

# Highlands County Library System

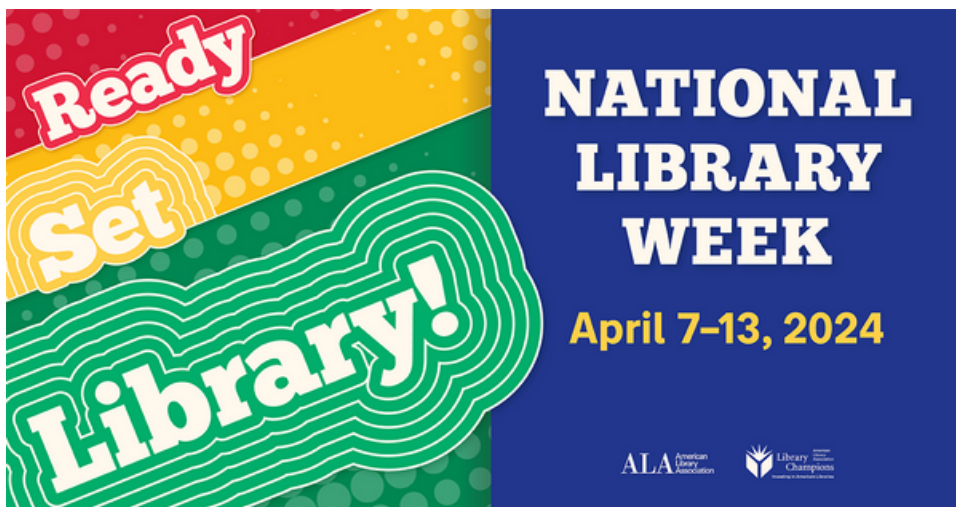
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## NEWSLETTER OF THE HIGHLANDS COUNTY LIBRARIES

# HIGHLIGHTS



What does the library mean to you? If you want to share what you love about the library, please consider filling out a comment card.

Celebrate National Library Week with us!

### Weekly Story Times:

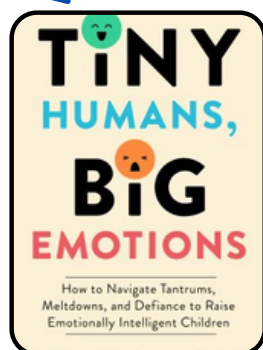
**Lake Placid:**  
Every Wed. @ 10 a.m.

**Sebring:**  
Every Wed. @ 11 a.m.

**Avon Park**  
Every Sat. @ 11 a.m.

**\*\*April is Child Abuse Prevention Month & Autism Awareness Month\*\***

CHECK THESE TITLES OUT ON BOUNDLESS



VISIT OUR WEBSITE [WWW.MYHLC.ORG](http://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.

"When the van door slammed on Offred's future at the end of *The Handmaid's Tale*, readers had no way of telling what lay ahead for her--freedom, prison or death. With *The Testaments*, the wait is over. Margaret Atwood's sequel picks up the story more than fifteen years after Offred stepped into the unknown, with the explosive testaments of three female narrators from Gilead. In this brilliant sequel to *The Handmaid's Tale*, acclaimed author Margaret Atwood answers the questions that have tantalized readers for decades. "Dear Readers: Everything you've ever asked me about Gilead and its inner workings is the inspiration for this book. Well, almost everything! The other inspiration is the world we've been living in." --Margaret Atwood."- GoodReads

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

# MONTHLY BOOK CLUB

Highlands County Library System  
Avon Park Public Library  
Monthly Book Club

Thursday, April 4, 2024  
**10 a.m.**

Title is:  
"The Testaments"  
by Margaret Atwood

Monthly book club will meet only at the Avon Park Public Library. 100 N. Museum Ave. Avon Park, FL 33825 863-452-3803 www.myhlc.org

MARGARET ATWOOD  
THE TESTAMENTS  
The Booker Prize 2019  
THE NUMBER ONE BESTSELLER  
'GRIPPING' GUARDIAN  
'POWERFUL' THE TIMES

# QUARTERLY BOOK CLUB

"When Fly and Stela meet in 21st Century New York City, it seems like fate. He's a Black American musician from a mixed-religious background who knows all about heartbreak. She's a Catholic science teacher from the Caribbean, looking for lasting love. But are they meant to be? The answer goes back decades—all the way to their parents' earliest loves. " - Publisher

Book Club will be June 6, 2024 at 10 a.m. at all three Highlands branches.

Highlands County Library System  
Book Club:

2024 QTR 2 TITLE:

MONSTER IN THE MIDDLE  
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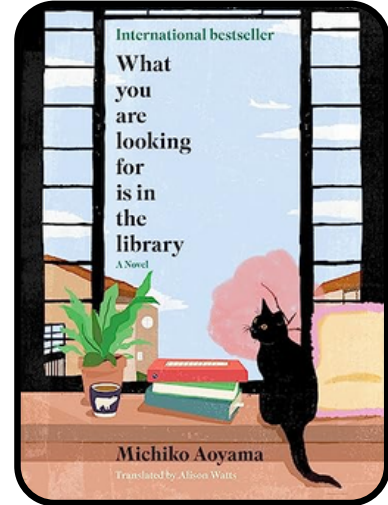
Quarterly Meeting Dates:

- March 7, 2024
- June 6, 2024
- 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.**

# STAFF PICKS



*Thank You*

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUPS:

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

### 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

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



**April Week 1 (March 31 to April 6, 2024)**

- April 3:
  - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
  - 10:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time w/ Therapy Dogs (LPML)
  - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)
- April 4:
  - 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: Lake Placid Technology Help (LPML)
  - 10 a.m.: Avon Park Monthly Book Club (discussing “The Testaments”) (APL)
- April 5:
  - 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)
- April 6:
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
  - 11 a.m.: Lake Placid Adult Program: Craft using Cork (LPML)

**April Week 2 (April 7 to April 13, 2024) - National Library Week**

- April 9:
  - 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Sebring Teen Time (SPL)
- April 10:
  - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
  - 10 a.m.: Sebring Story time w/ HCSO Therapy Dogs (SPL)
  - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)
- April 11:
  - 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)
- April 12:
  - 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)
  - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Sebring Adult Program: Trivia Night (SPL)
- April 13:
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Adult Program: Beaded Yard Ornaments (APL)

**April Week 3 (April 14 to April 20, 2024)**

- April 17:
  - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
  - 10 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time w/ Therapy Dogs (APL)
  - 11 a.m.: Sebring Story Time (SPL)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)
- April 18:
  - 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 Time: Mother's Day Gift Making (LPML)
- April 19:
  - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Sebring Technology Help (SPL)
  - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Avon Park Technology Help (APL)
  - 11 a.m.: Lake Placid S.T.E.A.M. (LPML)
  - 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.: Read for a Treat @ Avon Park (APL)
- April 20:
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)

**April Week 4 (April 21 to April 27, 2024)**

- April 22
  - 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.: Mobile Library @ Lorida Community Center
- April 24:
  - 10 a.m.: Lake Placid Story Time (LPML)
  - 10 a.m.: Sebring Story Time w/ Therapy Dogs (SPL)
  - 11 a.m.: Sebring SFSC Puppet Workshop & Performance (SPL)
  - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.: Avon Park Study Buddies (APL)
  - 4 p.m.: Avon Park SFSC Puppet Workshop & Performance (APL)
- April 25:
  - 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)
- April 26:
  - 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)
- April 27:
  - 11 a.m.: Avon Park Story Time (APL)

**ALL CRAFT KITS ARE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST**  
**ALL MONTH: Books & Beyond (Curated Reading Experience)**  
**ALL MONTH: April Elementary Craft (Earth Day Craft)**  
**ALL MONTH: Avon Park Monthly Book Club Read "Lone Women" for the May Meeting.**

# ADULT PROGRAMS

**Lake Placid Memorial  
Library**  
**(Adult Program):**  
**Cork Crafts**

April 6 from  
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Avon Park Public  
Library**  
**(Adult Program):**  
**Beaded Yard  
Ornaments**

April 13 at  
11 a.m.

**Sebring Public Library**  
**(Adult Program):**  
**Trivia Night**

April 12 from  
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

# TEEN PROGRAMS

**Lake Placid Memorial Library**  
**Teen Programs:**

**Anime & Gaming Club**  
 April 11 & April 25  
 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.



**Teen Time:**  
 April 18 @  
 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.  
 Creating a Mother's Day Gift



**Sebring Public Library**  
**Teen Time:**

April 9  
 from  
 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

