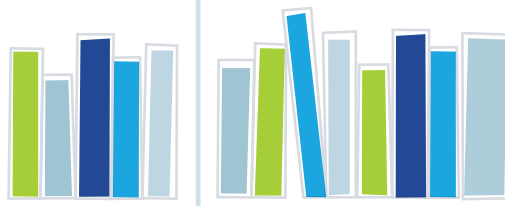


# Library



MAR/APR  
2025

# Insider



Community  
Reading

AMELIA  
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

MONDAY 10 am - 8 pm  
TUESDAY 12 pm - 8 pm  
WEDNESDAY 10 am - 6 pm  
THURSDAY 10 am - 6 pm  
FRIDAY 9 am - 5 pm  
SATURDAY 9 am - 5 pm



## SPRING *into* READING

CHALLENGE

APRIL 1-30

Celebrate spring by participating in the Library's **Spring into Reading Challenge**. **Sign up** and pick up a small **registration prize**. Finish the challenge by logging **300 minutes** no later than **April 30**, and you will automatically be entered in the drawing for a **grand prize!** Plus, all those minutes you log will bring us that much closer to meeting our Community Reading Goal of 8 million. **We love to read!**



Scan to sign up or go to  
[CLERMONTLIBRARY.BEANSTACK.ORG](http://CLERMONTLIBRARY.BEANSTACK.ORG)



CLERMONT COUNTY  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

# From the Director



I hope you've stayed warm and safe during this chilly and snowy winter season. As we look ahead to the arrival of spring, I'm excited about all the programs and events we have planned and I hope they'll inspire, inform, and engage you throughout the coming months.

Many of our branches are offering a variety of spring-themed programs, including gardening workshops and Easter egg-themed events to help usher in the season. Another way to celebrate spring is by participating in our Spring into Reading challenge starting April 1! Read and log 300 minutes by April 30 and you'll be entered into a grand prize drawing. In addition, each minute read and logged brings us closer to our community goal of reading 8 million minutes. So, whether it's homework, a recipe, storytime at your local branch, or even reading the back of a cereal box, every minute counts!

I'm excited to share that the Clermont County Public Library has received an LSTA Competitive Grant from the State Library of Ohio to expand our Library2Go service. With this grant, we aim to deliver Library resources to childcare centers and preschools in our local school districts. We're also launching pop-up libraries at local schools, senior living facilities, and other areas in our community. We're eager to bring the library closer to you!

And here's some great news for romantic movie lovers: Hallmark movies are available now on hoopla Digital with your library card! Download the app today to enjoy a wide selection of TV shows, movies, and audiobooks, all available for free with your library card.

I hope you make the Clermont County Public Library part of your spring festivities. We have something for everyone!

Christine Wick  
Library Director

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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- Katie Bock
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- Judith Kocica
- Laurie Schlueter
- Christine Wick, *Director*
- Andrea Brofft, *Assistant Director*
- Melanie Smithey, *Fiscal Officer*

## BOARD MEETINGS

are typically conducted the third Monday of each month

**Miami Township Branch**  
6 PM

Upcoming:  
**March 17**  
**April 21**

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

# Senior Cafe

Share activities and conversations with friends. Check the Library's event calendar for the activities planned at each cafe. While there, enjoy some great snacks.



WED 10:30 AM	WED 11 AM	MON 1 PM	WED 1:30 PM	FRI 1 PM	SAT 10 AM	THU 10:30 AM
MAR 12 APR 9	MAR 12 APR 9	MAR 17 APR 21	MAR 26 APR 23	MAR 7 APR 4	MAR 29 APR 26	MAR 13 APR 10
Amelia	Batavia	Bethel	Goshen	Miami Twp	Union Twp	Williamsburg

March - April



# STORYTIMES

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



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](http://ClermontLibrary.org/imagination-library)

- AMELIA BRANCH**  
THURSDAYS, MAR 6, 13, 20, 27, APR 3, 10, 17, 24  
10:30 AM (All Ages)
- BATAVIA BRANCH**  
THURSDAYS, MAR 6, 13, 20, 27, APR 3, 10, 17, 24  
10:30 AM (All Ages)
- BETHEL BRANCH**  
THURSDAYS, MAR 6, 13, 20, 27, APR 3, 10, 17, 24  
10:30 AM (All Ages)
- FELICITY BRANCH**  
WEDNESDAYS, MAR 19, APR 16  
10 AM & 1:30 PM (All Ages)
- GOSHEN BRANCH**  
WEDNESDAYS; MAR 5, 12, 19, 26, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
10:30 AM (All Ages)
- MIAMI TOWNSHIP BRANCH**  
WEDNESDAYS; MAR 5, 12, 19, 26, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
10:30 AM (Toddlers 18-36 mo.)  
11:30 AM (Preschool 3-6 yrs.)  
THURSDAYS; MAR 6, 13, 20, 27, APR 3, 10, 17, 24  
10:30 AM (All Ages)
- THURSDAYS; MAR 13, APR 10**  
11:30 AM (Babies 0-18 mo.)
- OWENSVILLE BRANCH**  
WEDNESDAYS; MAR 5, 12, 19, 26, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
11 AM (Preschool)
- UNION TOWNSHIP BRANCH**  
WEDNESDAYS; MAR 5, 12, 19, 26, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
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10:30 AM (All Ages)
- THURSDAYS; MAR 6, APR 3**  
10 AM (Babies 0-18 mo.)
- WILLIAMSBURG BRANCH**  
WEDNESDAYS; MAR 5, 12, 19, 26, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
10:30 AM (All Ages)
- ZOOM BEDTIME STORYTIME**  
TUESDAYS; MAR 4, 11, 18, 25, APR 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
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

- MAR 7** at Bethel Branch
- MAR 21** at Union Township Branch
- APR 4** at Union Township Branch
- APR 18** at Amelia Branch

10:30 am – 12 pm

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





The Library has programs to help gardening enthusiasts of all ages get your garden ready this spring. Plus, watch for our plant exchanges in several branches throughout the spring and summer.

**HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: MINI GREENHOUSES**

**Wednesday, MAR 5, 1:30 PM**  
**OWENSVILLE BRANCH**

Learn the basics of seed starting and how to start your garden with a milk jug!

**DIG IT! GARDEN CLUB**

**Saturday, MAR 8, APR 12, 2 PM**  
**UNION TOWNSHIP BRANCH**

Learn and share gardening ideas and techniques, with a new topic each month.

**COMPANION PLANTING**

**Saturday, MAR 15, 10 AM**  
**MIAMI TOWNSHIP BRANCH**

Companion planting is a great way to use space efficiently in the garden, plant your vegetables, herbs, and flowers in mutually beneficial arrangements, and even protect your most prized plants from insects.

**FAIRY GARDEN PARTY**

**Tuesday, APR 22, 4:30 PM**  
**OWENSVILLE BRANCH**

Wear your most sparkly fairy costume because it's time for a Fairy Garden Party! We will play fairy games, eat fairy snacks, and make our very own fairy garden homes.

**MAKE A FAIRY HOUSE OR GNOME HOME**

**Saturday, APR 26, 2 PM**  
**MIAMI TOWNSHIP BRANCH**

Let's create your very own fairy house or gnome home! Take it home to add a sprinkle of magic to your garden.

**VISIT THE KIDS SECTION ON KANOPY TO FIND OODLES OF CHILDRENS' PROGRAMMING!**

**kanopy.com/clermontlibrary**

# Shout-Out!

We're proud of the positive impact our Library programs are having at senior facilities across the county. For example, System Programmer Kim visits Florentine Gardens each month with fresh crafting ideas for residents and it's become one of the most anticipated events on their calendar. This is on their Facebook page, "Kim has become more than a visitor – she's a wonderful friend to our residents, who light up when she walks through the door. Her kindness and creativity leave a lasting



impact. As Martha, one of our residents, puts it, 'Kim always has great ideas and projects. I try to make sure I'm there each month. She's so nice and really helpful!' Having community partnerships like this is profoundly meaningful for our residents. It's more than just an activity; it's a reminder that they are valued, connected, and capable."



## LIBRARY HISTORY SOUND BITES



# The Rollout of the Library

Though some communities had small private libraries before the public library system was established in Clermont County, here are the dates when each of your favorite Clermont County Public Library branches opened:

- 1955** - First Library bookmobile
- 1956** - Second Library bookmobile
- 1959** - Milford (now Miami Township)
- 1961** - Batavia
- 1963** - Union Township
- 1967** - Bethel
- 1980** - New Richmond
- 1988** - Amelia
- 1988** - Williamsburg
- 1989** - Goshen
- 1994** - Felicity
- 1997** - Owensville



# Staff Picks for Adults



**Modern Poetry**  
By Diane Seuss  
**POETRY**

Diane Seuss is at the top of her game. Start with *Frank: Sonnets*, and then read this one, though you can't go wrong with any of her books.

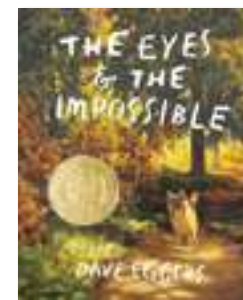
Ron – Union Township



**The Warm Hands of Ghosts**  
By Katherine Arden  
**HISTORICAL FICTION**

Historical fiction is not usually my go-to, but my friends and I picked this one for our book club, and it ended up being one of the best books I have read. Highly recommend.

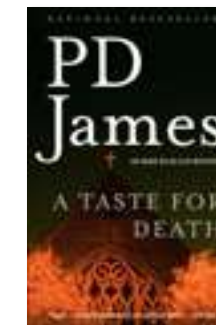
Morgan - Goshen



**The Eyes & The Impossible**  
By Dave Eggers  
**FICTION**

I've always loved stories that are told from the animal's point of view. This book was funny and heartfelt, and it has stuck with me. I'll probably read it again soon.

Skye - Williamsburg



**A Taste for Death**  
By P.D. James  
**FICTION**

How did I go this long without reading P.D. James? I just finished *A Taste for Death* but it would have been better if I'd started at the beginning of the Detective Dalgliesh series. This is your next step after Ruth Rendell, Louise Penney, and Kate Atkinson.

Laurie – Felicity



**The Spear Cuts Through Water**  
By Simon Jimenez  
**FANTASY**

I haven't finished the book yet, but it is a standout for me. It is a unique story. It is a little strange but very absorbing.

Danielle Masset – Collection Services



**Lady Tan's Circle of Women**  
By Lisa See  
**HISTORICAL FICTION**

I learned so much about Chinese culture, family, traditions, and history. Some of it is fascinating, some incredibly disturbing. It showcases a strong female lead who was one of the first female physicians during the Ming Dynasty.

Jenny – Community Engagement



**Be Ready When the Luck Happens**  
By Ina Garten  
**MEMOIR**

I listened to this as an audiobook and it was delightful! I loved hearing her voice and she says bad words in it, which made me laugh.

Elyse – Miami Township



**Sorcery and Small Magics**  
By Maiga Doocy  
**FICTION**

It is the first book in an unfinished series. It is a delightful fantasy with a hint of romance that I can't wait to see pan out in later books.

Vic Smith - Collection Services





# Library Programs

PROGRAMS ARE DESIGNED FOR DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS AS FOLLOWS:

<b>P</b> Preschool Ages 0-5	<b>K</b> Kids Ages 6-11	<b>T</b> Teens Ages 12-17	<b>A</b> Adults Ages 18+	<b>E</b> Everyone All Ages
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Registration required for all programs. Visit your local branch or [clermontlibrary.org](http://clermontlibrary.org) to register.

## Amelia

### HISTORICAL JEWELRY: GREECE **A**

**Tuesday, MAR 4, 6 PM**

Learn about life and jewelry in ancient times while creating your own necklace inspired by ancient Greece.

### BARKS AND BOOKS **K**

**Thursday, MAR 6, 13, 20, 4:30 PM**

Brush up on your reading skills by teaming up with a dog friend who loves to hear stories. Each participant aged 5-14 will be given a 10-minute session with a licensed therapy dog. Find a book at the Library or bring one from home; our furry friends love any kind of book! Please be advised that, while well-groomed, these dogs are not hypoallergenic and may cause a reaction in those with animal allergies.

### SATURDAY PLAY DATE **P K**

**Saturday, MAR 8, APR 12, 10:30 AM**

Join us for stories, songs, and playtime. We'll provide activities, toys, and a chance to meet new friends.

### TEEN ORIGAMI **T**

**Tuesday, MAR 11, 5:30 PM**

Teens, join us for a night of folding fun and learn about the art of origami.

### LEGO CLUB **K**

**Wednesday, MAR 12, APR 9, 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. The only thing kids need to bring is their creativity.

### HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: LEPRECHAUN TRAPS **K**

**Friday, MAR 14, 11 AM**

Learn about St. Patrick's Day and craft a trap for a tricky leprechaun.



### BUCKEYE SEARCH & RESCUE DOGS **K**

**Tuesday, MAR 18, 5:30 PM**

Learn about K9 search and rescue, as well as steps you can take to enhance survivability in an emergency situation. You also will be able to meet one of these heroic animals following the presentation.

### CHESS CLUB **A**

**Wednesday, MAR 19, APR 16, 3:30 PM**

Looking for a challenge, a workout for your mind? Join our Chess Club. Feel free to drop in at any point during our monthly meetings. Don't know how to play chess? We'll teach you.

### INITIAL HERE **A**

**Tuesday, MAR 25, 6:30 PM**

Learn how to write your initials in decorative calligraphy. Perfect for the personal touch!

### EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZA **K**

**Tuesday, APR 8, 6 PM**

Enjoy an evening Easter storytime, egg-citing crafts, and egg hunt. The egg hunt will be outside, weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather, this program will be held Monday, April 14, at 6 PM.

### RAILROADS & TRACTION LINES OF CLERMONT COUNTY **K T**

**Saturday, APR 12, 2 PM**

Learn about the history of trains, railroads, and traction lines in Clermont County, especially the CG&P and the Black Line that served Amelia. Presented by the Clermont County Historical Society.

### AN AFTERNOON OF POETRY **A**

**Saturday, APR 26, 2 PM**

Celebrate National Poetry Month with local poets who will read from their works and answer your questions.

## Batavia

### CLERMONT COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PROGRAM **A**

**Saturday, MAR 1, APR 5, 1 PM**

Meet in person at the Library, or join us online. CCGS members will be emailed an invitation and instructions one week prior to the event. If you do not receive an email and would like to attend, contact us the day before the meeting at [info@ccgsoh.org](mailto:info@ccgsoh.org) or (513) 723-3423.

### FAMILY FRIENDLY MARDI GRAS OPEN HOUSE **E**

**Monday, MAR 3, 6 PM**

Join us for a family-friendly Mardi Gras celebration! We'll have crafts, games, photo ops, and more!

### WRITERS GROUP **A**

**Tuesday, MAR 4, APR 1, 6 PM**

Share your writing endeavors, generate ideas, hone your craft, and network with fellow writers.

### HENNA BODY ART **A**

**Tuesday, MAR 11, 6:30 PM**

Learn about henna and apply your own body art using one of our designs. Make a beaded stretch bracelet while you wait.

### CLERMONT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY **A**

**Saturday, MAR 15, APR 19, 1 PM**

Join the Clermont County Historical Society for monthly presentations on a variety of local topics, followed by their meetings.

### TEEN DOT MANDALA MIRRORS **T**

**Tuesday, MAR 18, 6:30 PM**

Create a decorative mirror using dot painting! Teens will learn several techniques

used in creating dot mandalas and use them to decorate a round wood-backed mirror.

### EGG LAUNCHERS **K**

**Tuesday, APR 8, 6 PM**

Join us for an evening of physics fun as we create catapults and complete various challenges by launching chocolate eggs!

### HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: ZIPLINING EGGS! **K**

**Thursday, APR 17, 2 PM**

Save the chocolate egg! Participants must build something to protect and carry their chocolate egg as it slides down the zipline. Who will succeed? Which egg will go the fastest? Join us and find out!

### MARVELOUS MOSS **A**

**Tuesday, APR 29, 6:30 PM**

Moss: a humble plant with a huge role. We'll make an aquatic terrarium and learn how to care for and maintain the moss.

## Bethel

### TEEN CAFE **T**

**Wednesday, MAR 5, 12, 19,**

**APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 3 PM**

Teens, enjoy games, challenges, crafts, and other fun activities at the Library. Teen Cafe is facilitated by a prevention specialist from Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services.

### 3D PRINTED KEYCHAINS **T**

**Monday, MAR 10, 3 PM**

Learn how to create your own 3D print designs by making a custom keychain. We will even show you how the printer can make a multi-colored design! Guests will need an email address to participate.

### D&D AT THE LIBRARY **A**

**Monday, MAR 10, APR 14, 6 PM**

It's D&D night at the Library! New to the game or a veteran player? Join the party. We'll explore the new 2024 rules by starting with a basic Session Zero in March to create characters, answer any questions about the updated game rules, and begin our campaign. Regular gaming sessions will follow in April and May with new adventurers always welcome.

### ANIME CLUB **T**

**Tuesday, MAR 11, APR 8, 3 PM**

Discover your next favorite anime at our teen Anime Club! Enjoy creative crafts, fun games, and exciting anime screenings. Teens are required to have their parent sign an Anime Club Parental Release Form to participate.

### FANS OF LEGO **K T A**

**Monday, MAR 17, APR 21, 6:30 PM**

LEGO fans of all ages, join us for an evening of LEGO fun. We will have a show-and-tell for custom creations, building contests, as well as some useful tips and tricks. Each meeting will provide fun opportunities to get entries for a monthly prize drawing of a mini set. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult or older family member.

### FIBER ARTS CLUB **A**

**Tuesday, MAR 18, APR 22, 6 PM**

If you're a fan of knitting, crocheting, sewing, quilting, needlework, weaving, or any other fiber craft, this is the place for you. Bring your current project and join us for a casual meet-up to work on projects, show off your recent work, swap ideas, and socialize with other crafters.

### TEEN CRAFT TIME **T**

**Thursday, MAR 20, APR 17, 3 PM**

Visit the library after school and create beautiful masterpieces! Each session will have different crafts to choose from so each time is a new experience!

### MINECRAFT PARTY **K**

**Wednesday, MAR 26, 4 PM**

Celebrate all things Minecraft with the Library! Play fun games like Pin the Tail on the Pig and make pixel-perfect art to take home!

### GENEALOGY 101: LIBRARY RESOURCES **A**

**Thursday, APR 10, 1 PM**

Join us for this introduction to genealogy and learn about the resources offered at the Library.

### EARTH DAY OPEN HOUSE **E**

**Tuesday, APR 22, 4 PM**

Celebrate Earth Day at the Library! Learn how to recycle paper, decorate a clay plant pot, and create beautiful art from recycled materials!

## Felicity

### TWEEN CAFE **T**

**Monday, MAR 3, 10, 17, 31,**

**APR 7, 14, 21, 28, 3:30 PM**

We will have an after-school Tween Cafe featuring 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 the Clermont Recovery Center, a division of GCBHS, will lead the sessions.

### GET CRAFTY! **T**

**Tuesday, MAR 4, 2:30 PM**

Teens are invited to select crafts to make and take home. There will be a variety of items to make.



### AMAZING ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS **K T**

**Tuesday, MAR 18, 3:30 PM**

How does a salamander thrive in water and on land? What makes an eagle such a skilled fisher? Why do buckeye trees produce so many nuts? Through activities and live animals, we will explore the physical and behavioral adaptations that help our local flora and fauna survive year-round! Presented by a Clermont County Park District staff member.

### EXPLORE WATERCOLOR FOR BEGINNERS **A**

**Monday, MAR 31, 6 PM**

We'll experiment with a couple different techniques to create beautiful watercolor landscapes. This is a class for absolute beginners.

### 3D PRINTED LITHOPHANES **T A**

**Tuesday, APR 15, 6:30 PM**

Join us to learn the history of lithophanes and how to create one using the web and the Library's 3D printer. Bring some photos, and we will walk you through creating your own personalized lithophane.

### FREE MOVIES ON YOUR PHONE OR OTHER DEVICE **A**

**Saturday, APR 19, 2 PM**

Drop in to learn how to watch movies on Kanopy or hoopla using your CCPL library card. Bring your phone or other device.

### DOG MAN PARTY **K**

**Monday, APR 28, 5:30 PM**

Join us for an open house where you can visit several stations all featuring the Dog Man book series. We will offer games, learn-to-draw stations, create your own comic, and crafts.

## Goshen

### GREEN INVADERS: INVASIVE PLANT SPECIES IN CLERMONT COUNTY **A**

**Saturday, MAR 1, 1 PM**

Bush honeysuckle, lesser celandine, garlic mustard, and Callery pear all have something in common – they are green invaders in



Clermont County! Learn to identify the most prevalent invasive plants found in our region, how they got here, and what characteristics make them invasive. We also will discuss the impact they have on our natural lands and how to remove them.

#### **NAMI CONNECTION RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP**

**Monday, MAR 10, APR 14**, 6 PM

NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group is a free, peer-led support group for any adult who has experienced symptoms of a mental health condition. You will gain insight from hearing the challenges and successes of others, and the groups are led by trained leaders who've been there. NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Health. These support group meetings are open to the public.

#### **FAMILY FUN NIGHT: LUCKY LEPRECHAUNS**

**Tuesday, MAR 11**, 6:30 PM

Join us for a fun night of snacks and crafts! We'll enjoy some marshmallow cereal and make leprechaun traps to use this St. Patrick's Day!

#### **TEEN BUILDERS: SUBLIMATION TRINKETS**

**Tuesday, MAR 25**, 6 PM

Teens! Join us and learn all about the crafting process known as sublimation. We'll learn how to make professional looking trinkets and then apply that knowledge to make tote bags and keychains.

#### **USED BOOK SALE**

**Thursday, APR 3, 4, 5**, 10 AM-5 PM

A variety of gently used items for adults and children will be available including books, audiobooks, movies, and music.

#### **POLYMER CLAY PENS**

**Tuesday, APR 8**, 6:30 PM

Learn some of the basics of polymer clay and create beautiful accessories for your desk with these easy DIY decorative pens.

#### **FAMILY FUN NIGHT: EARTH DAY CELEBRATION**

**Tuesday, APR 22**, 6:30 PM

Join us to celebrate Earth Day! We'll go on a scavenger hunt around the Library and make crafts with recycled materials. Let's celebrate our beautiful Earth and learn ways we can work together to keep it clean.

## Miami Township

#### **AtoZ DATABASES FOR JOB SEEKERS**

**Tuesday, MAR 4**, 6 PM

Learn how this database can help in your career pursuit. Look for job opportunities, research companies, and use resume templates. Get information on other job resources the Library offers.

#### **GO FLY A KITE**

**Saturday, MAR 8**, 2 PM

Make a paper kite for flying in the March winds at the Library! All supplies will be provided. Children younger than 8 may require adult assistance.

#### **THE HISTORY AND CONTROVERSY OF THE NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE**

**Tuesday, MAR 11**, 6 PM

Discover the reasons behind the choices made by the Nobel Committee for Literature and why several selections have been controversial. Hold on to your monocle as we cover 123 years in an hour.



#### **COMPANION PLANTING**

**Saturday, MAR 15**, 10 AM

Companion planting is a great way to use space efficiently in the garden. Plant your vegetables, herbs, and flowers in mutually beneficial arrangements, and even protect your most prized plants from insects. This presentation will review different approaches to companion planting and specific examples backed by research.

#### **CRAFTING CLUB**

**Tuesday, MAR 18, APR 15**, 1:30 PM

Enjoy time with other crafty members of our community. Bring a current project to work on or learn techniques from others.

#### **POETRY READING AT THE LIBRARY**

**Tuesday, APR 8**, 6 PM

Join us for a Poetry Reading at the Library! Celebrate National Poetry Month by saying aloud your poetry, lyrics, monologue, essay, short story, or raps/riffs/rhymes. Seven local writers will be speaking: Chuck Byrd, Aureore Byrd, Douglas W. Milbern, Kristina Orlea, Luke Radkey, Phoebe Reeves, and Nathan Singer. Part of the evening will be an open mic for attendees to read their work if desired. Ages 16+.

#### **USED BOOK SALE**

**Thu., APR 10**, 12-5 PM, **Fri., APR 11**, 12-4

PM, **Sat., APR 12**, 10 AM-3 PM

A variety of gently used items for adults and children will be available including books, audiobooks, movies, and music.

Proceeds support Library programs and services.

#### **HEALTHY MINDS, HEALTHY LIVES**

**Monday, APR 14**, 5 PM

Learn strategies for achieving and maintaining good mental health for seniors.

#### **MAKE A FAIRY HOUSE OR GNOME HOME**

**Saturday, APR 26**, 2 PM

Create your very own fairy house or gnome home! Pick your favorite and you will get to take it home to add a sprinkle of magic to your garden.

#### **MAKING SUCCULENT BOOK PLANTERS**

**Monday, APR 28**, 6 PM

Learn how to give new life to an old book by upcycling it into a succulent planter. This book planter is perfect for coffee table displays or a cozy reading nook. It also would make a great gift for a book and plant lover!

#### **EASY EVENING SKY PAINTING**

**Tuesday, APR 29**, 2 PM & 6 PM

Create an 8x10 acrylic painting. No skills are required to make your own piece of art.

## New Richmond

#### **BOOK AND AUTHOR TRIVIA FUN!**

**Monday, MAR 3**, 11 AM

Test your knowledge of all things books and authors. There will be questions about the history of the printed word and all genres are in play. Celebrate your book worminess with other book lovers!

#### **NR LEGO CLUB**

**Thursday, MAR 6, APR 3**, 4:30 PM

Make LEGO creations with us! We will provide all the LEGO bricks and even some inspiration with a challenge if you choose to accept it.



#### **PARTY LIKE IT'S 1999!**

**Tuesday, MAR 11**, 5 PM

Chillax at the Library at a kickin' party as we celebrate everything sweet and fly from the 90s! Wear your most fly fit and bling. We will discover what's the 411 with some bodacious trivia. There will be no soup for you, but we will have some totally tubular pizza! It will

be off the hook! (Translation - Visit the Library for a fun 90s party. Dress up in your favorite 1990s fashion. We will play trivia and have pizza. It will be a good time!)

#### **HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: MATH FUN**

**Wednesday, MAR 12**, 11 AM

Is math just numbers or does it appear in nature and the world around us? Join us as we discover some really cool and useful number patterns (or non-patterns) in math and how they show up in nature! We will talk about pi, the Fibonacci sequence, golden ratio, and have some more number fun! Material is for grade levels 3-5.

#### **ADULT LEGO CLUB**

**Tuesday, MAR 18**, 6 PM

Why should kids get to have all the fun? Let your creativity run wild in this LEGO building environment for ages 12 and older. We provide the bricks; you provide the imagination! All skill levels are welcome.

#### **RAINBOW FUN PRESCHOOL PARTY**

**Saturday, MAR 22**, 10:30 AM

Celebrate the rainbow and all colors at the Library's Preschool Party. We will read stories about colors, make rainbow and colorful crafts, and play with colors.

#### **SPRING PRESCHOOL PARTY**

**Saturday, APR 5**, 10:30 AM

Join us at our Spring Preschool Party! We will read stories about flowers and springtime animals, make spring crafts, and play!

#### **HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: POEMS AND WORD PLAY**

**Thursday, APR 10**, 11 AM

Did you know that a poem does not have to rhyme or that songs are poems set to music? Find out more about poems and celebrate National Poetry Month with us at the Library! We will talk about different styles of poems and other forms of wordplay, like puns and riddles. Feel free to bring a favorite poem to share. Intended for grades 3-5.

#### **SPRING BINGO & CRAFT**

**Monday, APR 14**, 11 AM

Play spring BINGO and make a cute craft to take home! This program is specially designed for our guests with developmental and intellectual disabilities. All materials will be provided. Ages 18+

#### **WRITING YOUR LEGACY**

**Thursday, APR 24**, 4 PM

Learn about the personal memoir in its many forms and then get started with a

writing exercise. Every life is unique, but a memoir is more than just a timeline of what happened. Join us in a safe and welcoming space as we talk and write together, and learn more about our upcoming Memoir Writing Group.

## Owensville



#### **ESSENTIAL OILS**

**Monday, MAR 3**, 4 PM

Learn about the proper uses of and for essential oils from Regina Bauscher, local expert and owner of Honey Sweetie Acres in Owensville!

#### **HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: MINI GREENHOUSES**

**Wednesday, MAR 5**, 1:30 PM

Don't cry over spilled milk! Families will learn the basics of seed starting and how to start your garden with a milk jug! Presented by Master Gardener volunteers from the OSU Extension office.

#### **NAMI CONNECTION RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP**

**Monday, MAR 24, APR 28**, 6 PM

NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group is a free, peer-led support group for any adult who has experienced symptoms of a mental health condition. You will gain insight from hearing the challenges and successes of others, and the groups are led by trained leaders who've been there. NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Health. These support group meetings are open to the public.

#### **LEARN TO PLAY NERTZ**

**Tuesday, APR 15**, 2 PM

Learn to play a fun and fast-paced game of group solitaire. You've never played solitaire like this before! Knowledge of basic solitaire is helpful. Already know how to play? Join the fun!

#### **FAIRY GARDEN PARTY**

**Tuesday, APR 22**, 4:30 PM

Wear your most sparkly fairy costume because it's time for a Fairy Garden Party! We will play fairy games, eat fairy snacks, and make our very own fairy garden homes.

## Union Township

#### **MY STORIES FROM THE VETERANS HISTORY PROJECT**

**Wednesday, MAR 5**, 2 PM

Join us and hear about many of the amazing true events that happened to local veterans while they served our country in the military. Learn about the overall process that goes into making our original content DVD product for the Library of Congress and the Library collection.

#### **TEEN TIME**

**Thursday, MAR 6, 13, 20, 27**, 4:30 PM

Teen Time is a dedicated time just for teens to relax and have a blast! We will have games and the Nintendo Switch set up along with assorted activities and snacks teens can enjoy.

#### **UNITED WAY TAX PREPARATION SERVICE**

**Thursday, MAR 6, 13, 20, 27,**

**APR 3, 10**, 12 PM

Volunteers from United Way will be on site preparing taxes. Please schedule an appointment on United Way's website, <https://UWGC-FreeTaxPrep.as.me/CCPLUniontownship>.

#### **UNITED WAY TAX PREPARATION SERVICE**

**Friday, MAR 7, 14, 21, 28,**

**APR 4, 11**, 10 AM

Volunteers from United Way will be on site preparing taxes. Please schedule an appointment on the United Way's website, <https://www.uwgc.org/get-help/free-tax-prep/for-taxpayers>.

#### **DIG IT! GARDEN CLUB**

**Saturday, MAR 8, APR 12**, 2 PM

Learn and share gardening ideas and techniques with a new topic each month. All levels of experience are welcome.

#### **MAKE YOUR OWN JOURNAL**

**Monday, MAR 10**, 6 PM

Learn this quick and versatile technique to make journals, notepads, and chapbooks – the options are endless! We will learn the pamphlet stitch to create blank journals. All materials will be provided.

#### **PUZZLE OFF! TEAM COMPETITION**

**Tuesday, MAR 11**, 1 PM

Teams will compete to solve identical jigsaw puzzles in a 90-minute challenge. Do it for fun! Do it for prizes!

#### **POKÉMON PARTY!**

**Tuesday, MAR 11**, 6:30 PM

Attention Pokémon trainers! We are having a Pokémon party. Join us for a family fun



night with crafts and activities all about Pokémon.

**FLOWER POWER TEA PARTY P K**

**Saturday, MAR 15, 1:30 PM**  
Celebrate spring with us at a lovely afternoon tea party! Library staff will serve tea while you decorate sugar cookies to look like the most beautiful flowers of the season. Intended for ages 6-13!

**OSHIIP EXPLAINS MEDICARE A**

**Monday, MAR 17, 3 PM**  
Join OSHIIP Community Liaison Amber Cupp as she presents information about original Medicare and other Medicare coverages. She also will answer questions about Medicare. OSHIIP is a state- and federally-funded program that educates, counsels, and advocates for Medicare beneficiaries.

**SENSORY PLAYTIME P**

**Saturday, MAR 22, 10:30 AM**  
Join us for sensory playtime! In this interactive program. We will have stations dedicated to different senses including touch, sound, and sight. Play with rice, sand, water, and more!

**FIBER ARTS A**

**Monday, MAR 24, APR 28, 6 PM**  
If you're a fan of knitting, crochet, needlepoint, and more, bring your current project to work on with fellow fiber crafters. Chat, share ideas, learn new skills, and grow in your art.

**POETRY READING AND OPEN MIC A**

**Saturday, APR 5, 2 PM**  
In celebration of National Poetry Month, we will feature three Cincinnati-area poets. An open mic time will follow.

**STEAM: DISCOVER RUBBER K**

**Tuesday, APR 8, 6:30 PM**  
Learn about the process of how rubber is made! We will even make rubber bouncy balls for you to take home! Ages 8-13.

**TEEN TIME: MAKING JEWELRY T**

**Thursday, APR 10, 4:30 PM**  
Teens! Make your own custom jewelry. We will provide all the materials.

**HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: DISCOVER RUBBER K**

**Thursday, APR 10, 1:30 PM**  
Learn how rubber is made! We will make rubber bouncy balls for you to take home! Ages 8-13.

**POETRY WRITE 101 A**

**Tuesday, APR 15, 6 PM**

In celebration of National Poetry Month, join us for an introductory poetry writing exercise. No experience necessary!

**CRAFTERDARK: COLLAGE POETRY A**

**Tuesday, APR 22, 6 PM**  
Celebrate Poetry Month by making a poem out of paper cutouts or by decorating a poem of your choice.

**POETRY WRITE 102 A**

**Tuesday, APR 29, 6 PM**  
In celebration of National Poetry Month, join us for an introductory poetry writing exercise. No experience necessary!

**Williamsburg**

**TEEN CAFE T**

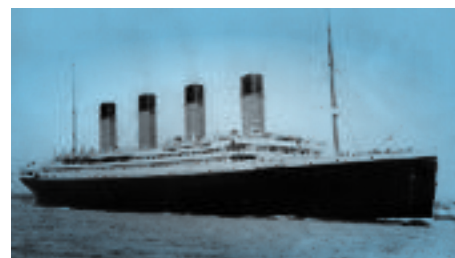
**Thursday, MAR 6, 13, 20, APR 3, 10, 17, 24, 3 PM**  
Teens! Enjoy games, challenges, crafts, and other fun activities at the Library. Teen Cafe is facilitated by a prevention specialist from Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services.

**MINECRAFT MANIA OPEN HOUSE E**

**Tuesday, MAR 18, 6 PM**  
Just one more block... Join us for a Minecraft Open House at the Library! We'll play Minecraft-themed games, make crafts, and take pictures with props at our Minecraft photo booth.

**DIY DRINK BOMBS A**

**Tuesday, MAR 25, 6 PM**  
Learn how to make your own drink bombs that foam and fizz in your drink of choice.



**SURVIVE THE TITANIC! K**

**Monday, APR 14, 6 PM**  
Can you survive the sinking of the "unsinkable" Titanic? Visit the library and find out! We'll build and test our own boats to see if they sink, while also learning about the Titanic's timeline and fascinating facts about the ship. Each participant will receive the name and background story of a real guest who was aboard when the Titanic sank – then, they will become that guest. Did they survive?

**BEE HOUSE & BATH T A**

**Tuesday, APR 22, 2 PM & 6 PM**  
Join us to complete your own buzzworthy bee house and bath. The house foundation will be 3D printed, and you will learn about 3D printing and bees before you get crafty. Sign up today. It was meant to be.

**CAT CASTLES FOR TEENS T**

**Tuesday, APR 29, 6 PM**  
Build your own cat castle! Teens are invited to use their creativity and build a cardboard house for their cat or small pet. Supplies will be provided. Please keep in mind that we'll be using small pieces such as plastic screws to put the castles together.

**Off Site**

**CLERMONT COUNTY DOMESTIC COURT LAW CLINIC A**

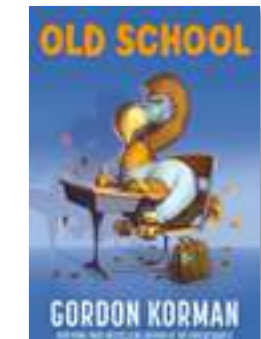
**Saturday, MAR 1, APR 5, 9 AM**  
The volunteer attorney and court personnel will be available to assist self-represented litigants with domestic relations matters. This event is set up for drop-ins on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information contact: Kay Heile 513-732-7323 or kheile@clermontcountyohio.gov, or domesticcourt.org, and click on resources. If the Clermont County Public Library Administration Building is closed, the Law Clinic will not take place or be rescheduled that month.

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

**Saturdays; MAR 8, APR 12, 9 & 10 AM**  
**League for Animal Welfare**  
4193 Taylor Road, Batavia, OH 45103  
Brush up on your reading skills by teaming up with a cat friend who loves to hear stories. Participants age 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.

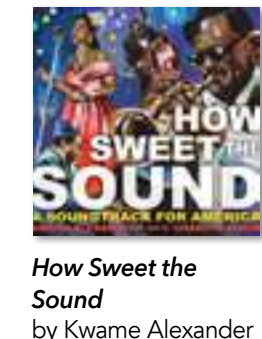


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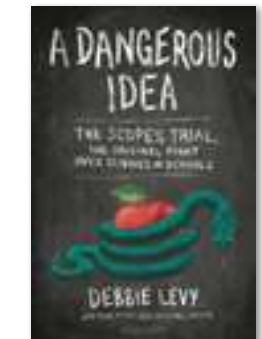
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**Old School**  
by Gordon Korman



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**How Sweet the Sound**  
by Kwame Alexander



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**A Dangerous Idea**  
by Debbie Levy



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**Stinkbird Has a Superpower**  
by Jill Esbaum



E BRO 9780593110751

**On Our Way! What a Day!**  
by JaNay Brown-Wood



TOD ACC 9780593898628

**Potty Time With Bean**  
by Rachel Accurso



TOD KLA 9781536230826

**Your Farm**  
by Jon Klassen



YA COL 9781546171461

**Sunrise on the Reaping**  
by Suzanne Collins

**April is National Poetry Month**

AND THE LIBRARY HAS MANY WAYS TO CELEBRATE:

**POETRY READING AND OPEN MIC A**

Union Township  
**Saturday, APR 5, 2 PM**  
In celebration of National Poetry Month, we will feature three Cincinnati-area poets. An open mic session will follow.

**POETRY READING AT THE LIBRARY A**

Miami Township  
**Tuesday, APR 8, 6 PM**  
Seven local writers will share their work. Part of the evening will be an open mic opportunity for attendees to read their poetry, lyrics, monologues, essays, short stories, raps/riffs/rhymes, etc.

**HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT: POEMS AND WORD PLAY K**

New Richmond  
**Thursday, APR 10, 11 AM**  
We will talk about different styles of poems and other forms of wordplay, like puns and riddles. Bring a favorite poem to share.

**POETRY WRITE 101 & 102 A**

Union Township  
**Tuesday, APR 15 & 29, 6 PM**  
Join us for introductory poetry writing exercises. No experience necessary!

**CRAFTERDARK: COLLAGE POETRY A**

Union Township  
**Tuesday, APR 22, 6 PM**  
Make a poem out of paper cutouts or by decorating a poem of your choice.

**AN AFTERNOON OF POETRY A**

Amelia  
**Saturday, APR 26, 2 PM**  
Join local poets who will read from their works and answer your questions.

# Book Clubs

FOR ADULTS

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

## SECOND WEDNESDAY BOOK CLUB

**Batavia**

**Wednesdays; MAR 12, APR 9, 2 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *The Trackers: A Search for a Fugitive in Depression-Era America* by Charles Frazier

**APRIL BOOK:** *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge

## MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

**Batavia**

**Wednesdays; MAR 26, APR 30, 2 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *I Will Ruin You* by Linwood Barclay

**APRIL BOOK:** *The Couple at Number 9* by Claire Douglas

## BOOKS & BEYOND BOOK CLUB

**Bethel**

**Monday, MAR 3, APR 7, 6:30 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *The Loves of Theodore Roosevelt: The Women Who Created a President* by Edward F. O'Keefe

**APRIL BOOK:** *The Last Devil to Die* by Richard Osman

## CARDINAL READERS BOOK CLUB

**Felicity**

**Tuesdays; MAR 25, APR 22, 2 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt

**APRIL BOOK:** *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah

## CHECK IT OUT BOOK DISCUSSION

**Goshen**

**Wednesdays; MAR 12, APR 9, 1:30 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** Any fiction or non-fiction

**APRIL BOOK:** *The Maid* by Nita Prose

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSION

**Miami Township**

**Thursdays; MAR 6, APR 3, 1:30 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck

**APRIL BOOK:** *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray

## BOOKENDS

**New Richmond**

**Fridays; MAR 21, APR 18, 11:30 AM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

**APRIL BOOK:** *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman

## SPINEBENDERS

**New Richmond**

**Tuesdays; MAR 25, APR 22, 7 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *Death Comes to Pemberley* by P.D. James

**APRIL BOOK:** *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post* by Allison Pataki

## CONSTANT READERS BOOK CLUB

**Union Township**

**Mondays; MAR 3, APR 7, 6 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *The Last Green Valley* by Mark Sullivan

**APRIL BOOK:** *Black Cake* by Charmaine Wilkerson

## SECOND TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

**Williamsburg**

**Tuesdays; MAR 11, APR 8, 2 PM**

**MARCH BOOK:** *The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes

**APRIL BOOK:** *The Book of Charlie: Wisdom from the Remarkable American Life of a 109-year-old-man* by David Von Drehle

## ONLINE MOVIE CLUB

**Tuesdays, MAR 25, APR 22, 6:30 PM**

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

**MARCH MOVIE:** *The Nines (R, 2007)*

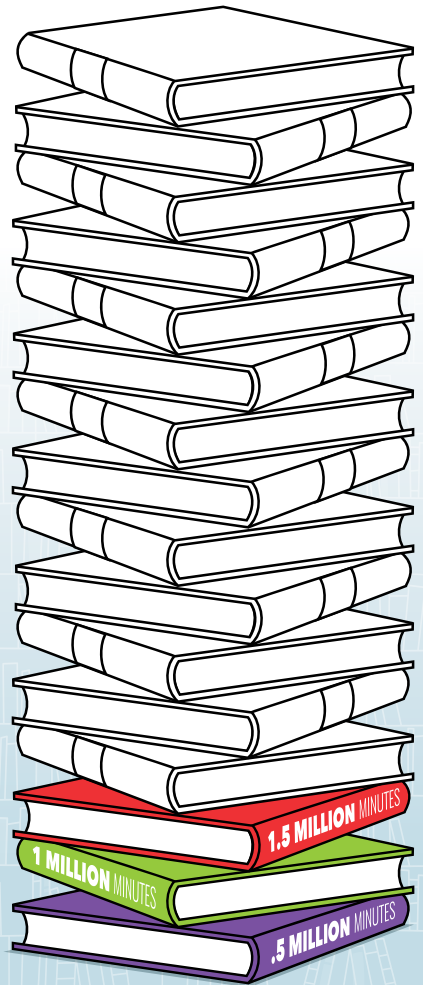
**APRIL MOVIE:** *The Magnificent Ambersons (NR, 1942)*



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