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Bellville Branch	419.886.3811
Lexington Branch	419.884.2500
Madison Branch	419.589.7050
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Mon., Tue., Thu.	9 AM-8 PM
Wed., Fri. & Sat.	9 AM-5 PM
Sun. (Ontario only)	1-5 PM
Butler Branch	419.883.2220
Crestview Branch	419.895.0010
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August 2026

Top of the Shelf

A new, quarterly highlight page featuring what's new and relevant at your library!

BOOKS

SALE

Stop in at these library locations for amazing deals on gently used library materials!

Lexington Branch
Fri. Aug. 14 9 AM-5 PM
Sat. Aug. 15 9 AM-3 PM

Plymouth Branch
Fri. Aug. 21 10 AM-4 PM
Back to School Sale!
Teen/Children items only

Teachers and Homeschool Educators,

MRCPL offers the resources you need when funds are low!

- Custom Teacher Packs
- Teacher Cards
- Discovery Kits
- Social-Emotional Learning Kits
- Online databases that can be used to find valid resources for assignments or lesson plans right from school or home
- Creation Lab (Main Library)

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Borrow a Roku Streaming Stick with your library card to watch trending shows and movies from home! Search "Streaming Stick" on mrcpl.org.

Introducing Reed!

Reed is a curious raccoon with a love of books, music, and adventure. Reed found his place at MRCPL and wants everyone to know they belong here too!

Meet Reed Fri. Jul. 24, 1:30-4 PM at the Dino Splashin' Good Time party at Marshall Park. You'll find him at more library events soon!

LIBRARY on the GO!

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ADULT ONLY PROGRAMS



Summer Fitness Series: ZUMBA!
Tue. Aug. 4, 11, 18, & 25 Main
12:30 PM

Get in shape with MRCPL this summer! Join us each month this summer as we offer a different exercise class for you to try!

Oyster Shell Trinket Dish
Tue. Aug. 4, 6 PM Plymouth
Thu. Aug. 6, 6 PM Main
Tue. Aug. 11, 6 PM Lexington
Thu. Aug. 13, 2 PM Ontario
Thu. Aug. 13, 6 PM Butler
Mon. Aug. 17, 6 PM Bellville
Tue. Aug. 18, 6 PM Crestview
Thu. Aug. 20, 6 PM Madison
Tue. Aug. 25, 6 PM Lucas

Our ocean-inspired trinket dish will be giving you major beach vibes. All supplies included.

Succulent Table Décor
Tue. Aug. 4, 6 PM Madison
Thu. Aug. 6, 2 PM Ontario
Thu. Aug. 6, 6 PM Lucas
Mon. Aug. 10, 6 PM Plymouth
Tue. Aug. 11, 6 PM Crestview
Tue. Aug. 18, 6 PM Lexington
Mon. Aug. 24, 2 & 6 PM Main
Thu. Aug. 27, 6 PM Butler
Mon. Aug. 31, 6 PM Bellville

Join us to create a picture-perfect table decoration made with beautiful succulents. All supplies included.

Let's Play Mahjong!
Fri. Aug. 7, 12:30-2:30 PM Main
Have you ever played Rummy and wanted to try something new? Mahjong is a tile-based game of skill, strategy, and luck! Players of all skill levels are encouraged to join. Beverages will be provided.

Memory Lab on the Road!
Sat. Aug. 15, 10 AM-2:30 PM

Sat. Aug. 22, 9 AM-1 PM Ontario
Sat. Aug. 29, 9 AM-1 PM Plymouth
Butler
Have old home movies or slides that you can no longer view? Easily convert these cherished materials into a digital format you can share with family and friends! Call 419.521.3120 to book a two hr appt. with a staff member to create a copy of your memories.

Registration required.
Registration begins Jul. 20 on our event calendar at mrcpl.org

ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Movie Night in a Bag
Register by Aug. 14 All locations
Each theme-based bag will contain two movies, a snack, and other small items. Selected participants will receive one bag per month for three months (Sep., Oct., & Nov.) Bags will be ready for checkout on the first Friday of each month. A limited number of bags will be available. Participants cannot participate in this program more than once in a calendar year. Participants will be randomly selected from those who complete the form. The form must be completed by Aug. 14 in order to be selected.



Puzzle Palooza
Fri. Aug. 7, 1-2 PM Main
Love puzzles? Come enjoy some good company and help work on jigsaw puzzles, crack some crosswords, or solve some sudokus! Puzzles and beverages will be provided.

Finish It Friday
Fri. Aug. 7, 14, & 21 Butler
Fri. Aug. 28 1-4 PM Lucas
Need incentive to finish that project you're working on? Work on it here!

Euchre Night
Thu. Aug. 13 Lucas
Thu. Aug. 20 Butler
Mon. Aug. 24 Bellville
Trump your opponents in a Euchre battle for the ages.

Yarn Creations
Mon. Aug. 17, 3 PM Bellville
Meet up with other yarn crafters. Bring your own supplies and enjoy!

Taproom Trivia
Tue. Aug 18, 6:30-8 PM
Adults 21+
Join us for our popular trivia night at The Phoenix Brewing Co. We will work through a variety of categories. Teams of 5 or less.

Game Night at the Library
Thu. Aug. 20, 5:30-7:30 PM Main
Head to the Library for an enjoyable night of games! Bring a friend or make new ones as we play *Knitting Circle* this month. A variety of other card and board games will also be available.

ADULT BOOK GROUPS



Bromfield Book Club
Mon. Aug. 3, 6 PM Butler
1776 by David McCullough

Bellville Book Club
Tue. Aug. 4, 10 AM
Discuss *The Guest List* and *The Paris Apartment* by Lucy Foley

Well Read
Tue. Aug. 4, 6:30 PM Lexington
The God of the Woods by Liz Moore

Books & Banter
Sat. Aug. 8, 10:30 AM Madison
The Light Between Oceans by M.L. Stedman

Bits of Books
Wed. Aug. 12, 2:30 PM Lexington
Come share what you've been reading and leave with a great booklist.

Case Closed!
Sat. Aug. 15, 2 PM Main
Join our book group focused on the true crime, murder mysteries, and unsolved cases that have kept you up at night and made you lock your doors!

Adults Read YA
Mon. Aug. 24, 6:30 PM Madison
Under This Red Rock by Mindy McGinnis

TEEN PROGRAMS



Lemons and Watermelons and Perler Beads, Oh My!
Mon. Aug. 3, Drop-in 4:30-6:30 PM Lexington

Celebrate the sweet taste of summer with some perler bead fun! Make your own design or use our templates to make fruit-themed coasters/keychains!
Board Game Night
Thu. Aug. 13, 4-6 PM Main
Grades 6-12
Join the Teen and Media Departments for a night of games, snacks, and fun! This month's game: *Exploding Kittens*

Mario Kart Tournament
Sat. Aug. 22, 2-4 PM Main
Hey speed racers! How good are your driving skills? Test them (and your luck at getting blue-shells) in our Mario Kart Tournament!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



Super Mario Galaxy Party!
Sat. Aug. 1, 1-2:30 PM Main
To celebrate *The Super Mario Galaxy Movie* we are throwing a party! Come join us as we play real life minigames, earn stars, and collect prizes! Snacks will be provided.

Career Fair for Kids
Sat. Aug. 8, 10:30 AM-12:30 PM Lexington
Explore a variety of careers! Talk to a police officer, see a BearCat vehicle, touch a fire truck, and enjoy activities that celebrate our community helpers.

Salamander Story Time
Tue. Aug. 11, 10:30 AM Bellville
Join us for stories, songs, and to learn all about salamanders. Miss Karen from the Gorman Nature Center will bring a salamander and a snake.

Back to School Scavenger Hunt
Aug. 17-22 All locations
It's almost time to head back to school, but first, go to your library for a special scavenger hunt!

Read to the Dog
Mon. Aug. 3, 4-5:30 PM Main
Mon. Aug. 31, 3-5 PM Lucas
Come to the Library to read a book to our furry friend. Please call the Library to register.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY PROGRAMS



Trivia Night at Der Dutchman
Thu. Aug. 6, 6-7:30 PM
Test your brain with an evening of trivia! Teams of 5 or less. Scan the QR code or call the restaurant at 419.886.7070 (option 3) to register.



Blue-a-Palooza
Aug. 20-22 Lexington
Celebrate the Blueberry Festival by stopping into the Library for "blue"-tacular activities for the whole family.

Donate AV Equipment!
Do you have old AV equipment gathering dust? Give it a second life by donating it to our library! Your equipment can help others preserve their precious memories. We are accepting VCRs, camcorders, and projectors of all types. Please contact AV@mrcpl.org or call 419.521.3114 with any questions.

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Sat. Aug. 8 10 AM-3 PM

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Wednesday, August 5, 2026 9:00 - 10:30 AM
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A Morning with Damon West.
National Speaker & Author of "The Coffee Bean"

ABOUT THE SPEAKER
Damon West is an internationally known keynote speaker, 4-time bestselling author, and former crime boss in Dallas who was sentenced to life in prison for organized crime. USA Today calls him the "modern day Shawshank Redemption" and the most in-demand speaker in America." After a spiritual awakening during incarceration, Damon emerged from over seven years in prison a changed man. His story is one of hope, redemption, grit, and the resilience of the human spirit. Every attendee will receive a free copy of "The Coffee Bean", courtesy of MRCPL. Advance tickets are required for the author event. Get tickets at richlandareachamber.com.

The World Is a Pot of Boiling Water. You Have 3 Choices:
THE CARROT
Goes in strong, comes out soft and weak.
THE EGG
Goes in soft, comes out hard and mean.
THE COFFEE BEAN
Changes the water around it — positive impact.
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No tickets are required for these fun events!

Trivia Night
Tue. Aug. 11, 6-7:30 PM @ Pump and Grind Coffee Shop, 586 Park Ave. E., OH-430, Mansfield
Join us for an engaging night of trivia with some themes from *The Coffee Bean*.

Trivia Night
Wed. Aug. 12, 6-7:30 PM @ The Cove Coffee Shop & Pizza Co., 325 1/2, Shelby-Ontario Rd., Ontario
Same great trivia night – in Ontario.

The Art of Roasting
Thu. Aug. 13, 6 PM @ Fresh Grounds Coffee House, 1621 W. 4th St, Ontario
Join James Boyd, owner of Fresh Grounds Coffee House, and Bill Wells, Master Roaster as they discuss how the coffee bean is grown, harvested, and roasted for perfect flavor.

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