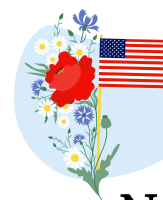




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## Bilingual Storytime for Kids with Solé

HOLA  
 HELLO



**Sat. May 31**  
**10:30 AM**

Community Room (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

best for kids  
 age 5 and under  
 with an adult caregiver

You don't need to know Spanish to participate and enjoy Solé Sheibar's interactive storytime for young children. Participants will sing, dance, play instruments and learn while having fun.

**Registration is required and opens May 1.**  
**Visit the Children's Dept. or call 401-710-7800.**



Thank you to the Friends of the Jesse Smith Library for sponsoring this program.



## SPRING CHICKEN BINGO!

**PLAY BINGO, WIN\* FROZEN  
 CHICKEN FROM WRIGHT'S FARM!**

**MAY 8 (THURS.)**

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**6:00 - 7:30PM**

**COMMUNITY ROOM 18+  
 REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

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**FRIDAY MAY 23RD**

**2:30 - 3:30PM**

**COMMUNITY ROOM  
 FOR TEENS**

**MUSIC ~ SNACKS ~ FUN**





# Children's Department

May 2025

For youth programs that require registration, please visit the Children's Department or call 401-710-7800 to reserve your spot.



## APRIL / MAY STORYTIME

Mon. April 28 – Thurs. May 22, 2025



**Registration is required.**

**Space is limited.**

To sign-up for  
a 4 week session,  
visit the Children's Dept.  
or call 401-710-7800.

### TODDLER STORYTIME (AGES 2-3)

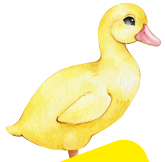


**FULL**

Apr. 28, May 5, 12, 19 (Mon.)  
10:00 – 10:30 AM  
Children's Program Room

Siblings are welcome. Registration required.

### BABY STORYTIME (BIRTH – 24 MTHS)



**FULL**

Apr. 30, May 7, 14, 21 (Wed.)  
9:30 – 9:50 AM  
followed by playtime  
Children's Program Room

Siblings are welcome. Registration required.

### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (AGES 3-5)



**FULL**

May 1, 8, 15, 22 (Thurs.)  
10:30 – 11:10 AM  
or  
1:30 – 2:10 PM  
Children's Program Room

Siblings are welcome. Registration required.



### DROP-IN STYLE BABY & TODDLER PLAYTIME

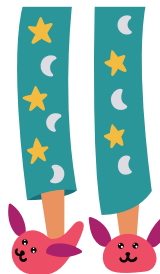


May 7, 14, 21 (Wed.)  
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
Children's Program Room

For age 3 years and under with a caregiver. Stop in  
to meet other caregivers and make new friends. The  
room will be set up with age appropriate toys and  
board books for little hands. Siblings welcome!

**Drop-in.**

### DROP-IN STYLE PAJAMA STORYTIME



May 7, 14, 21 (Wed.)  
6:00 – 6:30 PM  
Children's Program Room

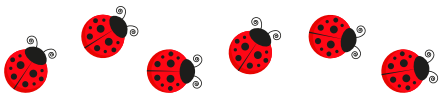
Join us for 30 minutes of stories and movement  
songs for kids in grade 5 and under with an adult  
caregiver. Pajamas, blankets, and/or stuffed  
animals are encouraged. No registration is  
needed. Siblings are always welcome.

**Drop-in.**



**Note to parents & caregivers:** While in the library,  
kids under age 10 must be accompanied by an adult  
or a responsible caregiver age 13 or older.

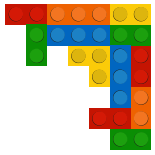
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## LEGO® CLUB FOR KIDS

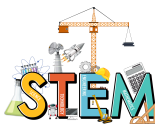
**May 10 (Sat.)**

**1:15 – 3:15 PM**

**Children's Program Room**

Kids age 3 - grade 5 and their families are invited to build, create, and play with our collection of Legos®. Kids are welcome to display their creations in the Children's Dept.

**Drop-in.**



## STEM SATURDAY: MAKE YOUR OWN MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS



**May 17 (Sat.)**

**9:30 – 11:00 AM**

**Children's Program Room**

Kids age 4 - grade 5 and their families. Using rubber bands, tubes, Popsicle sticks and other materials, kids can make their own musical instruments to take home.

**Drop-in.**



## TWEEN TUESDAY

**May 27 (Tues.) (ages 9–12)**

**5:30 – 7:00 PM**

**Children's Program Room**

Open to tweens ages 9-12. Sorry, no siblings. The Children's Program Room will be transformed into the **Tween Hangout** with activities designed just for them. Snacks will be provided. **Drop-in.**



## INDOOR SCAVENGER HUNTS FOR KIDS



Shapes with letters on them are hidden throughout the Children's Dept. on the 2nd floor of the library. Earn a small prize after finding all the letters to spell out the special word(s).



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## BILINGUAL STORYTIME FOR KIDS WITH SOLÉ

**May 31 (Sat.)**

**10:30 AM**

**Community Room  
(1<sup>st</sup> floor)**

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Best for kids age 5 and under with an adult caregiver. You don't need to know Spanish to participate and enjoy this storytime for young children. The storytime is fully bilingual and interactive. Participants will sing, dance, play instruments and learn while having fun.

Solé has shared her bilingual storytimes and Spanish classes for kids to the Kingston Free Library, Westerly Library, Newport Library, Warwick Free Library and Cross Mills Library.

**Registration required and opens May 1.**

*Thank you to the Friends of the Jesse Smith Library for sponsoring this program.*

• **rain boots** - Available April 28 - May 10

• **blue jay** - Available May 12 - 24

• **watermelon** - Available May 27 - June 7

during regular Children's Dept. hours.



# Teen Programs

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May 2025 SPRING

Teen programs are for those in grades 6–12



## TEEN HANGOUT

Mon., Wed., & Thurs.

2:00 – 4:00 PM

The Community Room

Looking for a place to chill after school? Come to our Teen Hangout! We've got everything you need to relax and have fun - laptops, video games, tabletop and card games. Plus snacks! Open to teens in grades 6-12 only (no adults, no younger kids). It's your space, your time and your hangout! Please note there will be no Hangout 5/5 for the Cinco de Mayo Party.



## CINCO DE MAYO PARTY

May 5th (Mon.)

3:00 – 4:30 PM

The Community Room

Come in for a party! We are celebrating the 5<sup>th</sup> of May with food, games, and fun! We'll have quesadillas, nachos, lemonade and more! There will also be a small raffle. So come have some fun! This does require registration so please call or come to the reference desk to register.



## HOW TO... SCRAPBOOK

May 13th (Tues.)

3:00 – 4:00 PM

The Community Room

This will be a session on how to... Scrapbook. This is a fun and crafty skill that can help you organize, relieve stress, or just make something pretty. This session will be for teens in grades 6-12.



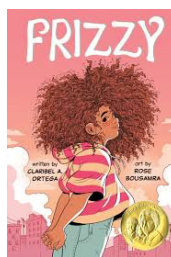
## VOLUNTEERS

May 7th (Wed.)

5:00 – 6:00 PM

The Community Room

Be a part of your community with Volunteers! We will work on different projects that help out those who need it most. Collaborate with other teens, find your voice, let your creativity shine - all while gaining leadership skills and volunteer hours.



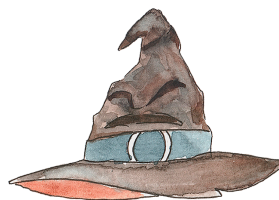
## TEEN BOOK CLUB

May 6th (Tues.)

3:00 – 4:00 PM

The Community Room

Our teen book club's second meeting is going to be a discussion about the book, *Frizzy* by Claribel A. Ortega. Come in for a nice chat over snacks!



## HARRY POTTER TRIVIA NIGHT

May 14th (Wed.)

5:30 – 6:30 PM

The Community Room

Test your Harry Potter knowledge with trivia! Three rounds of trivia with a prize for the winners! This session will be for teens in grades 6-12.



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# Teen Programs

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May 2025 SPRING

**Teen programs are for those in grades 6–12**



## **ART TIME PEEP DIORAMAS**

**May 20th (Tues.)  
3:00 – 4:00PM  
The Community Room**

Come in for some time to be creative. We will have tons of art supplies for you to create an amazing diorama from peeps and other candy! (You can even eat a few.)



## **KARAOKE TIME May 23rd (Fri.) 2:30 – 3:30PM The Community Room**

We've got the music, lend your voice and sing your heart out! We have our karaoke machine set up and ready to be used, so let's get moving to the beat and dancing our feet! This is a program for teens in grades 6-12.



## **CACTUS ROCKS May 28th (Wed.) 5:30 – 6:30PM The Community Room**

If you like plants and painting, this will be a fun program. We will be taking everyday rocks and turning them into lovely cacti. This is a fun project you can take home and use to decorate your room or give to a friend. This is a program for teens in grades 6-12.



## **GUESS THE FLAVOR CHIP EDITION**

**May 21st (Wed.)  
3:00 – 4:00 PM  
The Community Room**

You asked, we answered. We got a ton of interesting and weird chip flavors to try. Can you guess what flavors we found?



## **QUICK TIPS INFORMATION SESSION**

**May 27th (Tues.)  
3:00– 4:00PM  
The Community Room**

Learn about protecting yourself online with a strong password. This program will teach you how to make a secure password and you can even test it against a password checker.



## **TEEN BOOK CLUB NEXT BOOK June 3<sup>rd</sup> (Mon.) 3:00 – 4:00PM The Community Room**

For those of you who would like to read next month's book it's *The Deep Dark* by Molly Knox Ostertag. A mystery is afoot in a basement and a friend's return will force our characters to face what hides in the dark. Come find out what's hiding in the deep dark. You can pick up a copy at the circulation desk or use your own.



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# Adults

May 2025

\*To sign up for programs requiring registration, please visit or call the Reference Department 710-7800. \*  
Adult programs are for those 18+.



## SPRING CHICKEN BINGO!

**May 8 (Thurs.)**

**6:00 – 7:30 PM**

**Community Room**

Play Bingo for a chance to win frozen chicken from Wright's Chicken Farm. Deeeelicious!

**Registration required.**



## TECH TUES. WITH TYLER

**May 13 (Tues.)**

**3:00 – 4:00 PM**

**Reference Desk**

Have a new device? Want to learn a little more about how to use your computer, phone, or tablet? Drop by and Tyler the Reference Assistant will help! No registration required.



## WATERCOLOR TECHNIQUES

**May. 10 (Sat.)**

**11:00AM – 1:00 PM**

**Community Room**

Join artist Adele Karbowski to learn watercolor techniques such as color mixing. Participants will create a minimum of 3 small paintings to take home. For beginners to advanced painters.

**18+ Registration required.**



## BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

**May 28 (Wed.)**

**10:00 – 11:00 AM**

**Conference Room**

This month's pick is Outfoxed by Rita Mae Brown. Book pickup at the front desk approx. 1st week of May. Cordial conversation and discussion. **Registration Required.**



## DROP IN SCRABBLE

**May 19 (Mon.)**

**6:00 – 7:30 PM**

**The Lounge**

We have a special spot set aside for a friendly pickup game of Scrabble. Alone? Play with Jen the Librarian! No registration required.



## KNIT & CROCHET GROUP

**May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 (Thurs.)**

**6:30 – 7:45 PM**

**The Lounge**

Join us for our free knit and crochet group that meets Thursdays in the library. Drop in. No registration required.



## UNITED WAY 211 REPRESENTATIVE

**May 15 (Thurs.)**

**9:00 – 11:45 AM**

A United Way 211 outreach representative will be here to help connect you to:

- SNAP/Food Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Tax Assistance *and much more!*







# Closed

**Mon. May 26**  
for Memorial Day



## **Library Hours**

Monday - Thursday  
9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed Sunday

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