

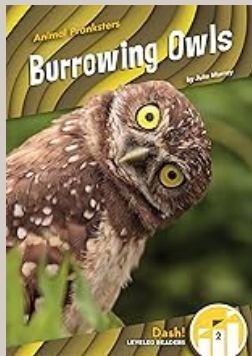
RALLS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Book Reviews from the Staff

Want to try a new book or author? Read ahead to get a few options from our staff members. Ask the front desk for these great reads!



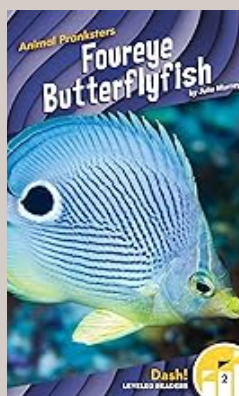
This emerging reader title looks at burrowing owls and the very clever way they trick their prey. The title also covers where these animals can be found, what they look like, and what they like to eat.

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**New Easy Nonfiction Books by
Ms. Diane**

Notes From the Director



Hello friends,

Come read with us! We will be kicking off birth through adult Summer Reading 2024 on Thursday May 30, 10 AM and 6 PM at Story Hour. Come to the library to pick up your materials and register as we will not offer online options this summer. The last page of the newsletter shows the summer at a quick glance. We have a lot of fun activities planned this year. Each age group will have different reading requirements as in the past. This information will be in your Summer Reading materials once you come to the library and pick up your packet. Our summer Story Hours will continue as usual and will be focused on the theme of outdoor adventures, insects, amphibians and reading nonfiction. If you cannot make it on May 30, you can come in and register at the library through June 14. Let's begin an amazing summer of learning about nonfiction texts and the advantages of journaling!

**Debbie Jameson
Director Ralls County Library**



Come Join Us at the Ralls County Library

MAY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Adult Outreach Westview 9:00 Perry Sr. Hsg 10:00	Story Hour 10:00 AM 2		May the 4th be with You! Come nerd out with fellow Star Wars fans from 9-11:30 AM! 3
5	Adult Book Club 6-7 PM 6	7	Adult Outreach Center Sr. Hsg 1:00 PM	Story Hour 10:00 AM/6:00 PM 9	The Great Stuffie Sleepover! Watch the website/Facebook for more information! 10 11	
12		Board of Trustees Mtg 5:30 PM 13	Adult Outreach Westview 9:00 New London Sr. Hsg 10:15 15	Story Hour 10:00 AM Adult Craft 6:00 PM 16	17	Flower Bingo 9:30-11:30 AM 18
19				Story Hour 10:00 AM 22	23	Teen and Adult Dungeons/Dragons 9-11:30 AM 25
26	CLOSED for Memorial Day 27	28	Adult Outreach Westview 9:00	29	30	31

Summer Reading Kick Off
Story Hour 10:00
AM/6:00 PM

Ralls County Public Library

102 N. Public Street
Center, MO 63436
Hours M-F 8:30-5:30
Saturday 8:30-12:00

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**May Birth to Age 5 Programming
Becca Jennings/Diane Schulte**



May is all about the letter "M!"

All month long we'll be celebrating all the wonderful things that begin with the letter "M": monsters, May Day, mushrooms, and mermaids/magic- right up until our summer reading kickoff! With the weather improving, we'll also make sure to get outside as much as we can for story hour. We have also added STEAM kits for our youngest patrons- come check them out! Please note our AM/PM schedule below. More details will be coming soon about our Summer Reading Kickoff at the end of the month.

May 2nd: Monsters (AM) - May 9th: May Day (AM/PM)- May 16th: Mermaids and Magic (AM) - May 23rd: Mushrooms (AM) - May 30th: Summer Reading Kickoff! (AM/PM)

**May Children/Youth (Grades Kdg-12)
Programming
Dawn Hargraves**



May is going to be a fun month for kids and teens at the library. We'll start the month out with a Star Wars celebration on Saturday May 4th. All ages of kids and adults are welcome to come make Star Wars crafts, enjoy Star Wars trivia, listen to the music of John Williams, and show off your Star Wars costumes. Come nerd out with fellow Star Wars fans from 9-11:30 AM. We'll be exploring castles and knights during our Thursday story hours with both books and games. We will also tie dye bags for our summer reading program and create paracord bracelets. We'll end the month with another DND game for teens on May 25th. These DND one shots have been so much fun! Come join us to battle dragons and go on an adventure.



May Adult Programming/Kim Eastin

May is here! Adult Outreach is happening on Wednesdays at the Senior Housing in New London, Perry and Center. These are open to any resident of that town. You can check out books that I bring or play a game or puzzle with us. Read Alouds for the residents at Westview in Center has been quite a success and this will continue. We are wrapping up our first Book Club, *When the Jessamine Grows*, and we will choose our next book soon. It will be a mystery/thriller. Stay tuned on our webpage or Facebook page for more information. You can always call the library as well. The next adult craft is Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 PM. We will be making Fairy Gnome Teacups. Call the library to register!

Summer Reading Kick-Off 2024

Birth through Age 18..

Come to the Ralls County Library for Story Hour on Thursday, May 30 at 10:00 AM or 6:00 PM to sign up and get your materials to 'kick-off' your summer reading adventure -

Insects, Amphibians and Books...Oh, My!

Our summer is full of reading, watching nature, recording our observations and enjoying the outdoors! Don't miss the fun!

START HERE

PICK UP YOUR SUMMER READING MATERIALS STARTING THURSDAY, MAY 30

SNAKES AND TURTLES
Join us on Thursday, August 1 at 6:00 PM ONLY for snakes/turtles, planting trees, fish molds and much more!

FREE BOOKS AT EVENTS!

THE HIKE
ALISON FAUSELL

THE NATURE BOOK
READ TO GROW! RECOMMENDED LITERATURE

Participate in the June requirements for your age group. Turn the paperwork into the library.

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CRITTER CAGES
Come to the library on Thursday, June 27 10:00 AM/6:00 PM to make or get your own Critter Cage!

SPECIAL TREAT ENTERTAINER BIG MIKE
JULY 18 10:00 AM

Birth to age 18
SUMMER READING 2024

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Summer Reading Kick-Off 2024

Adults,

Come by the library on/after May 30 to register and get your Summer Reading materials.

There will be separate opportunities for the adults. (See the chart below.) More information on Facebook (join Ralls County Library) and on the webpage - rallscountylibrary.com

