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### **Events in April at the Greenville County Library System**

The Greenville County Library System will be closed for Easter on Sunday, April 4.

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#### **AARP Tax Assistance**

**Wednesdays and Thursdays, April 1-15 • 9:30a-2:00p**

**Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch**

AARP offers free tax assistance to elderly and low-income taxpayers. Call 877-8722 for an appointment

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#### **VITA: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance**

**Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 1-8 • 5:00p-8:00p**

**Travelers Rest (Sargent) Branch**

Qualified volunteers will provide free income tax assistance. Call United Way at 211 for appointments and more information.

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#### **VITA: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance**

**Wednesday, April 7 • 12:00p-4:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room A**

Qualified volunteers will provide free income tax assistance. Call United Way at 211 for appointments and more information.

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#### **VITA: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance**

**Saturdays, April 3-10 • 12:00p-4:00p**

**Fountain Inn (Kerry Ann Younts Culp) Branch**

Qualified volunteers will provide free income tax assistance. Call United Way at 211 for appointments and more information.

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**Embroidery Circle****Friday, April 2 • 10:00a-12:00p****Travelers Rest (Sargent) Branch**

A social gathering for local embroidery lovers! Compare stitches, learn new tips and catch up with friends. Bring current projects or start a new one.

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**Smart Investing: Your Recipe for Success!****Investment Professionals and Safeguarding Investments****Saturday, April 3 • 10:00a-12:00p****Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms A-C**

Investment professionals can help...*if* you know the different types of investors, the strategy involved in choosing one and how to check backgrounds. They can work with and for you to safeguard investments. You may also learn how to keep good records, learn investor rights and protections, and how to spot a fraud and file a complaint. Space is limited. Registration is required. Call 527-9293.

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**AARP Driver Safety Program****Monday-Tuesday • April 5-6, 1:00p-5:00p****Pelham Road (F.W. Symmes) Branch**

Drivers ages 55 and over are invited to attend an AARP driver safety course – you may be eligible for a discount on your auto insurance! Cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Call 288-6688 to register.

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**Meet Laura Keene****Monday, April 5 • 7:00p-8:00p****Hughes Main Library, Meeting Room C**

Meet Laura Keene, the last person to see Abraham Lincoln alive. Join Centre Stage's director as she discusses the upcoming production of *Our Leading Lady*. Her extensive research will be shared in a lively and thought-provoking presentation. Call 527-9293.

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**Fountain Inn Book Discussion****Tuesday, April 6 • 7:00p-8:30p****Fountain Inn (Kerry Ann Younts Culp) Branch**

*Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese. Call 862-2576.

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**The Paradox of Affluence****Wednesday, April 7 • 6:00p-8:00p****Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms B-C**

Phi Theta Kappa presents a three part series titled "The Paradox of Affluence: Choices, Challenges and Consequences." Part one includes the lecture *If You're So Rich, How Come You're Not Happier?* Call 527-9293.

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**The Amazing Read Kickoff: Meet the Author****Thursday, April 8 • 6:30p-8:00p****Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch**

Jennifer Niven will read from the Amazing Read 2010 selection *Velva Jean Learns to Drive*, followed by a question and answer session. Books will be available for sale and signing.

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**Fun, Friendly Knitting!**

**Saturday, April 10 • 10:00a-12:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Friends Shop**

Join a group of fellow knitters of all ages and skill levels for some crafty mingling and a good cause! Free yarn and needles provided by the Friends of the Library to create and sell scarves in their shop.

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**The Amazing Read: Meet the Author**

**Saturday, April 10 • 3:00p-5:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms B-C**

Jennifer Niven will read from the Amazing Read 2010 selection *Velva Jean Learns to Drive*, followed by a question and answer session. Books will be available for sale and signing.

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**Travelers Rest Book Discussion**

**Monday, April 12 • 1:00p-2:00p**

**Travelers Rest (Sargent) Branch**

*Serena* by Ron Rash. Call 834-3650.

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**Survival Spanish Level II**

**Mondays, April 12-May 17 • 6:00p-8:00p**

**Mauldin (W. Jack Greer) Branch**

Basic knowledge of Spanish vocabulary is required. Cost is \$70 for library card holders and seniors, \$90 for others. Call 355-6059. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).

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**Survival Spanish Level I**

**Tuesdays April 13-May 18 • 6:00p-8:00p**

**Pelham Road (F.W. Symmes) Branch**

Lacking simple Spanish skills? Learn basic vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation – with no tests! Cost is \$70 for library card holders and seniors, \$90 for others. Call 355-6059. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).

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**Augusta Road Reading in Color Book Discussion**

**Tuesday, April 13 • 7:00p-8:00p**

**Augusta Road (Ramsey Family) Branch**

*The Help* by Kathryn Stockett. Call 277-0161.

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**The Amazing Read Book Discussion**

**Tuesday, April 13 • 7:00p-8:00p**

**Taylors (Burdette) Branch**

All are welcome to join in a discussion of *Velva Jean Learns to Drive* by Jennifer Niven. Call 268-5955.

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**Scribblers Writing Group****Tuesday, April 13 • 7:00p-8:30p****Simpsonville (Hendricks) Branch**

Join our creative writing group for adults! Bring your best work or come to get inspired – scribblers at every level are welcome. In honor of National Card and Letter Writing Month, part of the program will be devoted to letter writing. Call 963-9031.

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**The Paradox of Affluence****Wednesday, April 14 • 6:00p-8:00p****Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms B-C**

Phi Theta Kappa presents a three part series titled “The Paradox of Affluence: Choices, Challenges and Consequences.” Part two includes the lecture *Loans That Change Lives: The Story of Kiva.org*. Call 527-9293.

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**The Amazing Read Book Discussion****Thursday, April 15 • 3:00p-4:00p****Travelers Rest (Sargent) Branch**

All are welcome to join in a discussion of *Velva Jean Learns to Drive* by Jennifer Niven. Call 834-3650.

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**Celebrating the Blue Ridge Parkway****Thursday, April 15 • 6:30p-8:00p****Greer (Jean M. Smith) Branch**

Learn about the history of the Blue Ridge Parkway and discover vacation opportunities for every age and budget. Receive the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition of the *BRP Planner*. Call 877-8722 to register.

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**Taylors Knitting Group****Saturday, April 17 • 10:00a-12:00p****Taylors (Burdette) Branch**

Learn to knit or improve your knitting skills with new or ongoing projects. Patterns available for all skill levels! Experienced knitters will be available for instruction and questions. Bring your own yarn and needles. Call 268-5955.

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**The Amazing Read Book Discussion****Monday, April 19 • 7:00p-8:30p****Augusta Road (Ramsey Family) Branch**

All are welcome to join in a discussion of *Velva Jean Learns to Drive* by Jennifer Niven. Call 527-9293.

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**South Carolina Room Tour****Tuesday, April 20 • 6:00p-9:00p****Hughes Main Library, South Carolina Room**

Join us for an in-depth tour and learn how to locate family information in the South Carolina Room. Personalized genealogical and historical research help will be available after the tour. Space is limited and registration is required. Call 527-9261.

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**Lifelong Learning Childcare Training****Tuesday, April 20 • 6:00p-8:30p****Mauldin (W. Jack Greer) Branch**

Become a professional childcare provider. Participant fee is \$15 per class. Call 355-6053 to register. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).

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**The Paradox of Affluence****Wednesday, April 21 • 6:00p-8:00p****Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms B-C**

Phi Theta Kappa presents a three part series titled "The Paradox of Affluence: Choices, Challenges and Consequences." Part three includes the lecture *Subordinating Corporate Commercialism to the Sovereignty of the People*. Call 527-9293.

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**Lifelong Learning Childcare Training****Thursday, April 22 • 6:00p-8:30p****Berea (Sarah Dobey Jones) Branch**

Become a professional childcare provider. Participant fee is \$15 per class. Call 355-6053 to register. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).

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**Creative Recycling****Thursday, April 22 • 6:30p-8:00p****Pelham Road (F.W. Symmes) Branch**

Celebrate Earth Day by viewing a short film and learning how the women of Indonesia create useful crafts out of recycled items. Bring plastic shopping bags to make your own green craft! Space is limited. Call 288-6688 to register.

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**Vintage Crafts: Woodcarving****Saturday, April 24 • 10:00a-12:00p****Mauldin (W. Jack Greer) Branch**

Experienced wood carvers from the Piedmont Wood Carvers Club will demonstrate basic techniques and display finished pieces. Also learn about the John C. Campbell Folk School. Call 277-7397 to register.

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**Car Smarts****Saturday, April 24 • 10:30a-1:00p****Augusta Road (Ramsey Family) Branch**

Teens and women will learn road safety through defensive driving techniques and basic car maintenance. Teens will learn defensive driving while women learn car maintenance, then the groups will switch. Registration is in progress. Call 277-0161.

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**Eeek! It's a Mouse**

**Monday, April 26 • 9:30a-12:30p and 2:00p-5:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Computer Training Lab**

Learn the basics of Windows, how to operate a mouse, use toolbars, size windows and play cards. This class is free, but registration is required. Call 355-6059. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).

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**Microsoft Word II**

**Tuesday-Friday, April 27-30 • 9:30a-12:30p**

**Hughes Main Library, Computer Training Lab**

Learn to create a resume, research papers, outlines and watermarks. Cost is \$70 for library card holders and seniors, \$90 for others. Participants must complete Word Level I before registering for this class. Call 355-6059. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).

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**Microsoft Windows XP**

**Tuesday-Friday, April 27-30 • 2:00p-5:00p**

**Hughes Main Library, Computer Training Lab**

This 12-hour class includes an introduction to the desktop and Windows Explorer. You will also learn how to manage folders, plus how to find, save and sort documents. Cost is \$70 for library card holders and seniors, \$90 for others. Call 355-6059. Registration form at [www.greenvillelibrary.org](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org)

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**Berea Book Discussion**

**Tuesday, April 27 • 10:00a-11:00a**

**Berea (Sarah Dobey Jones) Branch**

All are welcome to join in a discussion of *Velva Jean Learns to Drive* by Jennifer Niven. Call 246-1695.

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**Simpsonville Book Discussion**

**Tuesday, April 27 • 10:30a-11:30a**

**Simpsonville (Hendricks) Branch**

All are welcome to join in a discussion of *Velva Jean Learns to Drive* by Jennifer Niven. Call 963-9031.

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**Vintage Crafts: Embroidery**

**Tuesday, April 27 • 6:00p-8:00p**

**Mauldin (W. Jack Greer) Branch**

Learn five basic stitches to create a beautiful pincushion or small pillow insert. Learn about the history of embroidery. Space is limited. Call 277-7397 to register.

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**Life in 1930s Greenville****Thursday, April 29 • 7:00p-8:30p****Hughes Main Library, Meeting Rooms A-B**

Using the new *Greenville County Driving Tour of Historic Sites*, the South Carolina Room staff will bring 1930s Greenville to life. See archives, photos, general store ledgers and more. Copies of the driving tour are available for \$4.00. Call 527-9261 to register.

***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](http://www.greenvillelibrary.org).*

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