

Eccles-Lesher Memorial Library

NEWSLETTER



Monday	8:30 a - 5:30 p
Tuesday	9:00 a - 6:00 p
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	8:30 a - 5:30 p
Friday	9:30 a - 4:30 p
Saturday	9:00 a - 3:00 p
Sunday	Closed

Memorials

Honor friends and loved ones by participating in our Memorial Book and Memorial Brick Programs!



June 2026



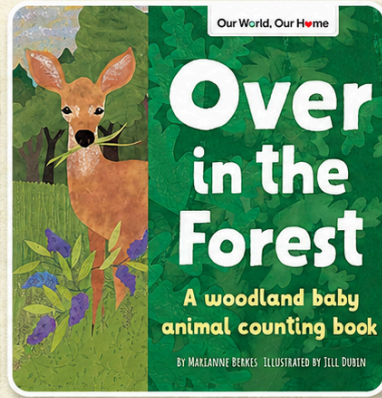
Get Ready to Unearth a Story This Summer! 🦖📚

Summer Reading is almost here, and we can't wait to kick off a dino-mite season of books, activities, and adventure! Join us on **Tuesday, June 9th at 10:00 a.m.** for Summer Reading Registration, where families can sign up for the program, pick up name badges and swag bags (while supplies last), and learn all about this year's reading challenges, side quests, and exciting prize baskets.

Registration day will also include face and rock painting, light refreshments, and plenty of prehistoric fun to get everyone excited for the weeks ahead. We're especially thrilled to be welcoming the Carnegie Museum of Natural History for a special dinosaur program later this summer, along with many more activities still to come. We hope you'll join us as we Unearth a Story together at the library this summer!

New StoryWalk® Book Ready!

Visit the Story Book Trail



Now featuring
Over in the Forest

A woodland baby animal counting book
by Marianne Berkes,
illustrated by Jill Dubin



Scan the QR code in the final display
to sign our Virtual Guestbook!



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New Spring/Summer StoryWalk® Now on the Trail

The library's new spring/summer StoryWalk® is officially in place and ready for families to enjoy. Library staff and dedicated Friends of the Library volunteers recently spent a beautiful morning on the trail swapping out the displays and welcoming our newest featured title, *Over in the Forest: A woodland baby animal counting book* by Marianne Berkes, illustrated by Jill Dubin.

This charming and colorful story invites children and families to count along while discovering baby animals in their forest homes. With its rhythmic text, engaging seek-and-find elements, and nature-themed illustrations, it is a perfect choice for young explorers and a wonderful reason to get outside and enjoy a walk together.

After completing the StoryWalk®, families are encouraged to scan the QR code in the final display and sign our Virtual Guestbook. No personal information is required. Visitors are simply invited to share a few basic details, such as how many adults and children are in their group, where they are visiting from, how they would rate the trail and book, and any comments they would like to leave. This helpful feedback allows us to better understand how the StoryWalk® is being used and enjoyed.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helps make this special project possible, and we hope families will take time to enjoy a peaceful walk, a delightful story, and a little woodland magic along the way.

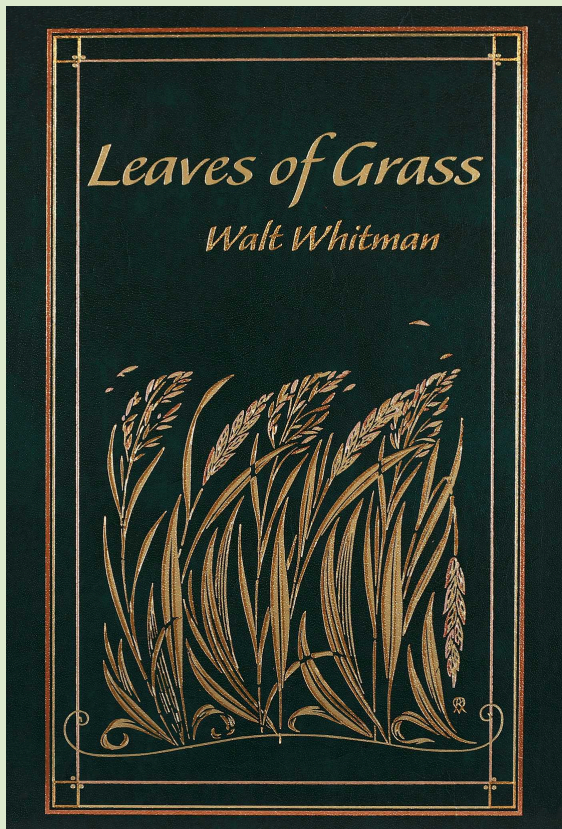
Read WITH YOUR LIBRARIAN



2026: THE BOOKS THAT SHAPE US

Libraries across the Oil Creek Library District are participating in Read with Your Librarian, a monthly reading initiative. This year's theme, "The Books That Shape Us," celebrates America's 250th birthday with influential titles from the Library of Congress's Books That Shaped America exhibit. Featured books are available in print, ebook, and audiobook (via Libby). Stop by to explore the display, check out a title, and read along with us!

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THE BOOKS THAT SHAPED US: JUNE HIGHLIGHT

Controversial for its celebration of the human body

First Published in 1855

Many consider it to be the "Voice of America"

Pioneered Free Verse poetry form in America

Goodreads rating: 4.11/5

at least six revised editions over Whitman's life

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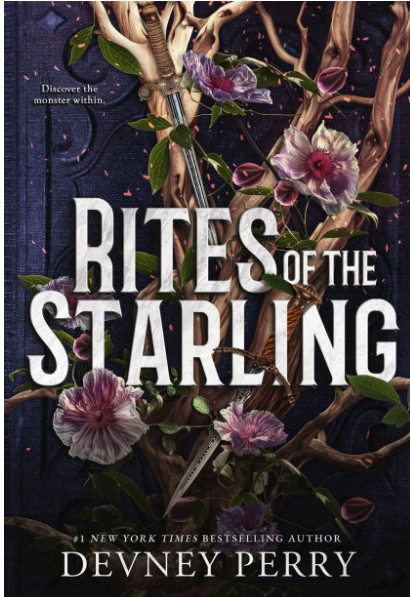
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Swords & Spice Romantasy Book Club Picks

June 2026 Book Pick

Rites of the Starling by Devney Perry



Release Date:
April 7, 2026

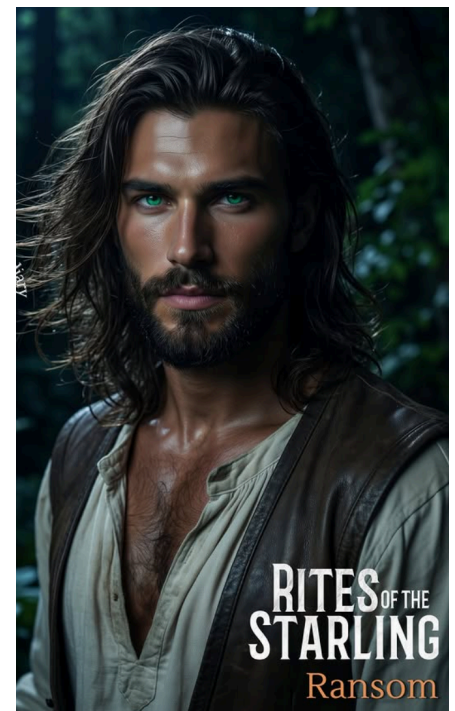
Join us for our June meeting of the Swords & Spice Romantasy Book Club as we journey into Rites of the Starling by Devney Perry, an epic tale filled with dangerous magic, ancient secrets, and the enduring strength of love and sacrifice. This month's discussion will explore themes of destiny, resilience, and the bonds that guide us through even the darkest of realms.

Whether you're a longtime fantasy reader or just beginning your romantasy journey, Swords & Spice offers a relaxed, welcoming space for thoughtful conversation and a shared love of magical storytelling.

 **Thursday, June 18**

 **5:30 p.m.**

 **Library Community Room**



Digital Library Resources

New Musical Extras Now Available Through Libby!

Music lovers, take note! Two exciting new streaming extras are now available through the Libby app for patrons of the Oil Creek Library District: Qello Concerts and Stingray Classica.

Qello Concerts gives you front-row access to the world's largest collection of on-demand full-length concert films, music documentaries, and live music performances. From major headliners to unforgettable music moments, Qello lets you turn your favorite device into the best seat in the house. With thousands of concerts and documentaries available, plus new content added weekly, it's a fantastic option for anyone who loves live music but prefers to enjoy it from the comfort of home.

For fans of classical performance, Stingray Classica offers a beautiful collection of classical music concerts, operas, ballets, festivals, and documentaries from around the world. With more than 1,000 commercial-free performances and new content added each week, this resource is perfect for anyone who enjoys elegant, inspiring performances at their fingertips.

Both services are available through Libby using the same seven-day unlimited pass model as Craftsby. All you need is your library card to get started. Whether your taste runs to rock concerts or grand opera, these new extras offer wonderful new ways to enjoy the arts through your library.



UNEARTH A STORY

SUMMER READING 2026

SCHEDULE

TUESDAY,
JUNE 9TH
AT 10 A.M.



REGISTRATION!

Join us to sign up for Summer Reading!
Pick up name badges, swag bags,
and learn all about the program.



TUESDAY,
JUNE 16TH
AT 10 A.M.



RECYCLESAURUS!

Using recyclable materials,
work together to create a
Recycleasaurus!



TUESDAY,
JUNE 23RD
AT 10 A.M.



WRITE A STORY!

Using craft and art materials
provided, create your own
fantastical summer reading story!



TUESDAY,
JUNE 30TH



NO PROGRAM THIS WEEK –

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July!



TUESDAY,
JULY 7TH
AT 10 A.M.



DINOLYMPICS!

Work in teams to
complete the challenges!



TUESDAY,
JULY 14TH
AT 11 A.M.



CARNEGIE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY SPECIAL GUESTS: DINO DETECTIVES!

Educators from Carnegie Museum of Natural History
come visit you—wherever you are! This hands-on
activity is designed for classrooms and smaller
groups and includes up-close looks at artifacts,
fossils, rocks, and more!



TUESDAY,
JULY 21ST
AT 12 P.M.
(NOON)



POOL PARTY! – SLIGO POOL

Have your picture taken in a Triceratops Cut-out!
Tickets for chances to win the grand prize awarded for
side quests and getting passports stamped.
Awards for reading challenges! Grand prize drawings
and coupons for free local ice cream cones!
Enjoy light refreshments and celebrate a
great summer of reading! Pool opens
for swimming at 1 p.m.!



POOL OPENS
FOR SWIMMING
AT 1 P.M.!

READ. DISCOVER. IMAGINE. TOGETHER!



Faye Reaches 900 Books!

We are so excited to celebrate a very special milestone for one of our young readers. Faye Shuster, age 2, has reached 900 books in our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program! 🎉📖 What a fantastic achievement! Faye is getting so close to the finish line, and we are incredibly proud of the time, love, and dedication that have helped her along the way. Each book shared helps build early literacy skills, imagination, and a lifelong love of reading. Way to go, Faye!

Start Your Child's Reading Adventure!

One day, this could be your child's milestone we're celebrating! Our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is a free and easy way to help young children build early literacy skills, confidence, imagination, and a lifelong love of reading. Best of all, every book counts, including repeat favorites read again and again. Visit the library to sign up and begin a special reading journey your family can enjoy together, one story at a time.

Friends of the Library Present

★ ★ Celebrate ★ ★

America 250

★ ★ with ★ ★

Martha Washington

A Special Children's Program

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**Tuesday,
August 4**

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11:00 a.m.

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Community Room

Mary Lea Lucas, portraying Martha Washington, will share the story of Christopher Ludwick, the Baker General of the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War.

Children will decorate a gingerbread cookie!

Children must sign up to attend.

ECCLES-LESHER Memorial Library
673 Main St., Rimersburg, PA 16248

Children must be registered by: _____



Our Friends of the Library are preparing two special programs for this coming summer in celebration of America's 250th anniversary! Join us Tuesday, August 4, for a day inspired by Martha Washington, history, hospitality, and a little old-fashioned charm. Details are still being finalized, and registration information will be shared in the coming months, but here's a sneak peek at what's ahead!

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America 250

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Martha Washington

A Special Women's Tea

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**Tuesday,
August 4**

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1:00 p.m.

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In the Library

Mary Lea Lucas, portraying Martha Washington, will present a special program during this Women's Tea.

The Friends will serve a light lunch featuring tea sandwiches, fruit, cheese, pastries, tea, and more.

A donation will be accepted for the lunch.

Women must sign up to attend.

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