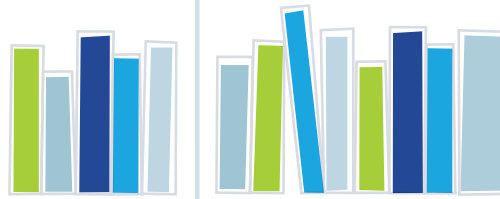


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HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Sep. 4
Oct. 9

SEP/OCT
2023

Insider



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58 Maple Street, 45102
(513) 752-5580
- BATAVIA**
180 South Third Street, 45103
(513) 732-2128
- BETHEL**
611 West Plane Street, 45106
(513) 734-2619
- FELICITY**
209 Prather Road, 45120
(513) 876-4134
- GOSHEN**
6678 State Route 132, 45122
(513) 722-1221
- MIAMI TOWNSHIP**
5920 Buckwheat Road, 45150
(513) 248-0700
- NEW RICHMOND**
103 River Valley Boulevard, 45157
(513) 553-0570
- OWENSVILLE**
2548 U.S. 50, 45160
(513) 732-6084
- UNION TOWNSHIP**
4450 Glen Este-Withamsville Road, 45245
(513) 528-1744
- WILLIAMSBURG**
594 West Main Street, 45176
(513) 724-1070
- ADMINISTRATION**
(513) 732-2736
- LIBRARY HELPLINE**
(513) 735-7144

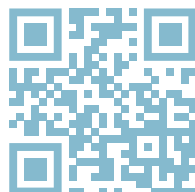
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 WEDNESDAY 10 am - 6 pm
 THURSDAY 10 am - 6 pm
 FRIDAY 9 am - 5 pm
 SATURDAY 9 am - 5 pm



WHOOOO
 gets rewarded
 for doing
 something
 they love?
YOOO!

ALL AGES

Sign up for the Library's Halloween-Read reading challenge and receive a boo-tiful bag for your books – or trick-or-treating!



Read & log 300 minutes during October to be entered in the **Autumn Prize Drawing**. Register online or stop by a branch.



CLERMONT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

From the Director:



With the kids back in school, our thoughts turn to fun Fall activities. I hope you're excited like I am about our Hallow-Read challenge for October. We have some great programs scheduled including fun Fall décor, parties for the entire family, spooky crafts, and more. Check out all of our events in this newsletter or on our website.

Here are some other things we want you to know about that are happening this fall:

One of the core values of Clermont County Public Library is access – to provide access to library resources and programs. One resource we offer is meeting rooms. To make meeting rooms available to everyone in the community, I'm pleased to announce that beginning September 1, there will be no charge for using CCPL meeting rooms. Visit our website or stop by one of our branches to book a room for your event or meeting.

Every September, the Library world reminds their communities what a great resource a Library is and encourages community members to sign up for a library card. Do you have friends, family, or neighbors who don't have a card? Tell them why you visit the library and encourage them to sign up for one.

We have launched a great video series about school readiness. Visit our website's School Readiness page to view short videos with tips, fun activities, and some great books to help get your little ones ready to learn how to read once they start school.

Fans of our Librari*Con have something to be excited about – we're bringing it back. Watch our website and social media channels for more information. Librari*Con will take place 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Union Township Branch.

Have a wonderful Fall! We look forward to seeing you in one of our branches soon.

Christine Wick
Library Director

"Great selection of DVDs, children's books and adult literature. All computers have time allotments so they are never hogged. Staff is friendly and helpful and the library is peaceful."

– Paige N.
[about the Amelia branch]

THE MISSION OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY IS TO FOSTER LIFELONG LEARNING BY PROVIDING RESOURCES THAT INFORM, PROGRAMS THAT ENGAGE, AND IDEAS THAT INSPIRE.

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Melanie Smithey, *Deputy Fiscal Officer*

BOARD MEETINGS

are typically held the third Monday of each month at the

Miami Township Library
6 PM

Upcoming:
Sep. 18 & Oct. 16

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
5920 Buckwheat Road
Milford, Ohio 45150
(513) 732-2736

The Library is pleased to add a new database: CultureGrams from ProQuest

CultureGrams is a leading reference for concise and reliable cultural information on the countries of the world. It's great for students, travelers, researchers, and inquisitive minds that want to learn more about the world and its peoples. In addition to cultural data, there are downloadable photos, videos, interviews, recipes, and buildable comparison graphs. [Access it from the Databases tab at ClermontLibrary.org.](#)



STORYTIMES

Stories, songs, & games designed to help your child get ready for school

AMELIA BRANCH

THURSDAYS; Sep. 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
10:30 AM (All Ages)

BATAVIA BRANCH

THURSDAYS; Sep. 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
10:30 AM (All Ages)

BETHEL BRANCH

THURSDAYS; Sep. 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
10:30 AM (All Ages)

FELICITY BRANCH

WEDNESDAYS; Sep. 20, Oct. 18
1:30 PM (All Ages)

GOSHEN BRANCH

WEDNESDAYS; Sep. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
10:30 AM (All Ages)

MIAMI TOWNSHIP BRANCH

WEDNESDAYS; Sep. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
10:30 AM (Toddlers 18-36 mo.)
11:30 AM (Preschool 3-6 yrs.)

THURSDAYS; Sep. 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
10:30 AM (All Ages)

THURSDAYS; Sep. 14, Oct. 12

11:30 AM (Babies 0-18 months)

OWENSVILLE BRANCH

WEDNESDAYS; Sep. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
11 AM (All Ages)

UNION TOWNSHIP BRANCH

WEDNESDAYS; Sep. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
10:30 AM (Toddler 18-36 months)
11:30 AM (All Ages)

THURSDAYS; Sep. 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
10:30 AM (All Ages)

THURSDAYS; Sep. 7, 21, Oct. 5, 19

11:30 AM (Babies 0-18 months)

SATURDAY; Sep. 23

10:30 AM (Sensory Storytime, All Ages)

WILLIAMSBURG BRANCH

WEDNESDAYS; Sep. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25
10:30 AM (All Ages)

ZOOM BEDTIME STORYTIME

TUESDAYS; Sep. 5, 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
7 PM (All Ages)

Play & Learn

PROGRAM

Facilitators from **Best Point** lead children ages 0-5 and their parents/caregivers through a play experience designed to promote cognitive, language, and social-emotional development. We'll have fun singing songs, telling stories, creating art, playing, and enjoying a snack.

FRIDAYS

Sep. 1 at Union Township Branch

Sep. 15 at Union Township Branch

Oct. 6 at Amelia Branch

Oct. 20 at Amelia Branch

10:30 am – 12 pm

Space is limited. Visit [ClermontLibrary.org](#) to reserve a spot today!



Enroll Children ages 0 to 5

They will receive a **FREE BOOK** in the mail each month

Enroll Now!



Enroll online at [ClermontLibrary.org/imagination-library](#)

Library Cards
are **Free**

Get One Today!

The Library
offers four kinds
of cards:

Books • Audiobooks • Magazines • Movies
Community Events & **More**

Wi-Fi & Computers

Print, Scan, Fax, Copy

Meeting
& Study Rooms

LinkedIn Learning
for Skill Development

24/7 Access to
Digital Content
& Library Lockers

Preschool Resources:
ABCmouse, Storytimes,
Learning Kits & More



Check Out Memory
STEAM
& School
Readiness
Kits



eCard

Access to digital
material only.



Library Card

Access to all materials,
physical & digital.



Educator Card

For teachers &
homeschool parents:
access to all materials,
physical & digital,
with helpful extras.



3 For Me Card

For students: access
to digital materials &
check out three physical
books at a time with no
overdue fees.

Staff Picks for Adults



Before We Were Yours
by Lisa Wingate

HISTORICAL FICTION

I love historical fiction because I learn something from history while enjoying a good story. This well-written book takes you from a shantyboat in 1939 Memphis, through an orphanage that stole and sold poor children (really existed), and into current times – with lots of twists and turns.

Lisa – Community Engagement Department

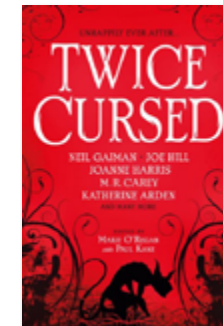


Preserving by the Pint:
Quick Seasonal Canning for Small Spaces
by Marisa McClellan

NONFICTION

As someone interested in food preservation, I love this book because it is specifically for small batch canning. Want to test a recipe before committing? These recipes are a perfect size. I highly recommend the blueberry maple jam!

Kasey – Felicity Branch



Twice Cursed: An Anthology
by Neil Gaiman, Joe Hill & more

FANTASY SHORT STORIES

My favorite story was *Mr. Thirteen* by M. R. Carey, but there were lots of good ones. Great for people who don't normally read short stories.

Elyse – Union Township Branch

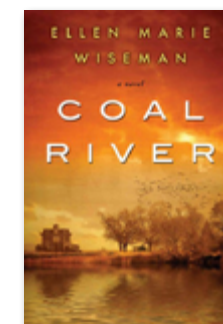


The Night Circus
by Erin Morgenstern

FANTASY

If you want something a little different, I recommend *The Night Circus*. It's a story told in a non-linear fashion and is a NaNoWriMo winner.

Lucas – Amelia Branch



Coal River
by Ellen Marie Wiseman

HISTORICAL FICTION

I'm really enjoying this book.

Candee – Goshen Branch



The Poacher's Son
by Paul Doiron

FICTION MYSTERY

For fans of C.J. Box who are caught up with the Joe Pickett series, I highly recommend the Mike Bowditch mysteries by Paul Doiron. The first book in the series is about a game warden in Maine.

Amy – New Richmond Branch

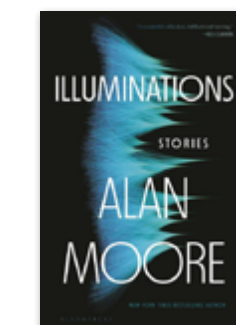


Grandmaster of Demonic Cultivation
by Mò Xiāng Tóng Xiù

YA GRAPHIC NOVEL

A great young adult graphic novel.

Vic – Technical Services



Illuminations: Stories
by Alan Moore

FANTASY SHORT STORIES

Of the stories I enjoy, I truly love (6 of the 9). He is a gifted writer. The imagination on display, even in the stories I didn't dig as much, is amazing!

Andy – Miami Township Branch

In honor of National Library Card Sign Up Month in September, a portion of this issue is dedicated to highlighting the **Great Value** the Library and its card bring to the community.



Library Programs

PROGRAMS ARE DESIGNED FOR DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS AS FOLLOWS:

P Preschool Ages 0-5	K Kids Ages 6-11	T Teens Ages 12-17	A Adults Ages 18+	E Everyone All Ages
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Registration required for all programs. Visit your local branch or clermontlibrary.org to register.



Off Site

CLERMONT COUNTY DOMESTIC COURT LAW CLINIC **A**

Saturday, Sep. 2, Oct. 7, 9 AM
Old Library Administration Office
326 Broadway St., Batavia, OH 45103
A volunteer attorney and court personnel will be available to assist self-represented litigants with domestic relations matters. This event is set up for drop-ins on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information contact: Kay Heile 513-732-7323, kheile@clermontcountyohio.gov, or go to domesticcourt.org and click on resources. If the Library is closed, the Law Clinic will not be held or rescheduled that month.

PURRFECT TALES: KIDS READ TO CATS **K**

Saturdays; Sep. 9, Oct. 14, 9 & 10 AM
League for Animal Welfare
4193 Taylor Rd., Batavia, OH 45103
Brush up on your reading skills by teaming up with a cat friend who loves to hear stories. Participants ages 5-14 will be given a 30-minute session to visit and read to an adoptable cat. We will have books to read and check out. If you don't have a library card, you can sign up for one at the event. All kids must be accompanied by an adult during the session. There will be a 15-minute registration and orientation period before spending time with the cats. Be advised that cats are not hypoallergenic and may cause a reaction in those with allergies. Register as a parent/child pair.

TOUR OF THE AMELIA METHODIST CEMETERY **A**

Saturday, Oct. 14, 10 AM and 2 PM
Amelia Methodist Cemetery, 19 E Main St.
Visit the resting place of many of Amelia's earliest settlers. Tour the Amelia Methodist Cemetery, learn about the history of the area, and get some pointers on cemetery research. Meet at the cemetery. The rain date will be October 21.

Amelia

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: SPICE PAINTING **K**

Friday, Sep. 8, 11 AM
Learn about the history of painting with spices and experiment with creating your own spice-dyed paint.

ALL ABOUT MUSHROOMS **T A**

Saturday, Sep. 9, 2 PM
Rich Life Farm and Fungi will stop by to discuss mushrooms in culture, cuisine, and everyday life. Learn about the gourmet mushrooms they cultivate and how they do it.

LEGO CLUB **K**

Wednesdays; Sep. 13, Oct. 11, 4:30 PM
Create with LEGO. Our popular LEGO Club program allows kids to free build or complete a challenge. We provide all the LEGO bricks and a different challenge every month. All your kids need is their creativity!

TEEN SEW IT! WORKSHOP **T**

Tuesday, Sep. 19, 4:30 PM
We will sew along with a video from Ellen Brown of the Sew It! Workshop. You will create a decorative pillow to take home. All materials provided.

CHESS CLUB **A**

Wednesdays; Sep. 20, Oct. 18, 3:30 PM
Looking for a challenge, a workout for your mind? Don't know how to play chess? We'll teach you.

SATURDAY PLAY DATE **P**

Saturdays; Sep. 23, Oct. 21, 10:30 AM
Join us for stories, songs, and playtime. We'll provide activities, toys, and a chance to meet new friends.

KNOT ANOTHER CRAFT PROGRAM! **A**

Tuesday, Sep. 26, 6 PM
Learn the ancient art of decorative knotting and how those knots can be put to practical and beautiful uses.



A CINCINNATI MUSEUM CENTER HERITAGE PROGRAM

Did you know many older houses, as well as public places, have their resident ghosts? This program examines the history of ghost stories and hauntings in the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky area. Hear stories of local citizens, both well known and regular folks, which were and still are affected by the supernatural. Learn what haunted places still exist today and where they are located.

HISTORIC HAUNTINGS PART 1 **A**

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 6 PM
Amelia Branch

HISTORIC HAUNTINGS PART 2 **A**

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6 PM
Batavia Branch



PUMPKIN PUTT-PUTT **K**

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 4:30 PM
Kids, try your luck at our holiday-themed putt-putt course.

USED BOOK SALE **E**

Oct. 27, 28 9 AM, Oct. 30, 10 AM, Oct. 31, 12 PM
Find some great buys. There will be a wide variety of items for all ages available.

Batavia

WRITERS GROUP **A**

Tuesdays; Sep. 5, Oct. 10, 6 PM
Share your writing endeavors, generate ideas, hone your craft, and network with fellow writers.

ANIMAL FOLKLORE **K**

Tuesday, Sep. 12, 6:30 PM
Learn the stories and science behind animal folklore.

CLERMONT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATION AND MEETING **A**

Saturdays; Sep. 16, Oct. 21, 1 PM
The Clermont County Historical Society meets at the Batavia Branch every third Saturday of the month. There will be a program about local history followed by a half-hour business meeting. This event is free and open to the public. The September program will feature Kelly Wright. The October program is titled *Steamboats and Boat Captains* and will be presented by Edna Rhodes.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: CODING CONSTELLATIONS WITH THE OZOBOTS **K**

Thursday, Sep. 21, 2 PM
Learn about constellations and recreate a constellation for Ozobot to follow along using color codes.

GATSBY PARTY **T A**

Thursday, Sep. 21, 4 PM
Make a Gatsby-themed headband, enjoy snacks, mocktails, and a photo-op area. We also will discuss the book and movie adaptations of *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

MAD SCIENTIST OPEN HOUSE **E**

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 6 PM
Gather the family for an open house filled with spooky fun. We will have snacks, a scavenger hunt, and spooky scientific exploration with Crystal Clear Science.

CLERMONT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATION - CLERMONT COUNTY'S CIVIL RIGHTS ROOTS **A**

Saturday, Oct. 7, 1 PM
If you have been researching your family history or inherited someone's research collection, this program is for you. Elissa Scalise Powell, co-director of the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh, will discuss ways of organizing, preserving, and sharing your family history. She also will discuss how to plan for the collection's final disposal. If you would like to attend online, please contact the CCGS by the day before the meeting at info@ccgsoh.org or by calling (513) 723-3423.

HISTORIC HAUNTINGS PART 2 **A**

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6 PM
A Cincinnati Museum Center Heritage Program. This is a continuation of the Historic Hauntings Part 1 program. It includes additional information about bridges and railroad tracks that are affected by the supernatural as well as more tales about houses that reportedly have resident ghosts.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: CREATE A CRYPTID **K**

Thursday, Oct. 19, 2 PM
Join us as we explore biomes and animal adaptations while creating our own cryptid creatures.

Bethel

TEEN CAFÉ **T**

Wednesdays; Sep. 6, 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 3 PM
Teens can enjoy games, challenges, crafts, and other fun activities at the library. Hang out with Natalea Locke, a prevention specialist with Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health.

BACK TO SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT **T A**

Monday, Sep. 11, 6 PM
Teams of adults and/or kids can compete for bragging rights and prizes. Brain food will be provided.

DIY TERRACOTTA FAIRY HOUSES **T**

Tuesday, Sep. 12, 4 PM
Celebrate autumn by making your own adorable fairy house.

PIRATE PARTY **K**

Friday, Sep. 15, 3:30 PM
Participate in ARRResome activities including a treasure hunt where you decode hints that lead to the treasure. We'll also have pirate games and a series of crafts.

3D PRINTED SPOOKY NIGHT LIGHTS **T A**

Saturday, Oct. 14, 10 AM and 2 PM
Learn about lithophanes and create your own 3D printed spooky night light or keepsake. You provide the image and we'll provide the night light and 3D printer.

HAUNTED GINGERBREAD HOUSES **E**

Saturday, Oct. 21, 11 AM and 2:30 PM
Celebrate the spooky season by making your very own haunted gingerbread house.

Felicity

ART A TO Z: F IS FOR FRESCO **K**

Wednesday, Sep. 6, 3:30 PM
Fresco is an age-old painting technique using pigment on wet plaster. After a brief lesson, kids 6-11 will get to try their hand at creating their own masterpiece. We will learn, experiment, and have fun.

TWEEN CAFÉ **K**

Mondays; Sep. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 16, 23, 30, 3:30 PM
We will meet after school for special activities and discussions as part of the team-building experience. Fifth- and sixth-grade students will develop leadership, communication, decision-making, and teamwork skills. A prevention specialist from Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health will lead the sessions.

ALL ABOUT HERBAL TEAS **T A**

Monday, Sep. 11, 6 PM
Smell, taste, and learn about various tea herbs. Create your own blend or follow a provided recipe, just in time for the colder months.



CREATE 3D PRINTED JEWELRY **T A**

Monday, Sep. 18, 6 PM

Design a pendant using a marker and watch as your design is turned into a piece of beautiful jewelry.

LEGO CLUB **K**

Thursdays; Sep. 28, Oct. 26, 3:30 PM

Kids ages 6-11 can take on our monthly building challenge or enjoy free building on their own or with friends.

3D COOKIE CUTTERS FOR KIDS **K**

Wednesday, Oct. 4, 3:30 PM

The holidays are right around the corner. Learn how to create a cookie cutter your family can use at home. We'll print them for you and you come pick them up at a later date.

FRIGHTFULLY FUN HALLOWEEN TREATS **T A**

Monday, Oct. 16, 6 PM

Learn how to make three frightfully fun Halloween treats using cookies and baking chocolate.

NATIVE AMERICANS: CULTURES AND TRADITIONS **K**

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 4 PM

Step back in time and learn how Native Americans worked, played, and lived in the great forests of Southeast Ohio. We will have interactive games, hike, and activities that focus on the tribes of Southeast Ohio.

HAUNTED GINGERBREAD HOUSES **T**

Monday, Oct. 30, 2:30 PM

Show off your creativity and get spooky! We will provide premade graham cracker houses, icing, and other edible goodies for teens to decorate a haunted house of their own.



Goshen

FAMILY FUN NIGHT: FESTIVE FALL **E**

Tuesday, Sep. 12, 6:30 PM

We'll listen to fall stories while using paint pens and fairy lights to decorate luminaries. We'll also enjoy some apple cider. Please list all of the children attending when registering.

CAKE DECORATING 101 **A**

Tuesday, Sep. 26, 2 PM

Learn techniques for basic cake decorating

from professional baker Lynnette Bohman. Everyone will decorate and take home a six-inch cake.

CROCHET CLASS **T A**

Mondays; Oct. 2, 16, 23, 30, 6 PM

Learn how to crochet or brush up on your skills. Bring a crochet hook and a skein of yarn.

ARTFUL AUTUMN **A**

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6:30 PM

Decorate a glass globe with a fall theme for the holidays using paint pens and stencils.

USED BOOK SALE **E**

Thursday, Oct. 19, 10 AM, Friday, Oct. 20, 9 AM, Saturday, Oct. 21, 9 AM

Find some great buys on gently used books, audiobooks, and DVDs. Stock up now for some engaging reading and entertainment!

LEGO CLUB: BUILD SOMETHING THAT FLOATS **K**

Saturday, Oct. 21, 2 PM

Kids ages 5 and up will create something that floats using LEGO bricks and their imagination. All bricks and supplies are provided.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT: SPOOKY GINGERBREAD HOUSES **K**

Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6:30 PM

Create a spooky gingerbread house as a family, play games, and hear stories. One registration per family. Space is limited.

Miami Township

DIY SCHOOL SUPPLIES **K**

Saturday, Sep. 9, 2 PM

Add some pizzazz to your school supplies. Make your own pencil case, design your own notebook, and make other fun school supplies to make going back to school more fun.

CRAFTING CLUB **A**

Tuesdays; Sep. 19, Oct. 17, 1:30 PM

Enjoy time with other crafty members of our community. Feel free to bring your current project to work on, or learn new techniques from library staff members.

LEARN TO PLAY NERTZ **T A**

Saturday, Sep. 23, 1 PM

You've never played solitaire like this before. Learn to play this fun and fast-paced group solitaire game. Knowledge of basic solitaire helpful.

LEGO CHALLENGE: TOWERS OR POWER **K**

Saturday, Oct. 14, 2 PM

Build a LEGO tower and test its stability. Will your tower pass a shake & quake test?



ONLINE RESEARCH WITH LIBRARY RESOURCES **T A**

Saturday, Oct. 21, 1 PM

We'll be looking at the Library's online resources and talking about how databases like Academic Search Premier and Points of View can help you do research of all kinds efficiently and effectively. Learn tips and tricks for locating hard-to-find articles and books. We will take a brief look at ChatGPT.

New Richmond

LEGO CLUB **K**

Thursdays; Sep. 7, Oct. 5, 4:30 PM

Have fun with LEGO bricks. We will provide the bricks and some inspiration. Bigger blocks will be provided for younger siblings to enjoy the fun as well.

REMEMBRANCE ROCKS **A**

Monday, Sep. 11, 1 PM

Honor a loved one, or create a mini memorial to the lives lost on 9/11. Participants will be able to paint at least two rocks each. All materials will be provided.

TEEN ORIGAMI BOXES **T**

Tuesday, Sep. 12, 6 PM

Learn how to make two different origami boxes to hold your treasures or to give as gifts. All materials will be provided and no prior knowledge of origami is required.

MUSICAL MONDAY MORNINGS: JERSEY BOYS **A**

Monday, Sep. 18, 11 AM

We will be belting out songs from the 2005 musical *Jersey Boys*, a jukebox musical that dramatizes the story of the 1960s rock 'n' roll group The Four Seasons. Learn about Frankie Avalon and his bandmates, the backstory to this iconic group, and some fun facts about the woman behind the song *Sherry*. We will sing *Big Girls Don't Cry*, *Walk Like a Man*, and *Working My Way Back to You*, just to name a few! As always, we will sing with a live accompanist.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: BECOME A LIBRARY SUPER USER **K**

Wednesday, Sep. 20, 11 AM

Become a library super user. We will show you how to find the best books - whether for reading pleasure, research, or investigation. Learn how to find information

that is not in a book and how to download library materials to a tablet, phone, or computer. Feel free to bring your devices.

SPOOKY HOUSE DECORATING FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES **A**

Thursday, Oct. 12, 11 AM

Adults with developmental disabilities are invited to join us for spooky silliness as we decorate gingerbread houses. Candy and fun will be provided.

CREATURES OF THE NIGHT PRESENTED BY THE CLERMONT COUNTY PARK DISTRICT **K T**

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6 PM

We rarely see them, but Clermont County is full of nocturnal critters like bats, owls, flying squirrels, and minks that only come out at night. Through activities, science demonstrations, and investigation, we'll learn about the cool adaptations that allow them to master the darkness.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: TREES ARE AMAZING **K**

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 11 AM

Learn how trees communicate along with other really shady and cool things they do (pun intended!) We will learn about photosynthesis, how leaves turn colors, how old a tree may be, and more.

LET'S PUT ON A RADIO SHOW PART 2: THE SPOOKY SHOW **A**

Thursday, Oct. 26, 4 PM

We will jump right into recording a spooky radio script along the lines of *The Shadow* or *War of Worlds*. Guests can choose to be an actor, foley artist, or audience member. We will rehearse, record, listen, tweak, and record. Guests will have a chance to listen to their work and then we will switch it up and do it again. Don't worry if you missed the first session, you can still participate.

MUSICAL MONDAY MORNINGS: SPOOKY SONGS FROM BROADWAY MUSICALS **A**

Monday, Oct. 30, 11 AM

Celebrate Halloween by singing the most popular songs from a variety of spooky Broadway musicals including *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *The Addams Family*, and others. We will sing with a live accompanist. Feel free to wear your Halloween costume if you'd like.



Owensville

COUNCIL ON AGING: HOW WE CAN HELP **A**

Thursday, Sep. 7, 10 AM

A representative from the Council on Aging will share information about free and low-cost services available to older adults and caregivers.

BATS **K**

Tuesday, Sep. 19, 6:30 PM

A naturalist from the Clermont County Park District will teach you all about these fascinating nocturnal creatures.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: WASTE NOT **K**

Wednesday, Sep. 20, 2 PM

Staff from the Clermont County Soil and Water Conservation District will teach you about Earth's limited resources and how our waste system impacts humans and animals.

NAIL POLISH MARBLED FLOWER POTS **A**

Monday, Oct. 2, 6 PM

Create a beautiful marbled flower pot for holding mini mums this fall. All supplies provided. Just bring your creativity.

MONSTER MASH! OPEN HOUSE **E**

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6 PM

Gather the family and drop in for an evening of monstrous fun. We'll have non-scary monster crafts, a scavenger hunt, snacks, and more. Costumes are welcome.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: BONE BRIDGE **K**

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2 PM

Build a bridge from fake bones. We'll see who can build the longest and see which bridge can hold the most pumpkins.

Union Township

COUNCIL ON AGING: HOW WE CAN HELP **A**

Monday, Sep. 11, 11 AM

A representative from the Council on Aging will share information about free and low-cost services available to older adults and caregivers.

FIBER ARTS CLUB **A**

Mondays; Sep. 11, 25, Oct. 23, 6 PM

If you're a fan of knitting, crochet, needlepoint, and more, this is the place for you. Bring your current project to work on. Chat with other crafters to share ideas, learn new skills, and grow in your art.

HOMESCHOOL BOOK BUDDIES DISCUSSION GROUP **K**

Monday, Sep. 18, 1:30 PM

Join us for a discussion of *Charlie Thorne and the Last Equation* by Stuart Gibbs. This

program is geared for readers ages 8-12.

FALL WREATH **A**

Monday, Sep. 18, 6 PM

Create a fall wreath to celebrate the changing seasons. All materials provided.

CRAFTERDARK: MELT AND POUR SOAP MAKING **A**

Tuesday, Sep. 19, 6 PM

Learn to make your own soaps using melt and pour soap bases, essential oils, and herbs.



OUTSMART THE ACT! CLUB Z! ACT WORKSHOP **T**

Saturday, Sep. 30, 10 AM

Club Z! will conduct this workshop that includes an online diagnostic test for the ACT, targeted instruction from an ACT tutor, and interactive lessons with immediate test feedback.

GENEALOGY: SCALING BRICK WALLS **A**

Saturday, Oct. 7, 2 PM

Learn techniques to scale the brick walls in your family history research.

INTRODUCTION TO CRICUT **A**

Saturday, Oct. 14, 1 PM

Get an introduction to Cricut crafting technology. You'll get first-hand experience with the Cricut Maker 3, Cricut Air Explore 2, and the Cricut Easy Press.

HAUNTED TEA PARTY **T**

Monday, Oct. 16, 6 PM

Join us if you dare for a haunted tea party experience. Drink tea while decorating boo-o-tiful cookies.

HOMESCHOOL SPOOKY CHEMISTRY **K**

Thursday, Oct. 19, 1:30 PM

Join us for our spooky chemistry experiments as we make ghosts fly, lava float, and pumpkins ooze.

STEAM: SPOOKY CHEMISTRY **K**

Saturday Oct. 21, 10:30 AM

Join us for our spooky chemistry experiments as we make ghosts fly, lava float, and pumpkins ooze.

CLERMONT COUNTY PARK DISTRICT **K T**

Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6:30 PM

We rarely see them, but Clermont County is full of nocturnal critters like bats, owls, flying squirrels, and minks that only come

out at night. Through activities, science demonstrations, and investigation, we'll learn about the cool adaptations that allow them to master the darkness.

VISIT WITH CLERMONT SENIOR SERVICES

Friday, Oct. 27, 2 PM

A representative from Clermont Senior Services will discuss services and resources available to seniors in the county.



Williamsburg

TEEN CAFÉ

Thursdays; Sep. 7, 14, 21, 28,

Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, 3 PM

Enjoy games, challenges, crafts, and other fun activities during our weekly after-school club led by Mallory Mahaffey, a prevention specialist with Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health.

VIETNAM WAR LECTURE SERIES: BEYOND THE NAMES; A TRIBUTE TO CLERMONT COUNTY OHIO VIETNAM WAR DEAD

Monday, Sep. 18, 6:30 PM

From July 24, 1965, through October 3, 1972, 39 men from Clermont County died in the Vietnam Theater of Operations. Gary Knepp will discuss their stories and the stories of the family members who still grieve for them.

POKÉMON PARTY

Tuesday, Sep. 19, 6:30 PM

We will have cool crafts, trivia, and a scavenger hunt.

DIY DIFFUSER BRACELET

Monday, Oct. 2, 6:30 PM

Guests will learn about essential oils and create their own oil diffusing bracelet.

3D PRINTED SPOOKY PINS

Tuesday, Oct. 3, 6:30 PM

Use Tinkercad to make 3D printed pins that you could stick to a backpack or jacket.

DIY TEEN COMIC JEWELRY

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 3:30 PM

Make jewelry, pins, and other wearable items from magazines and comic books.



AUTHOR VISITS



JT TOWNSEND

JFK: Conspiracy or Coincidence?

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 6:30 PM

OWENSVILLE BRANCH

It was the greatest crime in American history: the murder of our vibrant, handsome president on November 22, 1963. And it's still a mystery. Was JFK killed by a lone gunman, or the victim of a conspiratorial coup? **ADULT**



JESSICA STRAWSER

Meet the Author

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 6:30 PM

MIAMI TOWNSHIP BRANCH

National-bestselling novelist Jessica Strawser will discuss her latest book, *The Next Thing You Know*. Learn about her previous titles including *A Million Reasons Why* and *Not That I Could Tell*. Hear about her new novel, *The Last Caretaker*, coming in November. There will be plenty of time for questions. **ADULT**



KRISTEN GREEN

Author Meet and Greet

Thursday, Sept. 28, 11 AM

NEW RICHMOND BRANCH

Meet Kristen Green, author of *The Devil's Half Acre*. Hear the story of Mary Lumpkin and her husband, the owner of the notoriously cruel slave jail in Richmond, Virginia, known as the Devil's Half Acre. Learn about the transformation of that property after his death. Local historian Greg Roberts will join Kristen Green to discuss Mary Lumpkin's grave in New Richmond's Samaritan Cemetery. **ADULT**



JT TOWNSEND

Lizzie Borden: The Eternal Fascination

Saturday, Oct. 7, 1 PM

MIAMI TOWNSHIP BRANCH

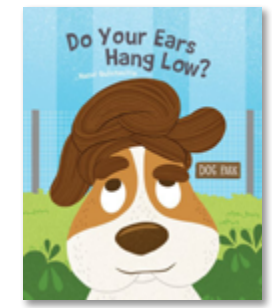
JT Townsend investigates this infamous legend and spins a devastating conclusion to this notorious chapter in American criminal history. **ADULT**

New for Kids & Teens



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Boook!
by Jannie Ho



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Do Your Ears Hang Low
by Hazel Quintanilla



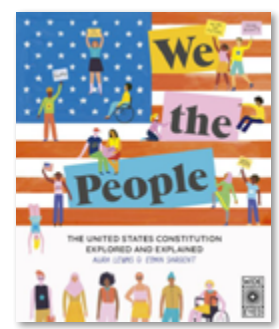
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Boom!
by Paul Meisel



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Gnome and Rat
by Lauren Stohler



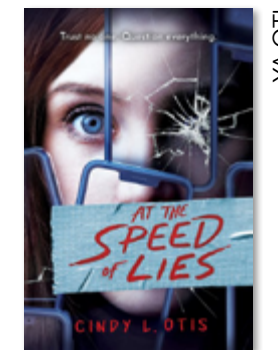
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We the People
by Aura Lewis & Evan Sargent



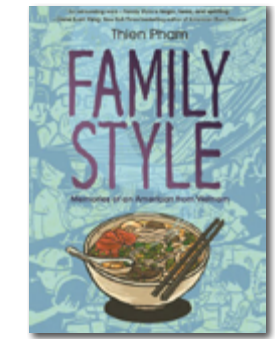
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Opinions and Opossums
by Ann Braden



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At the Speed of Lies
by Cindy L. Otis



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Family Style: Memories of an American from Vietnam
by Thien Pham

Library Happenings



The Library has been bustling with great events. One spunky program (left) at the New Richmond Branch taught guests how to create a radio show! If that sounds fun, sign up for their Spooky Radio Show program in October.



Other engaging programs included:
(1) a program about penguins at Owensville,

(2) a macrame program at Miami Township, (3) a chalktime Storytime at Batavia,

(4) a string art program at Felicity, (5) a musical petting zoo & concert at Goshen, and (6) a superhero school at Williamsburg.

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Register for upcoming events



Book Clubs

FOR ADULTS

From mysteries to classics, we have
the perfect book club for you

SECOND WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB

Batavia

Wednesdays; Sep. 13, Oct. 11, 2 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *The Woman They Could Not Silence* by Kate Moore

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Things We Cannot Say* by Kelly Rimmer

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

Batavia

Wednesdays; Sep. 27, Oct. 25, 1 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *Dream Girl* by Laura Lippman

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Maid* by Nita Prose

BOOKS & BEYOND BOOK CLUB

Bethel

Tuesday, Sep. 5

Monday Oct. 2, 6:30 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules* by C. Ingelman-Sundberg

CARDINAL READERS BOOK CLUB

Felicity

Tuesdays; Sep. 26, Oct. 24, 2 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *True Grit* by Charles Portis

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman

CHECK IT OUT BOOK DISCUSSION

Goshen

Wednesdays; Sep. 13, Oct. 11, 1:30 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick

OCTOBER BOOK: Reader's choice, any fiction or nonfiction

THURSDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

Miami Township

Thursdays; Sept. 7, Oct. 5, 1:30 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *Educated* by Tara Westover

OCTOBER BOOK: *Mexican Gothic* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

BOOKENDS

New Richmond

Fridays; Sep. 15, Oct. 20, 11:30 AM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Ghosts of Eden Park* by Karen Abbott

SPINEBENDERS

New Richmond

Tuesdays; Sep. 26, Oct. 24, 7 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *The Devil's Half Acre* by Kristen Green

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Anthropocene* Reviewed by John Green

CONSTANT READERS BOOK CLUB

Union Township

Mondays; Sep. 11, Oct. 2, 6 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich

OCTOBER BOOK: *Follow the River* by James Alexander Thom

SECOND TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

Williamsburg

Tuesdays; Sep. 12, Oct. 10, 2 PM

SEPTEMBER BOOK: *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding

OCTOBER BOOK: *The Ghosts of Eden Park* by Karen Abbott

ONLINE MOVIE CLUB

Monday, Sep. 25, Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6:30 PM

If you love movies, join us for a monthly online movie discussion group.

SEPTEMBER MOVIE: *Nelly and Monsieur Arnaud*

OCTOBER MOVIE: *The Innocents*



October is NATIONAL COOKBOOK MONTH

Find a new family-favorite recipe or a tasty treat to make. The Library has a fantastic collection of cookbooks and magazines. Choose from physical books or browse digital ones on Libby, Hoopla, and Freeding. You also have access to non-traditional cooking resources and cookbooks like NovelList Plus. The Library has the largest and most diversified collection of cookbooks in the entire county, covering everything from baking to French cuisine, to grilling, and more. What kind of culinary fun will you whip up?



THEY DID IT!

Hooray for Tucker and Bayleigh. Both recently stopped by the Batavia Branch to celebrate reading 1,000 books to complete our **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program. Way to go!

