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**The Greenville County Library System Presents
Green Reads: Adult Summer Reading**

Greenville, SC – The Greenville County Library System is proud to launch our first adult summer reading program. This year's theme, **Green Reads**, will focus on the environment and encourage patrons to include library use as an important part of their earth-friendly lifestyles.

The Greenville County Library System and Upstate Forever have coordinated an exciting schedule of events to complement our reading list:

An Introduction to Birding

Tuesday, June 30 · 7:00p-8:30p

Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room A

A representative from the Greenville County Bird Club will discuss the fascinating hobby of bird-watching. Learn about local varieties of birds, getting started birding, dos and don'ts, and local birding opportunities. Call 527-9293.

Sunrift Adventures

Wednesday, July 8 · 6:00p-8:00p

Paris Mountain State Park

Cost: \$20

Sunrift Adventures staff will answer questions and demonstrate their latest gear on the lake at Paris Mountain State Park, located at 2401 State Park Road, Greenville, SC 29609.

Sunrift Adventures

Saturday, July 11 · 10:00a-4:00p

Cost: \$75

A guided paddle on Lake Robinson. Meet at Sunrift Adventures, located at 1 Center Street, Travelers Rest, SC 29690.

Upstate Forever

Saturday, July 11

Musgrove Mill State Historic Site

Join us for a guided hike at Musgrove Mill State Historic Site, which straddles the Enoree River in Union, Laurens and Spartanburg Counties. After an orientation at the site of

Edward Musgrove's property, we'll shuttle across the river to for a 1.2 mile guided hike around the Musgrove Mill Battlefield, where 200 Patriot militiamen battled 300 Tory regulars on August 19, 1780. The hike also includes Horseshoe Falls, located on Cedar Shoals Creek, where according to legend, Mary Musgrove hid a Patriot soldier from the British troops during the battle. To register, contact Ned Barrett at (864)327-0090 or email nbarrett@upstateforever.org.

Lake Conestee Nature Park

Thursday, July 16 - 5:30p

A free guided tour of Lake Conestee Nature Park will be led by Dr. Jeff Beacham. Silent Spring by Rachel Carson will be highlighted. Meet at Lake Conestee Nature Park, near Old Augusta Rd and Fork Shoals Rd (directions at www.conesteeepark.com).

Going Green with Brandy Long

Tuesday, July 21 - 10:00a-11:00a

Travelers Rest (Sargent) Branch

Join Brandy Long as she demonstrates how to save money by using what you have around the house. It's good for the environment and your wallet! Call 834-3650 for more information.

Sunrift Adventures

Wednesday, July 22 - 6:00p-8:00p

Cost: \$20

Sunrift Adventures staff will answer questions and demonstrate their latest gear on the lake at Paris Mountain State Park, located at 2401 State Park Road, Greenville, SC 29609.

Upstate Forever

Saturday, August 8

Take a bike ride on the Swamp Rabbit Tram Trail along with staff from Sunrift Adventures and Upstate Forever. Meet at Sunrift Adventures: 1 Center Street, Travelers Rest, SC 29690. Keep checking at www.upstateforever.org for more details.

[Read more about Green Reads](#) and view a complete list of [recommended reading](#).

Events are available for all budgets, including some at no cost! Individuals ages 18 and over are invited to read books and join in activities focused on recycling, nature and the environment. **Participants are encouraged to read at least three books, record the titles in a reading log and to return the reading log for a free reusable tote bag!** Pick up and return a reading log at any Greenville County Library System location.

For more information about Green Reads, **call 527-9293**.

About the Greenville County Library System:

Founded in 1921, the Greenville County Library System operates 12 facilities, a bookmobile, and a website that provide information, materials, and engaging programs delivered with world-class technology and a customer-centric approach. The Library System offers free access to resources and experiences and continually strives to be the community's destination of choice for exploring the world. For more information, visit the Library's website at www.greenvillelibrary.org.