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for all ages!***



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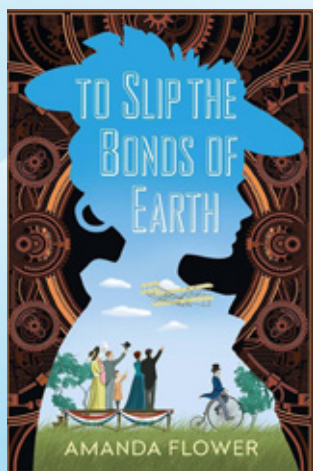
Trumbull County READS 2026

Mystery Takes Flight this October!

Embark on a shared journey of conversation and discovery with Trumbull County Reads 2026!

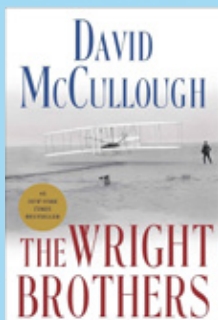


ABOUT THE FEATURED BOOKS



To Slip the Bonds of Earth by Amanda Flower has been selected as the Trumbull County Reads 2026 featured book. Set in 1903, *To Slip the Bonds of Earth* is an Agatha Award-winning mystery inspired by the Wright brothers' real-life sister. While not as famous as her older siblings Wilbur and Orville, the celebrated inventors of flight, Katharine Wright is equally inventive

– especially when it comes to solving crimes – in this historical mystery.



The Wright Brothers by David McCullough is a companion nonfiction selection for Trumbull County Reads 2026. The #1 New York Times bestseller from McCullough, two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize, tells the dramatic story-behind-the-story about the courageous brothers who taught the world how to fly—Wilbur and Orville Wright.

Copies of the featured books in paper format, eBook, or eAudiobook are available to borrow from your local library.

SPECIAL EVENTS

An engaging series of special events, expert speakers, and more activities centered around the featured books and their themes of history, mystery, and aviation are planned throughout the fall; check event listings on the following pages.



History, Mystery, and Inspiration with Author Amanda Flower

**Tues., Oct. 20 at 6 p.m. at the Warren Library
(Livestreamed to the Cortland Library and Liberty Library)**

Bestselling author Amanda Flower will be speaking live and in person at 6 p.m. on Tues., Oct. 20, at the Warren Library (registration is required). Her presentation will also be livestreamed to the Cortland Library and the Liberty Library.

Flower is an award-winning author of over 50 mystery novels, including the Trumbull County Reads 2026 featured book, *To Slip the Bonds of Earth*.

Amanda Flower Meet and Greet for Friends of the Library

**Tues., Oct. 20 at 4:30 p.m.
at the Warren Library**

Members of Library Friends' groups from libraries throughout Trumbull County are invited for a brief welcome reception with Amanda Flower prior to the author's presentation. Membership to the Warren Library Friends group will be available for purchase at the door.

Trumbull County Reads is an annual collaboration of the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, Newton Falls Public Library, McKinley Memorial Library, Kinsman Free Public Library, Hubbard Public Library, Girard Free Library, and Bristol Public Library.

FREE

CALENDAR OF ^ LIBRARY

EVENTS

Scan to register
for events online



No registration necessary unless noted. Register online at www.wtcpl.org/events or call or visit the library.

BROOKFIELD LIBRARY

7032 Grove St. | Brookfield, OH 44403
(330) 448-8134

FOR FAMILIES & ALL AGES

LEGO Mania

Sat., Sept. 5 between 2 – 4 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 10 between 2 – 4 p.m.

LEGO fans can hang out at the library for a fun free build or to test their skill by building one of the library's challenges. For children of all ages with their adult.

Ukulele Jam Session

Sat., Oct. 3 at 11 a.m.

Sat., Nov. 14 at 1 p.m.

Join the Uke Kool Lady, Paulette Darko, and others for a ukulele strumming session. Instruments may be available to use during the program – or you can bring your own!

You Can Play Ukulele!

Sat., Oct. 24 at 11 a.m.

Sat., Oct. 31 at 11 a.m.

Join the Uke Kool Lady, Paulette Darko, for a fun two-week workshop to learn the basics of playing the ukulele. Instruments will be available to use during the program – or you can bring your own! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration begins one week prior to the first class and closes at the start of the first session.

FOR CHILDREN

Early Childhood Programs

Time for Tots

Tuesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29;

Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27; Nov. 3, 10, 17

This lively program features a story, music, and lots of movement activities to engage children ages 18 months – 4 years with a parent or caregiver.

Babytime

Thursdays at 10 a.m.: Sept. 10, 17;

Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Nov. 5, 12, 19

Laugh and learn with your baby! Short stories, fingerplays, and simple songs help babies learn language and early concepts. For infants ages 6 – 18 months with a parent or caregiver.

Preschool Storytime

Mondays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 14, 21, 28;

Oct. 5, 19; Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30

Preschool Storytime features stories, songs, and movement activities and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 – 5 with a parent or caregiver.

Monster Mash

Mon., Oct. 26 at 11 a.m.

It's a graveyard smash! It's spooky season, so enjoy some monstrously fun stories and games and a craft. Costumes are strongly encouraged! For toddlers through preschool-aged children with their grown-ups.

School-Age Programs

Cryptid Design Workshop

Sat., Sept. 19 at 2 p.m.

Enjoy fun stories about everyone's favorite cryptids and then design your own using clay or recreate a well-known creature to take home. For tweens ages 8 – 12. Registration is required.

Read to SomeBunny

Wed., Sept. 30 between 5 – 6:30 p.m.

Children ages 6 – 12 can sign up to read aloud to registered and certified Bunnies in Baskets (therapy rabbits) for 15-minute sessions. Rabbits are provided by F5RS (Frisky Ferrets, Fuzzies, and Feathered Friends Rescue and Sanctuary). Registration is required.

So, You Want to Be a Pilot?



Sat., Oct. 10 at 11 a.m.

Come take flight with us as children ages 5 – 12 try their hands at becoming pilots. Make it through flight-themed stations to earn your wings.

Snackable Engineering

Sat., Nov. 7 at 2 p.m.

Can you build a house to survive a Jell-O quake or a pretzel bridge that won't collapse under a dinosaur? Tweens ages 9 – 13 can enjoy some tasty science and engineering experiments. Registration is required.

Ongoing Kids' Activities

Craft Table

Each month, the library has a different craft for kids to work on.

Scavenger Hunt

Can you find all the secrets hidden in the library? Each month, the library creates a different puzzle or scavenger hunt for kids of all ages.

FOR TEENS

For teens ages 12 – 18

Hot Cocoa and Chill

Sat., Oct. 24 at 2 p.m.

Enjoy a laid-back afternoon at the library. Teens can make a hot cocoa and play a game or do a craft, or just hang out and talk to other teens.

FOR ADULTS

Friends of the Brookfield Library Quarterly Meeting

Wed., Sept. 9 at 3 p.m.

The Friends of the Brookfield Library is a non-profit, volunteer group dedicated to the support and advancement of the library. Members and those interested in joining the group are invited to attend.

Saturday Series: History Happens

Learn about historical happenings in the Mahoning and Shenango Valley regions.

- **Sat., Sept. 12 at 11 a.m.: *The Magic City: The Mills, Men, and Homes of a Company Town Forged in Steel***

Taylor Galaska, local author and President of the Sharon Historical Society, will share the rise and fall of the steel "boomtown" of South Sharon (now Farrell, Pa). Books will be available for purchase.

- **Sat., Oct. 17 at 11 a.m.: *The Very Victorian Way to Die***

Workplace accidents, consumption, and poisoning are just some of the ways people in the 19th century met their ends. Ryan MacLennan, Director of Operations and Outreach at the Trumbull County Historical Society, will delve into the many ways a Victorian died, but also how they were mourned.

- **Sat., Nov. 14 at 11 a.m.: *Buhl Mansion and Tara***

A second-generation innkeeper, Laura Ackley will share the stories of Sharon's historic Buhl Mansion and Tara.

Saturday Series: Backyard Conservation — Water Wisdom

Learn about the world around you and what you can do for it during these programs presented by Amy Reeher of the Trumbull County Soil and Water Conservation District.

- **Sat., Sept. 12 at 1 p.m.: *Backyard Ponds***
Learn about the do's and don'ts of backyard ponds.
- **Sat., Oct. 17 at 1 p.m.: *Water Conservation***
Learn water conservation tips for around the home and around the yard.



Genealogy Class: Ancestry Library Edition

Thurs., Sept. 17 at 11 a.m.

See page 13 for details.

Culinary Delights

Enjoy food and fun at one of the library's delicious culinary programs. This series is sponsored by the Friends of the Brookfield Library.

- **Sat., Sept. 26 at 1 p.m.: *Hungry for History*** 
Learn about – and taste – some popular dishes through American history. Registration is required.
- **Sat., Nov. 21 at 1 p.m.: *Charcuterie***
From the fun and whimsical to the elegant, there's a food board for every occasion. Learn tips and tricks of making an attractive – and tasty – board to impress your friends and family. Registration is required.

Crafty Creations: Fall Fairy Garden Terrarium

Thurs., Oct. 22 at 11 a.m.

Bring a little whimsy into your home by making a Halloween or fall-themed fairy garden terrarium. Registration is required.

Midweek Movie Matinée

Wed., Nov. 4 at 1 p.m.

Enjoy a movie on the library's big screen! Popcorn will be provided. The featured film is *The Sheep Detectives* (Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Inc., 2026. Rated PG. Runtime 109 mins.).

Ongoing Programs

Craft Kits

Stop by the library and pick up a seasonal craft kit (while supplies last).

Puzzle Table

Help us put together the library's ongoing puzzle!

Seed Library

Expand your garden by "borrowing" seeds from our Seed Library! This ongoing project will allow you to try new plants in your garden. Donations of seeds are accepted.

Spice Club

Stop by the library and pick up a free spice kit! Each kit includes a sample of a featured spice, history of the spice, and recipes to try.

September: *Berberé*

October: *Caraway*

November: *Nutmeg*

CORTLAND LIBRARY

578 Lakeview Dr. | Cortland, OH 44410
(330) 638-6335

FOR FAMILIES & ALL AGES



Family LEGO Afternoon

Thurs., Nov. 19 from 4 – 5 p.m.

Practice problem-solving and engineering skills while building with the library's collection of LEGO building bricks. Finished projects will remain at the library. For families with children ages 3 and older.

FOR CHILDREN

Early Childhood Programs

Toddler Tales

**Mondays at 10 a.m.: Oct. 5, 19;
Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**

A fun and active storytime for toddlers ages 19 – 35 months with a parent or caregiver.

Preschool Storytime

**Tuesdays at 10 a.m.: Oct. 6, 13, 20;
Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24; Dec. 1**

Preschool Storytime features stories, songs, and movement activities and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 – 5 with a parent or caregiver.

School-Age Programs

Minecraft IRL

Thurs., Sept. 10 from 4 – 5 p.m.

Is it possible to build Minecraft structures in the real world? Children ages 6 – 11 will take on challenges, make crafts, and complete activities inspired by the world of the Minecraft videogame. Registration is required.

Totally Tweens

Tues., Sept. 22 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 19 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 24 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Tweens ages 10 – 14 can let their creative juices flow with crafts and activities at the library.

So, You Want to Be a Pilot?

Thurs., Oct. 8 at 4 p.m.

Come take flight with us as children ages 5 – 12 try their hands at becoming pilots. Make it through flight-themed stations to earn your wings.

Read to SomeBunny

Thurs., Oct. 22 between 6 – 7:30 p.m.

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Ozobot Robots with PBS Western Reserve

Thurs., Nov. 5 at 6 p.m.

Get ready to code, create, and play with Ozobots! In this hands-on program, children ages 8 – 12 will learn the basics of robotics and coding by guiding these tiny robots through colorful paths and exciting challenges. Presented by PBS Western Reserve. Registration is required.

FOR TEENS

For teens ages 12 – 18

Teen Advisory Board

Tues., Sept. 8 from 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 13 from 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 10 from 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Do you have ideas about what you'd like to see at the library? Want to earn service hours? Do you like collaborating on creative ideas? Come be part of the Teen Advisory Board!

Midweek Mayhem

Wednesdays from 3 – 4 p.m.:

Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30; Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28;

Nov. 4, 18

Enjoy games, activities, and a small snack at our weekly teen hangout.

Books and Beverages

Tues., Sept. 15 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Bring your current or favorite read to the library for a book discussion while you enjoy coffee and tea with other teens.

Totally Tweens

Tues., Sept. 22 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 19 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 24 from 3 – 4 p.m.

Tweens ages 10 – 14 can let their creative juices flow with crafts and activities at the library.

Flight Night

Tues., Oct. 6 from 3 – 4 p.m.

From drones to aircraft systems, learn how STEM shapes modern aviation through engaging demonstrations and real-world examples.

Masquerade Murder Mystery

Tues., Oct. 27 from 4 – 6 p.m.

Enter the Masquerade, with a mysteriously provided invite, and no shortage of toxic guests. Someone is being targeted in this town of doom and gloom. Can you figure out who? Characters will be provided after registration. Registration is required by Oct. 23.

Cozy Movie Night: *Twilight*

Tues., Nov. 17 from 5 – 7 p.m.

Bring your blankets, pillows, and favorite snacks for this cozy movie night where we will enjoy watching *Twilight* (Summit Entertainment, 2008. Rated PG-13. Runtime 121 mins.). Popcorn will be provided.

FOR ADULTS

Book Clubs & Discussions

Tea and Mystery Book Club

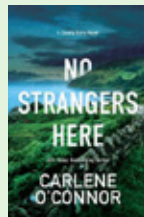
Join other library patrons for this monthly book discussion and tea. The books are available to borrow from the library.



Thurs., Sept. 3 at 6:30 p.m.:
Murder on the Orient Express
by Agatha Christie



Thurs., Oct. 1 at 6:30 p.m.:
To Slip the Bonds of Earth
by Amanda Flower



Thurs., Nov. 5 at 6:30 p.m.:
No Strangers Here
by Carlene O'Connor
(A McFarland Speaker Series event)

The Historical Book Discussion

Fans of historical and biographical nonfiction, this is a group for you! Read this month's featured book, the companion title to this year's Trumbull County Reads program, and then join in the discussion. The book is available to borrow from the library.



Wed., Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m.:
The Wright Brothers
by David McCullough

Monthly Programs & Special Events

Friends of the Cortland Library Members Meeting

Tues., Sept. 1 at 7 p.m.

The Friends of the Cortland Library is a non-profit, volunteer group dedicated to the support and advancement of the library. Members and those interested in joining the group are invited to attend.

Imagining the Future: The Museum of Science Fiction and Fantasy Arts

Sat., Sept. 12 at 2 p.m.

The Trumbull County Historical Society will present how the Museum of Science Fiction and Fantasy Arts (MoSFA) is creating a space where creativity, storytelling, and speculative worlds converge.

Love, Lies, and Murder in Northern Ohio



Wendy Koile

Sat., Oct. 3 at 2 p.m.

Passion, jealousy, and betrayal have long stirred emotions in Northern Ohio, but when love turned lethal, the results were unforgettable. Author Wendy Koile will share true stories where affection unraveled into obsession and murder. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cortland Library.

Introduction to Model Aeronautics

Mon., Oct. 5 at 5:30 p.m.

The Flying Aeros Association RC Flight Club will present the benefits of model aviation, followed with a demonstration of how a model works. There will be a flight demonstration, weather permitting.

History, Mystery, and Inspiration with Author Amanda Flower

Tues., Oct. 20 at 6 p.m.

See page 2 for details.

Parenting with Peace

Thurs., Oct. 22 at 2 p.m.

Parenting is rewarding but can be demanding, laborious, and stressful. This presentation by Greentree Counseling Center will teach parents practical tools to manage stress, and how to prioritize self-care to help foster healthier family dynamics. Through education, reflection, and interactive activities, parents should leave feeling informed, de-stressed, and empowered.

Come Write In Space

Mondays between 6 – 7:30 p.m.:

Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

November is National Novel Writing Month. Join us and work on any of your writing projects. Coffee and tea will be provided.

A Patriotic Zwiirknopf Button

Sat., Nov. 7 at 1 p.m.

Kathy Kovell from the Lacers of the Lake group will teach the art of crafting a unique, colorful button using traditional techniques. All materials will be provided. Registration is required.

How to Fight Seasonal Depression

Sat., Nov. 14 at 2 p.m.



Heather Hawthorne

effects of SAD, as well as healthy ways to overcome it.

Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) is a type of depression that occurs during certain times of the year, most commonly in colder months. Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor Heather Hawthorne will explore the causes, symptoms, and



Genealogy Class: Ancestry Library Edition

Mon., Nov. 16 at 2 p.m.

See page 13 for details.

EASTWOOD MALL LIBRARY

5555 Youngstown Warren Rd. (Located in the JCPenney concourse)

Niles, OH 44446 **(234) 830-2300**

FOR FAMILIES & ALL AGES

Fall Memory or Tradition

Sept. 1 – 30

Share a favorite fall memory or tradition on a paper leaf. The leaves will decorate the library and be placed in a random drawing at the end of the month. The winner will receive a fall-themed prize.

Family Storytime

Tuesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 1, 15, 22, 29;

Oct. 6, 20, 27; Nov. 17, 24

Gather the family for stories, songs, and fun!
For families.

One Year Anniversary Celebration!

Wed., Sept. 2

Celebrate the anniversary of the opening of the Eastwood Mall Library! Stop in during library hours and enjoy some free refreshments and giveaways to celebrate one year in the Eastwood Mall!

Musical Library

Sat., Sept. 5 at 1 p.m.

Families with children ages 3 and up can drop-in to enjoy musical activities and crafts. Discover how libraries hit all the right notes as we celebrate National Library Card Sign-Up Month.

First in Flight?

Oct. 1 – 31

Do you have impressive paper airplane folding skills? All ages are invited to stop in the Eastwood Mall Library and use the provided paper to fold your favorite paper airplane design, or use one of our suggested ideas. Test how far your plane flies against the marked distances and win a small prize for participating.

So, You Want to Be a Pilot?

Sat., Oct. 3 at 1 p.m.

Come take flight with us as children ages 5 – 12 try their hands at becoming pilots. Make it through flight-themed stations to earn your wings.

Irish Tales

Tues., Nov. 3 at 11 a.m.

Enjoy a special family storytime as we take an adventure with magical stories, songs, and fun inspired by Ireland! (A McFarland Speaker Series event.)

Fall Fest

Sat., Nov. 7 at 1 p.m.

Enjoy crafts and activities celebrating pumpkins, spice, and everything nice about the season! Plus, visit with therapy bunnies from F5RS (Frisky Ferrets, Fuzzies, and Feathered Friends Rescue and Sanctuary). For families with children ages 3 and up.

FOR ADULTS

Library Card Sign-Up Month Prize Drawing

Sept. 1 – 30

In honor of National Library Card Sign-Up Month, adults can fill out an entry slip in September to be entered in a drawing for a reading prize basket.

Ongoing Programs

Make or Take Crafts

Stop by the library and pick up a craft kit (while supplies last). Kits can be completed in the library, using the library's supplies, or take one home. Kits include instructions and most items necessary to complete the craft; some additional supplies may be required if completing the craft at home.

Spice Club

Stop in the library and pick up a spice kit (while supplies last). Each kit includes a small sample of the spice and recipes highlighting it.

September: Cinnamon

October: Ginger

November: Caraway Seed



Howland Library is temporarily closed from Sept. 8 until spring 2027 to accommodate completion of the expansion and renovation project.

Outdoor Storytime At Howland Community Park

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.:
Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30;
Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28

Stories, songs, and fun for children ages 6 months – 6 years at the Rotary Pavilion, Howland Community Park (2000 Rosegarden Dr. NE, Warren).

Weekly Bookmobile Stops in the Howland Community

Bookmobile Stop at Richard E. Orwig Park

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8
8189 E. Market St. Warren, OH 44484
Tuesdays: 3 – 6 PM

Bookmobile Stop at Medici Museum of Art

Beginning Thursday, Sept. 10
9350 E. Market St. Warren, OH 44484
Thursdays: 10 AM – 1 PM

LIBERTY LIBRARY

415 Churchill-Hubbard Rd. | Youngstown, OH 44505
(330) 759-2589

FOR FAMILIES & ALL AGES

Irish Music at the Library

Thurs., Oct. 22 at 5 p.m.
Enjoy Irish music performed by the County Mayo Irish Band! All ages are welcome. (A McFarland Speaker Series event)

FOR CHILDREN

Early Childhood Programs

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30;
Oct. 7, 14, 21; Nov. 4, 18, 25

Preschool Storytime features stories, songs, and movement activities and reinforces the development of early literacy skills. For children ages 3 – 5 with a parent or caregiver.

Movin' & Groovin'

Tuesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 15, 22, 29;
Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27

Caregivers, come engage with your child as we provide a high energy experience. Please wear comfortable clothing and be ready to move to the music with your child. For children ages 18 months – 4 years with a parent or caregiver.

Play-Doh Club

Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.:
Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24

Children ages 2 and up will enjoy a hands-on tactile experience using clay tools to create and explore the art process with Play-Doh.

School-Age Programs

LEGO Club

Thurs., Sept. 24 from 6 – 7 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 22 from 6 – 7 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 19 from 6 – 7 p.m.

Children can create unique structures with the library's collection of LEGO building bricks. Each structure will remain at the library. For children ages 5 – 12.

So, You Want to Be a Pilot?

Thurs., Oct. 15 at 6 p.m.

Come take flight with us as children ages 5 – 12 try their hands at becoming pilots. Make it through flight-themed stations to earn your wings.

FOR TEENS

For teens ages 12 – 18

Bites! Camera! Action!

Wednesdays from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.:
Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28;
Nov. 4, 18

School is back in session, which means teens deserve a break. Hit pause on the school week and unwind with a movie, snacks, and drinks!

Custom Skins! (Tech Modding Lab)

Tues., Sept. 15 from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Ready to level up your gear? Bring in an old gaming controller, phone case, or headphones and transform them into a custom masterpiece using professional paint pens and stencils.

Retro Game Day

Tues., Sept. 22 from 2:30 – 4 p.m.
Tues., Nov. 10 from 2:30 – 4 p.m.

Teens can test their skills on vintage video game classics like Donkey Kong, Pac-Man, and Mario Bros. on the big screen! Attendees will compete for ultimate bragging rights and the chance to win cool prizes.

Flight Night (STEM)

Tues., Sept. 29 from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Discover the science and technology behind modern flight through an engaging hands-on STEM presentation featuring aviation, engineering, and emerging technologies.

Library of Rock (Unplugged)

Thurs., Oct. 8 from 6 – 7 p.m.
Thurs., Nov. 5 from 6 – 7 p.m.

Teens can listen to live, high school rock, pop, and jazz bands. Attendees can participate in a Q&A session from band members and directors following the show.

Kicks and Lids! (Customize Your Threads)

Tues., Oct. 27 from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Turn any plain apparel into wearable art! Bring in a pair of canvas shoes, a baseball cap, or a denim jacket, and use our vibrant paint pens to tag your gear with custom graffiti, anime eyes, or bold patterns.

Drop Design Lab! (Skin Concept Art)

Tues., Nov. 17 from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Grab our templates and use vibrant paint markers to create custom character fits, epic tools, or fresh sneaker colorways inspired by games like Minecraft and NBA 2K.

FOR ADULTS

Book Clubs & Discussions

Book Discussion Group

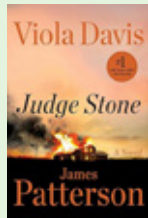
Adults can engage in great discussions of each month's selected title. The books are available to borrow from the library.



Thurs., Sept. 24 at 11 a.m.:
Gone Before Goodbye
by Reese Witherspoon
and Harlan Coben



Thurs., Oct. 22 at 11 a.m.:
To Slip the Bonds of Earth
by Amanda Flower



Thurs., Nov. 19 at 11 a.m.:
Judge Stone
by Viola Davis and
James Patterson

Monthly Programs & Special Events

Book a Tech Coach

Mon., Sept. 14 between 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 6 between 12 – 2 p.m.
Tues., Nov. 10 between 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
See page 14 for details.

Chair Yoga

**Mondays at 11:30 a.m.: Sept. 14, 21, 28;
Oct. 5, 19, 26; Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30**
Tom Muir will conduct this beginner-friendly, gentle yoga class for adults. Call or visit the library to sign up. Registration opens on Aug. 24 for September classes, on Sept. 21 for October classes, and on Oct. 19 for November classes.



Show and Tell for Adults

Thurs., Sept. 17 at 5 p.m.
Adults can bring something of sentimental value and share their personal story. Call or visit the library to sign up beginning on Sept. 1.

Driving It Home:

A Presentation about the History of General Motors Lordstown

Mon., Sept. 21 at 5 p.m.
Paul Rohrbaugh, author of *Driving It Home: GM's Lordstown Complex 1956-2019*, will present a history of the complex. His book portrays the impact GM's complex had on the workers there and the residents of the entire Mahoning Valley. Copies of the book will be available for purchase. Call or visit the library to register beginning Sept 1.

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Tues., Oct. 20 at 6 p.m.
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Card Games at the Library

Mon., Nov. 2 at 5 p.m.
Adults can play an old favorite or try a new card game at the library. Registration is required and will open on Oct. 19.

Mini Book Nook Craft

Mon., Nov. 9 at 5 p.m.
Adults can unleash their creativity and create their own tiny book nook with easy crafting methods. Reservations are required and will open on Oct. 26.

WARREN LIBRARY

444 Mahoning Ave. NW | Warren, OH 44483
(330) 399-8807

FOR FAMILIES & ALL AGES

Love My Library Drop-In

Sat., Sept. 12 between 1 – 3 p.m.
September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Drop in to show how your library hits the right notes with crafts, games, and other musical activities. For families with children ages 3 and up.

Craft Corner: America 250

Mon., Sept. 14 between 3 – 7 p.m.: Library Card Sign-Up Month
Mon., Oct. 5 between 3 – 7 p.m.: Family History Month
Mon., Nov. 9 between 3 – 7 p.m.: Native American Heritage Month

Drop in to KidSpace to work on a creation in our craft corner that celebrates America in its 250th year! Use the mystery supplies provided to make a craft that goes along with the theme of the day. For families.

Family LEGO Night

Tues., Sept. 22 between 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Families with children ages 3 and up can drop in to the library and build with LEGO building bricks.

The Sensory Connection for Families

Sat., Sept. 26 at 2 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 24 at 2 p.m.
For families with children ages 3 and up who benefit from a sensory-friendly space while enjoying open-ended sensory play, stories, and crafts. Children can participate in ways that feel comfortable while parents and caregivers connect and find support among other families. Registration is required.

Book Character Bash

Mon., Sept. 28 at 6 p.m.
Families with children ages 3 and up may dress up as their favorite book characters and enjoy stories, crafts, and other fun activities to celebrate National Library Card Sign-up Month.

Fire Safety Presentation by the Warren City Fire Department

Sat., Oct. 10 at 2 p.m.
The Warren City Fire Department will share fire safety practices in and around the home for Fire Prevention Month. Stop by early, at 1 p.m., for fire safety crafts in the KidSpace. For families and their children.

Halloween Hootenanny

Sat., Oct. 31 between 1 – 3 p.m.
Put on your favorite costume and drop in for Halloween-themed crafts and games. For families with children ages 3 and up.

Word Game Wednesday

Wed., Nov. 18 at 5:30 p.m.
Parents and caregivers of children ages 6 – 9 who are learning to read will enjoy fun and engaging games and activities designed to boost their child's vocabulary, spelling, and literacy skills.

Family Bingo Night

Tues., Nov. 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Families with children ages 6 and up can have fun and win small prizes playing bingo. Light refreshments will be provided. Registration is required. Please register everyone who will be playing bingo.

Holiday Gifts

Sat., Nov. 28 between 1 – 3 p.m.

'Tis the Season for gifts, giving, and singing! Drop in to make a holiday or winter themed gift. For families with children ages 3 and up.

FOR CHILDREN

Early Childhood Programs

Music and Movement

Wednesdays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Oct. 7, 14, 21; Nov. 4, 18

Toddlers' natural curiosity will be engaged during this weekly program of stories, music, and hands-on activities. For toddlers ages 19 – 36 months with a parent or caregiver.

Babytime

Thursdays at 10 a.m.: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24; Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Nov. 5, 12, 19

Laugh and learn with your baby! Short stories, fingerplays, and simple songs help babies learn language and early concepts! For infants ages 6 – 18 months with a parent or caregiver.

Preschool Storytime

Fridays at 11 a.m.: Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25; Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23; Nov. 6, 13, 20

Preschool Storytime features stories, songs, and movement activities and reinforces the development of kindergarten readiness. For children ages 3 – 5.

Read and Play Storytime

Saturdays at 10 a.m.: Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Nov. 7, 14, 21

Get ready to read and play your way to kindergarten success! There will be stories, rhymes, songs, and playful learning activities that will help your child get ready for school. For children ages 2 – 6.

Music and Movement

Halloween Bash

Wed., Oct. 28 at 11 a.m.

Toddlers can wear their costumes as they enjoy stories, music, and hands-on activities themed around Halloween. A short trick or treat around the library will follow storytime. For toddlers ages 19 – 36 months old with a parent or caregiver.

Trick or Treat Preschool Storytime

Fri., Oct. 30 at 11 a.m.

Preschoolers can put on their costume and enjoy Halloween themed stories, songs, and activities. A trick or treat around the library will follow storytime. For children ages 3 – 5.

School-Age Programs

Tween Hangout:

Youth for Peace with the YWCA

Thursdays at 6 p.m.: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24

Tweens can build their leadership skills with games and interactive lessons. Learn communication styles, interpret emotional expression, and practice collaboration. In partnership with the YWCA Mahoning Valley. Registration is required.

Reel Science

Mon., Sept. 14 at 6 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 16 at 6 p.m.

A program for tweens who wonder if science experiments on social media actually work. Tweens ages 9 – 12 will put viral videos from social media to the test to find out which reels are fact or fake. Registration is required.

Dad Does My Hair

Sat., Sept. 19 at 2 p.m.

Calling all dads! Bond with your child as a hairstylist teaches a few simple everyday hair styles. Supplies will be provided. For children ages 4 and up and their dad. Registration is required.

Homeschool Detectives

Mon., Sept. 21 at 2 p.m.: Music Exploration

Mon., Oct. 19 at 2 p.m.: Paper Airplane Science 

Mon., Nov. 23 at 2 p.m.: Irish Folklore (A McFarland Speaker Series event)

Homeschoolers ages 5 – 12 can explore different topics through activities, crafts, games, science, and more. Registration is required.

Trail Notes: A Nature Journaling Club

Mon., Sept. 21 at 6 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 26 at 6 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 23 at 6 p.m.

Children ages 9 – 12 can connect with other nature-loving tweens by observing, sketching, and journaling their way through the changing seasons while creating a nature journal that's uniquely theirs! Registration is required.

Bullying and Violence Prevention with Akron Children's Hospital

Tues., Sept. 29 at 5:30 p.m.

A representative from Akron Children's Hospital will teach children ages 8 – 12 how to recognize the warning signs of someone at-risk of hurting themselves or others and how to say something to a trusted adult. Sandy Hook Promise's Start with Hello (K-12) program teaches youth to recognize lonely or socially isolated peers, learn ways to make others feel included, and create a culture of inclusion and kindness. Registration is required.

Tween Hangout

Thursdays from 6 – 7 p.m.:

Oct. 1, 15, 22, 29; Nov. 5, 19

Tweens ages 9 – 12 can participate in a weekly themed activity or just hang out with their friends in this weekly tween meetup.

Homeschool Resource Fair

Mon., Oct. 5 at 5:30 p.m.

Organizations and resource guides will be available to answer questions about homeschooling and alternative schooling options. Learn how to get started and what education resources the library offers.

Read to SomeBunny

Mon., Oct. 5 between 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Children ages 6 – 12 can sign up to read aloud to registered and certified Bunnies in Baskets (therapy rabbits) for 15-minute sessions. Rabbits are provided by F5RS (Frisky Ferrets, Fuzzies, and Feathered Friends Rescue and Sanctuary). Registration is required.



Look Again! Exploring Optical Illusions with PBS Western Reserve

Thurs., Oct. 8 at 6 p.m.

Get ready to bend your brain and trick your eyes! Children ages 8 – 12 will explore amazing optical illusions and uncover the science behind how and why they work. Then, we'll get creative and make a few illusions of our own to take home. Presented by PBS Western Reserve. Registration is required.

Google Highlights Camp: Be Internet Awesome

Tues., Oct. 13 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Empower kids to be SMART, ALERT, STRONG, KIND, and BRAVE online. Topics include sharing information safely on the Internet, cybersecurity, clickbait awareness, securing private information, being kind to others online, and being alert to know when to talk to a trusted adult. Attendees will collect charms for each section completed! For children ages 8 – 12. Registration is required.

So, You Want to Be a Pilot?

Mon., Oct. 19 at 6 p.m.

Come take flight with us as children ages 5 – 12 try their hands at becoming pilots. Make it through flight-themed stations to earn your wings.

Adopt a Pet Ghost

Tues., Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m.

Children ages 9 – 12 can create their very own pet ghost in a jar! Registration is required.



Home Alone Safety with Akron Children's Hospital

Tues., Nov. 10 at 5:30 p.m.



Led by educators with Akron Children's Hospital, this program teaches children ages 8 – 12 skills needed to remain safe while staying home alone. Topics include preparing to stay home alone, fire safety/fire exit plan, CPR/choking, cooking and kitchen safety, first aid and emergency preparedness, and weather emergency safety. Registration is required.

FOR TEENS

For teens ages 12 – 18

Mysteries in the Library

Tues., Sept. 1 at 6 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 6 at 6 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 3 at 6 p.m.



Love mysteries? So do we! Each month, you and your fellow teens will be faced with a new escape room. Can you solve the puzzles in time?

Game Night

Thursdays at 6 p.m.: Sept. 3 – Nov. 19

If it's Thursday, it's Game Night in Teen Central – now with even more fun! Join us for challenges and other gaming fun every week.

Flight Night for Teens

Tues., Oct. 13 at 6 p.m.

From drones to aircraft systems, teens can discover the science and technology behind modern flight through an engaging hands-on STEM demonstration featuring aviation, engineering, and emerging technologies.



The Nightmare on Mahoning Avenue

Tues., Oct. 27 at 6 p.m.

Our annual spooky event returns! Enjoy trivia, bingo, and more.

The Hunger Games Survival Challenge

Sat., Nov. 21 at 2 p.m.



Celebrate the release of the latest *Hunger Games* movie, *Sunrise on the Reaping*! Race around the library to complete the challenges and be crowned the victor!

FOR ADULTS

Book Clubs & Discussions

Join other Warren-Trumbull County Public Library patrons for discussions. The books are available to borrow from the library.

Tea and Mystery Book Club



Tues., Sept. 8 at 6:30 p.m.:

To Slip the Bonds of Earth
by Amanda Flower



Tues., Oct. 13 at 6:30 p.m.:

The Sleeping Murder
by Agatha Christie



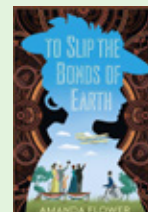
Tues., Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m.:

The Ghosts of Belfast
by Stuart Neville
(A McFarland Speaker Series event)

Adult Book Discussion Group



Thurs., Sept. 10 at 2 p.m.:
Discipline
by Larissa Pham



Thurs., Oct. 8 at 2 p.m.:
To Slip the Bonds of Earth
by Amanda Flower



Thurs., Nov. 12 at 2 p.m.:
Kin
by Tayari Jones

Genre Book Club

There will be a brief discussion on the selected book and a broader discussion on other works in the genre. Participants are encouraged to read additional books in the genre to enrich the discussion.



Genre: Horror
Wed., Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m.:
Misery
by Stephen King

Wednesday Writers Circle

Wed., Sept. 2 from 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Wed., Oct. 7 from 6 – 7:30 p.m.

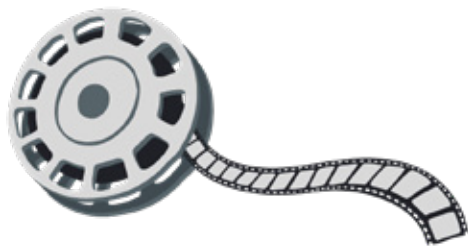
Wed., Nov. 4 from 6 – 7:30 p.m.

In this monthly creative writing workshop, you are welcome to share your poetry, fiction, short stories, plays, or other work with the group to receive constructive feedback from fellow writers, or you may just come to listen. Please limit to five pages. Registration is required, and seats are limited.

Grief 101

Wed., Sept. 9 at 5:30 p.m.

One-time grief support session for anyone who has recently lost a loved one to death. Intended for those unable to commit to an ongoing grief group. Participants will learn about the grieving process and receive handouts and materials. In conjunction with Hospice of the Valley.



Monday Movie Matinéés 250

Watch a film on the big screen, followed by a brief, optional discussion.

Mon., Sept. 14 at 2 p.m.: *The Voice of the Turtle* (Warner Bros., 1947. Rated TV-G. Runtime 103 mins.) (An America 250-Ohio Goes to the Movies event)

Mon., Sept. 21 at 2 p.m.: *One, Two, Three* (Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Inc., 1961. Rated TV-PG. Runtime 115 mins.)

Mon., Oct. 5 at 2 p.m.: *Carmen Jones* (Twentieth Century Fox. 1954. Rated TV-PG. Runtime 105 mins.) (An America 250-Ohio Goes to the Movies event)

Mon., Oct. 19 at 2 p.m.: *Strangers on a Train* (Warner Bros., 1951. Rated PG. Runtime 101 mins.)

Mon., Nov. 2 at 2 p.m.: *Belfast* (Focus Features, 2021. Rated PG-13. Runtime 97 mins.) (A McFarland Speaker Series event)

Mon., Nov. 16 at 2 p.m.: *Tootsie* (Columbia Pictures Industries Inc., 1982. Rated PG. *Please note: Strong language; parental discretion is advised.* Runtime 116 mins.) (An America 250-Ohio Goes to the Movies event).

Free Community Vision Screening with Sight for All United

Tues., Sept. 15 between 1 – 3 p.m.

Sight for All United provides community vision screenings. While the program does NOT replace a comprehensive eye exam, it's simple, quick, and a good first step to see if anything's going on with your vision. And if something does come up, the organization will help you figure out next steps and get connected to care if you're not already.

Trading Card Club

Tues., Sept. 15 at 5:30 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Adults are invited to enjoy their favorite trading card games. The library will have a variety of "Magic: The Gathering" decks available for use, plus feel free to bring any other trading card games to play as well. Both newcomers and experienced players are welcome.

Mini Diamond Painting 250

Wed., Sept. 16 at 6 p.m.

Adults can make a mini keychain or magnet using diamond painting kits to celebrate America 250. Registration is required.

Medicare 101

Thurs., Sept. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Thurs., Oct. 22 at 5:30 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 3 at 5:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of Medicare in this educational class covering Medicare eligibility requirements, the different parts of Medicare, the enrollment process, and available coverage options. This program is for educational purposes only. No plan-specific benefits or details will be shared, there is no obligation to enroll, and this is an educational event—no sales or marketing will take place. Noel Carter & Carter Insurance Solutions, LLC are not affiliated with the U.S. government. Noel Carter, Licensed Agent, Carter Insurance Solutions, LLC. For more information, call (330) 919-5510. For accommodations for persons with special needs, including those using TTY/relay services, call (330) 766-2561.

Fan Fest Drop-In

Sat., Sept. 19 between 1 – 4 p.m.

Celebrate the anniversaries of iconic movie and video game fandoms while completing the library quest filled with trivia, crafts, and adventure.

Sit and Stitch

Mon., Sept. 21 at 6 p.m.

Mon., Oct. 19 at 6 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 23 at 6 p.m.

Bring your current crochet, knit, or needlepoint project and meet other like-minded fiber artists at this program.

Take Charge of Your Diabetes

Tues., Sept. 22 at 10 a.m.

Marie Economos from Ohio State University - Trumbull County Extension will present an educational class on how to manage diabetes. Participants will learn about diabetes symptoms, potential complications, and relevant management strategies, including the benefits of regular exercise. Registration is required.

Born to Lead

Wed., Sept. 23 at 6 p.m.

Steve Arnold, longtime coach for Warren G. Harding High School, will share an inspirational look at what it means to lead. Through personal stories of growing up in a single-parent household and his journey to becoming the first African American head basketball coach—and later the first African American head football coach—in the history of Warren City Schools, Coach Arnold will reflect on how he became "The Coach."

Are You Smarter Than a Fourth Grader? Ohio History Trivia 250

Thurs., Sept. 24 at 6 p.m.

Think you know Ohio? Put your knowledge to the test in this trivia challenge by answering questions a fourth grader might need to know to pass Ohio History.

The LeBron Phenomenon: My Front-Row Seat to History

Sat., Sept. 26 at 2 p.m.



David Lee Morgan Jr.

As a former long-time sportswriter for the *Akron Beacon Journal*, David Lee Morgan Jr. had covered LeBron James's gameplay in high school in the formative years before LeBron went to the NBA. Copies of Morgan's book, *The LeBron Phenomenon: My Front-Row Seat to History* will be available for purchase at the event.

Japanese Book Binding

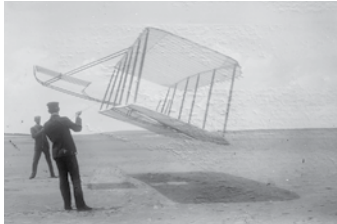
Tues., Sept. 29 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Adults can try Japanese book binding. Use thread and bind loose papers into a journal with your own custom binding. Supplies and several patterns will be provided. Registration is required.

Fall Craft

Wed., Sept. 30 at 6 p.m.

Adults can welcome fall vibes by creating festive autumn-themed crafts and decor. All supplies will be provided. Registration is required.



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The Bishop's Kids: The Wright Family and the Birth of Flight

Thurs., Oct. 1 at 6 p.m.



Dr. Tom Crouch

Discover the fascinating story of the Wright family in a virtual presentation by Dr. Tom Crouch, curator emeritus of the aeronautics division at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum and author of *The*

Bishop's Boys: A Life of Wilbur and Orville Wright. Dr. Crouch will explore the lives of the famous aviation pioneers Wilbur and Orville Wright, as well as their lesser-known sister, Katharine Wright, whose support and influence were instrumental to their achievements.

40th Annual Trumbull County Ghost Walk Rehearsal

Sat., Oct. 3 at 2 p.m.

Participants will get a behind-the-scenes look at the 40th Annual Ghost Walk during this public rehearsal, where this year's theme, Pioneers and Posterity, comes to life.

Aviation Trivia

Mon., Oct. 5 at 6 p.m.

Test out your aviation knowledge at this trivia night! Prizes will be awarded.

Fair Housing with Community Legal Aid

Tues., Oct. 6 at 2 p.m.



Learn more about your rights and responsibilities under the federal and Ohio fair housing act, including how to request a reasonable accommodation.

DIY Luggage Tags

Wed., Oct. 7 at 6 p.m.

Adults can paint their own leather luggage tags for travels and adventures. Registration is required.

Connected Kids, Stronger Families: A TBRI® Overview

Wed., Oct. 14 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

A speaker from the Northeast Ohio Adoption Services (NOAS) will be offering a free one-hour introductory session on Trauma-Informed Parent Training for parents, caregivers, educators, and anyone who supports children affected by trauma or adversity.

Stained-Glass Craft

Thurs., Oct. 15 at 5 p.m.

Adults can create a 3-inch x 3-inch stained-glass art piece that they will take home. Participants will arrive at 5 p.m., then leave for a gap of time, and return later the same day to finish the final step. Led by Lynne Provance, an international stained-glass artist. Seats are limited. Registration is required.

Promises of Freedom: The Untold Stories of Black Americans in the Revolutionary War



Linda Rice

Sat., Oct. 17 at 2 p.m.

What did the American Revolution mean for Black Americans? This presentation by Linda Rice will explore the lives of Black men and women during this time and the choices they faced in the fight for freedom. We'll briefly look at those who joined the British in hopes of gaining their freedom, then focus on Black Patriots – both enslaved and free – who supported the American cause.

Amanda Flower Meet and Greet for Friends of the Library

Tues., Oct. 20 at 4:30 p.m.



Amanda Flower

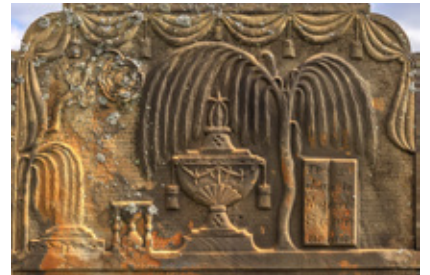
Members of Library Friends' groups from libraries throughout Trumbull County are invited for a brief welcome reception with Amanda Flower prior to the author's presentation. Membership to the Warren

Library Friends group will be available for purchase at the door.

History, Mystery, and Inspiration with Author Amanda Flower

Tues., Oct. 20 at 6 p.m.

See page 2 for details.



The Language of Stone: Elijah Sikes, Gravestone Carver of Trumbull County

Wed., Oct. 28 at 6 p.m.

To celebrate Family History Month, historian and photographer Gavin Esposito will discuss the work of New England gravestone carver Elijah Sikes, including his work in Trumbull County beginning in the late 1820s.

World Wrestling Entertainment Trivia

Wed., Nov. 4 at 6 p.m.

Enter the ring and test your smackdown knowledge. Participate in teams or solo for three rounds of WWE Rivals trivia.

A Patriotic Zwirnknopf Button

Thurs., Nov. 5 at 10 a.m.

Kathy Kovell from the Lacers of the Lake group will teach the art of crafting a unique, colorful button using traditional techniques. All materials will be provided. Registration is required.

Craftmas

Celebrate the holidays with crafts all season long. Registration is required for each program with an asterisk. "Take and Make" crafts can be picked up at the Warren Library Reference Desk, while supplies last.

Sat., Nov. 7 at 2 p.m.: Paper Chains and Paper Star Decorations*

Sat., Nov. 14 at 2 p.m.: Snowman Mason Jar Luminary*

Sat., Nov. 21 at 2 p.m.: Snowman Pegs*

Sat., Nov. 28: Take and Make: Button Christmas Card

Sat., Dec. 5: Take and Make: Ornaments

Sat., Dec. 12 at 2 p.m.: Wreath Making*

Ireland in a Jar

Mon., Nov. 9 at 6 p.m.

Have you ever wanted to visit Ireland? These DIY jars may be just what you are looking for! Adults can create a small landscape scene including sheep at this program. All materials will be provided. Registration is required. (A McFarland Speaker Series event)



**McFarland Speaker Series:
Rev. Harold Good**

Thurs., Nov. 12 at 6 p.m.

See back cover for details.

Coping with Grief During the Holidays

Fri., Nov. 13 at 3 p.m.

This grief support session is for anyone healing from the loss of a loved one during the holiday season. A library program in partnership with Hospice of the Valley.

DIY Celtic Knot Coasters

Wed., Nov. 18 at 6 p.m.

Show your creative side with these DIY macrame cord knotted coasters. Adults will be able to make one knotted coaster with guided help. Registration is required. (A McFarland Speaker Series event)



Drop-In Family Photos

Sat., Nov. 28 between 1 - 4 p.m.

Drop in and take a family photo! We will provide a backdrop and camera, or you can use your own camera or smartphone. Note: Anyone with a family of 10 or more should call ahead to reserve a time slot between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Call the Warren Library Reference Desk at 330-399-8807 or email ref@wtcpl.org.

GENEALOGY CLASSES

Whether you are just beginning your family history research or are looking for more in-depth tips, you can learn helpful tools for your family tree research with a **FREE** class at the library.

To register for classes at all locations, sign up online at www.wtcpl.org/events or call the Local History & Genealogy Center at the Warren Library at (330) 399-8807.



Genealogy Basics Class

Held in the Local History & Genealogy Center at the Warren Library:

- **Wed., Sept. 9 at 6 p.m.**
- **Wed., Oct. 14 at 3 p.m.**
- **Wed., Nov. 4 at 3 p.m.**

Embark on a journey of discovery with this introductory genealogy class! The class will meet for a tour of the Local History & Genealogy Center and discussion of how to begin your family history, focusing on the major print, microfilm, and digital resources unique to Trumbull County. Registration is required.

Ancestry Library Edition Class

Held at the Brookfield Library:

- **Thurs., Sept. 17 at 11 a.m.**

Held in the 2nd Floor Classroom at the Warren Library:

- **Wed., Sept. 23 at 6 p.m.**

Held at the Cortland Library:

- **Mon., Nov. 16 at 2 p.m.**

Did you know that Ancestry Library Edition is free to you to use in all of Ohio's public libraries? Learn how to use this database to jumpstart your family history by finding census, birth, marriage, death, military, and immigration records, and how to refine your search technique. Registration is required.

Beyond Ancestry Class

Held in the 2nd Floor Classroom at the Warren Library:

- **Wed., Oct. 21 at 3 p.m.**

Learn how to use the library's subscription genealogy and history databases and other free online sites like Family Search and Find-A-Grave for researching your family history. Registration is required.

Organizing Your Genealogy Research Class

Held in the 2nd Floor Classroom at the Warren Library:

- **Wed., Nov. 18 at 3 p.m.**

This class will provide strategies for organizing your genealogical materials. Learn about creating paper and digital ancestor charts, taking advantage of your library's resources and services, naming, numbering, sorting, and storing both paper and digital files, and preserving your family photographs and documents. Registration is required.

Special Event!

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Free Computer & Technology Classes

 All Computer Classes & Tech Topic classes are held at the Warren Library in the classroom on the library's 2nd floor. Registration is required. Sign up at www.wtcpl.org/events or by calling the Public Computer Lab at (330) 399-8807.

Beginner Computer Classes

Mouse and Keyboard Practice

Whether you are new to using a computer mouse and keyboard or just need a refresher, join us for an introduction to these essential tools and how to use them. No prior computer experience necessary.

- **Mon., Oct. 5 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library
- **Mon., Nov. 2 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Beginning Computers 1

Learn the basics of using a Windows computer, including parts of the computer, the desktop and Start menu, and using apps. Requires familiarity with using a mouse and keyboard.

- **Mon., Sept. 14 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library
- **Tues., Oct. 6 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Beginning Computers 2

Learn how your computer organizes information, including files, folders, and using flash drives. Prerequisite: the library's Beginning Computers 1 class.

- **Mon., Sept. 21 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library
- **Tues., Oct. 13 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Beginning Computers 3

Learn more about using a Windows PC, including browsing the internet safely, accessing email, and more. Prerequisite: the library's Beginning Computers 2 class.

- **Mon., Sept. 28 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library
- **Tues., Oct. 20 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Microsoft Word 1

Learn the basics of navigating Microsoft Word, typing a document, editing text, printing, and saving. Requires familiarity with a computer mouse and keyboard.

- **Thurs., Oct. 22 at 6 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Microsoft Word 2

Continue learning about creating and formatting documents in Microsoft Word, including bullet points, columns, and inserting pictures. Prerequisite: the library's Microsoft Word 1 class.

- **Thurs., Oct. 29 at 6 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Microsoft Excel 1

Learn the basics of creating spreadsheets in Microsoft Excel, including navigating the program, working with rows/columns, and entering and sorting data. Introduces basic formulas and functions. Familiarity with a mouse, keyboard, and computer required.

- **Tues., Nov. 3 at 6 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Microsoft Excel 2

Continue learning about Microsoft Excel, including more complex formulas/functions, charts, and tables. Prerequisite: the library's Microsoft Excel 1 class.

- **Tues., Nov. 10 at 6 p.m.** – At Warren Library

* Book a Tech Coach *

Registration is required. Sign up by calling the library location below.

Book a 30-minute session with a library staff member who will answer your tech questions and walk you through what you'd like to do. Examples include how to move files to a flash drive, save photos to the cloud, or navigate a new phone.

- **Mon., Sept. 14 between 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.** – At Liberty Library
- **Tues., Oct. 6 between 12 – 2 p.m.** – At Liberty Library
- **Tues., Nov. 10 between 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.** – At Liberty Library
- **Mondays between 5 – 7 p.m.** – At Warren Library
- **Saturdays between 1 – 4 p.m.** – At Warren Library

* Special Tech Topics



Intro to Smartphones and Tablets

Learn how to navigate commonly used features on your Android or Apple smartphone or tablet! The class will cover everything from the basics of how to use your device, to taking and sending photos, to the most useful apps. Please bring your own fully-charged device.

- **Tues., Sept. 1 at 2 p.m.** – At Warren Library

Intro to AI & ChatGPT

This class will give you a basic overview of ChatGPT and other AI tools, including what generative artificial intelligence is, how it can be useful to you, and reasons to be cautious. You will also have the chance to try it yourself. Requires basic knowledge of using a computer/smartphone.

- **Sat., Sept. 19 at 11 a.m.** – At Warren Library

Organizing Photos with Google Photos

Get tips on how to access photos you take on your phone, how to share them, and how to use Google's photo tools. You will need access to your Google (Gmail) account for this class; please bring your login info.

- **Mon., Nov. 9 at 11 a.m.** – At Warren Library

AI, Scams, and Staying Safe Online

Online scams can look very convincing, and AI tools are making them even harder to recognize. Learn common red flags, how to think critically about suspicious messages or images, and what steps to take to stay safe online.

- **Sat., Nov. 14 at 11 a.m.** – At Warren Library

Maker Studio Workshops

Maker Studio Classes are held at the Warren Library in the classroom on the library's 2nd floor.



Registration is required.

Sign up online at www.wtcpl.org/events
or call the Maker Studio at (330) 399-8807.



Canva Basics

Canva is a free graphic design website where you can create beautiful cards, flyers, and more! Learn the basics of using this tool such as how to use templates to create your own designs. Requires familiarity with a computer mouse and keyboard. You will need to have access to your email account; please bring your login info.

- **Wed., Sept. 9 at 6 p.m.**



Cricut Basics

Curious about Cricut? We'll show you how this machine can cut out designs from paper and more, then go over the basics of how to create and modify designs in the free Cricut Design Space app that can be cut on the library's Cricut machine. Requires familiarity with a computer mouse and keyboard.

- **Wed., Sept. 16 at 6 p.m.**



3D Printing with Tinkercad

Tinkercad is a free and friendly online tool for creating 3D models that can be brought to life with the library's 3D printer. Learn how to create and modify shapes, add text, and send your finished model to be printed. Start your journey in the world of 3D printing! Requires familiarity with a computer mouse and keyboard.

- **Wed., Oct. 7 at 6 p.m.**



Recording Booth Demo

Join us for an overview of the Maker Studio's WhisperRoom recording booth. Learn about the basics of the equipment and software available for audio/video recording and editing, then ask questions about creating your own projects. Requires familiarity with a computer mouse and keyboard.

- **Sat., Oct. 17 at 11 a.m.**



Intro to Sublimation

Sublimation allows you to transfer full-color designs to certain fabrics, shirts, mugs, and much more! Learn how the process works and how you can use the library's sublimation printer and heat presses to bring your design to life. Requires familiarity with a computer mouse and keyboard.

- **Wed., Nov. 4 at 6 p.m.**

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HOLIDAYS & CLOSINGS

W-TCPL locations will be
closed on the following dates:

Mon., Sept. 7	Labor Day
Mon., Oct. 12	Columbus Day
Wed., Nov. 11	Veterans Day
Wed., Nov. 25	Closing at 5 PM
Thurs., Nov. 26	Thanksgiving Day
Fri., Nov. 27	CLOSED

Remember, you can borrow digital eBooks, eAudiobooks, movies, and more through the library website 24/7!

The McFarland Speaker Series Presents

From Conflict to Connection: Insights from a Lifetime of Advancing Peace and Reconciliation

Thursday, Nov. 12 at 6 PM | Warren Library

The inaugural event in a new Trumbull County speaker series will feature the Rev. Harold Good, whose life's work has taken him from Northern Ireland through Warren, Ohio, to the front lines of peacebuilding and reconciliation.



Rev. Good lifts the curtain on his remarkable life in his book, *In Good Time*, a memoir with Martin O'Brien. Good couldn't have imagined that one day he would help change the course of Irish history, play a hitherto undocumented role in weapons disposal by FARC and ETA in Colombia and the Basque Country, and be asked by Queen Elizabeth II over lunch in Buckingham Palace for advice about her visit to Ireland.

Rev. Good was born in Northern Ireland, ordained to the Methodist ministry, and earned a Master of Sacred Theology from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, Ind. He served as a youth minister at the First Methodist Church in Warren, Ohio, from 1964-1966 before returning to Northern Ireland.

One of two independent eyewitnesses to the decommissioning of IRA weapons in 2005, Rev. Good has received numerous awards for his peace work. He was awarded the Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE), is former President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, and director of the Corrymeela Centre for Peace and Reconciliation.

Registration is required for this free event.



The McFarland Speaker Series is a partnership of the Warren-Trumbull County Public Library and the Trumbull County Historical Society. The series is made possible through the generosity of Jim McFarland, a former Trumbull County resident who remains committed to supporting programs to enrich the community.

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