



Lines & Links

Your Connection to Reading, Learning and Growing since 1963 | WINTER/SPRING 2019

Love your library? Celebrate with us.

What could be better than entire buildings devoted to books? Nothing! We're not the only people who would rather be at the library. The entire month of February is dedicated to library lovers. Although we celebrate libraries every day, we'd like to share how Geauga County Public Library engages, connects and inspires.

Engage

Dynamic programming at all our buildings as well as at off-site partner locations provides opportunities to engage with ideas. Patrons enjoy cooking classes, art workshops, quilting, aromatherapy and movies, along with book discussions and storytimes. Open our doors and step into a welcoming environment where ideas abound. Here is where your community engages while learning and growing in the process.



Connect

Today's libraries are bustling centers of activity. Gone are the days when librarians "shhhed" patrons. Today, our meeting rooms and community spaces are booked for activities every day.

Parents bring their little ones to storytimes. Toddlers form their first friendships and discover the magic of nursery rhymes.

Families meet their favorite storybook characters like Pete the Cat. Teens make tie-dye projects. Adults discover genealogy, learn how to blog, and share recipes. There's lots of laughter and a sense of community. Of course, when students need a quiet space to study for the ACT or write a term paper, our study areas provide a quiet place to work.



Inspire

You already know what it's like to fall in love with a good book. You count on libraries to provide everything from the classics to today's contemporary voices. GCPL's shelves are filled with a robust collection in all genres. When you need to meet your next Atticus Finch or Katniss Everdeen, ask a librarian. Amazing adventures await. Here is your place to find them and be inspired.



Engage, connect, and inspire yourself this winter.
Take advantage of our stellar programming lineup.
You'll find a whole world of opportunity inside these pages.



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Early Learning Programs

Regular storytimes - Registration start date for Geauga West and Chardon is Jan 2. Registration is not required at Bainbridge, Middlefield, Newbury or Thompson unless noted. Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings.

B Bainbridge ● 440-543-5611

Registration not required.

Baby storytime

Birth – 18 months, with caregiver
Tuesdays: Jan. 8 - April 16, except
March 26, 9:30 a.m.

Baby musical storytime

15 – 24 months
Wednesdays: Jan. 9 - April 17, except
March 27, 9:30 a.m.
A music and movement based storytime
for young walkers and a caregiver.

Preschool musical storytime

3 – 5 years, with caregiver
Wednesdays: Jan. 9 - April 17, except
March 27, 10 a.m.

Family storytime

All ages, with caregiver
Thursdays: Jan. 10 – April 18, 10 a.m.,
except March 28.

Special Bainbridge Storytimes

Saturday morning pajama storytime

3 – 5 years
Bainbridge
Saturdays: 11 a.m.
Jan. 19, Feb. 23, March 23
A lazy Saturday morning at the Library.
Come for storytime, stay for cartoons
and cereal bar. Pajamas encouraged. **R**

C Chardon ● 440-285-7601

Registration is required and starts Jan. 2.

Baby storytime

Birth – 18 months, with caregiver
Mondays: Jan. 21 - April 1, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: Jan. 23 – April 3, 9:30 a.m.

Toddler storytime

18 months – 3 years, with caregiver
Wednesdays: Jan. 23 – April 3, 10:30 or
11:15 a.m.
Thursdays: Jan. 24 – April 4, 9:30 a.m.

Preschool storytime

3 – 5 years, while caregiver remains in
building
Mondays: Jan. 21 – April 1, 10:30 a.m.
Tuesdays: Jan. 22 – April 2, 6:30 p.m.
Thursdays: Jan. 24 – April 4, 9:30 a.m.

Family storytime

All ages
Wednesdays: Jan. 23 – April 3, 6:30 p.m.
Thursdays: Jan. 24 – April 4, 11 a.m.

Special Chardon Storytimes

Pajama storytimes

Bring your children in their pajamas for
stories, rhymes, songs, and fun. They'll
be ready for bed when you get home. **R**

Baby and toddler pajama storytime

Birth – 2 years, with caregiver
Mon., Jan. 7, 6:30 p.m.

Preschool pajama storytime

3 - 5 years, independent attendance
while caregiver remains in the building
Wed., Jan. 9, 6:30 p.m.

Preschool tinkerlab

3 – 5 years
Thurs., Jan. 10, 11 a.m.: Snow much fun
Thurs., April 11, 11 a.m.: Mix it up
Parents are invited to the activities
portion. Playful program encourages
tinkering, curiosity, and creative thinking.

G Geauga West ● 440-729-4250

Registration is required and starts Jan. 2.
Winter session: Jan. 14 – Feb. 21
Spring session: March 11– April 25
No storytimes: March 24 – 31

Baby storytime

Birth – 18 months, with caregiver
Wednesdays: 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.
Thursdays: 10 a.m.

Toddler storytime

18 months - 3 years, with caregiver
Tuesdays: 9:30 or 10:30 a.m.

Preschool storytime

3 - 5 years; caregiver remains in building
Wednesdays: 10:30 a.m. or 4 p.m.

Family storytime

All ages
Mondays: 6:30 p.m.

M Middlefield ● 440-632-1961

No registration required.

Toddler storytime

18 months – 2 years, with caregiver
Tuesdays: Jan. 8 – April 23, 10 a.m.
Thursdays: Jan. 10 – April 25, 10 a.m.

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Preschool storytime

Ages 3 – 5, independent or with caregiver
Wednesdays: Jan. 9 – April 24, 10 a.m.
Thursdays: Jan. 10 – April 25, 10 a.m.

Preschool tinkerlab

Ages 2 – 5
Fridays: Jan. 11, Feb. 1, March 1, April 5,
10 a.m.
Playful programs encourage tinkering,
curiosity, and creativity.

Storytime STEAM

Ages 3 – 5, with caregiver
Fridays: Jan. 18, Feb. 8, March 8, April
12, 10 a.m.
We'll use some favorite picture books
to create fun and hands-on ways
to challenge children's thinking and
problem-solving skills. **R**

Family storytime

All ages
Tuesdays: Jan. 8 – April 23, 11 a.m.

N Newbury ● 440-564-7552

Family storytime

All ages
Registration required, begins Jan 2.
Thursdays: Jan. 17 – April 18, 11:30 a.m.
Join Miss Sue for stories, music, crafts,
and dancing. Children will laugh, sing,
and learn valuable socialization skills. Fun
for children and parents alike.

T Thompson ● 440-298-3831

Family storytime

Birth – 10 years
Mondays: Feb. 4 – March 25, 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: Feb. 6 – March 27,
10:30 a.m.

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JANUARY

Appreciate dragons

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., Jan. 3, 4 p.m.
Follow the dragon tracks to a kingdom where dragon tales, activities, crafts, and surprises await. **R**

Homeschool science

M Grades K - 2
Middlefield
Mondays: 2 p.m.
Jan. 7, Feb. 11, March 11, April 8
Expand your science curriculum with fun hands-on activities. **R**

Read-aloud crowd

G Grades K - 2, with adult
Geauga West
Tues., Jan. 8, 7 p.m.
Experience the joys of reading great books out loud to your child. We will read the first chapter at the library. You complete the book at home. January's selection is Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren. **R**

Crazy 8s math club

M Grades K - 2
Middlefield
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m.
Jan., 9, 16, 23, 30
Get fired up about math! Every week we'll build, run, jump and make music - and messes - while having fun with math principles. **R**

Little artists

G Ages 3 - 5
Geauga West
Thurs., Jan. 10, 11 a.m.
Let your preschooler experience a hands-on art activity and explore their creativity. **R**

Lego fun

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thursdays: Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14, April 11, 4 p.m.
Engineer and build to your heart's content with Legos purchased by the Chardon Friends of the Library. **R**

Homeschool art 1

M Grades K - 4
Middlefield
Fridays: 2 p.m.
Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, April 12
Study and learn from women in art! Explore the art of Cassatt, Delaunay, O'Keefe, and Kahlo using various mediums. **R**

Reading to Rover

N Grades K - 3
Newbury
Sat., Jan. 12, 10 a.m. **R**

Winter warm up

OFF-SITE All ages
Fairmount center for the arts
(Off-site event)
Sat., Jan. 12, 10 a.m.
8400 Fairmount Road, Novelty, Ohio
Fun stories and crafts. Register for a library card. **R**

Elmer's birthday party

B Grades PreK - 3
Bainbridge
Sat., Jan. 12, 11 a.m.
Celebrate Elmer the Patchwork Elephant's 30th birthday party. **R**

Steelman science

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Mon., Jan. 14, 4:30 p.m.
A steel drum duo plays music featuring bamboo-bamboo. Students learn how playing the steelpan teaches resourcefulness and the science of acoustics. **R**

Trailblazers

G Grades K - 2
Geauga West
Mondays: 6:30 p.m.
Winter session: Jan. 14 - Feb. 18
Spring session: March 11 - April 22
No sessions March 24 - 31
Enjoy stories and activities that encourage a lifelong reading adventure. **R**

Cats vs. dogs

C Grades 3 - 5
Chardon
Thurs., Jan. 17, 4 p.m.
Join Team Dog or Team Cat in trivia and other challenges. Create a craft of your furry pal to take home. **R**

Third-grade Thursdays

G Grade 3
Geauga West
Thursdays: 6 p.m.
Winter session: Jan. 17 - Feb. 21
Spring session: March 14 - April 25
No sessions March 24 - 31
Improve reading skills with fiction, nonfiction, and fun. **R**

Storytime STEAM

M Ages 3 - 5
Middlefield
Fri., Jan. 18, 10 a.m.
See page 2 for details. **R**

Lego Duplo family building party

M All ages
Middlefield
Sat., Jan. 19, 2 p.m.
Build with us! We'll supply LEGOs and DUPLOs so the whole family can build. **R**

LEGO fun

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Mondays: Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 18
6:30 p.m.
Engineer and build to your heart's content with Legos purchased by the Chardon Friends of the Library. **R**

Ohio birds

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Tues., Jan. 22, 4 p.m.
Learn about Ohio birds and their songs. Make a bird feeder to take home. **R**

Scats, tracks, and mammal facts

M Grades K - 5
Middlefield
Tues., Jan. 22, 4 p.m.
Many mammals leave telltale signs of their presence in your backyards. Join a Geauga Park District naturalist and discover the diversity of mammals in Geauga County. **R**

National Pie Day celebration

B All ages
Bainbridge
Wed., Jan. 23, noon - 6 p.m.
Stop by for a free slice of pie!

Wild in winter

C Grades K - 2
Chardon
Thurs., Jan. 24, 4 p.m.
Discover which Ohio animals spend all winter searching for food and which ones

"sleep" a lot. Check for animal tracks, poop, cozy hideaways, and dens "under the snow." **R**

Chinese New Year

B All ages, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Sat., Jan. 26, 11 a.m.
Celebrate 2019, the Year of the Pig, with Chinese food, crafts, and music. **R**

Uno & pizza

C All ages
Chardon
Sun., Jan. 27, 2 p.m.
Join us for an afternoon of our favorite things - the card game Uno and pizza! **R**

Pirate party

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Mon., Jan. 28, 4 p.m.
Ahoy Mateys! Join us for an hour of games, stories, music, and crafts. **R**

Fourth and fifth grade book club

G Grades 4 - 5
Geauga West
Mon., Jan. 28, 4:30 p.m.
Explore a cool art process and check out some great new books.

Try it Tuesday: Make slime and floam

B Grades K - 3, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Tues., Jan. 29, 4 p.m.
Have ooey-goey fun making different kinds of slime and floam. **R**

PreK and kindergarten book club

C 4 - 6 years
Chardon
Wed., Jan. 30, 4 - 4:45 p.m.
Explore the work of some of our favorite authors in these programs to support Ohio's early learning standards. **R**

Authors' and illustrators' birthday party

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., Jan. 31, 4 p.m.
Activities and crafts will celebrate famous authors and illustrators born in this month. **R**

Winter skating party

OFF-SITE All ages
Chagrin Valley Roller Rink
(Off-site event)
7151 S. Main Street, Chagrin Falls
Thurs., Jan. 31, 6:30 p.m.
Join us to celebrate winter with a skating

party. No admission fee. Just pay for skates and snacks. **R**

FEBRUARY

Family movie Saturday: *The Lego Movie*

C All ages
Chardon
Sat., Feb. 2, 2 p.m.
Join us for a special showing of the original 2014 hit movie, *The Lego Movie!* Popcorn. Children must be accompanied by an adult. **R**

Little yogis: Yoga is sharing

B 3 - 5 years, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Sun., Feb. 3, 2 p.m.
Participate in a yoga session with a certified, licensed OT yoga instructor. **R**

Crazy 8s math club

M Grades K - 2
Middlefield
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m.
Feb., 6, 13, 20, 27
See page 3 for details. **R**

Superhero training

M Grades K - 5
Middlefield
Thurs., Feb. 7, 4 p.m.
Have you ever wanted to be a superhero? We'll help you look the part and perfect your skills. **R**

Arts with hearts

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., Feb. 7, 4 p.m.
Get ready for Valentine's Day by creating craft projects from hearts. **R**

Storytime STEAM

M 3 - 5 years
Middlefield
Fri., Feb. 8, 10 a.m.
See page 2 for details. **R**

Homeschool art 1

M Grades K - 4
Middlefield
Fri., Feb. 8, 2 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

Reading to Rover

N Newbury: Sat., Feb. 9, 10 a.m.
B Bainbridge: Sat., Feb. 9, 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. **R**

Board game bonanza

G All ages
Geauga West
Sat., Feb. 9, 1 - 4 p.m.
Spend an afternoon playing board games with family and friends. Snacks. **R**

Valentine tea

B All ages, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Sun., Feb. 10, 2 p.m.
Bring the entire family (and your favorite stuffed animal) to this tea-time celebration. **R**

Homeschool science

M Grades K - 2
Middlefield
Mondays: 2 p.m.
Feb. 11, March 11, April 8
See page 3 for details. **R**

Lego fun

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., Feb. 14, 4 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

We love raccoons

G Grades K - 5
Geauga West
Thurs., Feb. 14, 7 p.m.
Let's read stories, make crafts and have fun as we learn about these masked creatures. **R**

Mo Willems birthday party

B PreK - Grade 3
Bainbridge
Fri., Feb. 15, 10 a.m.
Don't let the pigeon throw a party. Help us celebrate the birthday of beloved children's author Mo Willems with themed games, crafts, and snacks. **R**

For the birds

M All ages
Middlefield
Sat., Feb. 16, 10 a.m.
Work together to create a bird feeder to take home. **R**





Youth and Family

Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings. Most programs are one hour unless noted.

Love your library open houses

All events for all ages

- G** Geauga West: Fri., Feb. 1, 4 - 7 p.m.
Join us for an after-hours library open house where you can learn about all the library has to offer. Also, meet Pete the Cat and go on a winter story walk. Refreshments.
- C** Chardon: Fri., Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Library staff will have activities throughout the day, including drop-in appointments for help with ebooks and audiobooks, crafts, refreshments, and a very special appearance from Pete the Cat. No registration required.
- M** Middlefield and Mobile Services: Fri., Feb. 15, 2 - 6 p.m.
Learn about our collections of books, movies, music, e-resources, and programs such as our 100-book challenge. Tour Mobile Services' bookmobiles. Pete the Cat will be there, and so should you! Refreshments.
- T** Thompson: Sat., Feb. 16, noon - 4 p.m.
Learn all about our programs and materials. Refreshments and games.
- B** Bainbridge: Mon., Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Maximize the potential of your employees. Lynda.com is an online video library that has top-quality courses taught by recognized industry experts to help anyone learn business, software, technology, and creative skills to achieve personal and professional goals. Meet Pete the Cat, too! **R**
- N** Newbury: Sat., Feb. 23rd, noon - 5 p.m.
Stop in and find out all of the services your Newbury station has to offer. We'll have games and refreshments for the whole family.

Meet Pete the Cat

All ages, with caregiver

- G** Geauga West: Fri., Feb. 1, 4 - 7 p.m.
- C** Chardon: Fri., Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- M** Middlefield: Fri., Feb. 15, 2 - 6 p.m.
- B** Bainbridge: Mon., Feb. 18, 10 a.m.
Meet everyone's favorite cool cat, Pete. We will read a Pete the Cat story, followed by a photo op and craft. **R**

Lego fun

- C** Grades K - 5
Chardon
Mon., Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

Pancake science

- G** All ages
Gauga West
Tues., Feb. 19, 7 p.m.
Enjoy stories about pancakes and learn about the fun science behind them. **R**

Awesome origami

- C** Grades 3 - 5
Chardon
Thurs., Feb. 21, 4 p.m.
Learn basic paper-folding techniques to make fun origami creations. **R**

Fourth and fifth grade book club

- G** Grades 4 and 5
Gauga West
Mon., Feb. 25, 4:30 p.m.
Starting Fri., Feb. 1, pick up a library copy of *Bliss* by Kathryn Littlewood and join us February 25 for a book discussion and pizza. **R**

Try-it Tuesday: Kid high jinks!

- B** Grades K - 3, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Tues., Feb. 26, 4 p.m.
Make and experiment with all the stuff you need for kid fun. **R**

Read aloud crowd

- G** Grades K - 2
Gauga West
Tues., Feb. 26, 7 p.m.
See page 3 for details. February's selection is *The Borrowers* by Mary Norton. **R**

PreK and kindergarten book club

- C** 4 - 6 years
Chardon
Wed., Feb. 27, 4 - 4:45 p.m.
See page 4 for details. **R**

Little artists

- G** 3 - 5 years
Gauga West
Thurs., Feb. 28, 11 a.m.
Experience hands-on art. We will begin with a motivating story. **R**

Slime lab

- C** Grades K - 2
Chardon
Thurs., Feb. 28, 4 p.m.
Concoct the grossest and coolest slimes ever! **R**

MARCH

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

All ages, with caregiver

- M** Middlefield: Sat., March 2, 10 a.m.
- C** Chardon: Sat., March 2, 11 a.m. or 1 p.m.
- G** Geauga West: Sat., March 2, 11 a.m.
- B** Bainbridge: Sat., March 2, 2 p.m.

Help us celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday! Enjoy stories, crafts, and games. **R**

Art show reception

- G** All ages
Gauga West
Sun., March 3, 2 p.m.
View work from local budding artists. All throughout the library, student art will be displayed for your viewing pleasure.

Crazy 8s math club

- M** Grades 3 - 5
Middlefield
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m.
March 6, 13, 20, 27
See page 3 for details. **R**

Magnificent butterflies

- C** Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., March 7, 4 p.m.
Examine butterfly specimens, learn about their life cycles and special body features, and blot paint a pair of butterfly wings. **R**

Family game night

- N** All ages
Newbury
Thurs., March 7, 5 p.m.
Play classic and new board and card games. Bring your favorites. **R**

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Checkers tournament

G Grades K - 5
Geauga West
Thurs., March 7, 6 p.m.
Come to our checkers tournament.
Snacks. **R**

Storytime STEAM

M Ages 3 - 5
Middlefield
Fri., March 8, 10 a.m.
See page 2 for details. **R**

Dav Pilkey party

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Fri., March 8, 2 p.m.
Celebrate the original Captain Underpants (and Cleveland) himself, Dav Pilkey! Join us for a birthday celebration of games, snacks, trivia, and crafts. **R**

Homeschool art 1

M Grades K - 4
Middlefield
Fri., March 8, 2 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**



Read to a cat

G Grades K - 5
Geauga West
Sat., March 9, 10 a.m.
Read the book *Cat in the Hat* to Pearl the therapy cat. Cat adoption opportunities offered by Katy Deptola Rescue. **R**

Reading to Rover

N All ages
Newbury
Sat., March 9, 10 a.m. **R**

Mini Golf

G All ages
Geauga West
Sat., March 10, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
See back cover for details.

Homeschool science

M Grades K - 2
Middlefield
Mondays: 2 p.m.
March 11
See page 3 for details. **R**

Pocketful of music

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Wed., March 13, 4:30 p.m.
Learn how to play instruments that fit in your pocket, like the ocarina of South America and the banakulas of West Africa. **R**

Build a fairy house

B 5 - 10 years, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Thurs., March 14, 4 p.m.
Decorate a small house with items found in nature for your little fairy to live in. **R**

Lego fun

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., March 14, 4 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

The noisy paint box

M Grades K - 5
Middlefield
Thurs., March 14, 4 p.m.
In the abstract style of Vasily Kandinsky, we'll create artwork as we experience colors as sounds, and sounds as colors. **R**

Third-grade Thursdays

G Geauga West
Thursdays: 6 p.m.
Spring session: March 14 - April 25
No sessions March 24 - 31
See page 3 for details. **R**

Meet the Easter Bunny

B All ages
Bainbridge
Fri., March 15, 6:30 p.m.
A professional photographer will be on hand to take a portrait for a \$10 donation. Families can enjoy activities and refreshments while waiting for their photo.

Girl Scouts badge-in-a-day: Computer expert

B Grades 2 - 3
Bainbridge
Sat., March 16, 1 p.m.
Girl Scout Brownies can earn their computer expert badge in an afternoon. All troops welcome. **R**

Fairmount Center for the Arts music recital

G Geauga West
Sat., March 16, 2 p.m.
Enjoy students performing music from classical to pop on piano, voice, violin, and ukulele. Refreshments. **R**

Art show reception

B All ages
Bainbridge
Sun., March 17, 2 p.m.
Join us at a reception to meet the artists from local schools whose art will be displayed the month of March.

Fourth and fifth grade book club

G Grades 4 and 5
Geauga West
Mon., March 18, 4:30 p.m.
Explore a cool art process and check out some new books. **R**

Lego fun

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Mon., March 18, 6:30 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

Read aloud crowd

G Grades K - 2, with caregiver
Geauga West
Tues., March 19, 7 p.m.
See page 3 for details. March's selection is *Half Magic* by Edward Eager.

Who comes back in the spring?

C Grades 3 - 5
Chardon
Thurs., March 21, 4 - 5 p.m.
Welcome back all the furry, feathered, scaly, and creepy critters and plants who have been gone from northeast Ohio all winter. **R**

Maple sugaring time

M Grades K - 5
Middlefield
Thurs., March 21, 4 p.m.
Learn how maple sap is transformed into the real maple syrup. Try samples. Presented by Geauga Park District. **R**

Try-it Tuesday: Birdhouses

B Grades K - 3, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Tues., March 26, 4 p.m.
Make and decorate a birdhouse for spring bird arrival. **R**

PreK and kindergarten book club

C 4 - 6 years
Chardon
Wed., March 27, 4 - 4:45 p.m.
See page 4 for details. **R**



Youth and Family

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Little artists

G 3 - 5 years
Geauga West
Thurs., March 28, 11 a.m.
See page 5 for details. **R**

Dr. Seuss celebration

C Grades K - 2
Chardon
Thurs., March 28, 4 p.m.
Join us for a fun tribute to Dr. Seuss, whose birthday was March 2. Enjoy zany activities that compliment Dr. Seuss books. **R**

All about bunnies

G All ages
Geauga West
Thurs., March 28, 7 p.m.
Learn how to care for a bunny from the experts of the 4-H Hare Raisers. You'll be able to pet real bunnies. **R**

The game of War

C All ages
Chardon
Sun., March 31, 2 p.m.
Join us for an epic battle of the game of War, a classic card game of chance and perseverance. Snacks. **R**

APRIL

Crazy 8s math club

M Grades 3 - 5
Middlefield
Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m.
April: 3, 10, 17, 24
See page 3 for details. **R**

In a secret garden

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., April 4, 4 p.m.
Enter our secret garden and see what grows, what animals visit, and what fun awaits. Plant some seeds for a secret garden of your own. **R**

Financial literacy for kids

G Grades K - 5
Geauga West
Thurs., April 4, 7 p.m.
Citizens Bank will present a money skills program for kids. **R**



Money smart kids

N Grades K - 2
Newbury: Sat., April 6, 10 a.m.
M Middlefield: Thurs., April 11, 4 p.m.
C Chardon: Thurs., April 25, 4 p.m.
Children will learn about currencies around the world, learn about saving, play shopping games, and more. **R**

Family movie Saturday

C All ages
Chardon
Sat., April 6, 2 p.m.
Join us to watch Peter, his sisters, and all their woodland friends in a matinee showing of the 2018 hit movie, *Peter Rabbit*. Popcorn. **R**

Music in the library

G All ages
Geauga West
Sun., April 7, 2 p.m.
Enjoy music performed by West Geauga musicians. Light refreshments. No registration required.

Homeschool science

M Grades K - 2
Middlefield
Mon., April 8, 2 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

Lego fun

C Grades K - 5
Chardon
Thurs., April 11, 4 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**



Learn about the solar system

G Grades K - 5
Geauga West
Thurs., April 11, 7 p.m.
Geauga Park District experts will help you understand our vast solar system. **R**

Storytime STEAM

M 3 - 5 years
Middlefield
Fri., April 12, 10 a.m.
See page 2 for details. **R**

Homeschool art 1

M Grades K - 4
Middlefield
Fri., April 12, 2 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**

Toddler dress-up dance

B 2 - 5 years
Bainbridge
Fri., April 12, 6 p.m.
Toddlers and parents, wear your favorite costumes or fanciest clothes for an evening of dancing, games, snacks, and photos. **R**

Reading to Rover

N Grades K - 3
Newbury
Sat., April 13, 10 a.m. **R**

Show me the money: Currency around the world

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Mon., April 15, 4 p.m.
Explore currency from around the world and play a counting game. **R**

12th annual Youth Services puppet show

C All ages
Chardon
Mon., April 15, 6:30 p.m.
Tue., April 16, 10 a.m.
Join the Chardon Youth Services staff for stories and songs with puppets and audience participation. **R**

Magical and mythical creatures

C Grades 3 - 5
Chardon
Thurs., April 18, 4 p.m.
Enjoy stories, crafts, and games celebrating all kinds of mythical creatures. **R**

Reading to Rover

B All ages
Bainbridge
Sat., April 20, 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. **R**

Fancy Nancy party

B Grades K - 5
Bainbridge
Mon., April 22, 10 a.m.
Get fancy just like Nancy with stories, crafts, and snacks. **R**



Youth and Family

Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings. Most programs are one hour unless noted.

PreK and kindergarten book club

C 4 - 6 years
Chardon
Wed., April 24, 4 - 4:45 p.m.
See page 4 for details. **R**

Little artists

G 3 - 5 years
Geauga West
Thurs., April 25, 11 a.m.
See page 5 for details. **R**



Cupcake decorating

B All ages, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Sat., April 27, 11 a.m.
Create your own special decorated cupcake to take home. **R**

Treasure hunters unite: Geocaching in Geauga County

N All ages
Newbury
Sat., April 27, 1 - 3 p.m.
Learn the how's and where's of geocaching, a fun outdoor activity that uses GPS to hide and find small containers in places all over the world. **R**

Spring fairy gardens

M All ages
Middlefield
Sat., April 27, 2 p.m.
Work together to create a spring-themed fairy garden to take home. **R**

Fourth and fifth grade book bunch

G Geauga West
Mon., April 29, 4:30 p.m.
Pick up a library copy of *The Great Treehouse War* by Lisa Graff April 1. Join us April 29 for the book discussion. **R**

Try-it Tuesday: Glow-in-the-dark light saber

B Grades K - 3, with caregiver
Bainbridge
Tues., April 30, 4 p.m.
Make your own glow-in-the-dark light saber just in time for May the Fourth. **R**



Read aloud crowd

G Grades K - 2
Geauga West
Tues., April 30, 7 p.m.
See page 3 for details. **R**



Tweens and Teens

All programs are one hour and are appropriate for grades 5 - 12, unless noted. Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings.

JANUARY

Thursday afternoon at the movies

N Newbury
Thursdays: 3:30 p.m.
Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28
March 7, 14, 21, 28
April 4, 11, 18, 25
Let's go to the movies. Enjoy free popcorn as we present movies (PG or PG-13) of every genre. **R**

Fandom Fridays

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon
Fridays: 5 - 7:30 p.m.
Join your friends for after-hours fun and snacks.
Jan. 4: Watch episodes from the ended-too-soon series, *Adventure Time*.
Feb. 1: Anti-Valentine's party: enjoy "bleeding" cake and watch *Happy Death Day* (PG-13).
March 1: Theme TBA
April 5: *Avengers: Infinity War* (PG-13) in anticipation of the fourth Avengers movie. **R**

Teen pop up

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon
Mondays: 4 p.m.
Jan. 7, 21; Feb. 4, 18; March 4, 18;
April 1, 15, 29
Half an hour of quick activities and crafts. Materials and snacks provided. **R**



Tween group art series

B Grades 4 - 8
Bainbridge
Wednesdays: 4 p.m.
Jan. 9: Keith Haring-style mural
Feb. 6: Mosaic masterpiece
March 6: Table tangles and mandalas
April 3: Chihuly tower
Join us for a different collaborative art project every month. Participate together to make a giant piece of art to display in the library. **R**

Teen coloring club

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon
Mondays: 3:30 p.m.
Jan. 14, 28
Feb. 11, 25
March 11, 25
April 8, 22
We'll provide the coloring supplies and snacks; you and your friends bring the fun. **R**

Teen STEAM

M Grades 6 - 12
Middlefield
Wednesdays
Jan. 16, 1 p.m.: Sharpie art
Feb. 20, 3 p.m.: Coding
March 20, 1 p.m.: Circuit bugs
April 17, 3 p.m.: Wilderness survival **R**

Ramen noodle challenge

B Grades 6 - 12
Bainbridge
Wed., Jan. 16, 4 p.m.
Can you make a delicious and nutritious meal from a pack of Ramen noodles?



Tweens and Teens

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What about a dessert? Show us what you've got! Make an inspired dish with provided materials. **R**

Homeschool art 2

M Grades 5 - 12
Middlefield

Fridays: 2 p.m.

Jan. 18, Feb. 22, March 15, April 19

Study and learn from women in art.

Use various mediums to explore the art of Cassatt, Delaunay, O'Keefe, and Kahlo. **R**

Pancake taste off

G Geauga West

Tues., Jan. 22, 4 p.m.

Decide the best pancake ever. **R**

Teen wellness series

B Grades 6 - 12
Bainbridge

Wednesdays: 4 p.m.

Join us as we explore daily wellness and mindfulness practices to keep a healthy mind and body. Each month we will learn about different techniques to incorporate into a busy life to help with healthy relaxation.

January 30: Yoga

February 27: Essential oils

March 20: Meditation and journaling

April 24: Clean eating and diet. **R**

FEBRUARY

Fandom Fridays

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon

Fri., Feb. 1, 5 - 7:30 p.m.

See page 8 for details. **R**

Nutella day

G Grades 6 - 12
Gauga West

Tues., Feb. 5, 4 p.m.

Everything is better with Nutella. Come and see! **R**

Fun with Makey Makey

B Grades 4 - 8
Bainbridge

Tues., Feb. 5, 4 p.m.

Using Makey Makey & the Internet, participants will turn everyday objects into touchpads and keyboards. **R**

Tween group art series

B Grades 4 - 8
Bainbridge

Wed., Feb. 6, 4 p.m.: Mosaic masterpiece

See page 8 for details. **R**

Teen coloring club

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon

Mondays: 3:30 p.m.

Feb. 11, 25

See page 8 for details. **R**

Tween coding

B Grades 4 - 6
Bainbridge

Tues., Feb. 12, 4 p.m.

Learn basic computer coding, and develop problem-solving skills. Laptops provided. **R**

Pancake science

G Geauga West

Tues., Feb. 19, 7 p.m.

Enjoy stories about pancakes and learn about the fun science that makes them so light, fluffy, and delicious. **R**

Teen STEAM: Coding

M Middlefield
Grades 6 - 12

Wed., Feb. 20, 3 p.m.

Homeschool art 2

M Middlefield
Fri., Feb. 22, 2 p.m.

See column 1 entry for details.

How to Train Your Dragon watch party

G Geauga West

Tues., Feb. 26, 4 p.m.

We will watch *How to Train Your Dragon* as we await the release of *The Hidden World*. Snacks. **R**

Teen wellness series: Essential oils

B Grades 6 - 12
Bainbridge

Wed., Feb. 27, 4 p.m.

See column 1 for details. **R**

MARCH

Fandom Fridays

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon

Fri., March 1, 5 - 7:30 p.m.

See page 8 for details. **R**

College planning

B Grades 9 - 12
Bainbridge

Tues., March 5, 7 p.m.

Get tips on finding the right college for you. Parents welcome. **R**

Anti-bullying and healthy friendships program

G Geauga West

Tues., March 5, 7 p.m.

Maliyah Lorenzo, U.S.A. National Miss Jr.

Teen representing Ohio and freshman

at West Geauga, will read a story about anti-bullying. **R**

Tween group art series

B Grades 4 - 8
Bainbridge

Wed., March 6: Table tangles and mandalas.

See page 8 for details. **R**

Teen coloring club

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon

Mondays: 3:30 p.m.

March 11, 25

See page 8 for details. **R**

Pi and potato chips

G Geauga West

Tues., March 12, 4 p.m.

Pi day and potato chip day together. **R**

Homeschool art 2

M Middlefield

Fri., March 15, 2 p.m.

See column 1 entry for details.

Adulting 101: Car care

G Grades 9 -12
Gauga West

Tues., March 19, 4 p.m.

Gain practical car-care tips from Patrick Jolly, GCPL Facilities Manager. **R**

Teen STEAM: Circuit bugs

M Middlefield
Grades 6 - 12

Wed., March 20, 1 p.m.

Teen wellness series: Meditation and journaling

B Grades 6 - 12
Bainbridge

Wed., March 20, 4 p.m.

See column 1 for details. **R**

Tween coding

G Grades 4 - 6
Gauga West

Wed., March 27, 4 p.m.

Introduction to coding for early readers using laptops. This hands-on program will help them develop problem solving skills. **R**



Tweens and Teens

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APRIL

Tween group art series

B Grades 4 - 8
Bainbridge
Wed., April 3, 4 p.m.: Chihuly tower
See page 8 for details. **R**

Fandom Fridays

C Grades 6 - 12
Chardon
Fri., April 5, 5 - 7:30 p.m.
See page 8 for details. **R**

College 101

B Grades 9 - 12
Bainbridge
Sun., April 7, 2 p.m.
Learn basic college survival skills, from how to cook better food in your microwave to campus safety, with this life-hack style program. **R**

Teen coloring club

C Chardon
Grades 6 - 12
Mondays: 3:30 p.m.
April 8, 22
See page 8 for details. **R**

Volunteer fair

M Grades 9 - 12
Sat. April 13, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Middlefield
Learn about volunteer opportunities in the children's department at the library, as well as other community organizations. **R**

Grilled cheese day

G Geauga West
Tues., April 16, 4 p.m.
Celebrate our love of grilled cheese. **R**

Teen STEAM: Wilderness survival

M Grades 6 - 12
Middlefield
Wed., April 17, 3 p.m.

Homeschool art 2

M Middlefield
Fri., April 19, 2 p.m.
See page 9 for details. **R**

The college process: From applications to funding

C Chardon
Grades 9 - 12
Mon., April 22, 7 p.m.
See page 17 for details. **R**

Financial responsibility

G Geauga West
Grades 9 - 12
Sat., April 27, 1 p.m.
Citizens Bank will cover tips and tricks for completing FAFSA forms, obtaining grants, and earning scholarships for college. **R**

Avengers watch party

G Geauga West
Tues., April 30, 4 p.m.
We are so excited about the new Avengers movie! Watch *Avengers: Infinity War* and discuss the new movie. Snacks. **R**



Adults

Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings. Most programs are one hour unless noted.

Sat., Jan. 5, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Have new holiday photos? Bring your supplies and unpack just once for the entire event, up to 20 hours of scrap time. Snacks. **R**

Geauga Shutterbugs

C Geauga's photography enthusiasts gather the first Thursday of the month in the Chardon Branch's Bostwick Room at 6:30 p.m. to explore photography techniques, give and receive critiques, and enjoy field trips. All experience levels are welcome. No fees or dues. Just bring your passion for photography. geaugashutterbugs.weebly.com

Thursdays:

- Jan. 3 Regular meeting
- Feb. 7 Regular meeting
- March 7 Regular meeting
- April 4 Spring photo contest
- May 2 Regular meeting



JANUARY

Film discussion club: *Lifeboat*

B Bainbridge
Thurs., Jan. 3, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
We will share fun facts about a different film, talk about its merits and enjoy popcorn the first Thursday of the month. Pick up copies of the month's featured film during the previous month, then join us on the club dates to discuss. No registration required.

Thursday afternoon at the movies

N Newbury
Thursdays: 3:30 p.m.
Jan.: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Feb.: 7, 14, 21, 28
March: 7, 14, 21, 28
April: 4, 11, 18, 25
Movies of various genres are rated PG or PG-13. No registration required. Popcorn.

Scrapbook mania

M Middlefield
Fri., Jan. 4, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and

Preschool expo

OFF-SITE Bainbridge Township Hall (Off-site event)
17826 Chillicothe Rd, Chagrin Falls, Ohio
Mon., Jan. 7, 6 p.m.
Parents are invited to talk with several local preschools. Representatives will answer questions and provide information. Sign up for a raffle. Adults only. **R**

Club Ink writing workshop

C Chardon
Wednesdays:
Jan. 9, 7 p.m.
Feb. 6, 5:30 p.m.
March 6, 5:30 p.m.
April 3, 5:30 p.m.
May 1, 7 p.m.
Writers, join with creators of all genres who are interested in critiquing work while sharing experiences, information, and ideas. Both aspiring authors and seasoned veterans are welcome. Coffee and tea provided. No registration required. Questions: Send to Club.Ink@geaugalibrary.net



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Living history: John Muir

G Geauga West
Wed., Jan. 9, 7 p.m.

John Muir was America's most famous and influential naturalist and conservationist, renowned for his exciting outdoor adventures in search of nature's beauty. **R**

Reiki share

G Geauga West
Thursdays: 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14
Reiki is an Eastern holistic health technique that reduces stress and anxiety while promoting healing. Facilitated by a reiki master teacher. **R**

Sketchbook club

B Bainbridge
Fri. Jan. 11, 10 a.m.

Artists of all skill levels are welcome to start or work on a sketchbook. Please bring your own sketchbook. Pencils provided. **R**

Bullet journaling workshop

G Geauga West
Wed., Jan. 16, 2 p.m.

Organize your life using the bullet journal method. Part planner, part diary, this method can be used for everything from tracking to-do lists to doubling as a sketchbook. **R**

Crochet basics

B Bainbridge
Wed., Jan. 16, 7 p.m. and Thurs.,
Jan. 17, 2 p.m.

Learn to crochet or brush up your skills in this introductory class. Hook and yarn provided. \$5 materials fee. **R**

Wine, women, and wheels

OFF-SITE Highway Garage and Auto Body
(Off-site event)

8410 East Washington, Chagrin Falls,
Ohio 44023
Thurs., Jan. 17, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Quilt block party

C Chardon
Saturdays: 10 a.m. - noon

Jan. 19: Soup bowl cozy
This class requires a sewing machine. An email with needed supplies and preparation instructions will be sent to registered participants.

Feb. 16: The ties that bind
This class requires a sewing machine.

Experts at Highway Garage and Auto Body will explain what you need to know about your car. Topics include: How to maintain tires, proper maintenance schedule, navigating your insurance after a collision, and how to handle a breakdown on the road. **R**

The Underground Railroad

M Middlefield
Sun., Jan. 20, 2 p.m.

Hear the brave stories of those who risked their personal finances and possible jail time to help slaves. We trace slavery from its Western hemisphere beginning to the Civil War. **R**

MLK Day commemoration

OFF-SITE Gardiner Center (Off-site event)
9421 Bainbridge Rd., Chagrin Falls
Mon., Jan. 21, 2 p.m.

Join us for a community panel discussion of experiences during the Civil Rights Movement. This moderated panel will include questions and answers. Hear multiple perspectives and gain a better understanding of what it was like during the Civil Rights Movement. **R**

Women and wealth: The confidence of a life well planned

G Geauga West
Tues., Jan. 22, noon

Learn how to implement, monitor, and stick to a professional investment plan. Presented by Wells Fargo Advisors. Heavy appetizers. **R**

Scam alert

M Middlefield
Tues., Jan. 22, 6 p.m.

Learn about phone scams affecting Geauga County and especially targeted at seniors. Presented by Karen Sweet, Lead Criminal Investigator at the Geauga County Prosecutor's Office. **R**

An email with needed supplies and preparation instructions will be sent to registered participants.

March 16: Modern art inspires modern quilt design

This will be a presentation/demonstration/mini-trunk show.

April 13: Recycled shirt aprons
Bring an old large shirt to transform into an apron. **R**

Funding your long-term healthcare plan

G Geauga West: Wed., Jan. 23,
noon and 7 p.m.
Wed., March 13, noon and 7 p.m.

B Bainbridge: Wed., April 24, noon
and 7 p.m.

Learn to protect your wealth and your family from the financial impacts of needing care. Presented by Wells Fargo Advisors and Lincoln Financial. Refreshments. **R**

Essential oil tour at Heinen's

OFF-SITE 8482 E Washington St., Chagrin
Falls (Off-site event)

Wed., Jan. 23, 2 p.m.

Join us for an essential oils tour. Learn how oils are used and how to make your own hand sanitizer and roll-on. **R**

Henna with The Artful Cricket

G Geauga West
Wed., Jan. 23, 6 p.m.

Learn the history of the ancient art of henna. Natural inks created from the henna plant are used in decorative body art designs. Apply a design if you choose. \$10 materials fee. **R**

Yoga for beginners

B Bainbridge
Fridays: 9:30 a.m.

Jan., 25, Feb. 22, March 29
Join a local yoga instructor for beginner yoga. Bring your own yoga mat and any props you have or need (blocks, bands, etc.) For 65 and younger. Waiver required. **R**

Day of wellness

G Geauga West
Sat., Jan. 26, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Join us for a day of wellness featuring yoga, reiki, healthy eating, and more. There will be presentations, demos, and giveaways from local agencies.

Estate planning basics for everyone

G Geauga West
Tues., Feb. 26, 7 p.m.

Weds., March 27, noon
Learn five key estate planning documents, the people you need to identify, and steps you can take to establish an estate plan. Presented by Wells Fargo Advisors and The Wheelock Law Firm. Refreshments. **R**

Book Discussions

Reading and literary socializing go hand-in-hand at GCPL book discussions. Check out any of the following books at the library a few weeks in advance of the scheduled discussion and enjoy. We've got plenty of copies because we know we've got plenty of readers. Discussions are open to anyone who loves to read and share ideas.

B Bainbridge: Afternoons Mondays: 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Jan. 14	<i>Small Great Things</i>	by Jodi Picoult
Feb. 11	<i>Homegoing</i>	by Yaa Gyasi
March 11	<i>American Fire</i>	by Monica Hesse
April 8	<i>Daughters of the Samurai</i>	by Janice P. Nimura

Bainbridge: Evenings Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

Jan. 15	<i>Flowers for Algernon</i>	by Daniel Keyes
Feb. 19	<i>The Death and Life of the Great Lakes</i>	by Dan Egan
March 19	<i>Behold the Dreamers</i>	by Imbolo Mbue
April 16	<i>Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk</i>	by Kathleen Rooney

C Chardon Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Jan. 16	<i>Station Eleven</i>	by Emily St. John Mandel
Feb. 20	<i>The Radium Girls</i>	by Kate Moore
March 20	<i>Beartown</i>	by Fredrik Backman
April 17	<i>Anything is Possible</i>	by Elizabeth Strout

G Geauga West Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Jan. 2	<i>The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend</i>	by Katarina Bivald
Feb. 6	<i>News of the World</i>	by Paulette Jiles
March 6	<i>The Woman in Cabin 10</i>	by Ruth Ware
April 3	<i>The Alice Network</i>	by Kate Quinn

M Middlefield Thursdays, 6 p.m.

Jan. 10	<i>Astrid and Veronika</i>	by Linda Olsson
Feb. 14	<i>Hero of the Empire</i>	by Candice Millard
March 14	<i>Girls of Atomic City</i>	by Denise Kiernan
April 11	<i>Being Mortal</i>	by Atul Gawande

N Newbury Tuesdays, 6 p.m.

Jan. 15	<i>We Were the Lucky Ones</i>	by Georgia Hunter
Feb. 19	<i>Warlight</i>	by Michael Ondaatje
March 19	<i>The Feather Thief</i>	by Kirk Wallace Johnson
April 16	<i>The Immortalists</i>	by Chloe Benjamin

T Thompson Sundays, 2 p.m.

Jan. 20	<i>The Ruins</i>	by Scott Smith
Feb. 17	<i>Dragon Teeth</i>	by Michael Crichton
March 17	<i>Vox</i>	by Christina Dalcher
April 28	<i>Lying in Wait</i>	by Liz Nugent

Thompson's "read between the wines" book discussion group
 First Wednesday of the month at a local winery, 5 p.m., location TBD

Feb. 6	<i>Neon Rain</i>	by James Lee Burke
March 6	<i>The Cold Dish</i>	by Craig Johnson
April 3	<i>Open Season</i>	by C. J. Box

BOOK SALES

C Chardon's Maple Festival *Sponsored by the Chardon Friends of the Library*

Members preview
 Thurs., April 25 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
 Open to public
 Thurs., April 25 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Fri., April 26 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Sat., April 27 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Bag day
 Sun. April 28 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

G Geauga West *Sponsored by the Geauga West Friends of the Library*

Members preview
 Wed., March 20 4 - 6 p.m.
 Open to public
 Wed., March 20 6 - 8:30 p.m.
 Thurs. March 21 . . 9 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 Fri., March 22 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
 Bag day*
 Sat., March 23 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

M Middlefield *Sponsored by the East Geauga Friends of the Library*

Weekdays, noon - 3 p.m.
 When you are visiting the Middlefield Branch, please stop in our Friends Room and take a look at our ongoing book sale. You'll find great bargains and a friendly atmosphere.

N T Newbury & Thompson Visit the ongoing book sale during regular business hours at each of our library stations.



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Chili cookoff

N Newbury
Sun., Jan. 27, 1 - 5 p.m.

For our second annual cookoff, prepare your best recipe and bring it to the library to compete with the finest cooks in the county. Everyone is welcome to enjoy our competitors' dishes. **R**

Red Cross blood drive

G Geauga West:
Mon., Jan. 28, 1 - 7 p.m.
Mon., March 25, 1 - 7 p.m.

M Middlefield:
Thurs., Feb. 28, 2 - 7 p.m.
Fri., April 26, 2 - 7 p.m.

Adult coloring club

C Chardon
Mondays: 7 p.m.
Jan. 28, Feb. 25, March 25
Experience the relaxing benefits of coloring. Materials provided. Light refreshments.

Five questions about retirement income to ask before you retire

G Geauga West
Tues., Jan. 29, noon
Wed., Feb. 20, 7 p.m.
Wed., March 6, 7 p.m.
Find out what five questions you should answer about retirement income before you retire. Presented by Wells Fargo Advisors. Heavy appetizers. **R**

Sky legends and lore

C Chardon
Tues., Jan. 29, 7 p.m.
From "The Man in the Moon" to "Taurus the Bull", the heavens have been a source of wonder since the beginning of time. Discover some of these fascinating tales. Presented by the Geauga Park District. **R**



Backyard chickens 101

C Chardon
Wed., Jan. 30, 7 p.m.
Join a local "eggspert" to learn the basics of keeping and caring for backyard chickens. **R**

Opera: It's not just old...or Italian!

B Bainbridge
Thurs., Jan. 31, 2 p.m.
Operas are still being written and not just in Italy. Be guided through some of the 20th century's most notable composers and works and get familiar with new(er) operas. **R**

FEBRUARY

Passport fairs

B 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Bainbridge: Sat., Feb. 2
M Middlefield: Sat., Feb. 23

Need a passport? GCPL has partnered with the staff of the Geauga County Clerk of Courts to provide one-stop shopping to help you complete the necessary forms, certify the paperwork and send it in for you. See the website for information.

Tax assistance

Volunteers from AARP will help you file your 2018 federal and state taxes. Appointments are required; call your local library to schedule. Please bring the following to your appointment:

- Copy of your 2017 tax returns
- All 2018 tax statements
- Proof of identity
- Social Security Card

B Bainbridge
Mondays and Saturdays: Feb. 4 - April 13 except Feb. 9, Feb. 18, March 2, March 16

C Chardon
Wednesdays: February 6 - April 10

G Geauga West
Thursdays: Feb. 7 - April 11

M Middlefield
Tuesdays: Feb. 5 - April 9

Looking forward to spring

G Geauga West
Sun., Feb. 3, 2 p.m.
Get a preview of spring in this old-fashioned slide show. The Native Plant Society of Northeastern Ohio will share wildflower folklore. No registration required.

Be my valentine

B Bainbridge
Mon., Feb. 4, 7 p.m.
Harry and David will provide us with tasty treats and tips on how to make this Valentine's Day special. **R**

Medicare made easy

G Geauga West
Wed., Feb. 6, 2 p.m.
Learn how to make decisions about your Medicare coverage and avoid common mistakes. **R**

Making money with words

C Chardon
Wed., Feb. 6, 7 p.m.
Author and professional writer Nancy Christie will present various ways you can use your writing skills to earn an income. **R**



Film discussion club: *Imitation of Life*

B Bainbridge
Thurs., Feb. 7, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
See page 10 for details. **R**

Sketchbook club

B Bainbridge
Fri., Feb. 8, 10 a.m.
See page 11 for details. **R**

Herbal oils: Make your own salve and botanical scrub

M Middlefield
Sat., Feb. 9, 2 p.m.
Get the basics of how to make your own herbal oils at home and use prepared oils to make a soothing herbal and botanical salt scrub to take home. \$10 materials fee. **R**

Winter card class

G Geauga West
Sun., Feb. 10, 1:15 p.m.
Make everyday occasion cards. Please bring double-sided tape, scissors and a bone folder if you have one. \$10 materials fee. **R**

Heart folded book

C Chardon
Tues., Feb. 12, 7 p.m.
Fold pages in this prepared book to transform it into a colorful heart. \$5 material fee. Bring a bone folder to crease the pages if you have one. **R**

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Kombucha workshop: Level 1

G Geauga West
Tues., Feb. 12, 7 p.m.
Tues., April 2, 7 p.m.

Here's your opportunity to taste commercial and homemade brews, learn about kombucha benefits, why we drink it and how it's made. \$10 material fee. **R**

Make-and-take natural dishwashing tablets

M Middlefield
Tues., Feb. 12, 7 p.m.

Make your own natural automatic dishwasher tablets. Replace toxic chemicals with natural ingredients. \$5 materials fee. **R**

Early heart attack care

B Bainbridge
Wed., Feb. 13, 2 p.m.

Learn more about early heart attack care with the experts from UH Geauga Medical Center. **R**

Financial education workshop

B Bainbridge
Two-part workshop designed to help you manage your money.

Part 1 - Wed., Feb. 13, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
Topics include communicating about money, tracking your spending, and organizing your bills, files and valuable papers. **R**

Part 2 - Wed., Feb. 20, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
Discussion will include establishing credit, how to repair your credit, understanding your credit report and strategies to reduce credit card debt. **R**

Date with the library

G Geauga West
Wed., Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a romantic comedy movie date. Snacks. **R**

Reiki share

G Geauga West
Thurs., Feb. 14, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
See page 11 for details. **R**

100 Book Challenge luncheon

A Administrative Center
Sat., Feb. 16, noon

Meet fellow participants and pick up a new list of supplemental titles. Register by Tues., Feb. 12. Sponsored by The Geauga County Library Foundation. **R**

Manhunt: The John Wilkes Booth Trail

M Middlefield
Mon., Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m.

Paul Goebbel will portray a newspaper reporter for the *New York Herald* and report in the first person as if he were reporting the events of Lincoln's assassination as they happened. **R**

James A. Garfield: Passionate reader

G Geauga West
Tues., Feb. 19, 2 p.m.

Learn what President Garfield loved to read. What are the many books displayed in the Memorial Library and through the Garfield home? **R**

Which fork do I use? Dining etiquette in the Gilded Age

C Chardon: Tues., Feb. 19, 7 p.m.

G Geauga West: Thurs., April 25, 2 p.m.

If you've seen *Downton Abbey*, you know that dining etiquette was different a century ago. Learn about the many rules that governed how food was served in Gilded Age America. **R**

Five questions about retirement

G Geauga West
Wed., Feb. 20, 7 p.m.

See page 13 for details. **R**

Gauga County Department on Aging services

B Bainbridge
Thurs., Feb. 21, 2 p.m.

Learn about the resources and programs that Geauga County has to offer for our aging community, including the University Hospitals "Age Well, Be Well" membership club. **R**

Eliot Ness' Cleveland: Prohibition, beer, and the torso murders

G Geauga West
Thurs., Feb. 21, 7 p.m.

Eliot Ness transformed Cleveland from the most dangerous city in the country to a national safety award winner. Presented by the Western Reserve Historical Society. **R**



Yoga for beginners

B Bainbridge
Fri., Feb. 22, 9:30 a.m.

See page 11 for details. **R**

Adult coloring club

C Chardon
Mon., Feb. 25, 7 p.m.

See page 13 for details.

Kombucha workshop: Level 2 beyond the brew

G Geauga West
Tues., Feb. 26, 7 p.m.

Tues., April 16, 7 p.m.
Learn about flavoring kombucha in a second fermentation and using the brew beyond the beverage. \$10 material fee. **R**

Avoiding mistakes when saving for retirement

B Bainbridge
Wed., Feb. 27, noon and 7 p.m.

Identify and avoid eight retirement mistakes. Presented by Wells Fargo Advisors. Refreshments. **R**

Take a ride along Route 6

G Geauga West
Wed., Feb. 27, 7 p.m.

Learn about the famous highway that runs through Chardon, Ohio and 13 other states. Learn about the history, culture, and economic opportunities of the highway. **R**

Sky legends and lore

B Bainbridge
Thurs., Feb. 28, 7 p.m.

See page 13 for details. **R**

Cookbook club

C Chardon
Thursdays: 7 p.m.

Feb. 28: Crock-pot favorites **R**
April 18: Cooking on a budget **R**

Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings. Most programs are one hour unless noted.

MARCH

Library lock-in

M Middlefield
Saturdays: 5:30 - 10:30 p.m.,
March 2, April 6, May 4
Work on your genealogy, needlecraft, or
scrapbooking projects. Snacks. **R**

Women of the Western Reserve

B Bainbridge
Sun., March 3, 2 p.m.
Meet the talented and inspiring women of
the Western Reserve. Sponsored by The
Friends of the Bainbridge Library. **R**

How to supercharge your gut health

G Geauga West
Tues., March 5, 2 p.m.
How does gut health affect your overall
health? We will discuss probiotics,
prebiotics and fermented foods and
beverages that are beneficial to your
health. **R**

Springtime craft

C Chardon
Tues., March 5, 7 p.m.
Create a craft to help bring in the spring.
All materials will be provided. Sponsored
by Chardon Friends of the Library. **R**

Jumping the gulch: From wannabe writer to published author

C Chardon
Wed., March 6, 7 p.m.
Local author Catherine Pomeroy shares
how she threaded family history,
Appalachian culture, roots music, law and
travel to create her debut novel,
The Gulch Jumpers. **R**

Five questions about retirement

G Geauga West
Wed., March 6, 7 p.m.
See page 13 for details. **R**

Chair yoga

G Geauga West
Thurs., March 7, 11 a.m.
No fancy gym clothes or a yoga mat
needed. This class is adapted for
individuals of various ability and mobility
levels. **R**

Film discussion club: *Singin' in the Rain*

B Bainbridge
Thurs., March 7, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
See page 10 for details.



DIY spring planter

M Middlefield
Thurs., March 7, 6:30 p.m.
Get a head start on spring and create a
garden planter. We supply the planter
and you supply the creativity to make it
your own. \$10 materials fee. **R**

Paint and sip

G Geauga West
Fri., March 8, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
Paint a simple picture and relax with a
glass of wine. All materials supplied. 21
and older. **R**

Composting 101

G Geauga West
Tues., March 12, 6 p.m.
Learn composting basics and benefits,
different composting methods, and
how to avoid common problems. Pre-
purchased bins can be picked up at the
workshop. Presented by Geauga Soil and
Water Conservation District and Geauga
Trumbull Solid Waste District. **R**

Touring vs. exploring: How to get more from your travel experience

B Bainbridge
Wed., March 13, 7 p.m.
Prevent, avoid, and sidestep the pitfalls
of travel. Laugh as we navigate the
unexpected, surprising ways to relish the
moments away from home. Presented by
Heart and Soul Travel. **R**

Reiki share

G Geauga West
Thurs., March 14, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
See page 11 for details. **R**

Sketchbook club

B Bainbridge
Fri., March 15, 10 a.m.
See page 11 for details.

The history of food

C Chardon
Tues., March 19, 7 p.m.
Explore the evolution of food through
the decades, rationing during the World
Wars, foods created due to war, and how
tastes have changed. **R**

Make-and-take natural multipurpose cleaner

M Middlefield
Tues., March 19, 7 p.m.
Make a homemade cleaning recipe.
Essential oils can boost cleaning power
and make your home smell amazing
- no artificial fragrances required. \$5
materials fee. **R**

Spring into action

B Bainbridge
Thurs., March 21, 2 p.m.
Seniors, exercise can improve balance,
strength and flexibility. Participate in
resistance-band exercises. **R**

Afterhours library lock-in

B Bainbridge
Fri., March 22, 5:30 - 8 p.m.
Work on genealogy, needlecraft or
scrapbooking projects. Snacks. **R**

Decorating on a dime

M Middlefield
Sat., March 23, 2 p.m.
Representatives from Goodwill Industries
of Greater Cleveland will demonstrate
how to upcycle projects, locate thrift
store finds, and shop smart. **R**

Make-and-take fairy garden

M Middlefield
Mon., March 25, 6 p.m.
Between Two Rivers Trading Co. shares
how to make your own fairy garden.
Supplies and container provided. \$10
materials fee. **R**

Adult coloring club

C Chardon
Mon., March 25, 7 p.m.
See page 13 for details.

Painting with tissue paper

C Chardon
Tues., March 26, 2 p.m. and
6:30 p.m.
Calling all artists! Paint with tissue paper,
adding layers to current projects. Wear
paint clothes. Bring a spray bottle and
¼" flat paint brush. **R**

Gauga's wildlife: Past and present

G Geauga West
Tues., March 26, 7 p.m.
Discover how converting wilderness to
farmland to partially reforested suburbia
over the past 200 years has affected
wildlife habitats. **R**

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Protecting against financial abuse

G Geauga West
Tues., March 26 or Wed.,
March 27, 7 p.m.
Learn the signs of elder financial
abuse, as well as prevention measures
to protect your loved ones. Heavy
appetizers. **R**

Remarkable ladies of Lake County

C Chardon
Thurs., March 28, 7 p.m.
The Lake County Historical Society will
share the stories of remarkable ladies.
Sponsored by Chardon Friends of the
Library. **R**

Yoga for beginners

B Bainbridge
Fri., March 29, 9:30 a.m.
See page 11 for details. **R**

An afternoon of dance

G Geauga West
Sat., March 30, 2 p.m.
Enjoy a dance recital and program with
the Fairmount Dance Company. **R**

APRIL

Succulent centerpieces

B Bainbridge
Mon., April 1, 7 p.m.
It's spring! No fooling. Auburn Pointe
Greenhouse will help you create a
beautiful centerpiece to bring a little spring
into your homes. \$20 materials fee. **R**

Healthy eating on a budget

B Bainbridge
Tues., April 2, 2 p.m.
Getting the most nutrition for your food
budget starts with a little extra planning.
Learn some tips to help you eat healthy
within your budget. **R**

Retirement income planning

C Chardon
Tues., April 2, 7 p.m.
Will my money last? Will I be able to
maintain my lifestyle? Will I be able to
meet all my expenses? Can I retire now?
How should be assets be allocated?
Presented by NMS Certified Public
Accountants. **R**


Kombucha workshop: Level 1

G Geauga West
Tues., April 2, 7 p.m.
See page 14 for details. **R**

Look, lunch, and listen

G Geauga West
Wednesdays, noon – 1 p.m.
April 3, 10, 17, 24
Bring a lunch and enjoy a presentation
by a different speaker each week. Topics
to be announced. Sponsored by the
Gauga West Friends of the Library.

Meet the author: Huda Al-Marashi author of *First Comes Marriage: My Not-So-Typical American Love Story*

C Chardon
Wed., April 3, 7 p.m.
Huda will read from her debut memoir
followed by a presentation on why she
writes from personal experience and how
to persevere on the long but rewarding
journey to publication. Books will be
available for purchase and signing. **R** 

Film discussion club: *Life Animated*

B Bainbridge
Thurs., April 4, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
See page 10 for details. **R**

DIY hummingbird feeder

M Middlefield
Thurs., April 4, 6:30 p.m.
Make your own hummingbird feeder out
of a wine bottle. All materials supplied. \$8
materials fee. **R**

Friends of the Bainbridge Library annual meeting

B Bainbridge
Fri., April 5, 6 p.m.
Happy 45th anniversary to the Friends
of the Bainbridge Library! Join us for
an evening of wine, jazz, and the story
of Laura Mae Corrigan from Cleveland
storyteller Dan Ruminski. \$5 for Friends
members; \$10 for others. **R**

Party favors for showers, weddings, and teas

G Geauga West
Sun., April 7, 2 - 3:30 p.m.
Learn how to assemble party favors for
showers, weddings, and teas using small
boxes, bags, candy, ribbons, and notes. **R**

Car maintenance 101

M Middlefield
Mon., April 8, 6:30 p.m.
Join GCPL Facilities Manager Patrick Jolly
to learn how to keep your car running
smoothly. **R**

100 Book Challenge meetup

C Chardon
Mon., April 8, 7 p.m.
What's better than reading books? Talking
to other readers about them! This year,
GCPL branches are hosting meetups for
100 Book Challenge participants. Light
refreshments. **R**


Ask an arborist

G Geauga West
Tues., April 9, 6:30 p.m.
Have questions about trees? Ask a Davey
Tree Expert Company professional your
arbor-related questions. **R**

Bike-packing 101

B Bainbridge
Wed., April 10, 7 p.m.
Take cycling to the next level. Try
backpacking - with a bike, overnight -
away from roads and into nature. Experts
from Bike Ohio share information. **R**

Poetry workshop

G Geauga West
Thurs., April 11, 6:30 p.m.
Channel your creativity and write your
own poetry. Learn the basics and read
your creations with Lakeland Community
College professor Tobin Terry. **R** 

Financial scam alert

M Middlefield
Thurs., April 11, 7 p.m.
Join us to hear Deputy Jeff Powers from
the Geauga County Sheriff's office give
a presentation on how to avoid financial
phone and email scams. **R**

Northcoast writers' showcase

OFF-SITE Off-site event
Lakeland Community College
(7700 Clocktower Drive, Kirtland)
Sat., April 13, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
See back cover for details.

Kombucha workshop: Level 2

G Geauga West
Tues., April 16, 7 p.m.
See page 14 for details. **R**

Save money with frugal Slovenians

G Geauga West
Wed., April 17, 7 p.m.
Whether your goal is to build your savings
account or save up for a big home project
or trip, Greg and Lisa are here to help. **R**



Adults

Programs requiring registration have an "R" in their listings. Most programs are one hour unless noted.

Cookbook club

C Chardon
Thurs., April 18, 7 p.m.
Cooking on a budget. **R**

Let's talk about leadership

G Geauga West
Thurs., April 18, 7 p.m.
Explore leadership styles, discuss ways to strengthen your skills and take away some best practices you can implement. Presented by certified business coach Stacie Riffert. **R**

Cut the cable

M Middlefield: Thurs., April 18, 7 p.m.
G Geauga West: Sat., April 20, 10 a.m.
Learn how to cancel cable without sacrificing programs and content. We'll explore cost-effective alternatives from devices like Apple TV, Amazon Fire, and Roku, to providers like Netflix, Hulu, and Amazon. **R**

Sketchbook club

B Bainbridge
Fri., April 19, 10 a.m.
See page 11 for details. **R**

The college process

C Chardon
Mon., April 22, 7 p.m.
Learn what to look for online and on college visits, understand definitions of college funding options, and the timeline for college admissions and financial aid applications. **R**

Funding your long-term health plan

B Bainbridge
Wed., April 24, noon and 7 p.m.
See page 11 for details. **R**

Good deeds: Avoid probate

G Geauga West
Wed., April 24, 6:30 p.m.
Learn how to title various assets you own to avoid the probate process. **R**

AARP Smart Driver Course

M Middlefield
Thurs., April 25, noon – 4 p.m.

Refresh your know-how behind the wheel and improve your comfort level in almost any driving situation. \$15 AARP members/\$20 non-members. No credit cards. **R**

Antique evaluations

G Geauga West
Thurs., April 25, 6:30 p.m.
Bring your family heirloom or garage sale find to learn its true value. One item per person. No firearms, swords, or weapons of any kind. Spectators welcome. **R**

Red Cross blood drive

M Middlefield
Fri., April 26, 2 – 7 p.m.

Cleveland then and now

B Bainbridge
Tues., April 30, 7 p.m.
Pairing vintage photos with their modern-day viewpoint, Laura DeMarco, author of the book *Cleveland Then and Now*, will take guests on a tour through the many dramatic transformations of this vibrant city over the last 150 years. **R**



Genealogy

Most class sizes are limited. Registration required.

Geauga County old home and property research 101

B Bainbridge
Tues., April 9, 2 p.m.
Learn the basics of Geauga County home and property research using deeds, landowner maps, tax records, and histories.

Tree-keeping: Online vs. personal genealogy software

G Geauga West
Sat., April 13, 1:30 p.m.
Learn about online trees. Try free downloadable genealogy software on library laptops. Bring birth, marriage, death dates and locations for your first three generations. **R**

What's in the Allyn Room for me?

C Chardon
Wed., April 17, 2 p.m.
Take a tour of Chardon Library's Allyn Room. Discover old maps, tax records, and 150-year-old newspapers. Explore the Interurban, maple syrup or the Maple Fest and learn about volunteer opportunities. **R**

Genealogical Society

C The Geauga County Genealogical Society (GCGS) meets in the Bostwick Room of GCPL's Chardon Branch. Guests welcome.

Help night: Tues., March 12, 7 p.m.
Bring your work and/or laptop to share the stumbling blocks with others who may have had the same problems. We will all help each other with tips and suggestions. **R**

Genealogy 101: Tues., April 9, 7 p.m.
Beginning genealogists are often overwhelmed with the resources available and need guidance in organizing and documenting their work. GCPL staff member Sandra Beane Milton will suggest various ways to begin your research and avoid some of the pitfalls. **R**

One-on-one genealogy appointments

M Middlefield
Thursdays: Jan. 17, 24, 31; Feb. 7, 5 - 8 p.m.
Schedule a one-hour appointment for genealogy research help. **R**

Genealogy software for your PC

M Middlefield
Thurs., March 7, 10:30 a.m.
Keep your tree on your own private computer, using Legacy Family Tree or other genealogy software. **R**

The genealogy starters toolkit

N Newbury
Thurs., March 28, 1 p.m.
Hear recommendations and see brief demos of free and subscription online databases; tree-keeping online or on your own PC; genealogy educational resources. **R**



Digital Discoveries

Most class sizes are limited. Registration required.



One-on-one tech clinics

C Chardon
Wednesdays: 2 – 4 p.m.
Jan. 9, Feb. 13, March 13, April 10

M Middlefield
Wednesdays: Jan. 9 - April 10
2:30 p.m.

Need some extra help on the computer? Schedule a one-on-one tech clinic! Appointments last 45 minutes. We can give you the knowledge to get started on your way to technology independence. To schedule an appointment, call the library. Due to high demand for appointments, patrons are permitted one tech clinic appointment every other month. **R**

B Bainbridge ● 440-543-5611

Get started with Libby

Thurs., Jan. 10, 2 p.m.
Learn how to access digital library materials using Libby. Experts from OverDrive will walk you through getting started and answer your questions. **R**

Intro to Microsoft Word

Thurs., March 21, 7 p.m.
Learn word processing with Microsoft Office Word software. Participants must have basic keyboard and mouse skills. **R**

C Chardon ● 440-285-7601

Your budget in Excel

Sat. Jan. 12, 10 a.m.
Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel and how to use it to record your budget. **R**

Learn to use Google Photos

Thurs., Feb. 21, 7 p.m.
Learn how Google's versatile and free photo management tool can help you edit, organize and share your digital photos. **R**

G Geauga West ● 440-729-4250

Introduction to Pinterest

Thurs., Feb. 28, 7 - 9 p.m.
Learn how to create your own virtual bulletin boards on Pinterest to save ideas and inspiration. Attendees must have a valid email address. **R**

Introduction to Excel

Wed., March 13, 6:30 p.m.
Learn basic skills of this Microsoft Office spreadsheet program. Participants must have basic keyboard and mouse skills. **R**

M Middlefield ● 440-632-1961

Learn to use Google photos

Thurs., March 14, 7 p.m.
See Chardon entry for details.



Geauga County Bulletin Board

Geauga Growth Partnership

Geauga Growth Partnership, Inc. is a business-led 501c(3) organization dedicated to the retention, growth and attraction of jobs and investment and economic growth in Geauga County. GEL Breakfasts are co-sponsored by GGP and KSU Geauga. For more information and to register for these free programs and others, contact Geauga Growth Partnership at info@geaugagrowth.com or visit www.geaugagrowthpartnership.com. Unless noted, all programs are held at: Kent State University at Geauga, 14111 Claridon Troy Road, Burton

GEL breakfast: Cyber security

Adults
Kent State Geauga
Fri., Jan. 11, 7:30 – 9 a.m. (one week later than regularly scheduled GEL events) Business, education, and networking event.

GEL breakfast: State of Geauga

Adults
Fri., Feb. 1, 7:30 – 9 a.m.
Updates on the state of business, arts, education, community services and other aspects of Geauga. Business, education and networking event.

GEL breakfast: Corporate sustainability

Adults
Fri., March 1, 7:30 – 9 a.m.
Hear from corporate leaders about their sustainability best practices. Business, education and networking event.

Ignite your career: Pathways to success for 7-12 graders with parents

Teens with adults
Notre Dame Education Center, 13000 Auburn Road, Chardon, Ohio 44024
Monday, March 4, 6 - 8:30 p.m.
Families, hear from visiting businesses and guest speakers about careers options, education funding and more. High school seniors invited to bring resumes.

GEL Breakfast: The Cleveland storyteller

Adults
Friday, April 5, 7:30 – 9 a.m.
"Cleveland Storyteller" Dan Ruminski shares entertaining stories of Cleveland's past. Business, education, and networking event.

Help Me Grow / Geauga County Early Intervention Program

- Serving families with children from birth - 3 years
- Help-Me-Grow is a voluntary program that provides services to promote children's growth and development while supporting families during the important early years of a child's life. What we offer at no cost:
 - Developmental screenings and evaluations to determine your child's needs
 - Education and support which address your family's priorities and concerns
 - Answer questions you have about your child's development
 - Link to helpful community resources and services for families
 - Services provided in the home or other places you spend time as a family because infants and toddlers learn best through everyday experiences and interactions with familiar people
 - Support from a team of professionals which includes a physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech and language therapist and developmental specialists
 - Play groups and community events
- For more information contact Geauga County Help-Me-Grow Early Intervention Program at 440-729-5250 or 216-930-3322. www.geaugaffc.org/helpmegrow



Geauga County Bulletin Board

From the Geauga County Recorder's Office: Property fraud alert

To help combat the rising crime of property theft, the Geauga County Recorder's Office expanded its services to include property fraud alert, a free program that allows Geauga County residents to keep a watchful eye on documents recorded in the office for signs of potentially fraudulent activity.

The best protection against property and mortgage fraud is to be proactive. Signing up for Property Fraud Alert will not prevent fraud, but it will quickly alert you to activity on your property. Visit the Recorder's website for more information. (<https://recorder.co.geauga.oh.us/>)

University Hospitals, Geauga - Free Health Screenings

The UH Wellness Navigator at UH Geauga Medical Center is trained to provide you with a successful path towards health and wellness. If that's finding a healthy lifestyle or preventative screenings, we can help you find a primary care physician or specialist. Improving your well-being is just one call away. Visit UHGeauga.org for more information. Call Valerie Reed, Wellness Coordinator, 440-904-0064.

Burton Public Library

14588 West Park St.
Burton, Ohio 44021
440-834-4466
BurtonLibrary.org

Introducing "Mind Body You"

Join Burton Library's 2019 "get fit initiative" for all ages. The following multi-month programs will offer ways to help you stay present & mindful (mind), active and healthy (body), and cultivate your creative side (you)

Burton Library step challenge

All ages
January - April
Mindfulness Mondays: This series will encourage & cultivate mindfulness
Adults and teens
Mondays: Jan. 14, 28, Feb. 4, 18, 6:30 p.m.

Try-it Tuesdays: Try a new fitness class or learn a new hobby

Adults & teens
Fitness-focus Tues: Feb. 5, 19, 26, 6:30 p.m.
Hobby-focus Tues: April 2, 16, 23, 6:30 p.m.
Ms. Jamie's Knit Camp for Kids, Teens, and Adults
Jan. and Feb. 2019
See website for dates and times.

E-health hands-on tech lab

Adults and teens. Presented by NEO-RLS
Sat., Feb. 2, 11 a.m.
Baby bootcamp: Spend quality time with your baby while working out
Mondays: March 4, 11, 18, 25, 9:15-10 a.m.

Kid fit

Tuesdays: March 5, 12, 19, 3:30 p.m.
Ages 7 and older

Worry-free Wednesdays

Adults & teens
Wednesdays: March 6, 13, 20, 27, 1-3 p.m.

Juvenile Programs

Unless noted, registration is required.

Storytimes

Birth - 5 years, with caregiver
Jan. 7 - May 3

Lego club

5 years and older, no registration required
Tuesdays: Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, & May 7, 14, 21, 28, 3:30 p.m.

Scottish Highland dance class

7 years and older
Thursdays: Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31, 4-5 p.m.

Meet Elephant and Piggy open house

All ages, no registration required
Sat., Jan. 19, 11 a.m. All ages.

Makerlab Mondays: Slime-ology

Grades K-6
Mondays: Feb. 4, 11, 25, 3:30 p.m.

Therapy dog reading

5 years and older
Sat., Feb. 9, 11 a.m.

Wildlife detectives

Grades K-3
Thur., Feb. 21, 3:30 p.m.

Pajama dance party

Wed., March 6, 6:30 p.m.

Barnyard goes to school

All ages
Sat., March 9, 10:30 a.m.

STEAM: Build-a-bot

Grades 5 - 8
Fridays: April 5, 12, & 19, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

17th annual edible book festival

Sat., April 6, 11 a.m.

Fencing for kids

6 years and older
Sat., April 27, 2:30 p.m.

Lego Star Wars May the Fourth (be with you).

5 years and older
Sat., May 4, 11 a.m.

Adult Programs

Registration is NOT required for the following programs unless noted.

Burrrr-ton adult winter reading BINGO

January 3 - February 28

Author visit: Mary Ann Quinn

Cooking My Way to Heaven: My Convent Life and Notre Dame Recipes
Thurs., Jan. 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Game night

8 - 100 years
Tues., Jan. 22, 6 - 7:45 p.m.

E-health hands-on tech lab

Sat., Feb. 2, 11 a.m.

Valentine's date night @ BPL!

Stop by between Feb. 9 and 16 for a couple's scavenger hunt. Complete it and receive a box of chocolates. For ages 18 and up.

Valentine's concert

Tues., Feb. 12, 6:30 p.m. Registration required, and begins Jan. 12.

Prepare to downsize: Home organization

Tues., March 5, 6:30 p.m.

Joe the Coupon Guy

Tues., March 19, 6:30 p.m.

Human trafficking prevention education

Wed., March 20, 6:30 p.m.

Bass Lake: From resort to refuge

Thurs., April 4, 6:30 p.m.
AARP caregiver workshop
Thurs., April 11, 6:30 p.m.

MINI GOLF

**Geauga West
Sunday, March 10
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Join the Geauga County Library Foundation for its annual fundraiser where families can "putter a round" in the library. For only \$5 per person, you can play 18 holes of indoor mini golf, enjoy face painting, meet Slider from the Cleveland Indians, and enjoy other attractions.

Northcoast Writers' Showcase

OFF-SITE Off-site event
Lakeland Community College (7700 Clocktower Drive, Kirtland)
Sat., April 13, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.



The Lake-Geauga League of Libraries is pleased to welcome Imbolo Mbue, author of *Behold the Dreamers*, winner of the 2017 Pen Faulkner Award for Fiction, as this year's keynote speaker at the Northcoast Writers' Showcase. *The New York Times* calls the novel "A dissection of the American Dream... savage and compassionate in all the right places."

Ms. Mbue's talk will be the capstone event of a day devoted to the craft of writing. Local and regional authors will present a variety of workshops on writing and publishing. Meet the writers, purchase their books, and get them autographed. This event is a collaboration among Burton Public Library, Lake County libraries, Lakeland Community College, Lubrizol and Geauga County Library Foundation. Watch our social media channels for registration and author information.

LIBRARY HOURS SPRING 2019

Bainbridge, Chardon, Geauga West

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday and Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 - 5 p.m.

Middlefield

Monday - Friday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 - 5 p.m.

Newbury

Monday - Thursday	11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 - 5 p.m.

Thompson (Closed Fridays)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday	Noon - 4 p.m.

All locations closed the following days:

New Year's

Mon., Dec. 31
Tues., Jan. 1

Easter

Sun., April 21

Maple Festival

Chardon only
Branch closes at 5 p.m.
Thurs., April 25
Closed: Sat., April 27 and
Sun., April 28

Memorial Day

Sun., May 26
Mon., May 27

GCPL strives to be open to the public as scheduled. When it is necessary to close because of weather, we notify the media as well as post this information on our website and social media outlets. When the public school district in which the library is located closes, that library's morning storytimes are cancelled. Contact your library to confirm whether other programs are being held. Have a plan for your children if the library closes early.



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