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At the Library

September 2026

All locations will be closed for Labor Day Sun. Sep. 6 and Mon. Sep. 7.
Dial 2-1-1 for help 24/7, 365 days per year.

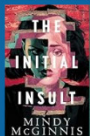
September is Library Card Sign Up Month Celebrate with Reed!

Anyone who signs up for a new library card Sep. 1-30 will have the option to get Reed's all-new library card.

Kids and teens, already have a library card? Ask a staff member for your first, limited-edition Reed Trading Card.

While supplies last.

MRCPL presents **Mindy McGinnis**



UNDER THIS RED ROCK

Book Discussion and Signing

Sat. Sep. 5, 2 PM – Ontario Branch

Wed. Sep. 16, 6 PM – Main Library

The author will discuss her research for *Under This Red Rock*, a murder mystery set in Ohio's cavern systems that explores mental illness and examines the often misunderstood behavior patterns of those who struggle.

Bring your copy(s) of the book for the author to sign.
Books will not be sold at the events.

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ADULT BOOK GROUPS



Bellville Book Club

Tue. Sep. 1, 10 AM

Discuss a book by Fiona Davis

Well Read

Tue. Sep. 1, 6:30 PM

Lexington

Before Dorothy by Hazel Gaynor

NEW! Simply Cozy

Wed. Sep. 2, 10:30 AM

Lucas

Join us for cozy books that are low-stress with deeply endearing characters. Join us to share and pick our first book.

Book Chatter

Tue. Sep. 8, 2 PM

Ontario

The Doctors' Riot of 1788
by Andy McPhee

Bits of Books

Wed. Sep. 9, 2:30 PM

Lexington

Join us as we share what we've been reading and leave with a great book list.

Books and Banter

Sat. Sep. 12, 10:30 AM

Madison

The Mostly True Story of Tanner and Louise by Colleen Oakley

Bromfield Book Club

Mon. Sep. 14, 6 PM

Butler

Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

NEW! Shelf Care

Tue. Sep. 15, 11 AM

Plymouth

Mysteries lost their thrill? Horror just ho-hum? Then it's time for some Shelf Care! Who knows, you might find the story of your dreams – and maybe win a prize too! Sep. discussion: Books vs. Movies

Case Closed!

Sat. Sep. 19, 2 PM

Main

Join us to discuss true crime, murder mysteries, and unsolved cases that will keep you up at night!

NEW! One More Chapter

Mon. Sep. 21, 6:30 PM

Madison

Join us to chat about a book, *Murder by Cheesecake* by Rachel Ekstrom Courage. Bring a title or two of the same genre to share and add to your TBR pile!

ADULT ONLY PROGRAMS



★Cabinet of Curiosities!

Registration begins Aug. 17

Pick Up begins Sep. 1

Final day to return cabinets Sep. 25

Cabinets on display Oct. 1-31

All locations

Call your library branch to reserve your Cabinet of Curiosities kit! Each kit contains a cabinet, a few décor items, and instructions. Use your imagination to create what your cabinet will house; maybe something rare, unusual, unique, or super scary. Returned cabinets will be displayed at the Main Library in October with three winners announced.

★Scarecrow in a Bag

Registration begins Aug. 17

Pick Up begins Sep. 1

All locations

Create a sweet fall scarecrow with our fall craft bag. Everything you need is included. Call your branch to reserve your craft bag!

★Bundt Pan Pumpkins

Tue. Sep. 1

Tue. Sep. 8

Thu. Sep. 10

Mon. Sep. 14

Tue. Sep. 15

Mon. Sep. 21

Tue. Sep. 22

Thu. Sep. 24

Tue. Sep. 29

6 PM

Crestview

Main

Butler

Plymouth

Madison

Bellville

Lexington

Ontario

Lucas

Fall is here! Kris will guide us step-by-step to make a beautiful mini-bundt pan pumpkin. All supplies included.

★ **Registration required. Register on our event calendar at mrcpl.org unless otherwise noted. Registration begins Aug. 17.**

★Crescent Moon Door Hanger
 Tue. Sep. 1 **Bellville**
 Tue. Sep. 8 **Lexington**
 Thu. Sep. 10 **Ontario**
 Tue. Sep. 15 **Main**
 Thu. Sep. 17 **Crestview**
 Mon. Sep. 21 **Butler**
 Tue. Sep. 22 **Lucas**
 Mon. Sep. 28 **Plymouth**
 Tue. Sep. 29 **Madison**
6 PM

Laura will be here to help you create a stunning fall door hanger. This one is a show stopper! All supplies included.

Memories of 9/11: Oral History Premier Event

Fri. Sep. 11, 11 AM

It was a beautiful day in Mansfield – for one school, it was even picture day. Five hundred miles away, routine turned to crisis, as many of us watched on TV. Join us at the Mansfield Fire Museum for the launch of our oral history collection and listen to what fellow Richland County residents experienced on September 11, 2001. Refreshments will be served.

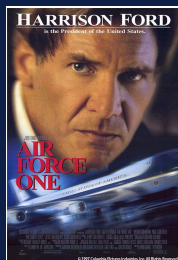


Trivia Night

Thu. Sep. 10, 6:30 PM

Adults Only | Phoenix Brewing Co.

Celebrate Ohio's role in cinema with movie-themed trivia. All five categories of questions will center around Ohio movie history and general movie knowledge. Team of 5 or less.



Movie Night

Fri. Sep. 11, 6PM

Doors open at 5:30 PM

Adults | Main Library

Continue your appreciation of Ohio cinema by joining us for a special after-hours showing of *Air Force One* (Rated R).

After the film, Derek Wilson from the Ohio State Reformatory will discuss Hollywood productions that have been filmed at OSR. We'll have door prizes and refreshments! Discover more at ohiogotothemovies.org.

ADULT MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Let's Play Mahjong!

Fri. Sep. 4, 12:30-2:30 PM

Main

Have you ever played Rummy and wanted to try something new? Mahjong is a tile-based game of strategy, skill, and luck. Players of all skill levels are encouraged to join! Beverages will be provided.

Puzzle Palooza

Fri. Sep. 4, 1 PM

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. Sep. 4 & 18, 1-4 PM

Butler

Fri. Sep. 11, 1-4 PM

Lexington

Fri. Sep. 18, 10 AM-2 PM

Madison

Fri. Sep. 25, 1-4 PM

Lucas

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

Euchre Night

Thu. Sep. 10

Lucas

Thu. Sep. 17

Butler

Mon. Sep. 28

Bellville

5:30 PM

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

Taproom Trivia at The Phoenix

Tue. Sep. 15, 6:30 PM

Adults 21+

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

Yarn Creations

Mon. Sep. 21, 3 PM

Bellville

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

Game Night @ the Main Library

Thu. Sep. 24, 5:30-7:30 PM

Bring a friend or make new ones as we play *Vicious Gardens* this month. A variety of other games will also be available.

TEEN MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Anime Club

Thu. Sep. 3, 5 PM

Main

Some anime may be rated TV-14 or M for mature teen audiences. Grades 6-12.

We will show the first 2 episodes of different themed anime with a side of free imported Japanese snacks.

September theme: *Naruto*

Teen Time!

Wed. Sep. 16, 2:30-4 PM

Madison

Thu. Sep. 17, (drop-in) 2-4:30 PM

Ontario

Drop in for 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!

Literature & Lattes

Thu. Sep. 17, 4:30 PM

We pick the theme; you pick the book. Join us at Nickel & Bean as we each discuss what we've read and you'll leave with book recommendations! September theme: Science & Urban Fantasy.

Manic Monday

Mon. Sep. 21, 3:30 PM

Main

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

NEW! Dungeons & Dragons Club

Mon. Sep. 28, 3:30-5 PM

Main

Interested in D&D or other RPGs? Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, this is the club for you. Join us each month as we build worlds, character sheets, and social connection. Snacks will be provided.

TEEN PROGRAMS



Design a Football Jersey Contest

Sep. 1-30

**Bellville, Butler, Lucas,
Madison, Main, Ontario**

Grab our football jersey template from your library and create a design for your favorite team or even your dream team. One winner per location.

Gotta Go Fast Marble Run

Wed. Sep. 2, 3 PM

Butler

Stressed about starting school? Wanna go back to feeling like a kid again? Then stop on down to the Library to get creative with our huge Marble Run set!

Pony Bead Pizza-Program in a Bag

Available Sep. 14

Main, Ontario

Stop in and pick up a bag with all you'll need to make a pony bead, pepperoni pizza keychain, just in time for National Pepperoni Pizza Day, Sep. 20th! While supplies last.

Diamond Dot Day

Mon. Sep. 14, 1-6 PM

Lucas

Grades 6-12

Drop in to celebrate International Dot Day by creating your own Diamond Dot craft to celebrate creativity, courage, and making your mark in the world! While supplies last.

★ Pizza Tasting

Mon. Sep. 14, 4:30-6 PM

Lexington

Taste test cheese pizzas from different restaurants and determine who has the best pizza in town!

Pokémon Trivia

Thu. Sep. 17, 3-5 PM

Plymouth

Mon. Sep. 21, 3-5 PM

Crestview

Wed. Sep. 30, 3:30 PM

Bellville

Are you a true Pokémon master? Drop in to test your Pokémon knowledge at the Library and win Pokémon cards!

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Dear Diary Day Journaling **Mon. Sep. 21, 1-6 PM** Lucas

Celebrate journaling your thoughts by decorating a new journal to use for all your musings. Drop in; while supplies last.

Bedazzle Bonanza **Mon. Sep. 21, (drop-in) 4:30-6:30 PM** Lexington

Want to add a bit more panache to your life? Bring an item into the Library to bedazzle it or come bedazzle a small trinket!

One Piece Party **Mon. Sep. 21, 5 PM** Main

Do you love *One Piece*? Watch two episodes of this classic anime while sculpting your very own fruit inspired by the show. Treats will be provided! *This anime is rated TV-14, for mature audiences only.

Hocus Pocus Interactive Movie **Thu. Sep. 24** Ontario **Mon. Sep. 28** Lexington **Tue. Sep. 29** Main **5-7 PM**

Help defeat the Sanderson sisters before they achieve immortality and wreak havoc on Salem. Attendees will receive a bag of goodies and prompts to participate. This movie is rated PG. A bagged version will be available beginning Sep. 28 at Bellville, Butler, Crestview, Madison, and Plymouth. While supplies last.

ADULT/TEEN PROGRAM

★ **Super Smash Bros. Tourney** **Sat. Sep. 19, 2-3:30 PM** Main

A new challenger approaches! Looking for a chance to compete locally? Then you're invited! Join us in the Community Room and come run the set in *Super Smash Bros Ultimate*! *Super Smash Bros Ultimate* is Rated E10+.

LEARNING & CREATION LAB TECH CLASSES



★ Register online at mrcpl.org or call 419.521.3146 to reserve your seat. All classes are held at the Main Library. Adults/teens.

Intro to Windows Desktop Computing

Tue. Sep. 1, 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 – The Basics

Wed. Sep. 2, 9:30-11 AM

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

Internet Safety for Android Phones

Tue. Sep. 15, 9:30-11 AM

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

Word – Beyond the Basics

Wed. Sep. 23, 9:30-11 AM

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

3D Printing Demo

Thu. Sep. 24, 9:30-11 AM

This program will consist of a short presentation on what 3D printing is, how it works, and how it is being used. Then we will take an in-depth look at one of the Library's 3D printers to see the process in action. This will be followed by a short Q & A session, with information on how to utilize the 3D printers at MRCPL.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



My Favorite Book is...

Sep. 1-25

Main

What's your favorite children's book? Complete one of our Book Rec Bookmarks! Recommendations may be added to our "Favorite Books" display at the end of the month.

We ♥ *Little Blue Truck*

Wed. Sep. 2, All day

Main

Celebrate the new book, *Little Blue Truck: Lost and Found*. Join us for fun activities about our favorite truck.

Homeschool Hang Out

Wed. Sep. 2, 1:30-4:30 PM Lexington

Enjoy extension activities based on the book *The Apple Pie Tree* by Zoe Hall and mingle with other homeschool families!

Library Card Sign-Up Month Scavenger Hunt

Sep. 8-12

All locations

It's Library Card Sign-up Month! Find all the pictures featuring Reed the Raccoon, the new library mascot, and earn a small prize.

Ultimate Scavenger Hunt

Thu. Sep. 10, 3-7 PM

Bellville

Are you ready for a scavenger hunt like you've never done before? Join us at the Library for The Ultimate Hunt to find the hidden items and get a prize!

Dot Day Celebration

Mon. Sep. 14, 1-6 PM Lucas, Ontario

★ Tue. Sep. 22, 4 PM

Butler

Join us in celebrating International Dot Day by reading, crafting, and fun activities! A day to celebrate creativity and making your mark in the world!

Celebrate *Toy Story*!

Mon. Sep. 14, 4-6 PM

Crestview

Thu. Sep. 24, 3-6 PM

Plymouth

Reach for the sky! Drop in for games, crafts, and adventures inspired by your favorite toy friends. Whether you're a fan of Woody, Buzz, Jessie, or the whole gang, there's fun waiting for everyone!

Play-Doh® Palooza

Wed. Sep. 16, All day

Ontario

Today is National Play-Doh® Day! Drop in to create some Play-Doh® masterpieces.

Baby Story Time

Sat. Sep. 19, 10:30 AM

Madison

Join us for a special story time just for babies! Recommended for children from 6 to 24 months (pre-walkers and walkers) and their caregivers, but all are welcome.

Story Time with Fiddle

Wed. Sep. 23, 10:30 AM

Bellville

Join us to meet therapy dog, Fiddle! Listen to stories, sing songs, and learn about the important role therapy dogs play in helping others.

I Survived!

Thu. Sep. 24, 3:30-6:30 PM

Lexington

Drop in and complete STEAM activities based on the *I Survived* series.

Bookworm Bonanza!

Sat. Sep. 26, All day

Main

Calling all bookworms! Join us for a special story time at 10 AM or pop in any time to enjoy book-themed activities, crafts, and discover your next great read.

★ Anything but a Paintbrush

Mon. Sep. 28, 5 PM

Madison

Create a floral masterpiece by using any of the objects provided, or you can bring your own painting utensil from home – just no paintbrushes!

CHILDREN'S MONTHLY PROGRAMS



Crafty Kids

Month of September

Crestview,

Madison, Ontario, Plymouth

Stop in anytime to make a seasonal craft!

NEW! Crafting Thursday

Thu. Sep. 3, 5-7 PM

Main

School-aged children

Are you interested in creating fun projects? Join us for a night of crafts.

Kindergarten Club

Fri. Sep. 4, 10:30 AM-1:30 PM

Children ages 4 & 5

Madison

Drop in the first Friday of each month for skill building activities focused on kindergarten readiness.

★Stepping Stones

Fri. Sep. 11, 10:30 AM

Lexington

Children ages 4 & 5

Read stories, sing, and do activities that focus on the alphabet and kindergarten readiness skills.

Story Time @ Relax

Mon. Sep. 14, 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!

Mini Makers

Tue. Sep. 15, All day

Main

Thu. Sep. 24, 3-7 PM

Bellville

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

Move & Groove

Sat. Sep. 19, 10 AM

Main

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

Monday Make and Take

Mon. Sep. 21, 12-5 PM

Ontario

Sunday was National Pepperoni Pizza Day. Stop in and make your own pepperoni pizza craft to celebrate!

★Read to the Dog!

Mon. Sep. 28, 3-5 PM

Lucas

Come to the Library to read a book to our furry friend, Ferguson. Please call the Lucas Branch to register, 419.892.2576.

NEW! Puzzle Mania

Mon. Sep. 28, 5-7 PM

Main

Drop in and solve a puzzle with us! Whether you enjoy jigsaw puzzles or brain games, you can give your brain a workout and take on one of our puzzle challenges.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY PROGRAMS



Family Game Night

Thu. Sep. 3, 4-7 PM

Plymouth

Wed. Sep. 16, 5-7 PM

Main

We will have new family-friendly games to play and plenty of the classics, too.

★Trivia Night at Der Dutchman

Thu. Sep. 3, 6 PM

Join us for a night of family-friendly trivia. (No purchase necessary.) Teams of 5 or less. Call 419.886.7070 to register.

Homeschoolers Explore the Library

Wed. Sep. 9, 1 PM

Main

Grades K-12

Homeschooling families, come discover what the Library has to offer! Whether you are brand new to homeschooling or are veterans, join us as we take a tour of the Main Library and explore all the resources available to you. After we take a tour we will have separate activities for kids in the Children's Dept. and teens in the TeenZone.

★Story Time @ The Fruit Farm

Sat. Sep. 19, 11 AM

Join us for a special story time at Springhill Fruit Farm! We will share stories, songs, and make a craft to take home. Please call 419.687.5655 to register.

NEW! Family Book Club

Tue. Sep. 22, 1:30 & 3:30 PM

Lucas

Come to the Lucas branch for a family-friendly book club! As a family, read or listen to the book of the month, then join us to discuss the story and participate in a book-themed activity. Sep. book: *Flora & Ulysses* by Kate DiCamillo

★ **Registration required. Register on our event calendar at mrcpl.org unless otherwise noted. Registration begins Aug. 17.**

American Revolution Experience Pop-Up Exhibit

Aug. 29-Sep. 5

Main Library, 2nd-floor

This innovative pop-up exhibition includes display panels and interactive digital kiosks that use storytelling, illustration, technology, and unique artifacts and primary accounts to connect modern audiences with the people and places that shaped the birth of our nation.

FALL STORY TIMES



Sep. 14-Oct. 24 All locations

Visit our event calendar to find a baby, toddler, or family story time near you! Or, ask a staff member for a Story Time brochure.

CALLING ARTISTS OF ALL AGES!

**Bellville Street Fair –
Fine Art Show, Sep. 16-19
Art will be displayed at the
Bellville Library**

Participate in the Fine Art Show exhibition/competition of the Bellville Street Fair! Age categories: elementary, middle/high school, and adult. Limited to four entries per person. For questions, contact the Bellville library at 419.886.3811, the Fair Board at 419.886.4280, or visit bellvillestreetfair.org.

"Cabinet of Curiosities" Exhibit

Sep. 14-Nov. 13

Main Library, 2nd-floor

A exhibition celebrating the wonder, mystery, and beauty of the natural world. It explores humanity's enduring fascination with collecting, cataloging, and marveling at the extraordinary.



Free Backpack Meals to children 0-18 return in Sep. at the Butler, Madison, Main, and Plymouth branches. Meals are available for pickup each Thu. at 4:30 PM and remain available during open hours, while supplies last.

Create Play Improve Grow Explore Connect

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

Bellville Branch	419.886.3811
Lexington Branch	419.884.2500
Madison Branch	419.589.7050
Mon., Tue., & Thu.	9 AM-8 PM
Wed., Fri., & Sat.	9 AM-5 PM
Butler Branch	419.883.2220
Crestview Branch	419.895.0010
Lucas Branch	419.892.2576
Plymouth Branch	419.687.5655
Mon., Tue., & Thu.	9 AM-8 PM
Wed. & Fri.	9 AM-5 PM
Sat.	9AM-1 PM

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