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At the Library December 2025

ADULT **BOOK GROUPS**



ADULT ONLY PROGRAMS



Bromfield Book Club Mon. Dec. 1, 6 PM

Butler

The Four Winds by Kristen Hannah

Bellville Book Club Tue. Dec. 2, 10 AM

Discuss a "Maisie Dobbs" novel by Jacqueline Winspear

Well Read

Tue. Dec. 2, 6:30 PM Lexington Read a festive book.

Book Chatter

Ontario Tue. Dec. 9, 2 PM Bring a current read or a favorite and tell us about it.

Bits of Books

Wed. Dec. 10, 2:30 PM Lexington Come share what you've been reading

and leave with a great book list.

Shelf Safari

Plymouth

Thu. Dec. 11, 1 PM The Man Who Invented Christmas by Les Standiford

Books and Banter Sat. Dec. 13, 10:30 AM Madison

A Christmas Ćarol by Charles Dickens

HOLIDAY CLOSURES



All locations will close Nov. 26 & Dec. 31 at 5 PM. All locations will be closed Nov. 27, Dec. 24, 25, & Jan. 1. First Call 211 is available 24/7, 365 days a year. Just dial 2-1-1.

Holiday Craft Bag Registration begins Mon. Nov. 17 Pick Up Begins Mon. Dec. 1

Call your local MRCPL location to register for a popular take home craft bag, just in time for some holiday fun!

Spice of the Month Beginning Dec. 1

All locations

Pick up a seasonal-themed Spice of the Month bag that includes a generous portion of the featured spice, info about its origin, health benefits, and a selection of delicious recipes. While supplies last!

Holiday Adult Coloring Contest Dec. 1-15 Main, Ontario, Plymouth

Pick up a holiday adult coloring page, some coloring supplies to keep (while supplies last), and color to relax. Return your colored page for us to display and you'll be entered to win a Hobby Lobby gift card! One winner per participating location will be announced on Dec. 16.

Holiday Giveaway Bundle! Dec. 1-15 Béllville, Lexington, Madison

Guess how many peppermint candies are in the jar, the customer that comes closest will win the entire jar plus a holiday card making bundle! One winner per participating location will be announced on Dec. 16.

Unwrap a Good Book! Dec. 1-20

Crestview

Come visit the Crestview library to unwrap a good book this holiday season! Inside each book is a small gift. Limit 1 book per visit; while supplies last.

ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Puzzle Palooza Fri. Dec. 5, 10 AM

Main

Love puzzles? Enjoy good company and help work on jigsaw puzzles, crosswords, or solve some sudokus! Puzzles and warm beverages will be provided.

Finish it Friday

Fri. Dec. 5 & 19
Fri. Dec. 12
Fri. Dec. 26
Lucas
1-4 PM

Butler
Lexington
Lucas

Need incentive to finish that project you're working on? Bring it to the Library!

Euchre Night

Thu. Dec. 11 Lucas
Thu. Dec. 18 Butler
Mon. Dec. 22 Bellville

5:30 PM

All skill levels are welcome for this ageless strategic card game!

Yarn Creations Mon. Dec. 15, 3 PM

Bellville

Meet up with other yarn crafters to share, talk, knit, and crochet. Bring your own supplies and enjoy!

Taproom Trivia at The Phoenix Tue. Dec. 16, 6:30 PM

Adults 21+

Join us for our popular trivia night at The Phoenix Brewing Co. Teams of 5 or less.

Game Night @ the Library
Thu. Dec. 18, 5:30-7:30 PM Main

Bring a friend or make new ones as we play a variety of *Clue* games this month. A variety of other card and board games will also be available.

Registration required. For children's programs only, please call the Library location directly to register. Registration begins Nov. 17.

LEARNING LAB TECH CLASSES



•Register online at mrcpl.org or call 419.521.3146 to reserve your seat. All classes held at the Main Library and are available for adults and teens ages 13+.

Word – The Basics Thu. Dec. 4, 9:30-11 AM

Beginners will learn how to create, format, edit, and effectively manipulate text documents.

Intro to Windows Desktop Computing

Fri. Dec. 5, 9:30-11 AM

Learn basic use of a Windows®-based desktop computer for work or pleasure. Previous use of a keyboard and mouse is helpful but not required.

Word – Beyond the Basics Thu. Dec. 11, 9:30-11 AM

Learn how to configure the Quick Access Toolbar, use proofing and autocorrect, the ruler, tabs, and tables.

Internet Safety for Android Phones

Fri. Dec. 12, 9:30-11 AM

Learn precautions and red flags that can help keep your online information secure and help you avoid scams.

Cricut® Workshop Tue. Dec. 16, 9:30-11 AM

Join us for a beginner-friendly class on using Cricut® Design Space! Learn the basics of creating designs to cut on a Cricut® machine – perfect for making iron-on designs for shirts, vinyl decals, or paper crafts. Plus, you'll get hands-on experience cutting out a vinyl decal and leave with a customized item!

Word – Advanced Thu. Dec. 18, 9:30-11 AM

Learn about headers, footers, margins, sections, page numbering, and more.

TEEN PROGRAMS



Taste of Winter Mon. Dec. 1, 1 PM **Bellville** Wed. Dec. 10, 3 PM **Butler** Fri. Dec. 12, 2:30-4 PM **Madison** Mon. Dec. 15, 1-6 PM Lucas Mon. Dec. 15, 3-5 PM Crestview Mon. Dec. 15, 4:30 PM Lexington Thu. Dec. 18, 3-5 PM **Plymouth** Mon. Dec. 22, 4 PM Main Tue. Dec. 23, 2-4:30 PM Ontario Put your taste buds to the test! Join us at the Library for a cozy winter candy tasting experience just for teens. Sample a variety of seasonal sweets, from peppermint delights to mystery chocolate bites, and vote on your favorites. Bring your friends and warm up with cocoa.

Five Nights at Freddy's Party Mon. Dec. 8, 4 PM Main

Do you love *Five Nights at Freddy's?* Come to the Library for a celebration of your favorite creepy animatronics! Eat pizza, make some buttons with your favorite FNAF characters, and play some FNAF trivia!

Super Smash Bros. Tournament Sat. Dec. 13, 2-3:30 PM Main

Grades 6-12

Summoning all fighters! Come test your combat skills in our *Super Smash Bros*. Tournament!

Gingerbread Man Ornament Wed. Dec. 17, 2-5 PM Main Mon. Dec. 22, 12-5 PM Ontario Sew your own gingerbread man! Never sewn before? No problem! We will teach you everything you need to know in this beginner-friendly sewing workshop.

New Year, New Me! Mon. Dec. 29, 4-6 PM Main

Join us in reflecting on the past year and thinking ahead to the next! We will provide you with everything you need to write a heartfelt letter to your future self or create a fun goal-setting bingo sheet.

TEEN MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Anime Club Thu. Dec. 4, 5 PM

Main

Grades 6-12

*Some anime may be Rated TV-14 or M for mature teen audiences.

Do you love anime? Each month we will be showing the first 2 episodes of different themed anime and snack on imported Japanese treats. Dec. theme: Rebirth.

Teen Time!

Thu. Dec. 11, (drop-in) 2-4:30 PM Ontario

Thu. Dec. 11, (drop-in) 3-6 PM

Plymouth

Wed. Dec. 17, 2:30 PM Madison
Each month brings something new: from hands-on crafts and creative projects to fun games and chill vibes. Whether you're into making, playing, or just relaxing with friends, there's always something fun happening here!

Manic Monday Mon. Dec. 15, 3:30 PM

Main

Life as a teenager can be hard, and that is why you can count on us for a relaxing activity with free snacks. We will provide activities designed to help you find your chill. And also, **free food!**

Teen Book Club Thu. Dec. 18, 3:30 PM

Grades 6-12

Join us at **3rd Cup Tea** in downtown Mansfield to discuss and check out new books! Dec. theme: Mystery/true crime

Literature & Lattes Thu. Dec. 18, 4:30 PM

Grades 6-12

We pick the theme; you pick the book. Join us at **Nickel & Bean** to discuss what we've read and you'll leave with a TBR list! Dec. theme: Snow/cold

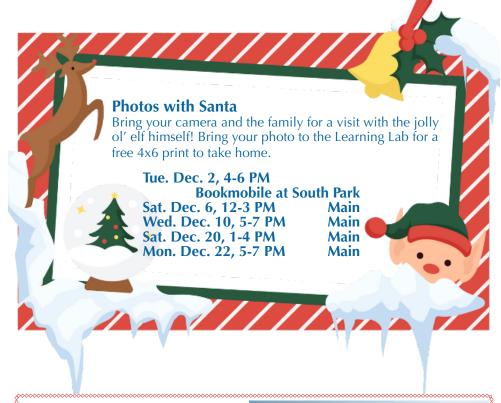
Family-Friendly Holiday

Light Up Lex!
Mon. Dec. 1, 5:30-8 PM Lexington
Families

Swing by the Library during Light Up Lex to check out a holiday book or movie and participate in our festive activities!

Family Trivia Night Thu. Dec. 4, 6 PM

Join us for this **family-friendly** trivia night at the Wishmaker House in Bellville! Test your knowledge with an evening of questions. Teams of 5 or less.



Christmas at the Cabin!
Fri. Dec. 5 & Fri. Dec. 12, 6 PM
Join us at the historic Pugh Cabin at
Malabar Farm! Bring the family for
a holly-jolly good time! We will be
spreading Christmas cheer for all to
hear with a cozy fire, stories, songs,
and a craft. There may be a special
guest joining us! Light refreshments
will be provided.

Registration is required; **call** the Lucas branch at 419.892.2576 to reserve your spot!



Programs with the Library!



Santa's Spectacular Holiday Show! Mon. Dec. 1, 6 PM Crestview Wed. Dec. 3, 10:30 AM **Bellville** Wed. Dec. 3, 5:30 PM Main <u>Thu. Dec. 4, 6 PM</u> Butler Mon. Dec. 8, 6 PM Madison Tue. Dec. 9, 10:30 AM Thu. Dec. 11, 10:30 AM Lexington Lucas Mon. Dec. 15, 6 PM Ontario Tue. Dec. 16, 10 AM Main Tue. Dec. 16, 6 PM **Plymouth** Join us as we welcome our friend from the North Pole for some fun and bring a camera for a photo opportunity!



Holiday Photo Backdrop

Nov. 20-Dec. 28 Main Library, 2nd-floor lobby

Create priceless memories with our magical holiday backdrop! Snap all the pictures you need this holiday season using your camera or phone and we will supply the magic! Bring your photo to the Learning Lab for a free 4x6 print to take home. (Photo from 2024 booth; decor will vary this year.)

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Bad Guys 2 Craft Bag
Dec. 1-8 All locations

Celebrate the release of *Bad Guys 2*! Stop into any location and pick up one of these craft kits that are so bad, they're good! While supplies last. Each bag contains themed crafts to enjoy. *One bag per child.

Gingerbread Houses
Sat. Dec. 6, 10:30 AM
Sat. Dec. 6, 11 AM
Mon. Dec. 8, 4 & 6 PM
Mon. Dec. 8, 6 PM
Thu. Dec. 11, 3:30 & 6 PM
Sat. Dec. 11, 6 PM
Sat. Dec. 13, 11 AM & 3 PM
Ontario

Sat. Dec. 13, 9:30 & 11 AM Plymouth
Sat. Dec. 13, 11 AM Bookmobile
at Blooming Grove Sewing Machines
Sat. Dec. 13, 1 PM Bookmobile
at Planktown Market
Mon. Dec. 15, 4 & 6 PM Butler
Tue. Dec. 16, 6 PM Madison
Thu. Dec. 18, 10:30 AM & 3:30 PM

Join us to create your own gingerbread house! All materials provided. **Call** your location to register, and please sign up for only **one** program. To register for the Bookmobile programs, call 419.522.2780.

Library Land Scavenger Hunt Dec. 5 & 6, All dayPlymouth
Where are King Kandy, Queen Frostine,
and the rest of the Candyland characters?
Take an interactive, self-guided tour
through the Library to find them.

Letters to Santa
Dec. 5 & 6, All day
Celebrate the holiday season by writing a
letter to the big man himself! When you
are all done, drop it off in our very
special mailbox.

Disguise a Gingerbread Friend Dec. 5 & 6, All day Plymouth

Run, run, as fast as you can...to the Library to pick up your gingerbread friend. Use your creativity to make a clever disguise for them, then bring them back to the Library. Entries will be judged in three age groups: Pre-K, grades K-3, and grades 4-6.

Last-Minute Gift Wrapping!
Fri. Dec. 19, All day
You bring the gifts, and we will provide

You bring the gifts, and we will provide everything you need to wrap it! While supplies last.

Ugly Christmas Sweater Fri. Dec. 19, All day Main & Ontario Let your creativity shine! Sequins, pom poms, stickers, and construction paper will help you create your own ugly sweater paper craft. Also, explore and

Snip, Snip, Snow! Dec. 22-27 Ontario

Stop in anytime this week to snip a snowflake or two!

complete a Christmas Ugly Sweater

scavenger hunt!

Holiday Scavenger Hunt
Dec. 22-Jan. 3 All locations
Stop by anytime the Library is open to

Stop by anytime the Library is open to take part in a Holiday Scavenger Hunt. Find all the pictures and get a prize!

Reindeer Games Mon. Dec. 22, 5-7 PM Main

Run on in to test your reindeer skills! Stop by to play games, complete challenges, and make a reindeer craft.

Countdown to NOON Year's Eve Wed. Dec. 31, 11 AM Butler, Lexington, Madison, Main Ring in the New Year with us at the Library. We will celebrate with crafts

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FALL STORY TIMES



Weekly Nov. 3-Dec. 13

For full details about our baby, toddler, and family story times, ask a staff member for a Fall Story Time brochure or visit mrcpl.org/story-time.

CHILDREN'S MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Crafty Kids Madison & Ontario Month of Dec. Stop in anytime to make a seasonal craft!

Kindergarten Club Fri. Dec. 5, 10:30 AM-1:30 PM

Ages 4 & 5 **Madison** Calling all preschoolers! Drop by the Library for skill building activities focused on kindergarten readiness.

Story Time at Relax Mon. Dec. 8, 10:30 AM

Join us for a fun story time at Relax, It's Just Coffee in downtown Mansfield. Relax while we entertain your little ones with fun stories, songs, and crafts!

Read to the Dog! Mon. Dec. 8, 3-5 PM Lucas Come to the Library to read a book to our furry friend, Ferguson. Please call the

Greeting Card Creators Main Thu. Dec. 11, 5-7 PM

Lucas Branch to register, 419.892.2576.

The holidays are here! Come celebrate by creating your own greeting card for a family member, a friend, or even for yourself. Glitter glue, stamps, markers, and other fun supplies will be available to craft a card to remember!

• Registration required. For children's programs only, please call the Library location directly to register. Registration begins Nov. 17.

Stepping Stones Fri. Dec. 12, 10:30 AM

Lexington

Children ages 4 & 5

Read stories, sing, and do activities that focus on the body, senses, and other Kindergarten readiness skills.

Move & Groove Sat. Dec. 13, 10 AM

Come join us as we move our bodies to a story or two and groove to some really great tunes!

Brick Builders LEGO® Club Mon. Dec. 15, All day Crestview Wed. Dec. 17, All day Plymouth Join the Library LEGO® club! Spend your afternoon exercising your mad building skills with friends.

Mini Makers

Tue. Dec. 16, All day Main Tue. Dec. 16, 3-5 PM Butler Thu. Dec. 18, 3-7 PM **Bellville**

Do you like crafts? Join us at the Library for a new craft each month!

Family Game Night Wed. Dec. 17, 5-7 PM

Join us each month for Family Game Night at the Library! We will have new familyfriendly games to play and plenty of the classics, too.

Stitch Camp Mon. Dec. 22, 1-6 PM Lucas

Best for school-age children Come to the Library to create a new yarn craft! Each month we will have a different type of yarn craft to make. This month we will learn string art. No experience necessary. (These crafts will require fine motor skills.)

Evergreen Book Shop December Sale

Members Only

12-4 PM Thu. Dec. 4

Public Sale

Fri. Dec<u>. 5</u> 12-4 PM 10 AM- 3 PM Sat. Dec. 6



Coming Soon! Earn tickets for your January reading and submit them for chances to win! All locations and all ages can participate!

Jan. 5-31, 2026

LIBRARY HOURS



Main Library 419.521.3100 Mon.-Thu. 9 AM-8 PM Fri. & Sat. 9 AM-5 PM Sun. 1-5 PM

Ontario Branch 419.529.4912 Mon., Tue., & Thu. 9 AM-8 PM Wed., Fri., & Sat. 9 AM-5 PM Sun. 1-5 PM

No matter who you are, What you love, or Where you're headed.

You belong.

Bellville Branch Lexington Branch Madison Branch Mon., Tue., & Thu. Wed., Fri., & Sat.

Butler Branch Crestview Branch Lucas Branch Plymouth Branch Mon., Tue., & Thu. Wed. & Fri. Sat. 419.886.3811 419.884.2500 419.589.7050 9 AM-8 PM 9 AM-5 PM

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