, option 5236

Lois Morgan Edwards Memorial Library
414 Hasty St.
Marshville, NC 28103
T. 704.283.8184, option 2

Union West Regional Library
123 Unionville-Indian Trail Rd.
Indian Trail, NC 28079
T. 704.283.8184, option 3

Waxhaw Branch Library
509 S. Providence St.
Waxhaw, NC 28173
T. 704.283.8184, option 4

Hours of Operation

Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

Summer Holidays & Closings

Tuesday, July 4 - Independence Day

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FRIENDS OF UNIONCOUNTY LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library are proud sponsors of the Summer Reading Program. Their support allows the Library to offer presentations and education workshops to the community, including three author events each year. Visit our website to become a friend today and support Union County Library.

Summer Reading Program

Children

Completion Prizes

You will have your choice from among puzzles, puzzle activity books, coloring books.

Extra Milers

For every 10 extra hours of reading you do, we will add a new book to the library with a book plate in your honor.

TWO PROGRAM LEVELS

We'll provide the tracking sheets; you do the reading!

LITTLE HELPERS • AGES 0-5

Complete 12 of 15 early literacy activities on your activity tracking sheet to earn a certificate and prize.

KINDLY KIDS • AGES 6-11

Earn 1200 points over the summer to earn a certificate and prize.

- 1 minute read = 1 point
- Attend a program = 50 points
- You only need to read 20 hours over 8 weeks. You can do it easily!

Summer Reading Program | Children

Regular Programming

STORYTIMES
Each week at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

- Monday at the Edwards Memorial Library in Marshville.
- Tuesday and Wednesday at both the Main Library in Monroe and the Union West Library in Indian Trail.
- Thursday at the American Legion Post 208 in Waxhaw.

CRAFTERNOONS
- A family fun craft at all locations.
- Thursdays, 4-6 p.m.

BABYTIMES
- Special monthly lapsit programs for babies, ages 0 to 18 months old, and their caregivers.
- Schedules vary. Check the UCL website for event dates.

BILINGUAL FAMILY TIME
- Stories, songs, and fun in Spanish and English, for the entire family.
- Schedules vary. Check the UCL website for event dates.

POP-UP PROGRAMMING
Spur of the moment program done just for fun.

JUNE

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

MUSIC BINGO
Friday, June 9, 10 a.m.
Designed for ages 2-5.

THE HATCH A CHICK PROJECT
Friday, June 16, 11 a.m.
Designed for ages 4 & older with their families.

ENDANGERED ANIMALS AND THE FUNJUNGLE BOOK SERIES
Wednesday, June 21,
4:30-5:30 p.m.
Designed for grades 3-5.

CHICKEN TALK
Friday, June 30, 11 a.m.
Designed for ages 6 & older.

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

MIX, MEASURE, MAKE!
Thursday, June 15 & 22, 1-3 p.m.
Designed for grades K-5.
Register to save your spot.

AFRICAN FOLKTALES PRESENTED BY BRIGHT STAR THEATRE PRODUCTIONS
Saturday, June 17, 2 p.m.
Designed for families with children.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

PERFECTLY POLLINATORS!
Monday, June 12, 2 p.m.
Designed for grades K-2.
Register to save your spot.

TIE-DYE WITH MARKERS
Monday, June 19, 1-3 p.m.
Designed for grades K-5.
Register to save your spot.

PEN PAL POP UP CARDS
Friday, June 23, 3 p.m.
Designed for grades K-8.

DIY MUSIC MAKERS
Tuesday, June 27, 2 p.m.
Union West Library
Designed for grades 1-5.

SPECIAL LOCATION

FLOWER POWER
Monday, June 26, 10 a.m.
Waxhaw, American Legion Post 208
Designed for grades 1-3.
Register to save your spot.

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JULY

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

SUNDAE SCIENCE
Friday, July 7, 2:30 p.m.
Designed for grades 3-5.
Register to save your spot.

CHICKS BIRTHDAY PARTY SEND OFF
Saturday, July 8, 11 a.m.
Designed for ages 4 & older with their families.

DIY MUSIC MAKERS
Wednesday, July 19, 2 p.m.
Designed for grades 1-5.

FRIENDS FOREVER: FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS
Monday, July 24, 10 a.m.
Designed for grades K-2.
Monday, July 24, 2 p.m.
Designed for grades 3-5.
Register to save your spot.

SHAKESPEARE'S A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM PRESENTED BY SHEPHERD SHAKESPEARE COMPANY
Thursday, July 27, 2 p.m.
Designed for families.

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

ENDANGERED ANIMALS AND THE FUNJUNGLE BOOK SERIES
Tuesday, July 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Designed for grades 3-5.
Register to save your spot.

MIX, MEASURE, MAKE!
Thursday, July 13 & 20, 1-3 p.m.
Designed for grades K-5.
Register to save your spot.

KINDNESS CARDS
Tuesday, July 25, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Designed for all ages.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

TEAM-UP TIME!
Wednesday, July 5, 3 p.m.
Designed for grades 3-5.

DONUTS & ART
Monday, July 10, 5:30 p.m.
Designed for grades 5-8.
Register to save your spot.

TOTALLY TOADS!
Friday, July 14, 11 a.m.
Designed for grades K-2.
Register to save your spot.

FRIENDS FOREVER: FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS
Friday, July 28, 10 a.m.
Designed for grades K-2.
Friday, July 28, 2 p.m.
Designed for grades 3-5.
Register to save your spot.

BONDING THROUGH SCIENCE
Wednesday, July 26, 3 p.m.
Designed for grades K-3.

SPECIAL LOCATION

KINDNESS MONSTERS CRAFT
Thursday, July 13, 3 p.m.
Waxhaw, American Legion Post 208
Designed for grades 3-5.
Register to save your spot.

AUGUST

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

OPERATION KINDNESS: A CAPTAIN FRIENDSHIP ADVENTURE PRESENTED BY BRIGHT STAR THEATRE PRODUCTIONS
Saturday, August 5, 2 p.m.
Designed for families.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

FRIENDSHIP BOOKMARK MAKING
Tuesday, August 1, 3-5 p.m.
Designed for grades K-5.

SPECIAL LOCATION

A VISIT WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA RAPTOR CENTER
Wednesday, August 2, 1 p.m.
Simpson Events Center
Designed for families.
Register to save your spot.

Summer Reading Program

Teens

Completion Prizes

An enamel pin, your choice of a young adult book to keep and an invitation to the Teen Final Party.

Grand Prize

Nintendo Switch Lite, Polaroid Instant Camera, Friends Sitcom Lego Set

A teen must complete the summer reading program to be entered into the raffle for the grand prize.

HOW TO EARN POINTS

- Read a book = 200 points
- Attend UCL program/event = 200 points
- Read a magazine/newspaper = 10 points
- Volunteer = 50 points per hour

TEEN FINAL PARTY

Saturday, August 5, 6:30-8 p.m.

Teens must complete summer reading in READsquared and they will be invited to the final party.

Summer Reading Program | Teens

Teen Contests

SUMMER TEEN ART CONTEST: YOUR VISION OF FRIENDSHIP
June 5-26
Pick up an entry packet at any library location.

GUESS THE NUMBER OF PUZZLE PIECES
June 1-30
All library locations.

FIND THE NUMBER OF RUBBER DUCKIES
July 1-31
All library locations.

Teen Grab-n-Go Activity Set

DIY FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS & KEYCHAINS
June 5-August 5
While supplies last.

Teen Clubs

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

SUGOI UNDERGROUND: MANGA & ANIME CLUB

Wednesday, June 14
5:30-6:30 p.m.
"Sweetness & Lightning," by Gido Amagakure

Wednesday, July 12
5:30-6:30 p.m.
"Run on Your New Legs Vol. 1," by Wataru Midori

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

Thursday, June 15, 6-7 p.m.
"Wilder Girls," by Rory Power

Thursday, July 20, 6-7 p.m
"The Body," by Stephen King

DISCORD (VIRTUAL)

CHATTING COMICS CLUB (VIRTUAL)

June, all month
"World Class," by Jay Sandlin

July, all month
"Doomsday with my Dog V. 1," by Isihara Yu

JUNE

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

KINDNESS ROCKS
Thursday, June 15, 5 p.m.

ESCAPE ROOM: ESCAPE THE MOVIE THEATER
Saturday, June 17, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

ESCAPE ROOM: ESCAPE THE MOVIE THEATER
Saturday, June 24, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

DIY: WORRY DOLLS
Thursday, June 29, 5 p.m.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

ESCAPE ROOM: ESCAPE THE MOVIE THEATER
Saturday, June 10, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

KINDNESS ROCKS
Thursday, June 29, 5 p.m.

IT'S NICE TO HAVE A FRIEND: TAYLOR SWIFT TRIVIA
Wednesday, June 28, 5:30 p.m.

WAXHAW LIBRARY

ANIMAL CROSSING: MEET UP
Monday, June 19, 5:30 p.m.

Summer Reading Program | Teens

JULY

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

FRIENDSHIP CLAY PINS: TWO-PART PROGRAM
Thursday, July 13 & 18
5:30-6:30 p.m.
Register to save your spot.

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 15, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

BILINGUAL KINDNESS ROCKS
Wednesday, July 12, 2 p.m.

GO TRAINERS! JOURNEY THROUGH THE LIBRARY
Thursday, July 20, 2-4 p.m.
(drop-in)

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 22, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 8, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

WAXHAW LIBRARY

KINDNESS ROCKS
Thursday, July 20, 5 p.m.

SPECIAL LOCATION

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 29, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.
Teens and adults.
The Meeting Place in Partnership with the Town of Waxhaw Parks & Recreation.

AUGUST

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

CO-OPERATIVE BOARD GAME DAY
Saturday, August 5, 1-5 p.m.

TEEN FINAL PARTY
Saturday, August 5, 6:30-8 p.m.
Teens must complete summer reading in READsquared and they will be invited to the final party.

Summer Reading Program

Adults

Raffle Prize

800 points are required for a raffle entry.

Book Bundle: 1 bundle per library location.

Grand Prize

A basket, valued at $175 with items purchased from local Union County stores, shops and vendors. 1 basket per library location.

HOW TO EARN POINTS

- Read a book = 100 points
- Attend a UCL program/event = 100 points
- Read 3 magazines/newspapers = 100 points
- Volunteer and read to a child = 100 points

Summer Reading Program | Adults

Continuous Passive Activities

ALL LOCATIONS

LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT
June 5- August 5

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

COMMUNAL PUZZLE MAKING
June 5- August 5

JUNE

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

COMPUTER BASICS
Saturday, June 10, 3 p.m.

FOUNDATION DIRECTORY ONLINE WORKSHOP
Monday, June 12, 5:30 p.m.

KINDNESS ROCKS
Thursday, June 15, 5 p.m.

ESCAPE ROOM: ESCAPE THE MOVIE THEATER
Saturday, June 17, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

NONPROFIT STARTUP WORKSHOP
Monday, June 19, 5:30 p.m.

END OF LIFE SERIES: FUNERAL PLANNING - A PANEL DISCUSSION
Tuesday, June 20, 10 a.m.

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

ESCAPE ROOM: ESCAPE THE MOVIE THEATER
Saturday, June 24, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

END OF LIFE SERIES: PROACTIVE PLANNING FOR HEALTH CARE DECISION MAKING
Wednesday, June 28, 10 a.m.

DIY: WORRY DOLLS
Thursday, June 29, 5 p.m.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

ESCAPE ROOM: ESCAPE THE MOVIE THEATER
Saturday, June 10, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

END OF LIFE SERIES: HOSPICE 101
Tuesday, June 13, 2 p.m.

KINDNESS ROCKS
Thursday, June 29, 5 p.m.

IT'S NICE TO HAVE A FRIEND: TAYLOR SWIFT TRIVIA
Wednesday, June 28, 5:30 p.m.

SPECIAL LOCATION

ALL TOGETHER NOW: BEATLES TRIVIA NIGHT
Thursday, June 22, 7 p.m.
Southern Range Brewing, Monroe
Friday, June 23, 7 p.m.
Sweet Union Brewing, Indian Trail

Summer Reading Program | Adults

JULY

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

PUZZLE SWAP
Saturday, July 1, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
(drop-in)

FOUNDATION DIRECTORY ONLINE WORKSHOP
Monday, July 10, 5:30 p.m.

END OF LIFE SERIES: PALLIATIVE MEDICINE 101
Thursday, July 13, 10 a.m.

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 15, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

BEGINNING DRUMMING FOR SELF-CARE
Thursday, July 20, 6 p.m.

LOIS MORGAN EDWARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY (MARSHVILLE)

BILINGUAL KINDNESS ROCKS
Wednesday, July 12, 2 p.m.

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 22, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 8, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.

END OF LIFE SERIES: PROACTIVE PLANNING FOR HEALTH CARE DECISION MAKING
Thursday, July 20, 2 p.m.

MORNINGSTAR & VALUE LINE DATABASE BASICS
Saturday, July 29, 10 a.m.

WAXHAW LIBRARY

KINDNESS ROCKS
Thursday, July 20, 5 p.m.

SPECIAL LOCATION

END OF LIFE SERIES: WHEN DEATH COMES - GETTING YOUR LEGAL AFFAIRS IN ORDER
Tuesday, July 11, 10 a.m.
Waxhaw American Legion Hall

ESCAPE ROOM: KIDNAPPER CASE
Saturday, July 29, times vary
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3: 30 p.m.
The Meeting Place in Partnership with the Town of Waxhaw Parks & Recreation.

AUGUST

MAIN LIBRARY (MONROE)

END OF LIFE SERIES: LIVING IN THE NOT KNOWING
Thursday, August 3, 10 a.m.

CO-OPERATIVE BOARD GAME DAY
Saturday, August 5, 1-5 p.m.

UNION WEST REGIONAL LIBRARY (INDIAN TRAIL)

SUMMER SMOOTHIE & PAINT PARTY
Thursday, August 3, 5:30 p.m.

Save the Date

FRIENDS OF UNIONCOUNTY LIBRARY

BOOK SALE

Monroe Library
Griffin Room

FOL Members Sale
Thursday, August 24 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Public Sale
Friday, August 25 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday, August 26 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.