

Every Story Matters: Building Community Through Inclusion

//ALEXIS, A LIVELY 7TH GRADER. IS GLUTEN-FREE BUT REALLY WANTS TO ATTEND THE TEEN LOCK-IN AT THE

LIBRARY. Her friend Nazir, who doesn't eat pork, wants to join Alexis and their two other friends, who are planning to go for pizza, flashlight tag, and other fun activities.

Samantha is a fun-loving adult, age 26, who has an intellectual disability. Her parents are struggling to find activities where she can enjoy the company of others in a safe, encouraging environment.

Max and his wife Erin homeschool their kids, and they are constantly looking for ways for the kids to interact with others like them and unlike them, so they are exposed to people of all types.

These families represent just a few of the diverse needs we encounter daily at the library. Whether it's accommodating

dietary restrictions, creating inclusive spaces for adults with disabilities, or fostering connections between different communities, we've learned that true inclusivity requires planning and flexible approaches.

We're committed to working with patrons to accommodate reasonable requests so everyone can participate in programs as fully as possible.

We encourage you to reach out in advance for accommodations, whether for food allergies, dietary restrictions, or sensory sensitivities requiring dimmed lights or reduced volume. We also have volume enhancers for those who struggle to hear in programs.

Adults with special needs are welcome to attend family programs typically designed for children under 18 with a parent

age when the content benefits all participants.

Our Adaptive Adventures programs are open to everyone, creating opportunities for people with and without disabilities to participate together. This benefits everyone involved: individuals with special needs gain valuable social experiences, while others develop understanding and empathy.

When Alexis and Nazir enjoy gluten and pork-free snacks at the teen lock-in, Samantha finds her place in our community programs, and Max's children gain friendships, we see inclusion in action.

When we remove barriers and create welcoming spaces, amazing things happen: friendships form across differences, families find their place, and our entire community grows stronger. Come as you are. You belong here.



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Oct. Nov. Dec. Saturdays • 4, 15, 13

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October

Monday • 6:30 - 7:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 3 - 5)

Game Time! Video Game Night



Games, food, prizes, and friends! It's Game Time! Enjoy hanging out with other kids your age at this gaming program just for

October |

Saturday • 1 - 4 PM Woodbourne Library (Kindergarten - Grade 5)

The Hidden Life of Spices

Engage your senses and discover the joy of chemistry! Drop by the Woodbourne Children's Room for our hands-on



National Chemistry Week celebration! Presented by the Dayton section of the American Chemical Society.

October

Saturday • 10:30 - 11:30 AM Woodbourne Library (0 - 36 Months)

My Grown Up & Me

Step into a world of shared smiles and happy chaos! Your little one will love playing and growing with new friends, and you'll find the support you need to talk with



other adults and navigate the joys (and challenges) of parenthood. This month's meeting will be a circle mingle with toys, instruments, books, manipulatives, puzzles, and more. Refreshments will be provided. For ages 0-36 months and an adult. Siblings are welcome.

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Thursday • 11 - 11:45 AM Woodbourne Library (0 - 36 Months)

Spooky Baby Boogie

Put on your Halloween costume and come to the Woodbourne Library to boogie to some of our favorite spooky songs! No registration is required, though space is limited.



Tail Waggin' Tutors

*Child must be able to read independently.

Give your child the gift of reading confidence! Join our special drop-in program and watch their reading skills blossom as they enjoy reading aloud to our gentle therapy dogs. No registration required. (Kindergarten - Grade 5)

Tutor Dates:	Location:	Times:
Wed., Oct. 8	Woodbourne	6:30 - 7:30 PM
Mon., Oct. 20	Woodbourne	4:30 - 5:30 PM
Thurs., Nov. 6	Woodbourne	4:30 - 5:30 PM
Mon., Nov. 17	Woodbourne	6:30 - 7:30 PM
Mon., Dec. 8	Woodbourne	6:30 - 7:30 PM



Friday • 10:30 - 11:30 AM Off-site, Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook, 6588 McEwen Road (For the Family)

Nature Fun - An Outdoor Family Storytime

Join your favorite storytellers for nature-themed stories and activities. Fun for the whole family!



This outdoor program is dependent on weather conditions. Please check the Library Facebook page or the Centerville-Washington Park District

website at cwpd.org for cancellation information. Open to all ages. Registration through the Centerville-Washington Park District is recommended, but not required. You may bring your own blanket to sit on.

November

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Creative Kids: Circuit Cars

Registration required.

Put the pedal to the metal and create your own moving car using crafting materials and circuits, then race against others to see who made the fastest vehicle!

November

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Wonders of the Night Sky

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through powerful telescopes to explore the Moon, planets, stars, and dazzling celestial formations. Learn the fascinating science behind what you see, guided by NASA Ambassador



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Tuesday • 10 - 10:45 AM & 1 - 1:45 PM Woodbourne Library (3 - 5 year olds)

Full STEAM Ahead: Wild About Animals

Registration required.

Pack your imagination and grab your explorer's hat we're going on the ultimate animal adventure! Safari through Africa and spot lions and zebras through your binoculars. Waddle like a penguin in Antarctica's icy paradise where tuxedo-wearing birds rule the frozen world! Then hop Down Under to Australia and meet bouncing marsupials and the quirkiest creatures on Earth!

Three wild continents, countless amazing animals, and endless adventure await. Are you ready to use your imagination and become part of the wild animal kingdom? Let's explore!

This program is presented by the Cincinnati Museum Center's Program-on-Wheels. For 3-5 year olds with an adult.

December



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Baby Boogie

Boogie to some of our favorite storytime songs and fingerplays! For ages 0-36 months with an adult. No registration required, but space is limited.



December

Wednesday • 11 AM - 1 PM Woodbourne Library (For the Family)

Noon Year's Eve

If midnight is past your bedtime, come celebrate NOON Year's Eve with us! We'll have plenty of fun activities planned, along with a festive ringing in of the New Year. Bring the family—this program is intended for participants under the age of 18, with a parent or adult.



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October

Tuesday • 7 - 8:15 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 4 - 7)

Tween Time: Art Night

Registration required.

Welcome to our artist's paradise and let your

creativity run wild! This isn't about following instructions or staying within the lines—it's about pure, unfiltered artistic expression.

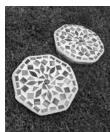


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Tween Tinker Lab: Mosaic Stepping

Registration required. Step into a world of color! Design and create a mosaic stepping stone using tile and glass. Keep it for yourself or give it as a gift.



December

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Tween Time: LEGO® Creations

Registration required.

Unleash your inner architect! Build a masterpiece while hanging out with other tweens.



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Oct.

Online (Grades 7 - 9)

Dottie Yeck Good Life Award Writing

Teens who live or attend school in Montgomery County can win \$3,000 in the 20th annual Dottie Yeck Good Life Award Writing Contest! Entries will be accepted online. Additional prizes will be awarded at \$500, \$350, and \$250 each. The Awards Ceremony will be held

Thursday, December 4, 7-8:15 p.m., at the Woodbourne Library, featuring motivational speaker and local author Fran Kick. Go to wclibrary.info/gla for the 2025 prompt and details on how to enter.



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Tuesday • 7 - 8:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 6 - 12)

Totally Teen Tuesday: Jackbox Games

These party games will have us laughing all night! You and your team will see who can be the funniest, draw the best, and stay alive in a murderous trivia game. Bring your wit, creativity, and sense of humor for an evening of laughter, friendly competition, and snacks.

Please bring a cell phone or tablet to play from. A limited number of library devices are available on a first-come, first-served basis. No registration required.



October

Thursday • 7 - 8:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 6 - 12)

Teen Make-It: Light-Up Haunted

House Scene

Conjure up your own eerie miniature scene complete with spooky figures, ghostly creatures, and LED lights to make your haunted creation glow in the dark. Bring your imagination, and we'll provide the materials to make your nightmare come to life!





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Fright Night

Registration required.

Dare to enter a spooky night of fun, including a library scavenger "haunt" in the dark, a costume contest, and

a frightening good time. Costumes are highly encouraged!



Teen Advisory Board Meeting Dates:

TAB members only

October 6, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library October 27, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library November 3, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library November 17, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library December 1, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library December 15, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

November

Tuesday • 7 - 8:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 6 - 12)

Totally Teen Tuesday: Board Games

Transform your Tuesday with board game battles, card game showdowns, and plenty of laughs at the library! Whether you're into strategy games, party favorites, or want to learn something completely new, come ready

to compete, connect with friends, and enjoy snacks while you play.



November

Thursday • 7 - 8:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 6 - 12)

Teen Make-It: Diamond Book Art

Registration required.

Dazzling covers for radiant stories! Make your book cover as brilliant as the story inside it, as we transform ordinary book covers into dazzling works of art. Using colorful diamond art gems, you'll customize a book cover to create something unique. Bring your own favorite paperback book to customize or choose from our selection of books available at the program.

November

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Dottie Yeck Good Life Award Celebration

Join us for an inspiring evening as we celebrate the winners and honorable mentions of the 20th Annual Dottie Yeck Good Life Award Writing Contest! Listen to nationally known speaker, author, consultant, and local resident Fran Kick as he puts his unique spin on life's perspectives and invites you to Kick It In! The top four writers will read their essays, honorable mentions will be recognized, and refreshments will be served.

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Totally Teen Tuesday: Video Game **Night**

Get ready to dominate the competition with Nintendo Switch and PlayStation 5 gaming at the library! Whether you're into multiplayer mayhem, competitive battles, or team adventure, bring your skills and prepare for some serious fun. Challenge your friends, discover new favorites, and enjoy snacks while you game.

December

Saturday • 6 - 11 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 6 - 12)

Teen Lock-In

Registration required.

Get ready for a teen takeover event! We are turning the library into a teens-only hangout for our Lock-In. Bring your friends and have some late-night fun, including pizza, a scavenger hunt, gaming, and flashlight tag.



December

Thursday • 7 - 8:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Grades 6 - 12)

Teen Make-It: Book Ornaments

Registration required.

Turn old book pages into holiday magic! Join us for a creative session where you'll craft one-of-a-kind

ornaments from vintage book pages and create a special ornament filled with miniature books. Perfect for book lovers who want to add some literary flair to their holiday decorations or give a unique handmade gift with real character.





Oct. Nov. Dec. Saturdays 4, 1, 13

2 - 3:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

WCPL Adult Knitting Group

Do you enjoy knitting or would like to learn how to start? Come to our informal group to socialize with other crafters, work on projects, or learn some new skills. All experience levels are welcome to attend, as

well as crocheters and other fiber-crafters.

If you have them, please bring your own supplies. Registration not required.



Halloween Tote Bag

October 9 • Thursday • 5:45 – 7:30 PM **Creativity Commons** (Adults, Seniors)



Celebrate Halloween by making a spooky season tote bag. Learn techniques for using heat transfer vinyl and the desktop cutter while working alongside other likeminded makers.

Simple Spooky Paintings

October 14 • Tuesday • 6 – 8 PM Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

In this Halloween-themed craft event, you'll create an eerie yet charming wall décor perfect for the season. No artistic experience needed—just bring your imagination, and we'll provide all the supplies and step-by-step guidance.

From haunted houses to ghostly silhouettes, your spooky masterpiece will be ready to display by the end of the session. Spots are limited, so sign up now and let your creativity creep in.









3D Printed Pumpkin Cat

October 15 · Wednesday · 5:45 – 7:30 PM **Creativity Commons**

(Adults, Seniors)

Do you want to learn to use a 3D printer? Learn the basics of working with digital files and then 3D printing

by making an adorable Halloween decoration. At the end of class, take home your spooky cat in a pumpkin! Just bring your imagination, we supply the rest.



Creepy Cute Rainbows

October 30 · Wednesday · 2 – 4 PM Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Get into the Halloween spirit with our Creepy Cute Rainbows crafting event. Using wrapped yarn and simple techniques, you'll create Halloween-inspired rainbow decorations in festive colors like orange, black, and purple. No crafting experience is needed—all materials are provided, and guidance will be available every step of the way. Space is limited, so sign up soon to add a cute, creepy touch to your seasonal décor.

Thanksgiving Cutting Board

November 5 · Wednesday · 5:45 – 7:30 PM **Creativity Commons**

(Adults, Seniors)

Craft a beautiful, functional decoration perfect for your holiday celebration. In this class, you will learn to use



the laser cutter by engraving and scoring an acacia wood cutting board.



programs



Mini Leaf Lanterns

November 12 • Wednesday • 2 – 4 PM Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Celebrate the season by crafting your own miniature fall lanterns. We'll use decoupage techniques to apply colorful autumn leaves to glass jars, creating warm, glowing luminaries that bring the cozy spirit of fall into any space.

Relax, create, and leave with a little piece of autumn magic.

Bookshelf Tab

November 13 • Thursday • 5:45 – 7:30 PM **Creativity Commons**

(Adults, Seniors)

Have you ever been in a library or bookstore and seen the artistic signs indicating the genre or author on a shelf? Now make your own acrylic bookshelf tab, and learn the basics of the laser cutter. Choose your design among three book fandoms.



Fixit Clinic

November 22 · Saturday · 1 – 4 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)



An all-ages do-ittogether (D.I.T.) repair event: bring your broken, nonfunctioning things - electronic gadgets,

appliances, computers, toys, sewing machines, bicycles, skateboards, etc. - for assessment, disassembly, and possible repair. We'll provide workspace, specialty tools, and guidance to help you disassemble and troubleshoot your item. Whether you fix it or not, you'll learn more about how it was manufactured and how it worked.

No more than two items per clinic, and items must be cleaned before bringing them in. We will not work on microwaves, tape players, heaters, or gas-powered engines.

This program is intended for patrons aged 18 and above.

Important Things to Note for ALL Maker Programs

Space is limited.

Prior registration is required for Tech and Make-It programs unless otherwise noted. Tech and Make-It classes teach equipment use and techniques. Previous participants may be waitlisted to allow new learners. Intermediate computer skills are required.

Tumbled Tidings: Sea Glass Trees

December 2 • Tuesday • 6 – 8 PM Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Bring a bit of beachy beauty into your holiday season by crafting a one-of-a-kind sea glass tree. Using tumbled glass pieces, we'll create textured, colorful artwork that captures the spirit of the sea and the sparkle of the holidays. No artistic experience needed—just bring your creativity and festive spirit.

Handmade Holiday: Polymer Clay

December 10 · Wednesday · 2 – 4 PM Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Get into the holiday spirit by crafting your own personalized ornaments and gifts using colorful polymer clay. Whether you're making keepsakes for loved ones

or adding a special touch to your own decorations, this hands-on workshop is perfect for all skill levels. All materials are provided—just bring your creativity and holiday cheer.



Holiday Ornament

December 10 · Wednesday · 5:45 – 7:30 PM **Creativity Commons**

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn the basics of the laser cutter by creating a beautiful ornament. Get experience with digital design



software, material preparation, and safe laser operation. Then cut a decorative ornament that showcases the precision and creative possibilities of laser engraving and cutting techniques.

Visit our online calendar of events: wclibrary.info/events



Sept. Oct.

Woodbourne Library (All Ages)

Exhibit: Earth Tones

Enjoy the work of several artists inspired by nature. Working in an earth-tone palette, the art is based on nature's patterns, zoomed in, stylized, realistic, abstract -- or playful -- in a variety of mediums.

Oct. Dec. 1-31

Woodbourne Library (Adults & Seniors)

Join our Adult Anime Challenge!

Watch and record anime episodes on Beanstack this fall from October 1 - December 31. Reach 25 episodes for a cool prize, or push to 50 for a shot at our grand prize pack. Prizes awarded at every Adult Anime Group meeting. Can you binge your way to victory?

October

Wednesday • 2 - 4 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults & Seniors)

Skin Care of the Ancients

Registration required.

Discover the timeless beauty secrets that captivated empires and enchanted rulers throughout history in this fascinating program. We unveil how legendary figures like Cleopatra achieved their renowned, luminous complexions using ingredients that were treasured as much as gold itself. You'll recreate the same luxurious treatments that graced the skin of queens, empresses, and nobility.

October | Wednesday • 5:30 - 7 PM Woodbourne Library (All Ages)

Earth Tones - Collage Workshop for **Families**

Registration required.

Earth Tones teaching artist Bonnie Kuntz will lead a workshop for families creating magazine collages in earth tones. All supplies will be provided. The workshop is free, but registration is required to ensure adequate seating and supplies.

October

Wednesday • 5:30 - 7 PM Woodbourne Library (All Ages)

Meet the Artists of the Earth Tones Exhibit

Come meet the artists of the Earth Tones Exhibit. Talk to them about their process for creating, inspiration, and their backgrounds.

Oct. Nov. Dec. Thursdays 2, 6, 4

8:30 - 10 AM Woodbourne Library

Genealogy Interest Group

Registration required.

Meet informally to discuss genealogy, use the library's genealogy databases (Ancestry Library Edition, Fold3, and My Heritage - World Vital Records) and learn from each other. Reference librarians will be available to answer questions.



Manhattan Short Film Festival

Registration required.

Movie Lovers, be part of cinema history!

You be the judge. Join more than 100,000 film lovers from across the globe to view and vote for your top pick of this year's final ten films in the 28th Annual Manhattan Short Film Festival. At the conclusion of the show, each audience member will be asked to vote for the ONE film and the ONE actor/actress they think is best. These films will also be eligible to enter the Academy Awards Oscar competition for the next two years.

One World - One Week - One Festival

This program is intended for patrons aged 18 and above.

Dates and Time:

Sept. 27; 2 - 4:30 PM, Woodbourne Sept. 30; 2 - 4:30 PM, Woodbourne Oct. 2; 6 - 8:30 PM, Woodbourne Oct. 3; 6 - 8:30 PM, Woodbourne

General

programs

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Oct. Nov. Dec.

Thursdays • 6:30 - 9 PM Heavier Than Air Brewing Co. (435 Miamisburg-Centerville Road, Dayton, OH 45459-4753)

Friends of WCPL Trivia Night

Registration required.

Join the Friends of WCPL for a fun Trivia Night at Heavier Than Air Brewing Co. (435 Miamisburg-Centerville Road, Dayton, OH 45459). Everyone is welcome to attend. Snacks will be provided. Trivia begins at 7 PM.

October

Saturday • 12:30 - 1:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults & Seniors)

7 Principles for Finding Meaning and Purpose in Life

Registration required.

Are you feeling stuck, unmotivated, or lost in the daily grind of life? In 7 Principles for Finding Meaning & Purpose in Life, JP Perdomo shares a deeply personal and transformative journey from feeling trapped in a "Groundhog Day" existence to discovering a life filled with purpose and meaning.

October

Tuesday • 7 - 8 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

No Limits: Local Author and **Marathoner Shares His Story**

Local writer and marathon runner Bob Welbaum has competed in marathons on all seven continents, join us as he describes his experiences in Berlin, Japan, and Antarctica.

October

Wednesday • 7 - 8:30 PM Joyce C. Young Center, 965 Miamisburg-Centerville Road (Adults & Seniors)

Meet the Candidates

Meet the candidates running for Centerville and Washington Township contested offices. All candidates running for local positions have been invited. Each candidate will have up to three minutes on microphone and are encouraged to meet with voters after presentations are done. Offered in partnership with the League of Women Voters of the Greater Dayton Area.

October

Wednesday • 5 - 9 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults & Seniors)

Entrepreneurs: A Mini Incubation Event for Your Business Idea

Registration required for consultations.

5 - 6:30 PM: One-on-One Consultations

6:30 - 8 PM: Presentation

8 - 9 PM: One-on-One Consultations

Join us for an intensive evening designed for ambitious entrepreneurs ready to launch or improve their businesses. Connect with experienced business advisors from the Entrepreneurs' Center during dedicated oneon-one consultation sessions (5 - 6:30 PM or 8 - 9 PM) where you'll receive personalized guidance to build a strong, sustainable business. Between sessions, dive into a dynamic presentation exploring the thrilling opportunities and real challenges every entrepreneur faces when starting a business. Don't miss this free opportunity to turn your vision into a viable, thriving enterprise!

October

Thursday • 6 - 8:45 PM Benham's Grove 166 N. Main Street (Adults & Seniors)

Ghost Walk on Main

Registration required.

The Ghost Walk on Main is back at Benham's Grove, where guests will enjoy a hearty box lunch and drinks before embarking on a unique journey with vivid storytelling and reenactments from our town's extensive history (with some ghostly tales to boot). This year has all new dramas (save our favorite baseball player). We are adding an option to end at Meridien with a beverage and dessert. Tickets available starting September 9 on the Friends of WCPL website at friendswcpl.org/ghost-walk/.

Oct Dec. Saturday 10 AM - 12 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Anime Group

Registration required.

Meet fellow anime enthusiasts (18+) for a fun-filled session featuring a full-length film or four curated episodes from Crunchyroll. Bring along your creativity, and we'll have the drawing supplies on hand. Snacks are welcome, whether for yourself or to share with new friends!



October

Tuesday • 10 - 11:30 AM Woodbourne Library (Adults & Seniors)

Age Well Dayton: Managing Money Matters in Retirement

From financial and healthcare decisions to smart steps that set the stage for a happy retirement, this session showcases tips from experts, with several rounds of Q&A to make sure we explore what's top of mind for you. Coordinated by Donna Kastner of Age Well Dayton.

Oct. Nov. Dec. 16,20,18

Thursdays 6:30 - 8 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Job Seekers Networking

Are you looking for a job? If so, attend Job Seekers Networking, a monthly session for job seekers to network with six job search mentors to gain assistance in the job search process, including refining desired positions, seeking and implementing informational interviews, utilizing LinkedIn, searching for job openings, and other avenues for securing employment.

Job seekers are welcome to attend monthly throughout their job search process for continued assistance as their job search continues.

October

Woodbourne Library October 23 - 5 PM - 8 PM -Members only night; October 24 - 10 AM - 4:30 PM; October 25 - 10 AM - 4:30 PM (All Ages)

Friends of WCPL Fall Book Sale

It's the Fall Book sale from the Friends of WCPL. Thousands of books in excellent condition plus DVDs and music CDs. Great Holiday Gift Shopping!

Adult Hardbacks \$2 and everything else \$1. Be sure to shop the special Collectibles Room! Join the Friends of the Library at the door for \$10. The proceeds from the book sale get donated back to the Library in the form of project grants.

Oct.

Dec.

Woodbourne Library (All Ages)

Exhibit: Ron Rollins Art

Ron Rollins creates gestural abstract paintings that stress color, movement, and lively action.

November

Saturday • 12 - 1:30 PM &: 2:30 - 4 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Legends & Lore: The Ohio Night Stalkers

Registration required.

Do you believe...in Bigfoot? Join cryptozoologist Mike Miller as he returns with the Ohio Night Stalkers' latest Bigfoot findings. Hear professionally analyzed audio, learn how a childhood interest became a national phenomenon, and relive the moments that led to TV and radio features across the country!

November

Tuesday • 6:30 - 8 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

The Gaming Guild: Video Edition

Registration required.

Looking for an easy and fun way to meet other adults in the area? Come to our video game night, where we'll play PlateUp, Mario Party, and Jackbox Games in a casual, friendly environment. It's a great way to meet local gamers, have a blast, and build connections over games you love.

November

Wednesday • 6:30 - 7:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

The Power of PolicyMap

Registration required.

Unlock the power of data with our online resource: PolicyMap! This program teaches you how to explore interactive maps, uncover community trends, and turn complex data into clear insights. Identify target markets, evaluate neighborhood fit, and refine your customer outreach strategy. Go beyond basic demographics to explore nuanced lifestyle and consumer behavior insights that reveal how people live, work, and spend.

November

Thursday • 6 - 7:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Men's Health: What You Need to Know But Were Afraid To Ask

Registration required.

Join Dr. Cathy Rosenbaum, Holistic Clinical Pharmacist, Rx Integrative Solutions, to learn about various integrative health-related topics in body, mind, and spirit. We will cover cardiovascular health, multivitamins, creatine, stress management, memory health, sleep hygiene, and more.

General programs



November

Woodbourne Library (All Ages)

Exhibit: Veterans Day

The Library and Centerville-Washington History are partnering once again for this annual exhibit to honor our Veterans. This year's theme is "Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the End of WWII." Uniforms and a WWII timeline will be displayed.

November

Saturday • 10 AM - 12 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

DIY Simple Syrups

Registration required.

Whether you're a coffee enthusiast, cocktail lover, or simply enjoy the finer things in life, you will love this program. Discover the art of crafting your own signature flavors in our hands-on simple syrup workshop, where everyday ingredients transform into liquid magic that will revolutionize your favorite beverages. You will leave with a collection of syrups, recipes, and the confidence to impress friends and family with amazing drinks at home.

November



Saturday • 2 - 4:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Let's Play! Fast Round Board Games

Card-slapping enjoyment, laughter, and groan-inducing fun—there's something for everyone! Bring your friends, family, or come solo to play fast-paced board games, such as 5-Minute Dungeon & Mystery, Abducktion, & Taco Cat Goat Cheese Pizza.

November



Sunday • 2 - 4 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Interview with Author Barbara Iosselsohn

Join us for a discussion of *The Forgotten Italian* Restaurant with the author Barbara Josselsohn in collaboration with the Jewish Community Center's Cultural Arts & Book Series.

Barbara Josselsohn is a best-selling author known for her captivating contemporary and historical novels. Her latest novel is a heartbreaking love story that will sweep you away to sun-drenched Italian vineyards, where hope and bravery prevail in the darkest days of war.

November

Monday • 6:30 - 8 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Memoirs of a Marauder Man

Registration required.

Technical Sergeant Joe Girz flew 57 combat missions in the Mediterranean and European Theaters during World War II, as a Radio Operator-Waist Gunner in B-26 Martin Marauder Bombers. Flying out of Sardinia, Corsica, and Dijon, France, between August 1944 and May 1945, he and crewmates flew bombing missions to hit specific German targets in Italy, France, and Germany.

His son Tom has compiled his father's diaries and personal logs into a thrilling retrospective about true patriotism, courage, and survival -- not uncommon traits in those we now refer to as The Greatest Generation.

November

Friday • 6:30 - 8:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Wonders of the Night Sky

Prepare to be amazed by the beauty of the night sky at our exciting stargazing and discovery night! Peer through powerful telescopes to explore the moon, planets, stars, and dazzling celestial formations. Learn the fascinating science behind what you see, guided by NASA Ambassador Eric Vinande.

Whether you're a seasoned space enthusiast or just curious about the cosmos, this is an experience you won't want to miss! Bring the whole family, this program is open to all ages. No registration is required, but space is limited.

November

Saturday • 1 - 2 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finances

If you or someone you know is facing Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or another chronic illness, it's never too early to put financial plans in place.

This free Alzheimer's Association education program, presented by the Miami Valley Chapter, will feature tips for managing someone else's finances, how to prepare for future care costs, and the benefits of early planning.



November | Wednesday • 7 - 8 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Most Anticipated: New Book Release **Preview**

Get the inside scoop from two librarians on their most anticipated forthcoming December-February book releases from various publishers in various genres! Attendees will have the opportunity to place holds on upcoming releases.

Dec.

Woodbourne Library (All Ages)

Erma Bombeck Writing Competition

Submit an original essay online of 450 words or fewer beginning Tuesday, December 2, 2025, in the Erma Bombeck Writing Competition. The contest closes January 6, 2026, 8:00 PM (EST)

Four Winners (Local Humor, Local Human Interest, International Humor, International Human Interest) will receive \$1,000, and a free registration to the workshop at the University of Dayton in April 2026. Honorable Mentions will receive \$100 each. Entry fee \$25. All Ohio entries will be considered Local. For rules and how to enter, visit wclibrary.info.

Our final judges are Betsy Bombeck (Humor) and Beth Macy (Human-Interest)

December

Wednesday • 6 - 7:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Spilling the Tea on Jane Austen

Registration required.

Calling all gentlefolk for an evening of Regency fun, with Jane Austen trivia, a presentation on Austen's life and works, and a Regency-era version of charades

to finish the night with snacks and tea aplenty! Period dress is encouraged.



Booked for Lunch

Join us 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (Adults, Seniors) at Woodbourne Library to discuss:



October 1: The Demon of Unrest by Erik Larson

November 5: The Situation Room: The Inside Story of Presidents in Crisis by George Stephanopoulos

December 3: All that Glitters: A Story of Friendship, Fraud, and Fine Art by Orlando Whitfield

Books are available for pick up at Woodbourne Library.

AfterWords

Join us Monday nights at 7 PM on Facebook to talk about books with fellow book lovers. There are no assigned books to read. Just get online and chat about what you've been reading!



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October 6*, 13, 20, 27 • November 3*, 10, 17, 24 December 1*, 8, 15, 22, 29 *AfterWords Readalikes

Oct. Nov. Dec. 1, 5, 3

Wednesdays • 12:30 -1:30 PM • RecPlex West, Joyce C. Young Center (Adults, Seniors)

RecPlex West Book Club

RecPlex members enjoy a book discussion lead by a librarian and co-sponsored with Washington Township. Membership to RecPlex is required to attend this club. Check the Washington Township website for details about membership.

October 1: The Women by Kristin Hannah

November 5: Atmosphere by Taylor Jenkins Reid

December 3: The Paris Express by Emma Donoghue

book discussions



6, 3, 1

Oct. Nov. Dec. Mondays • 7 - 9 PM Rumbleseat Wine, 101 E. Alex Bell Rd #118 (Adults, Seniors)

Uncorked

Unwind with a lively book discussion in a casual atmosphere. Read the month's selection and join us!



October 6: The Marigold Cottages Murder Collective by Jo Nichols

November 3: These Memories Do Not Belong to Us: A Constellation Novel by Yiming Ma

December 1: Serial Killer Support Group by Saratoga Schaefer

Books are provided at the discussions and at Woodbourne Library.

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Hours **Centerville Library**

Monday-Thursday, 12 - 8 PM Friday, 10 AM - 6 PM Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM Sunday, CLOSED

Woodbourne Library Monday-Friday, 10 AM - 9 PM Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM Sunday, 1 - 5 PM

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Oct. Nov. Dec. Tuesdays • 10 - 11 AM 21, 18, 16

OR 2 - 3 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Page Turners

October 21: The Familiar by Leigh Bardugo

November 18: To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

December 16: Join us as we discuss the books we've read this year! Refreshments will be provided.

Books are provided at the discussions and at Woodbourne Library.

Oct. Nov. Dec. Third Thursday of the

Month • 6:30 - 7:30 PM Woodbourne Library (Adults, Seniors)

Book Ends

October 16: The Familiar by Leigh Bardugo

December 18: Join us as we discuss the books we've read this year! Refreshments will be provided.

November 20: To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee

Books are provided at the discussions and at Woodbourne Library.

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