

# April 2026

**LIBRARY CLOSED:  
Fri-Sat., April 3 & 4  
and Fri., April 24**



**Sturgis Public Library**  
Wisdom Begins in Wonder

## YOUTH

- Toddler Storytime** - Tuesdays @ 10 am for ages 0-3. Rhymes, sensory play, and stories with Miss Cindy.
- PreK Storytime** - Wednesdays @ 11 am for ages 3-6. Celebrate literacy with movement, stories, and crafts.
- Level UP! Gaming Buddies ages 6-9** - Wednesday, April 1st from 3:30-4:30 pm. Open for all gamers aged 6-10. Join us to play our Nintendo Switch! Group games and snacks. Held every 1st Wednesday.
- LEGO Club** - Monday, April 6th from 3-5 pm. Join builders of all ages for creative fun and hands-on exploration with bricks. Let's build, imagine, and create together! Monthly, on the first Monday.
- Coding Club** - Wednesdays, April 8th & 22nd @ 3:30 pm. Join us for hands-on coding activities and programs, designed for ages 6-12. Practice coding skills using Scratch, robots, and more!
- Level UP! Gaming Club ages 10+** - Monday, April 20th from 4-6 pm. Open for all gamers 10+. Join us to play our Nintendo Switch! Group games and snacks. Held every 3rd Monday. *(unless a holiday changes the schedule)*
- Chess Club** - Thursday, April 23rd from 3:30-5:30 pm. From learning the basics to mastering strategy, participants will play friendly matches and develop focus, logic, and patience. Open to all ages and abilities.

## ADULT & FAMILY

- Crochet with Chelle** - Thursday, April 2nd @ 5 pm. Join Chelle for a relaxing evening of crochet tips, techniques, and creative fun, perfect for teens and adults. All supplies provided. Free to attend. Meeting every first Thursday through April.
- MusicSpeaks** - Thursday, April 9th @ 5:30 pm. Turandot: A Fable of Fire & Ice  
How do you finish someone else's art? Puccini's last opera is a culmination of 300 years of Italian tradition. Beautiful music, catchy tunes, a story of love and sacrifice...and incomplete. Left unfinished at his death, Turandot has 4 endings, each written by a different composer. This month we listen to excerpts from Turandot, including "Nessun dorma," possibly the most famous aria ever written!
- Genealogy Workgroup** - Saturday, April 11th @ 1 pm This month, we will be looking at terms found in non-English languages. Understanding key terms can be difficult when wading through documents in a foreign language. We will help you navigate this problem we will be looking at common genealogy terms in languages beside English. The public is welcome!
- History at High Noon** - Friday, April 17th @ 12 pm. "Bitten, kicked and stomped!"  
Soap Opera narratives did not get invented in Hollywood. We had our own right here in the Northern Hills. David Super tells the story of Deadwood veterinarian Dr. Charles Leslie, his marriages to two women from Sturgis, and more. Co-sponsored by the Sturgis & Meade County Historical Society
- Books on Tap** - Thursday, April 23rd, 6 pm @ the Knuckle Saloon. Theme: "'Read Around the Genre'". Celebrate World Book Day by choosing a genre you wouldn't normally read and sharing it with fellow members at the meeting. All readers 21+ are invited.
- Gardening Group with Chelle** - Thursday, April 30th @ 5 pm. Enjoy hands-on learning and a seedling swap with Chelle. Bringing plant lovers together to share knowledge, grow skills, and cultivate community. From practical planting tips to seasonal advice, this program helps gardeners of all levels thrive.

# April 2026 Quilt Show

Join us for a beloved annual tradition celebrating the artistry and creativity of local quilters. This popular exhibit features a stunning collection of quilted works created by talented members of our community.

Don't miss this must-see event—come admire the skill, dedication, and craftsmanship that bring each quilt to life. The exhibit will be on display all month long at the library.

Sponsored by SAAC and the Sturgis Public Library.



The SD State Library invites you to expand your mind as we celebrate our nation's 250th Birthday. Join us for a self-paced, self-reported reading celebration for all ages. You can achieve reading milestones, read a title from our challenges, or just enjoy reading.

Sign up from your phone!

scan the code below



# Green Thumb Gala May 4th—8th

A limited number of terracotta pots available for pick up beginning April 20th.

Get creative! Paint a pot, fill it with a beautiful plant, and return it to the library on May 1st & 2nd for our silent auction. Your handmade creation will help support the library while adding a little greenery to someone's day. Let's grow something great together!

Proceeds benefit library programs.



## eBooks and Audiobooks using the Libby app



We now have access to two other library systems! In the Libby app, go to "Your Libraries" and add library. Search for Siouxland Libraries and South Dakota Digital Consortium. You will not be able to place a hold in those libraries but can read the books they have available (you are still able to place holds on titles in the Black Hills Library Digital Consortium).

To access the books on Libby you must download the Libby app on an Android or iOS device, or visit [libbyapp.com](http://libbyapp.com) on a computer. Follow the prompts and when asked for a PIN or PASSWORD, use your last name (all lowercase). If you have issues, please give the library a call and we can help.

## Browse our Shelves 24/7

Browse our shelves, place holds, make reading lists, renew books, manage library notices, and more. [sturgis.blackhills.bywatersolutions.com](http://sturgis.blackhills.bywatersolutions.com)

## Online Resources

The SD State Library offers many free online resources! Learn a language, or academic research, take practice exams, play educational games, and get ideas for book reports & science fair projects.




[library.sd.gov/LIB/ERD/access/complete.aspx](http://library.sd.gov/LIB/ERD/access/complete.aspx)

## Accessible Library Services ... that all may read

The SD ALS provides access to information to our patrons who are unable to access standard print due to a physical or learning disability. Audio and Braille material and equipment are provided free of charge.

South Dakota Accessible Library Services is formerly known as The South Dakota Braille and Talking Book Library. [library.sd.gov/ALS/index.aspx](http://library.sd.gov/ALS/index.aspx)

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Monday 8am-7pm	Tuesday 8am-7pm	Wednesday 8am-7pm	Thursday 8am-7pm	Friday 8am-5pm	Sat. 8am-4pm	Sun
		1 PreK Storytime @ 11 AM  LevelUP! Buddies 3:30-4:30 PM age 6-9	2 Armchair Travelers Book Club Meeting 12 PM  Crochet w/ Chelle 5 PM Teen/Adult	<b>CLOSED</b> Good Friday — Easter Weekend		
6 LEGO Club 3-5 PM all ages	7 Baby & Toddler Storytime @ 10 AM  CLOSED from 2-3 PM for Staff Meeting	8 PreK Storytime @ 11 AM  Coding Club 3:30-4:30 PM ages 6-10	9  MusicSpeaks 5:30 PM	10	11 Genealogy Workgroup 1-3 PM	12 CLOSED
13	14 Baby & Toddler Storytime @ 10 AM	15 PreK Storytime @ 11 AM	16	17 History at High Noon 12 PM	18	19 CLOSED
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