

# Bell Memorial Public Library

April 2026

## Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday:  
9am-7pm

Friday: 9am-5pm

Saturday: 9am-1pm

Closed Sunday

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## Movie Mania!



Thursday, April 9 at 5pm in the Large  
Conference Room. All welcome!  
(under 8 needs adult present)

When a police officer and his faithful police  
dog get injured in the line of duty, a  
harebrained but life-saving surgery fuses the  
2 of them together— and Dog Man is born.  
Contact Rachel with questions: [rjohnson@bell.lib.in.us](mailto:rjohnson@bell.lib.in.us)

## NO SEW T-SHIRT BAG



## No-Sew Creation Night!

Thursday, April 30 from  
4:30-6:30pm in Maker  
Space. Intended for 10+  
but younger welcome

with adult supervision. **BRING YOUR OWN T-SHIRT!**  
Questions? Contact Rachel: [rjohnson@bell.lib.in.us](mailto:rjohnson@bell.lib.in.us)

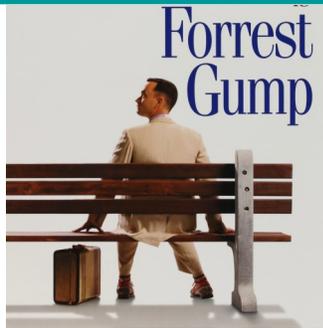
## Needle Nerds

Thursday, April 16 from 2:30-6pm in the  
Large Conference Room.

For anyone interested in crochet, knitting  
or other needle crafts

Questions? Contact Pat [plancet@bell.lib.in.us](mailto:plancet@bell.lib.in.us)





### Movie Mania!

Thursday, April 9 at 1pm in the Large Conf. Rm.  
Join us for Forrest Gump.

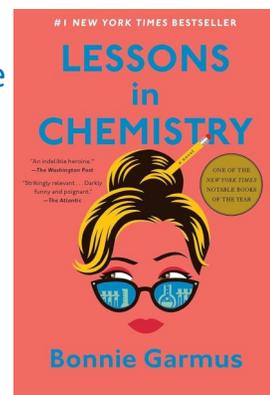
Slow-witted Forrest Gump (Tom Hanks) has never thought of himself as disadvantaged, and thanks to his supportive mother (Sally Field), he leads anything but a restricted life. Whether dominating on the football field, fighting in Vietnam or captaining a shrimp boat, Forrest inspires people with his childlike optimism. But one person Forrest cares about most may be the most difficult to save—his childhood love, the sweet but troubled Jenny (Robin Wright).

Popcorn & water will be provided.

### Adult Book Club

Tuesday, April 14 from 5:30-7pm in the Large Conf. Rm. We will be discussing *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. Elizabeth Zott is a brilliant female chemist in 1960's California, whose career is derailed by sexism, leading her to become the unlikely star of a popular TV cooking show, *Supper at Six*, where she empowers housewives with science and challenges the status quo.

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, feel free to join us!



### Senior Exercise Class



Every Monday and Wednesday from 1-2pm in the Large Conf. Rm.

Note if you aren't a YMCA member you may try 3 classes free, then continue attending classes for \$8/class with a guest pass. This class has open enrollment; persons interested may join at any time.

This program is presented in cooperation with Kosciusko County YMCA and K21 Foundation to provide exercise opportunities for seniors in rural areas.

Remember if you registered for **A Matter of Balance** there is no class Friday, April 3. The final 2 classes are Friday April 10 & 17 from 1-2:30pm in the Large Conf. Rm. This program emphasizes strategies to manage falls.

Questions? Contact Pat: [plancet@bell.lib.in.us](mailto:plancet@bell.lib.in.us)

## Once Upon a Snack: Flash Fiction Club

Thursday, April 2 from 1pm until gone in the Lobby (1 per patron)  
Featured short story: *The Mysterious Swamp Bubbles*. This playful story follows Milo as he uncovers the squishy, giggly secret behind the mysterious swamp bubbles.



Treats include: bubble gum and fart putty.



## Build Big, Snack Cheesy: LEGO Club

Tuesday, April 7 from 4:30-6:30pm in the YA Room.

All ages welcome! (under 8 needs adult)

Come join free build LEGO time with a string cheese snack! (while supplies last)



## Dandelion Wall Art

Thursday, April 16 from 4:30-6:30pm in the Maker Space. All ages welcome!  
(Under 8 needs adult supervision)

LET'S GET CRAFTY!



## Build a Straw Rocket!

Tuesday, April 21 from 4:30-6pm in the Maker Space.

(While supplies last)

All welcome! (under 8 needs adult supervision)



## WONDER

Il postacolo internazionale del 2012 in cima alle classifiche del New York Times



R.J. Palacio

## Tasty Tales N Treats

Tuesday, April 28 at 5:30pm in the Large Conference Room.

Intended for at 10+ but all can join with parent permission!

The Tale: *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio

A moving, multi-perspective novel about August Pullman, a 10 year old with Treacher Collins Syndrome (a severe facial deformity) entering a mainstream school for the first time in 5th grade.

The Treat: Galaxy Popcorn & Galaxy Slime (to take home)

\*\*While supplies last\*\*

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## Story Time – April 2026

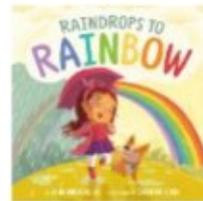
Story time is now at 10:00 a.m. = new time!

**April 3, 2026**

Book: *Raindrops to Rainbow*

Author: John Micklos, Jr

Craft: Rainbow Dot Art

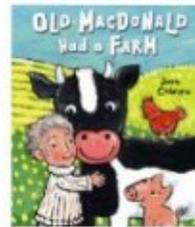


**April 10, 2026**

Book: *Old MacDonald had a Farm*

Author: Jane Cabrera

Craft: Paper Plate Animals



**April 17, 2026**

Book: *The Gingerbread Girl Goes Animal Crackers*

Author: Lisa Campbell Ernst

Craft: Fox Stick Puppet



**April 24, 2026**

Book: *The Lorax*

Author: Dr. Seuss

Craft: Paper Plate Lorax





## Cheesy Hashbrown Potato Casserole

- 32 ounces frozen shredded hashbrowns, 1 bag
- 21.5 ounces cream of chicken soup, 2 cans
- 2 cups sour cream
- 1/3 cup onions, chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 cups Ritz crackers, or crushed corn flakes
- 1/2 cup butter, melted

1. Lightly grease a 9x13 pan with nonstick cooking spray.
2. Place half of the bag of hashbrowns in the prepared pan.
3. In a medium bowl combine the soup, sour cream, onions, and salt and pepper.
4. Gently spoon half of this mixture over the hashbrowns in the pan.
5. Sprinkle 1 cup of cheese over the soup mixture.
6. Then add the remainder of the hashbrowns on top, and spoon over the remaining soup mixture and the other half of cheese.
7. Crush the Ritz or corn flakes and combine with melted butter. Sprinkle over the top of the casserole.
8. Bake at 350° for 35 to 40 minutes.



# April 2026

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

Once Upon a  
Snack 1pm

**Every Friday is  
Popcorn Friday!**

Story Time 10am

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LEGO Club  
4:30-6:30pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

Movie Mania 9

Forrest Gump  
1pm

Dog Man: 5pm

Story Time 10

10am  
A Matter of  
Balance  
1-2:30pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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Adult Book Club  
5:30-7pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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Dandelion Wall  
Art 4:30-  
6:30pm  
Needle Nerds  
2:30-6pm

Story Time 17

10am  
A Matter of  
Balance  
1-2:30pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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Straw Rocket  
4:30-6pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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Story Time  
10am

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Library Board  
Meeting 27

Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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TNT 5:30pm

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Adult Exercise  
Class 1-2pm

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T-Shirt Tote  
4:30-6:30pm

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HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES: 5: EASTER SUNDAY, 6: EASTER MONDAY, 15: TAX DAY