



# COLOR OUR WORLD™



## 2025 Youth Summer Reading Program @ MCL

Through our summer reading theme Color Our World, we invite you to embark on a journey of art and creativity, celebrating the myriad ways in which art enriches our lives.

### **Plant a Pizza Garden with Master Gardeners: June 11 @ Community Garden, Lewistown**

Team up with the Penn State Master Gardeners for an adventure into the wacky world of plant life! Plus, roll up your sleeves to grow a pizza garden! This event is perfect for budding botanists entering kindergarten through 5th grade. We'll gather at the Community Garden above the library in Lewistown at 10 a.m. on June 11. **Registration is required, as space is as tight as a tomato vine!**

**\*Note: This program is weather-dependent and might be called off if the skies throw a tantrum.**

### **Flower & Butterfly Storytime: June 12 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville or June 17 @ Main Library, Lewistown**

Join us for storytime, featuring tales of flowers and butterflies, followed by a craft! Choose June 12 at Kish Branch Library, Belleville, or June 17 at Main Library, Lewistown, both at 10 a.m. **Registration is required—space is limited!**

### **3D Pen Flowers : June 12 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville or June 13 @ Main Library, Lewistown**

After learning how to use a 3D pen students will craft their own flower to "pot" and take home. For students entering 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Choose to join in the fun on June 12 @ 1:30 p.m. at the Kish Branch Library, Belleville or on June 13 @ 10 a.m. at the Main Library, Lewistown. **Registration is required—space is limited!**

### **Pollinator Plants with Master Gardeners: June 18 @ Pollinator Garden right outside Main Library, Lewistown**

Learn about pollinator plants from the Penn State Master Gardeners. Participants who register will receive a painted lady caterpillar to take home and raise. We will gather at the Community Garden above the library in Lewistown at 10 a.m. on June 18. **Registration is required and space is limited.**

**\*Note: If the weather decides to throw a hissy fit, we might have to reschedule this outdoor shindig.**

### **Screen Printing: June 24 @ Impress Design & Print**

Dive into the colorful world of screen printing with Brandy, the mastermind behind Impress Design & Print in Lewistown! After a crash course in screen printing magic, you'll get to create your very own masterpiece on a shirt—don't worry, we'll provide those! This artsy adventure unfolds at Impress Design & Print, 129 S. Main St. on June 24 @ 1:30 p.m. Perfect for students stepping into grades 6 through 12. **Registration is a must—spots are hotter than a summer sidewalk—you definitely don't want to miss this!**

### **Ice Age Show: June 25 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Hop aboard the time machine and zoom back to the Ice Age, where fossils, sabre-tooth tiger skulls, and a game show challenge awaits! Join paleontologists Mike and Roberta Straka for a wild adventure at "Mastodons, Cavemen, and Bears - Oh My!" happening June 25 at 10 a.m. at the Kish Branch Library in Belleville. Seats are as rare as a dino egg, so [swing by the Children's Library for your free golden ticket.](#) Remember, [everyone—big and small—needs a ticket to join the fun.](#) **Tickets are up for grabs starting June 10, and don't forget to bring them on the big day! Snag yours in person or give us a call to secure your spot.**

### **Colorful Storytime: June 26 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Get ready to dive into a rainbow of tales during our colorific storytime! We'll spin yarns painted with every hue for about 25 minutes, followed by a crafty shindig. Join us at 10 a.m. on June 26 at the Kish Branch Library in Belleville. **Seats are limited, so grab your spot by registering!**

### **Tie Dye Shrinky Dinks: June 27 @ Main Library, Lewistown**

Drop in any time from 2 - 3 p.m. to create a tie dye shrinky dink key chain or pin. **No registration is required for this activity, just drop in & create!**

### **Let's Get Messy: July 1 & 2 @ Main Library, Lewistown or July 3 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Dive into a whirlwind of mess and sensory thrills! We've got awesome stations ready for you to explore, but remember to dress for a delightful disaster! (Hint: a towel or extra outfit might be your best friend when it's all over.)

**Registration is a must as spots are limited!**

- **Messy for Littles:** Ages birth to 5, join us on July 1 at 10 a.m. in Lewistown or July 3 at 10 a.m. at Kish Branch Library.
- **Messy for Bigs:** For those entering 1st-5th grade, July 2 at 10 a.m. in Lewistown is your time to shine!

**\*Note: Our fun is at the mercy of the skies. If it rains, we'll have to cancel the chaos.**



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## **Serpents & Claws: July 8 @ Rec Park, Lewistown & July 23 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Join Marty Bowen and his reptiles at the Serpents & Claws event! Learn about their scales and claws, and maybe even touch them. Catch the show at Rec Park on July 8 at 1 p.m. in the Main Pavilion or at Kish Branch Library on July 23 at 10 a.m. in the community room. The program will be apx. 75 minutes long. This program is for all youth and their caregivers. Adults much be accompanied by a child. **Space is limited, so get your free ticket at the library starting June 24.** Tickets for Rec Park are at Lewistown Library, and Kish tickets are at Kish Branch Library in Belleville. Don't miss this chance to meet these amazing creatures!

## **Good Bugs vs. Bad Bugs with Master Gardeners: July 9 @ Community Garden**

Team up with the Master Gardeners from Penn State Ext. on July 9 at 10 a.m. for an epic showdown of good bugs vs. bad bugs! Then, unleash your inner detective with a scavenger hunt at the Community Garden, where you'll track down those sneaky weeds and spot our bug superheroes and villains. **Don't forget to register for this buggy adventure!**

**\*Note: If the skies are crying, this activity will be called off.**

## **Buggy Storytime: July 10 @ Main Library, Lewistown**

Get ready for Buggy Storytime, filled with critter tales! Perfect for children from birth to kindergarten, the event includes a crafty session afterward. Join us in Lewistown on July 10 at 10 a.m. **Registration is required, as spaces are limited.**

## **Pet Pop Art Painting: July 15 @ Main Library, Lewistown**

Unleash your inner Andy Warhol! Join in the fun of crafting a pop art masterpiece featuring your pet (or any critter you fancy). This artsy adventure is for students entering 6th through 12th grade happening on July 15th at 1:30 p.m. **Hurry and snag your spot—spaces are as limited as a unicorn sighting! Registration is a must.** Once you've claimed your spot, keep an eye on your inbox for all the juicy details.

## **Colorful Animals Storytime: July 16 @ Main Library, Lewistown or July 17 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Join us for a vibrant safari featuring purple cats and blue horses! Perfect for children from birth to kindergarten. Storytime will be on July 16 in Lewistown and July 17 in Belleville bath at 10 a.m. Activities include a craft and a visit from the PA Game Commission with animal displays. **Sign-up is essential due to limited space!**

## **Color Our Community - Fleece Hats: July 22 & 25 @ Main Library, Lewistown or July 24 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Show your love for our community by crafting a snazzy fleece hat! Join our community service program where students will stitch these cozy creations to be shared by the library during the Ice Festival in December. Every hat made in this program gets to stay!

**Sign up to ensure we have enough supplies for everyone.**

- July 22 @ 1:30 p.m. Main Library, Lewistown for students entering 6th through 12th grade
- July 24 @ 10 a.m. Kish Branch Library, Belleville for students entering 3rd through 5th grade
- July 25 @ 10 a.m. Main Library, Lewistown for students entering 3rd through 5th grade

## **Chopped: Teen Edition: July 29 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Team up to whip up culinary magic with a surprise box of mystery ingredients, against the clock! Push yourselves to concoct vibrant and scrumptious new dishes in this exciting challenge. Calling all students entering 6th to 12th grade—come join the flavor fiesta on July 29 at 1:30 p.m. at Kish Branch Library, Belleville. Ready to stir the pot in this fan favorite program? **Registration required!**

## **Harvest the Pizza Garden & Create Your Own Pizza with Master Gardeners: July 30 @ Main Library, Lewistown**

Discover the roots of our food journey and harvest the pizza garden sown in June with the Master Gardeners. Afterward, it's party time! Dive into a pizza-making extravaganza and munch on your personalized creation. Calling all budding chefs entering kindergarten through 5th grade! Join the fun on July 30 at 10 a.m. at the Main Library, Lewistown. **Don't forget to register!**

## **National Night Out: August 5 @ Kish Park**

The library is participating in National Night Out. This event will be held at Kish Park on August 5 at 6-9 p.m. Pop by and visit Miss Kelly and Miss Erin to receive a treat from the library.

## **Back to School Bingo: August 7 @ Kish Branch Library, Belleville**

Get ready to shout "BINGO!" with us as we dive into everyone's favorite game! Winners get to snag a back-to-school supply of their choice. Dive into the fun at Kish Branch on August 6 at 10 a.m. **Don't forget—registration is a must!**

## **Farm Storytime @ Mifflin County Youth Fair Children's Day, Reedsville : August 8**

Get ready for a fun-filled day at Mifflin County Youth Fair Children's Day on August 8! Enjoy storytime with the library at 1 p.m. We can't wait to see your smiling faces at the fair!



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