

# Now Read This!



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Children's Summer Reading 2026

# UNEARTH A STORY

Kick-Off  
Tuesday, June 2nd

Monday, June 1st  
Through  
Saturday, July 18th

Starke County Public Library  
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## Going to the Fair!

Visit our table!

Starke County  
4-H Fair - Hamlet

Monday, June 22nd  
Thursday, June 25th

## Adult Summer Reading 2026

Starke County Public Library  
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Sign up June 1 - July 18th

5 books or 20 hours

Sign up at any of our 4 branches

## Crack open a book... UNEARTH A STORY

### TEEN SUMMER READING 2026

MONDAY, JUNE 22  
THROUGH  
SATURDAY, JULY 18TH

SEE JORDAN IN TEENS TO SIGN UP!

ROARRR!

READ FIVE BOOKS OR TEN HOURS



# Classes for All Ages



## Paint Class

*Your Window to the World*  
**Family Program**



Tutorials are available @ each branch just ask Vicki, Treasure or Carla for the supplies!!!

**\$5 per person/ Must Prepay receipt needed to attend**  
**No refund if cancelled day of class!!!**

**LIMITED SEATS**  
Sign up at Circulation desk

**KNOX BRANCH**  
**Tuesday, June 9th**  
10am - Noon  
**Wednesday, June 10th**  
Noon - 2pm  
**Thursday, June 11th**  
5pm-7pm  
**\*\*No Bonus Class\*\***

Note Time Change!

## 2026 Canvas Classes



 <b>January</b>	 <b>February</b>	 <b>March</b>
 <b>April</b>	 <b>May</b>	 <b>June</b>
 <b>July</b>	 <b>August</b>	 <b>September</b>
 <b>October</b>	 <b>November</b>	 <b>December</b>

## Card Making Class

**Henry F. Schrieker**  
**Knox Branch**  
Tuesday, June 2nd  
5 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

**Presented by:** Jennifer Merle-Hamscher  
**\$5 cost** for materials  
Come join Jennifer in making 2 themed cards.  
Please **RSVP** or call 574-772-7323






## 2026 Diamond Art SCHEDULE


<b>2:00pm - 4:00pm</b>	<b>3:30pm - 5:30pm</b>
June 9th	June 25th
July 7th	July 23rd
August 4th	August 20th
September 8th	September 24th
October 6th	October 22nd
November 3rd	November 19th

## Knox Branch CROCHET classes

Every Monday @ Noon around the fireplace

**ALL AGES WELCOME**





This is the special diamond art picture for June; we have 10 pictures available. If you ever wanted to try out diamond art, June is the month to join in. We are celebrating our country's 250th birthday with a special diamond art just for the occasion. We will also have 6 other patriotic pics to choose from, which you can see at the front desk. \$5.00 per kit and no charge to attend class twice a month.



**AM Quilters**  
 1st and 3rd Monday  
 Henry F. Schricker  
 Meeting Room  
 9am-Noon

**BOOK CLUB**

Thursday, June 25th  
 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Next book Under the Tulip Tree  
 by Michelle Shocklee

**Calico Girls  
 Mystery Quilt Block  
 Class**

2nd and 4th  
 Wednesday  
 of every month  
 @ 1:00 pm

Call  
 Judy Haglund  
 574-807-3731  
 Registration  
 507-180-4333

**WEDNESDAY'S**  
 June 17th 10am - Noon  
 June 17th Noon - 2pm  
 June 24th 10am-Noon  
 June 24th Noon - 2pm  
 July 15th 10am - Noon  
 July 15th Noon - 2pm  
 July 22nd 10am - Noon  
 July 22nd Noon - 2pm

Bring a Crochet hook and  
 a ball of yarn!  
 (Lighter colors are easier for Newbies)  
**ALL AGES WELCOME**

Ready to  
 Learn Crochet  
 this Summer?!

Learn new crochet skills  
 and create beautiful projects!

**Open Class 2026**

No entry fees  
 Open to anyone

4-H Fair  
 June 20th - 26th

In order to increase entries for our Starke County Fair Open-Class, you can drop by The Starke County Public Library with your Needle Arts or Fine Arts projects (crochet, knitting, painting or drawings) starting Monday, June 28th through Thursday, June 30th. Andrea Brown will take them to Open Class for judging on Saturday, June 20th. Bring your items to Andrea's office in The Knox Library. You will need to fill out judging form. Pick up your items the following week at the fair.

**ART CONTEST & Art Show**

**CALL FOR ARTISTS**

The Starke County Library and the 4-H Fair are looking for local artists of all ages.

Enter your Drawings, Oils, Acrylics or Watercolors in our Art Showcase at The Henry F. Schricker Library, Knox Branch and then bring them to the Open Class judging during this years 4-H Fair ( Saturday, June 20th )

**Drop off dates: Monday, May 18th - Saturday, May 30th**

Ballots will be available for patron voting

Winners will be announced Wednesday, June 3rd after our Summer Reading Kick-off!

Let's go for a **WALK**

Contact Andrea Brown (@ 574-772-7323 Ext. 1009) RSVP Please!

**Monday - Friday**  
 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Meet in front of the  
 Henry F. Schricker Knox Branch  
 Part of Moving Starke County Forward

**SUMMER READING KICKOFF DAY**

**Tuesday, June 2nd**  
1pm - 2pm

Join in the expedition to excavate "fossils", build - a - dino, create your own creature trapped in "amber", play games, and other dino - mite stuff!

**ALL AGES**

Do you dig dinos?

*June Programs*

**Dinosaur Extravaganza**

**Tuesday, June 4th**  
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Return to a world where dinosaurs roam once more! Dinosaurs so big they won't fit in the library! Interact with lifelike "Dinos" and meet some up close with FelleREXpress Dinosaur Encounter Troupe. See the show at the Knox Elementary school gym, entering through Door 1.

**Free For All Ages**

*for Infant through Teens*

**10:00am and 1:00pm**  
**Wednesday**  
June 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

**Preschool Storytime**

For kids ages 3-5 years  
Fun stories, songs, dance, activities, and crafts!

**10:00am and 1:00pm**  
**Thursday**  
June 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th

**TODDLER TIME**

Storytime just right for children 2 years and younger, with caregiver, featuring stories, puppets, music, activities, and crafts!

**Programs for Kids**

**Inside Fireworks!**

**Science Central**

**Tuesday, June 16th**  
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Get ready for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and celebrate America with a dazzling demonstration of different salts that make brilliant colors when ignited -- just like real-world fireworks. Presented by Science Central, funded by Northern Indiana Community Foundation.

**Programs for Kids**

**SHRINK-A-SAURUS!**

**Shrinky Dinks**

**Tuesday, June 23rd**  
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Dinos could be big, big, big.  
Let's Shrinky Dink them down to pocket pal size! Come make Shrinky Dinks and buttons of your favo dino's. K-Pop, Critters, or whatever you like.

**Programs for Kids**

**T-REX TEA PARTY**

**Tuesday, June 30th**  
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Do dinosaurs mind their manners? Come have biscuits and tea with some dino pals. Taste different teas, learn table etiquette, make a July 4th Craft, and share a bite with a dino.

**Programs for Kids**

**Digging Into Paleontology!**


**Science Central**

**Tuesday, July 7th 1:00pm - 2:00pm** Henry F. Schricker Knox Branch  
**Wednesday, July 1st 1:00pm - 2:00pm** Koontz Lake Branch

Mammoths, Mastodons and giant sloths oh, my! Become a junior Paleontologist to explore fossils, giant footprints, and uncover the story of Indiana's prehistoric life. Presented by Science Central, funded by Northern Indiana Community Foundation.


**TEEN**

SUMMER READING



**DINOSAUR 1000 PUZZLE**

Wednesday, June 10th  
1:00pm - 3:00pm



Assemble a Jurassic puzzle of epic proportions!

**TEEN**

SUMMER READING



**DINOSAUR GAMES**

Wednesday, June 17th  
1:00pm - 3:00pm



Dinosaur themed games for all to enjoy

**TEEN**

SUMMER READING



Wednesday, June 24th  
1:00pm - 3:00pm



Build 3-D dinosaur fossils!

**TEEN**

SUMMER READING

**Dino Trivia**

It's a...

A RAPTOR  
B DIPLODOCUS  
C T-REX



Wednesday, July 8th  
1:00pm - 3:00pm



Winners will receive a prize!

**TEEN**

SUMMER READING



**JEOPARDY!**

Wednesday, July 15th  
1:00pm - 3:00pm



Jeopardy: All about Dinosaurs! Winners will receive a prize!

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Programs for Kids

*Freedom Edition!*

**CHALK THE WALK**

Tuesday, July 3rd  
11 AM - Noon

Get ready for Independence Day!  
Create a big salute to America's 250th birthday on the library sidewalks by adding art and your own "John Hancock"!

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Programs for Kids

**Bead - A - Dactyl Day!**

Tuesday, July 14th  
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Create your own Jurassic jewelry!  
Make beaded KeyChains, bracelets, Charms and more.  
BeCome a paleo artist and let your Creativity soar!

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Programs for Kids



**NERF WARS AFTER HOURS**

Monday, July 13th  
5pm - 6:30pm

Prepare to battle with friends after the library closes! Bring your nerf weapons or use ours. Sorry, NO high-powered or motorized guns, please!

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Programs for Kids

**SBPL RC RACING**

**Raptor Fast**

Friday, June 14th  
1:00pm - 2:00pm

Get behind the wheel for some speed, jumps, and bumps at our remote Control Car Club. Help make new DINO obstacles and spend time speed racing with your Cars or ours!

# Branch

Branch Canvas  
Painting

Koontz Lake  
Hamlet  
San Pierre

Available on Demand  
\$5 per person

Tutorials available  
at each branch



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Programs for Kids

**LEGOs are DINO-MITE!**

Tuesday, June 30th  
and July 28th  
5pm - 6:30pm

We Have the Legos. You bring the Creativity!  
Make a Cool Creation and put it on display for others to see!

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**StoryWalk**

Wythogan Park

The Kree Parks and Recreation Department and the Starke County Public Library partnered together to present The Storywalk Project at Wythogan park.

Oh Say Can You Say  
All About  
**DINOSAURS**



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Guess what we have!  
check it out!

**Library of Things**

**Yard Games**

**Game on!**

Starting  
Monday, March 1st

Check out:  
3 - Kits per Adult \*No holds \*No renewals

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**Branching Out!**  
With Miss Carla

**San Pierre Branch**

**storytime**

2026  
SCPL Board Meetings

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Starke County Public Library Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month @ 4:15pm

- January 13th
- February 10th
- March 10th
- April 10th
- May 12
- June 9th
- July 14th
- August 11th
- September 8th
- October 10th
- November 10th
- December 8th

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**Wednesdays**  
**June 10th and 24th**  
10am  
**July 8th**  
1pm  
**July 22nd**  
10am

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