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Book Club will be April 4, 2024 at 10 a.m. at the Avon Park Library.

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Book Club will be March 7, 2024 at 10 a.m. at all three Highlands branches.
Teen Programs:

Lake Placid Memorial Library
Teen Programs:
Anime & Gaming Club
March 14 & 28
from
3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Teen Time:
NO MARCH ACTIVITY

Sebring Public Library
Teen Time:
March 12
from
4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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TUES. - SAT. 11 A.M. - 3 PM
February Week 5 (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 (LPML)

March Week 1 (March 3 to 9, 2024)

- March 6:
  - 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)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)

- March 7:
  - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
  - 10 a.m.: All Libraries Quarterly Book Club (discussing “Crying at H Mart”)

- March 8:
  - 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)

- March 9:
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
  - 11 a.m.: Lake Placid Adult Program: Author Presentation (Author will be live virtually, discussion in the Lake Placid Library meeting room).
March Week 2 (March 10 to 16, 2024)

- March 12:
  - 11 a.m.: Reading Buddies with HCSO Therapy Dogs at Avon Park (APL)
  - 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.: Kindness Rock Painting at Avon Park (APL)
  - 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Sebring Teen Time (SPL)

- March 13:
  - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Crochet Club (SPL)
  - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time with HCSO Therapy Dogs (LPML)
  - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)

- March 14:
  - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
  - 11 a.m.: Reading Buddies with HCSO Therapy Dogs at Sebring (SPL)
  - 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.: Lake Placid Teen Anime & Gaming Club (LPML)

- March 15:
  - 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)

- March 16:
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Adult Program: Paint in the Atrium (APL)

March Week 3 (March 17 to 23, 2024)

- March 20:
  - ALL DAY: Won’t You Be My Neighbor Day (All Branches)
  - 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)
  - 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Sidewalk Chalk Art at Avon Park (APL)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)

- March 21:
  - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
  - 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.: Sebring Book to Movie Club (SPL)
  - 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Adult Program: Social Security Changes & Retirement (APL)

- March 22:
  - 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)

- March 23:
  - 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Lake Placid Easter Event (LPML)
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
March Week 4 (March 24 to 30, 2024)

- March 25:
  - 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.: All Libraries are OPEN

- March 27:
  - 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)

- March 28:
  - 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 Anime & Gaming Club (LPML)

- March 29:
  - ALL DAY: All libraries & outside returns are CLOSED

- March 30:
  - ALL DAY: All libraries & outside returns are CLOSED

ALL CRAFT KITS ARE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

ALL MONTH: Books & Beyond (Curated Reading Experience)

ALL MONTH: March Elementary Craft (PI Day Craft)

ALL MONTH: Avon Park Monthly Book Club Read “The Testaments” for the April Meeting.

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