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NEWSLETTER OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY LIBRARIES

HIGHLIGHTS



February 3 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Avon Park Public Library (Adult Program): **Social Security Changes** and Retirement Finance Tips February 15 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Sebring Public Library (Adult Program): **Crochet Club**

Every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Weekly Story Times:

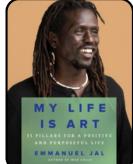
Lake Placid: Every Wed. @ 10 a.m.

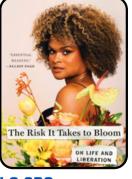
Sebring: Every Wed. @ 11 a.m.

Avon Park Every Sat. @ 11 a.m.



** February is Black History Month **





VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.MYHLC.ORG ACTIVITIES MADE POSSIBLE BY FUNDING FROM THE STATE AID TO LIBRARIES GRANT, THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND EACH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Sunday & Monday: CLOSED Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

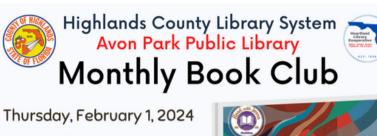
 Curbside Available Fridays 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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"In present-day California, Eleanor Bennett's death leaves behind a puzzling inheritance for her two children, Byron and Benny: a black cake, made from a family recipe with a long history, and a voice recording. In her message, Eleanor shares a tumultuous story about a headstrong young swimmer who escapes her island home under suspicion of murder. The heartbreaking tale Eleanor unfolds, the secrets she still holds back, and the mystery of a longlost child challenge everything the siblings thought they knew about their lineage and themselves. Can Byron and Benny reclaim their once-close relationship, piece together Eleanor's true history, and fulfill her final request to "share the black cake when the time is right"? Will their mother's revelations bring them back together or leave them feeling more lost than ever?"- GoodReads Book Club will be February 1, 2024 at

10 a.m. at the Avon Park Library.

MONTHLY BOOK CLUB

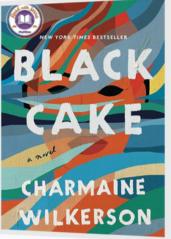


10 a.m.

Title is: "Black Cake" by Charmaine Wilkerson

Monthly book club 100 N. Museum Ave. will meet only at the Avon Park Public Library.

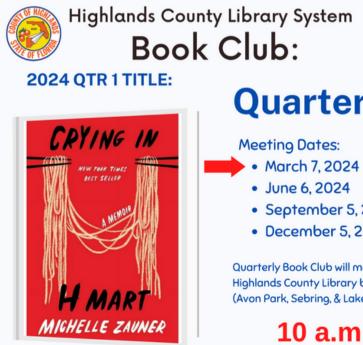
Avon Park, FL 33825 863-452-3803 www.myhlc.org



"In this exquisite story of family, food, grief, and endurance, Michelle Zauner proves herself far more than a dazzling singer, songwriter, and guitarist. With humor and heart, she tells of growing up one of the few Asian American kids at her school in Eugene, Oregon; of struggling with her mother's particular, high expectations of her; of a painful adolescence; of treasured months spent in her grandmother's tiny apartment in Seoul, where she and her mother would bond, late at night, over heaping plates of food. " - Amazon.com Book Club will be March 7, 2024 at 10 a.m. at all three

Highlands branches.

QUARTERLY BOOK CLUB





Quarterly

- September 5, 2024
- December 5, 2024

Quarterly Book Club will meet at all Highlands County Library branches (Avon Park, Sebring, & Lake Placid)

10 a.m.

Teen Programs:

Lake Placid Memorial Library Teen Programs:

Anime & Gaming Club

February 8 & 22 from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

> Teen Time: Nailed It!

February 15 from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Sebring Public Library Teen Time: February 13 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUPS:

Friends of Libraries are non-profit, charitable groups formed to support libraries in their communities.

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AVON PARK FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:

LOCATED IN THE AVON PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

MEMBERSHIP IS \$15.00 ANNUALLY AND INCLUDES A PUNCH CARD FOR 12 FREE BOOKS **SE**

HOURS: TUE.: 10:30A.M. TO 4 P.M. WED. TO FRI.: 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M. SAT.: 10:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.





SEBRING FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:

LOCATED AT 117 E CENTER AVE, SEBRING, FL 33870

MEMBERSHIP: \$10.00 ANNUALLY HOURS: TUE - FRI.: 10 AM - 4:30 PM SAT.: 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

LAKE PLACID FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:

MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$15 ANNUALLY AND INCLUDES AN INVITATION TO THE ANNUAL LUNCHEON

LOCATED IN THE LAKE PLACID MEMORIAL LIBRARY

> HOURS: TUES. - SAT. 11 A.M. - 3 PM



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January Week 5 (January 28 to February 3, 2024)

- January 31:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Crochet Club (SPL)
 - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
 - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
- February 1:
 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
 - 10 a.m. Avon Park Monthly Book Club (Discussing "Black Cake")
- February 2:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Technology Help (SPL)
 - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Avon Park Technology Help (APL)
 - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Read for a Treat @ Avon Park (APL)
- February 3:
 - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
 - 11 a.m.: Lake Placid Adult Program: Heart Wreaths (LPML)

February Week 1 (February 4 to 10, 2024)

- February 7:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Crochet Club (SPL)
 - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
 - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
- February 8:
 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
 - 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.: Lake Placid Teen Anime & Gaming Club (LPML)
- February 9:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Technology Help (SPL)
 - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Avon Park Technology Help (APL)
 - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Read for a Treat @ Avon Park (APL)
 - 4 p.m.: Avon Park S.T.E.A.M (APL)
- February 10:
 - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)

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February Week 2 (February 11 to 17, 2024)

- February 13:
 - 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Sebring Teen Time
- February 14:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Crochet Club (SPL)
 - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
 - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
- February 15:
 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
 - 10 a.m. Avon Park Adult Program: S.O.F.A. Managing Money for Retirement
 - 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.: Lake Placid Teen Activity: Nailed It! (LPML)
- February 16:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Technology Help (SPL)
 - 11 a.m.: Lake Placid S.T.E.A.M (LPML)
 - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Avon Park Technology Help (APL)
 - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Read for a Treat @ Avon Park (APL)
- February 17:
 - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)

February Week 3 (February 18 to 24, 2024)

- February 21:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Crochet Club (SPL)
 - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
 - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
- February 22:
 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
 - 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.: Lake Placid Teen Anime & Gaming Club (LPML)
- February 23:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Technology Help (SPL)
 - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Avon Park Technology Help (APL)
 - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Read for a Treat @ Avon Park (APL)
 - 3 p.m.: Sebring S.T.E.A.M (SPL)
- February 24:
 - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)



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February Week 4 (February 25 to March 2, 2024)

- February 26:
 - 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Mobile Library @ Lorida Community Center
- February 28:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Crochet Club (SPL)
 - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
 - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
- February 29:
 - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
- March 1:
 - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Technology Help (SPL)
 - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Avon Park Technology Help (APL)
 - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Read for a Treat @ Avon Park (APL)
- March 2:
 - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
 - 11 a.m.: Lake Placid Adult Program: Coffee & Diamond Painting

ALL CRAFT KITS ARE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST ALL MONTH: Books & Beyond (Curated Reading Experience) ALL MONTH: February Elementary Craft (Paper Heart Spinner) ALL MONTH: Quarterly Book Club Read "Crying at H Mart" for the March Meeting

