

Library Closed October 16,
November 28,
December 24 & 25



calendar of events



Discover Creativity Commons: Your Free Library Makerspace!

**//IN THE HEART OF CENTERVILLE/
WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP,
AN INNOVATIVE SPACE IS
REVOLUTIONIZING THE WAY
RESIDENTS APPROACH CRAFTING
AND DIY PROJECTS.**

Creativity Commons, the county's only public library makerspace, is transforming ordinary library card holders into makers and creators. This unique facility, housed at RecPlex, offers an impressive array of tools and equipment that would typically require significant investment and storage space. The beauty of this arrangement? Library card holders have access to all this equipment without the burden.

Imagine having a vinyl cutter, laser engraver, heat press, sublimation printer, embroidery machine, and even 3D printers at your fingertips. That's the reality for library card holders. The possibilities at Creativity Commons are virtually endless, allowing

crafters to create custom vinyl banners, etch personalized glasses, use laser cutters for intricate designs, and bring their ideas to life with 3D printing.

Popular creations include custom-made cutting boards featuring laser-etched family recipes, personalized kitchen towels printed with inside jokes, printed water bottles, and etched bar glasses with clever slogans. These unique, handmade items are transforming gift-giving in the community, allowing people to create thoughtful presents that can't be found in any store.

So, the next time you're wondering how to create that perfect, personalized gift or bring your creative idea to life, remember: your library card is more powerful than you think. With Creativity Commons, a world of creative possibilities is quite literally at your fingertips. 📖

The Library Supports Local Art

The library goes beyond lending Roku, books, museum passes, online resources, movies and TV shows, and the *Library of Things*—which includes musical instruments, tablets, tools, and more.

We also are proud of our vibrant gallery space that showcases the talents of (mostly) local artists. This autumn, the Woodbourne Library is hosting a series of compelling art exhibitions. From September 4 to October 19, visitors can explore the "4th Annual After Hours: A Staff Exhibit," highlighting the diverse artistic talents of library employees.

Simultaneously, the gallery presents works from 3 Hearts Grief Support Art Therapy, offering a poignant glimpse into the healing power of creative expression.

Starting on October 21, two exhibits will be held at the library. An exhibit of presidential cartoons "Presidents" by cartoonist Herbert block will be presented coinciding with the national election. At the same time, "Snap Centerville Photo Contest," will highlight the best photography in the Centerville area.

Following these, the space will feature the contemporary artworks of Julie Riley, a renowned local artist whose pieces have garnered national and international recognition.



▶ **October**
1-31

Beanstack
(Preschool – Grade 5)



Smokey Bear Reading Challenge

Help Smokey celebrate his 80th birthday by learning how to prevent wildfires and help the environment! Read three books on wildfire prevention or the environment to

complete the challenge and earn your prize! Register online: wclibrary.beanstack.org.

You can select books from Smokey's Reading List at smokeybear.com or choose your own.

▶ **Oct. Nov. Dec.**
5, 2, 14

Saturdays •
10:30 - 11:30 AM
Woodbourne Library
(For the Family)

Adaptive Adventures

Join us for an inclusive morning of activities for children and teens with special needs and their families. All ages and abilities are welcome!

October 5 – Puzzles & Board Games
November 2 – Sensory Storytime
December 14 – Crafty & Creative



Super Readers

Registration required. In this book club enjoy a fun discussion, games, and a craft.

(Grades 1 - 2 with an adult)



October 28, 6 - 6:45 PM: For this month's meeting, please read *They Hold the Line* by Dan Paley. Held at Centerville Library.

Book available starting September 30.

November 18, 6 - 6:45 PM: For this month's meeting, please read *Zeus, God of Thunder* by A.I. Newton. Held at Centerville Library.

Book available starting October 28.

▶ **October**
7

Monday • 6:30 - 7:15 PM
Centerville Library
(Kindergarten – Grade 2 with an adult)

Meteorologists in Training

Registration required.



Discover what it means to be a meteorologist with our friends from the Boonshoft Museum. Learn how to observe the weather, plan ahead, and make your own weather predictions!

▶ **October**
12

Saturday • 2 - 3:30 PM
Centerville Library
(For the Family)

Family Pumpkin Painting

Registration required.

Have fun painting pumpkins as a family. Create kooky patterns or a creepy face using paint.



▶ **Oct. Nov. Dec.**
14, 11, 9

Mondays •
6:30 - 7:30 PM
(Grades 3 - 5)

Game Time!

Games, food, prizes, and friends! It's Game Time! Enjoy hanging out with other kids your age at this gaming program just for you.

October 14 – Board Game Night, CV

November 11 – Puzzle Challenge Night, WB

December 9 – Bingo Night, WB





► **October 19** Saturday • 10:30 - 11:30 AM
Yankee Park
(0-36 months, siblings welcome)

My Grown Up & Me

Come meet other families, find support, and engage in shared play with your child in a safe and caring environment. This month's meetup will be a Centerville-Washington Park District-led tyke hike. Be sure to bring some water, dress for the weather, and get ready to meet new friends! This outdoor program is dependent on weather conditions. Please check the Library Facebook page or the Centerville-Washington Park District website for cancellation information.



► **October 26** Saturday • 1 - 4 PM
Centerville Library
(Kindergarten - Grade 5)

Picture Perfect Chemistry

Drop in and celebrate National Chemistry Week with fun, hands-on activities! Presented by the Dayton section of the American Chemical Society.

Get Creative Activity Centers

Visit the Children's Room at Centerville or Woodbourne Library to make fun crafts. (Preschool - Grade 5)



Dates:

October 28 - November 2
November 25 - November 30
December 16 - December 21

Tail Waggin' Tutors

**Child must be able to read independently.*

Drop in and read to a therapy dog to build reading skills!

(Kindergarten - Grade 5)

Tutor Dates:	Location:	Times:
Thurs., Oct. 3	Woodbourne	4:30 - 5:30 PM
Tues., Oct. 29	Centerville	6:30 - 7:30 PM
Thurs., Nov. 7	Woodbourne	6:30 - 7:30 PM
Mon., Nov. 25	Centerville	4:30 - 5:30 PM
Tues., Dec. 10	Woodbourne	4:30 - 5:30 PM



Heads in Books

Registration required.

Join our book club for some fun reading with other kids your age.

(Grades 3 - 5)

October 28, 7 - 8 PM: For this month's meeting, please read *Wildfire* by W.R. Philbrick. Held at Centerville Library.

Book available starting September 30.

November 18, 7 - 8 PM: For this month's meeting, please read *Dragons in a Bag* by Zetta Elliot. Held at Centerville Library.

Book available starting October 28.

► **October 31** Thursday • 11 - 11:45 AM
Centerville Library
(0-36 months)

Spooky Baby Boogie

Put on your Halloween costume and come boogie to some of our favorite spooky songs! Space is limited.



► **November 4-9** Centerville & Woodbourne Libraries
(Preschool - Grade 5)

Book Character Election

It's an epic literary battle between Pete the Cat and the Pigeon! Stop into the Children's room and cast your vote for your favorite!





► **November**
16

Saturday • 2 - 2:45 PM
Woodbourne Library
(For the Family)

Creative Comedy with Mike Hemmelgarn

Enjoy a fun family
afternoon of comedy,
juggling, and ventriloquy
with local entertainer
Mike Hemmelgarn!



AccessAbility

AccessAbility is a collaboration
between the Washington Township
RecPlex, Centerville-Washington
Park District and Washington-
Centerville Public Library.

AccessAbility rotates programming
opportunities year-round in all
locations. Activities with the AccessAbility logo will be
specialized to give participants of all ages and abilities
an enriching sensory, social and physical experience.
As a reminder, programming for Washington Township
RecPlex, Centerville Washington Park District, and
Washington-Centerville Public Library is open to
people with all abilities year round. Please contact
each location for modification requests.



Woodbourne Library

Adaptive Adventures: Saturdays, October 5,
November 2, December 14, 10:30 - 11:30 AM

Nature Fun!: An Outdoor Family Storytime

Join your favorite storytellers for nature-themed
stories and activities. Fun for the whole family!

This outdoor program is dependent on weather
conditions. Please check the Library Facebook
page or the Centerville-Washington Park District
website for cancellation information. Registration
through the Centerville-Washington Park District is
recommended, but not required. You may bring your
own blanket to cuddle up with and be sure to dress
accordingly as it will be outside.

Date and Time:

October 28, 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Grant Park

► **November**
22

Friday • 6:30 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Preschool – Grade 5)

Polynesian Cultural Night

Get in the Aloha spirit at the
library! Dancers from Olohana's
Polynesian Dance will perform
and teach us some basic hula
dance steps. Then everyone's
favorite Polynesian princess will
join us for crafts, photos, and fun!
Character entertainment provided
by The Fairy Godmother Events.



► **November**
26

**Tuesday • 10 - 10:45 AM &
1 - 1:45 PM**
Woodbourne Library
(3-5 years old with an adult)

Full STEAM Ahead! Snug as a Bug

Registration required.

Calling all busy bugs and bug lovers! We welcome
the Cincinnati Museum Center's Program-on-Wheels



centered around
all kinds of bugs:
stinky ones,
pretty ones,
crawlly ones, and
all-around fun
ones!

► **December**
6

Friday • 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(For all ages)

Planet Gazing

What is happening in space? Come take a look at
Jupiter and its moons, our own crescent moon, and
other celestial formations. We will be using telescopes
to view the night sky while learning about the things we
see. Presented by NASA Solar System Ambassador
Eric Vinande.

- ▶ **December 19** Thursday • 11 - 11:45 AM
Woodbourne Library
(0-36 months)

Baby Boogie

Boogie to some of our favorite storytime songs and fingerplays! No registration required, but space is limited.



- ▶ **December 31** Tuesday • 11 AM - 12:30 PM
Centerville Library
(For the Family)

Noon Year's Eve

If midnight is past your bedtime, come celebrate NOON Year's Eve with us! We'll have plenty of fun activities planned, along with a festive ringing in of the New Year!



- ▶ **January 2-28** Centerville & Woodbourne Libraries
(All ages)

Winter Reading Club

Registration required.

Beat the winter blues by joining our Winter Reading Club. Win fun prizes just by reading or attending programs!



- ▶ **October 22** Tuesday • 7 - 8:15 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 4 - 7)

Tween Tinker Lab: Candy Haunted Houses

Registration required.

Build your very own spooky haunted house out of candy and graham crackers. Then enjoy eating it afterward!

- ▶ **November 13** Wednesday • 4:30 - 5:30 PM
Centerville Library
(Grades 4 - 7)

Tween Coding Club: Javascript Maze

Registration required.

Learn how to make an on-screen maze using Javascript! Laptops will be available for those who need them. A CodePen account is not needed to partake, but projects cannot be saved without one. To make a CodePen account, visit codepen.io.

- ▶ **November 19** Tuesday • 7 - 8:15 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 4 - 7)

Tween Tinker Lab: Perler Beads

Registration required.

Make perler bead creations using patterns. Or you can also design your own original piece. Perler beads are plastic fuse beads that are placed on a grid and melted together. They are a fun way to explore your creativity!

- ▶ **December 3** Tuesday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 4 - 7)

Tween Time: Chess

Registration required.

Have you ever wanted to play chess but didn't know where to start? Or didn't have someone to play with? Are you a master and want to teach others? Come check out our Tween Chess program. Learn how the pieces are moved and play with others your age.



▶ **October**
8 Tuesday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Centerville Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Totally Teen Tuesday: Bingo

It's time for everyone's favorite game, BINGO! Come hang out with friends, enjoy snacks, and win prizes.



▶ **October**
10 Thursday • 3:30 - 5:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Anime Group

Registration required.

Do you want to zone out and watch anime with other teens? Join us for our Teen Anime group meeting, specifically created for teens who enjoy anime! Once a month we will watch one full-length film or four individual episodes of an anime from Crunchyroll. Snacks and drawing supplies will be on hand.

▶ **October**
17 Thursday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Make-It: Spooky Dreamcatcher

Registration required.



Make the perfect eerie decor for your room! These spooky dreamcatchers can be decorated with creepy elements like spiders, pumpkins, and ghosts.

▶ **October**
26 Saturday • 7 - 9 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Fright Night

Registration required.

Join us after hours for a spooky night of fun, including a library scavenger "haunt" in the dark, a costume contest, and a frightening good time! Costumes are highly encouraged!



▶ **November**
12 Tuesday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Centerville Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Totally Teen Tuesday: Throwback Board Games

Kick back with friends old and new while playing classic board games from your childhood! Have fun and enjoy snacks during this evening of throwback fun.

▶ **November**
14 Thursday • 3:30 - 5:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Anime Group

Registration required.

Do you want to zone out and watch anime with other teens? Join us for our Teen Anime group meeting, specifically created for teens who enjoy anime! Once a month we will watch one full-length film or four individual episodes of an anime from Crunchyroll. Snacks and drawing supplies will be on hand.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting Dates:

TAB members only

October 7, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

October 21, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

November 4, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

November 18, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

December 2, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

December 16, 4 – 5 PM Woodbourne Library

▶ **November 16** Saturday • 6 - 11 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Lock-In

Registration required.

Take a break and join us for an exciting Lock-In! Bring your friends and have some late-night fun including pizza, a scavenger hunt, gaming, and flashlight tag.

▶ **November 21** Thursday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Make-It: Cupcake Wars

Registration required.

Try out your cupcake decorating skills in our teen version of Cupcake Wars! Each teen will use a variety of sweet treats to decorate different themed cupcakes. See how your cupcake creations stack up to others and enjoy the tasty results!



▶ **December 10** Tuesday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Totally Teen Tuesday: Jackbox Games

These party games will have us laughing all night. You and your team will see who can be the funniest, draw the best, and stay alive in a murderous trivia game. Please bring a cell phone or tablet to play from. A limited amount of library devices are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.



▶ **December 12** Thursday • 3:30 - 5:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Anime Group

Registration required.

Do you want to zone out and watch anime with other teens? Join us for our Teen Anime group meeting, specifically created for teens who enjoy anime! Once a month we will watch one full-length film or four individual episodes of an anime from Crunchyroll. Snacks and drawing supplies will be on hand.



▶ **December 19** Thursday • 7 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Grades 6 – 12)

Teen Make-It: Book Ornaments

Registration required.

Create unique ornaments out of books as well as one inspired by Booktok.





programs

Space is limited. Registration is required for all Tech & Make It programs unless noted otherwise.



▶ Laser Engraved Wooden Spoons

October 2 • Wednesday • 5:45 – 7:30 PM
Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn how to use our laser engraver/cutter, the xTool P2. We will be using it to engrave wooden spoons with seasonal images. Each patron will go home with one wooden spoon and the knowledge of how to make many more!



This class requires intermediate computer knowledge. Please note that this class is similar to our other laser engraving classes. Patrons who have already taken a laser engraving class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

▶ Halloween Wall Print

October 3 • Thursday • 5:45 – 7:30 PM
Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Up your spooky décor game with Halloween prints on the Roland, our large format printer! Registrants will learn tips and tricks for choosing images to be printed in a large format, be taken through the steps of printing, and walk home with their very own spooky wall print. Images to be printed will be chosen from pre-selected designs and will be no larger than 16"x20".

This class requires intermediate computer knowledge. Please note that this class is similar to our other Roland classes. Patrons who have already taken a Roland class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

▶ Ghost in a Jar

October 7 • Monday • 12 – 2 PM
Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn the basics of the Bambu X1 Carbon by 3D printing a glow-in-the-dark ghost and creating a spooky decoration for your home! Jars are approximately 4" tall – the perfect-sized addition for your bookshelf or mantel.



This class requires intermediate computer knowledge. Please note that this class is similar to our other 3D printing classes. Patrons who have already taken a 3D printing class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

▶ Halloween Earrings

October 9 • Wednesday • 5:45 – 7:30 PM
Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

We will go over the sublimation process to create Halloween earrings! Registrants will choose one of our designs and go home with a pair to wear or gift for Spooky Season.



Please note that this class is similar to our other sublimation classes. Patrons who have already taken a sublimation class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

▶ Crafternoon

October 11 • Friday • 2 – 4 PM
Centerville Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Bring whatever project you are working on and come craft with us! Fiber arts, cross stitch, sewing, scrapbooking, diamond painting, coloring, etc.; we would love to see what you're working on and give you a space to create!

▶ Spooky Doll Planter

October 12 • Saturday • 11 AM – 12:30 PM
Centerville Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Turn old baby dolls into spooky planters for Halloween. Baby dolls will be cut up, decorated, and transformed into planters for small houseplants. Baby dolls and plants will be provided, but feel free to bring in your own.

▶ Pumpkin Pin Cushion

October 15 • Tuesday • 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn how to use our Singer sewing machine and leave with a cute and timely pumpkin pin cushion.

Please note that this class is similar to our other sewing classes. Patrons who have already taken a sewing class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.



We are committed to providing programs, services, and facilities that ensure inclusive and adapted access for all. Please contact us for a personalized approach to individual accommodation.



▶ WCPL Knitting Group

October 19 • Saturday

2 – 3:30 PM • Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Do you enjoy knitting or would like to learn how to start? Come to our informal group to socialize with other crafters, work on projects, share patterns, or learn some new skills. All experience levels are welcome to attend. Crocheters and other fiber-crafters welcome too!



*If you have them, please bring your own supplies.
Registration not required.*

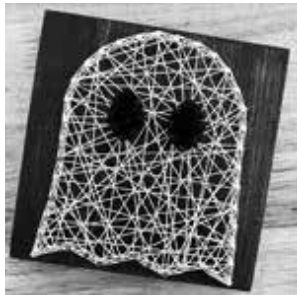
▶ Spooky String Art

October 23 • Wednesday

2 – 4 PM • Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

String together your own unique spooky art, right in time for Halloween! Pick from one of our templates and use nails and embroidery floss to create artwork for yourself or to give as a homemade gift.



▶ WCPL Knitting Group

November 2 • Saturday

2 – 3:30 PM • Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Do you enjoy knitting or would like to learn how to start? Come to our informal group to socialize with other crafters, work on projects, share patterns, or learn some new skills. All experience levels are welcome to attend. Crocheters and other fiber-crafters welcome too!

*If you have them, please bring your own supplies.
Registration not required.*

▶ Fall Embroidered Towel

November 4 • Monday • 12 – 2 PM

Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

New to embroidery? Learn the basics of using a pre-made embroidery design to create a fall-themed kitchen towel. Participants will learn how to thread the machine, properly hoop and stabilize their fabric, and upload and edit their file. All supplies will be provided.



This class requires intermediate computer knowledge. Please note that this class is similar to our other embroidery classes. Patrons who have already taken an embroidery class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

▶ Fall Leaf Garland

November 6 • Wednesday • 5:45 – 7:30 PM

Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn how to use our laser engraver/cutter, the xTool P2. We will be using it to cut out seasonal shapes and assemble a fall garland. Each patron will go home with one homemade garland and the knowledge of how to make more!



This class requires intermediate computer knowledge.

▶ DIY Self Care Gifts

November 7 • Thursday • 10 AM – 12 PM

Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Celebrate the upcoming holidays by creating these wonderful self-care items! Projects include lip scrubs, small candles, and heating pads. These projects make nice and thoughtful gifts.





programs

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► Fixit Clinic

November 9 • Saturday • 1 – 4 PM
Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

An all-ages do-it-together (D.I.T.) repair event: bring your broken, non-functioning things – electronic gadgets, appliances, computers, toys, sewing machines, bicycles, skateboards, etc. – for assessment, disassembly, and possible repair. We'll provide workspace, specialty tools, and guidance to help you disassemble and troubleshoot your item. Whether you fix it or not, you'll learn more about how it was manufactured and how it worked. No more than two items per clinic, and items should be cleaned before bringing them in. We will not work on microwaves, tape players, heaters, or gas-powered engines.



► Mosaic Mirrors

November 12 • Tuesday
6 – 8:30 PM • Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Try something new at the library! In this program, we will create a unique mirror with mosaic tiles to hang up in your home, office, or garden!



► Thanksgiving Apron

November 13 • Wednesday
5:45 – 7:30 PM • Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn how to use our sublimation printer to create a wonderful Thanksgiving apron. You can bring in your own design saved as a .jpg or .png file or find a design you like once you arrive.

Please note that this class is similar to our other sublimation classes. Patrons who have taken a sublimation



class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

► Macrame Stars

November 14 • Thursday
2 – 4 PM • Centerville Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Create a beautiful star wall hanging with a few simple macrame techniques!

► Winter Cards

November 19 • Tuesday
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM • Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn how to use our Sizzix Die Cutter and utilize stamps to create fun and beautiful winter cards.



► DIY: Tree Decorations

December 3 • Tuesday
2 – 4 PM •

Woodbourne Library

(Adults, Seniors)

Create small unique tree decorations for your holiday home and hearth!



► Polar Bear Snow Globe

December 4 • Wednesday
5:45 – 7:30 PM • Creativity Commons

(Adults, Seniors)

Learn how to prepare a CAD file for 3D printing by making a fun winter-themed snow globe. Each patron will go home with one snow globe and the knowledge of how to 3D print in the future!



This class requires intermediate computer knowledge. Please note that this class is similar to our other 3D printing classes. Patrons who have already taken a 3D printing class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

Visit our online calendar of events:
wclibrary.info/events



▶ Laser Ornament

December 5 • Thursday
5:45 – 7:30 PM • Creativity Commons
(Adults, Seniors)

Learn the basics of cutting wood on the xTool P2 by creating a layered wood and acrylic ornament for the holidays! All supplies for this program are provided.

This class requires intermediate computer knowledge. Please note that this class is similar to our other laser cutter classes. Patrons who have already taken a laser cutter class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.

▶ Wrapping Up the Holidays

December 7 • Saturday
10 AM – 12:30 PM • Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Need a place to wrap your presents away from prying eyes? Stop-in for an afternoon of gift wrapping with holiday music. You can bring your own supplies, but wrapping paper, tape, bows, and tags will be provided. All you have to do is bring your gifts and be ready to wrap!

▶ Winter Mug

December 11 • Wednesday
5:45 – 7:30 PM • Creativity Commons
(Adults, Seniors)

Learn the sublimation process to create a winter-themed mug. You can bring in your own high resolution digital file (.jpg or .png) or find a winter scene you like once you arrive.

Please note that this class is similar to our other sublimation classes. Patrons who have already taken a sublimation class may be waitlisted to provide opportunities for others.



▶ Fused Bead Ornaments

December 12 • Thursday
10 AM – 12 PM • Centerville Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Make ornaments made from fused beads. Bring your own design, use one of ours, or wing it completely!



▶ WCPL Knitting Group

December 14 • Saturday
2 – 3:30 PM • Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Do you enjoy knitting or would like to learn how to start? Come to our informal group to socialize with other crafters, work on projects, share patterns, or learn some new skills. All experience levels are welcome to attend. Crocheters and other fiber-crafters welcome too!

*If you have them, please bring your own supplies.
Registration not required.*



▶ Holiday Ornaments

December 18 • Wednesday
2 – 4 PM • Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)



Create your own small set of beautiful holiday ornaments! Join us and use various techniques to bring festive cheer and happiness to your home.





► **Sept. Oct.**
3-8 Online
(Grades 7 – 9)

Dottie Yeck Good Life Award Writing Contest

Registration required.

Teens who live or attend school in Montgomery County can win \$3,000 in the 19th annual Dottie Yeck Good Life Award Writing Contest! Entries will be accepted online. Additional prizes will be awarded at \$500, \$350, and \$250 each. The Awards Ceremony will be held Thursday, December 5, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, at Woodbourne Library featuring motivational speaker and local author Fran Kick. See website for 2024 prompt and details on how to enter.

► **Sept. Oct.**
4-20 Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Exhibit: 4th Annual “After Hours: A Staff Exhibit”

After Hours features the art of our talented staff working in a variety of mediums.



► **Sept. Oct.**
4-20 Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Exhibit: “3 Hearts Grief Support”

This exhibit features the work of people enrolled in 3 Hearts Grief Support Art Therapy working in a variety of mediums.

► **Oct. Nov. Dec.**
1, 4, 3 6 - 7 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Connecting with the Community

This series of Connecting with the Community programming is held in collaboration with the Montgomery County Clerk of Courts Office to educate and inform the community about opportunities available to them. The program is free, and registration is not required.

► **October**
2 Wednesday • 7 - 8 PM
Centerville Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Introduction to Value Line

Registration required.

Learn how to retrieve stock information and reports from the Value Line database. Hands-on instruction will be provided on the library's laptops, or if preferred, bring your own laptop or tablet.



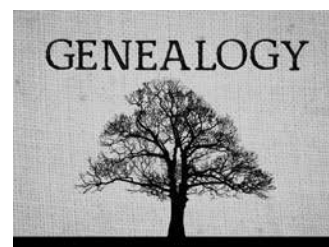
► **Oct. Nov. Dec.**
3, 7, 5 Thursdays
8:30 - 10 AM
(Adults, Seniors)

Genealogy Interest Group

Registration required.

Meet informally to discuss genealogy, use the library's genealogy databases (Ancestry Library edition, Fold3, and My Heritage - World Vital Records) and learn from each other. Reference librarians will be available to answer questions.

October 3: Centerville Library
November 7: Woodbourne Library
December 5: Centerville Library





- **Oct. 3, Nov. 14, Dec. 12** | Thursdays • 6:30 - 9 PM
Heavier Than Air Brewing Co.
(435 Miamisburg-Centerville Road,
Dayton, OH 45459-4753)
(Adults, Seniors)

Friends of WCPL Trivia Night

Join the Friends of WCPL for an evening of trivia! Everyone is welcome to attend. Snacks will be provided. Trivia starts at 7 PM.



- **October 8** | Tuesday • 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Online, Zoom
(Adults, Seniors)

The Last of the Romanovs

Registration required.

This is a fascinating presentation on the life of Nicholas II, the last tsar of Russia, his wife Alexandra, their four daughters (including Anastasia), and their son Alexei. It explores the influence of Rasputin and the eventual downfall of the Romanov dynasty. This historical account will touch on themes of romance, murder, mysticism, a mother's love, duty, and sacrifice.

- **October 9** | Wednesday • 6 - 8 PM
Washington Township Recreation Center - Rec West
(Adults, Seniors)

Meet the Candidates

Meet the candidates running for Centerville/Washington Township contested offices. All candidates running for local positions have been invited.

Each candidate will have up to three minutes on microphone and are encouraged to meet with voters after presentations are done. Offered in partnership with the League of Women Voters of the Greater Dayton Area. For adults.

(This function is not sponsored by Washington Township.)



- **October 9** | Wednesday • 6 - 8 PM
Centerville Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Let's Talk About Race – With Michael Carter

Registration required.



This session offers a space for meaningful conversation about race, inviting participants to reflect on their own

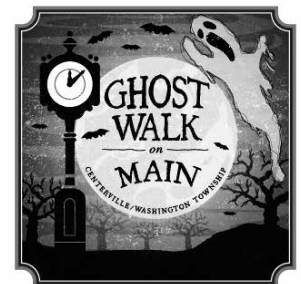
experiences and perspectives. We'll explore personal stories, identity, and the influences that have shaped our views on race. By engaging in open dialogue, we aim to deepen our understanding of ourselves and others, fostering a more inclusive and empathetic environment. Join us to share, listen, and learn in this vital discussion.

- **October 10** | Thursday • 6 - 9 PM
Uptown Centerville
(Adults 21+)

Ghost Walk on Main – Tickets on Sale September 10!

Registration required.

Assemble your brave companions and partake in a spooktacular haunted history stroll through Uptown Centerville! Due to construction at Benham's Grove, we're mixing things up this year. Participants of the Ghost Walk will set off on a unique



journey that aims to enchant our audience anew with vivid storytelling and reenactments of both classic and fresh ghost tales from our extensive history. Each group will begin at a distinct Ghost Story site and conclude with a final tale, a signature beverage, and light snacks at Meridien. Tickets are priced at \$35 per person, with a cap of 175 tickets. Registered attendees will be provided with further details. Sponsored by Friends of WCPL and Centerville-Washington History.

General | programs



► **Oct. 17, Nov. 21, Dec. 19** | Thursdays
6:30 - 7:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Job Seekers Networking

Job Seekers Networking is a monthly session for job seekers to network with six job search mentors to gain assistance in the job search process, including refining desired positions, seeking and implementing informational interviews, utilizing LinkedIn, searching for job openings, and other avenues for securing employment. Job seekers are welcome to attend monthly throughout their job search process for continued assistance.



► **October 18** | Friday • 6:30 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Grown Up Game Night: *Nailed It!* Halloween Edition

Compete in the Library's version of *Nailed It!* Now for adults! Work in teams of two or solo and show off your amateur skills to recreate fun Halloween-themed treats in a limited amount of time.



Registration is required. If registering as a group, please note the number of members participating, but do not register each individual member.

► **Oct. 21 - Dec. 1** | Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Exhibit: "Presidents" by Cartoonist Herbert Block

Coinciding with the nation's election of its 47th president, this exhibition contains Herbert Block's original drawings of presidential cartoons from Franklin Roosevelt through Bill Clinton. Although respectful of the office, Block insisted that no president was "above caricature or comment." For him, the political cartoon was "essentially a means for poking fun, for puncturing pomposity." This exhibition has been made possible by a generous grant from The Herb Block Foundation.



► **Oct. 21 - Dec. 1** | Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Exhibit: "Snap Centerville Photo Contest"

The Centerville Arts Commission, City of Centerville and Washington-Centerville Public Library are sponsoring the 2024 Snap Centerville Photo Contest, which will highlight the best photography in the Centerville area. Deadline for entries is September 30, 2024. Visit the online Calendar of Events for entry information.





► **October 21** Monday • 6:30 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Medicare 101: Understanding Medicare

Registration required.

Medicare is complicated, but you don't have to figure it out on your own. For more than 15 years, RetireMed's local advisors have provided no-cost Medicare guidance to thousands of your neighbors. Kim Janky, a RetireMed expert, introduces you to the Medicare basics, including eligibility, the different parts of Medicare, enrollment periods, tips for considering Medicare when working past 65, and resources to guide you through the process. Bring your Medicare questions for an open Q and A

after the presentation.



► **October 24-26** Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Friends of WCPL Fall Book Sale

The Fall Friends Book Sale will be held October 24-26 at Centerville Library! Thousands of books in excellent condition plus DVDs and music CDs. Great Holiday Gift Shopping! October 24 - 5 PM - 8:00 PM - Members only night; October 25 - 10 AM - 5 PM - Adult Hardbacks \$2 and everything else \$1. October 26 - 10 AM - 4 PM - Donations will be accepted for the remaining materials. You can join the Friends of the Library at the door for \$10. The proceeds from the book sales ultimately get donated back to the Library in the form of grants for projects identified by Library management and staff.



► **October 24** Thursday • 6 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Would You Like to Get Published?

Registration required.

Are you interested in learn what it takes to go from manuscript to traditional publishing contract? Dr. Randy Overbeck, Southwest Ohio native, will share his path from veteran educator to published, award-winning author of a best-selling series. In this session, he will discuss the steps he took, the obstacles he had to overcome, and what he learned in getting his books, the *Haunted Shore Mysteries*, into readers' hands and on the shelves of bookstores and libraries. He will also share what steps he took to land a literary agent for his latest manuscript, a historical suspense about the Revolutionary War. Prospective and emerging writers will learn about the processes, resources and time needed to go from initial manuscript to polished product to finally published book.

► **October 29** Tuesday • 10 AM - 12 PM
Centerville Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Social Security 101

Registration required.

America's largest domestic program is here to protect the American public – you are never too old, nor too young, to learn about this foundation of your financial life. Social Security Public Affairs Specialist, Theresa Busher, shares Social Security essentials, including: retirement eligibility; early vs. late retirement options, and how work affects Social Security benefits; Spouse and Survivor benefits; using the my Social Security account; and Medicare A/B enrollment periods. The presentation will be followed by an open Q and A time.



General | programs



► **October**
29 Tuesday • 11 AM - 10 PM
Archer's Tavern, 9496 Dayton-
Lebanon Pike
(All Ages)

Friends of WCPL Archer's Tavern Takeover with Coach Cupps

Dine in or carryout all day at hometown favorite Archer's Tavern and support the Friends of WCPL. From 6-9 PM CHS Varsity Basketball Head Coach will tend bar!



► **October**
30 Wednesday • 6:30 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Cyber Security 101

Registration required.



Presented by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. A detailed primer about the dangers of technology and how to safely use computers, cell phones, and online services.

► **November**
1 Friday • 5:30 - 8:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Novel Writing Month Kickoff Party!

Registration required.

Find out if you have what it takes to write a 50,000-word novel during November's Novel Writing Month. Attend the Kickoff Party, meet other writers, have refreshments, get inspired and win prizes! Bring your laptop!

► **November**
6 Wednesday • 6 - 8 PM
Centerville Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Proximity and The Power of Shared Stories – With Michael Carter

Registration required.

This session emphasizes the profound impact of sharing personal and collective narratives. By focusing on the concept of proximity – how close personal connections can enhance our understanding – we will explore the transformative power of storytelling. Through powerful, often untold stories, we'll discover how these narratives can bridge divides, foster empathy, and enrich our shared human experience.

Join us to experience how these stories illuminate our commonalities and deepen our connections.



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Manhattan Short Film Festival

Registration required.

Brought to you by the Friends of the Washington-Centerville Public Library.

You be the judge! Join more than 100,000 film-lovers from across the globe to view and vote for your top pick of this year's final ten films in the 27th annual Manhattan Short Film Festival. At the conclusion of the show, each audience member will be asked to vote for the ONE film and the ONE actor/actress they think is best. These films will also be eligible to enter the Academy Awards Oscar competition for the next two years.

One World – One Week – One Festival

Dates and Time:

Oct. 1; 6-8:30 PM Centerville
Oct. 2; 6-8:30 PM Woodbourne
Oct. 3; 6-8:30 PM Centerville
Oct. 4; 6-8:30 PM Woodbourne
Oct. 5; 2-4:30 PM Centerville



- ▶ **November 8-11** Centerville Library
(All Ages)
K9 Program
November 9 at 3 PM

Exhibit and Presentation: "Honoring Our K9 Heroes" for Veterans Day

Special Operations Forces (SOF) K9s are multi-purpose canines, utilized for sniffing out bombs, scouting, patrol work, and can be used in parachute and rappel operations. SOF K9s are outfitted with specialized gear and develop strong connections with their handlers. Come learn more about these special heroes Saturday, November 9, at 3 PM.



- ▶ **November 9** Saturday • 11 AM
Town Hall Theatre
(Adults, Older Teens, Seniors)

Honoring K9 Veterans with a showing of the film "Megan Leavey"

The true-life story of Megan Leavey, a young Marine corporal whose unique discipline and bond with a military combat dog saved many lives during her deployment in Iraq. Running time: 1 hr 56m; Rated PG-13, 2017, starring Kate Mara



- ▶ **November 13** Wednesday • 6:30 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

How to Keep Your Kids Safe Online

Registration required.

Presented by the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. This presentation will focus on the potential dangers that children face with technology and on what parents can do to keep their kids safe online.

Note: This presentation is intended for an adult audience (e.g. parents, caregivers, et al). This presentation will include strong vocabulary not suited for children.



- ▶ **November 14** Thursday • 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Older Teens, Seniors)

MASTERING
the ABCs of
EXCELLENT
WRITING



Creating Vivid and Colorful Stories
that Readers Want to Read
RANDY C. DOCKENS
ROBERT IRVIN

Author Event: "Mastering the ABCs of Excellent Writing"

Local author Robert Irvin is a professional editor and writer who has worked in all levels of newspaper reporting and editing, magazine writing, and in publishing. Writing with Randy C. Dockens, their goal is to help writers on their path to being better authors.

- ▶ **November 23** Saturday • 2 - 4 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Anime Group

Registration required.

Join us for our Anime Group meeting, specifically created for adults who enjoy Anime! We will watch one full-length film or four individual episodes of an anime from Crunchyroll. Drawing supplies will be on hand, and you are welcome to bring a snack with you.

General programs



► **Dec. Jan.**
2-6 Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Exhibit: Julie Riley Art

Julie Riley is a full-time local contemporary artist with a Front Street studio. Her work has been exhibited in



numerous solo and group exhibitions and her pieces are included in private and public collections nationally and internationally.

► **December**
4 Wednesday • 6 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

How Our Great History Reveals the Importance of DEI – With Michael Carter

Registration required.

This session explores how our rich historical narrative underscores the crucial role of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI). By examining key events and figures from the past, we will uncover lessons that highlight why embracing DEI is essential for fostering a more inclusive and equitable society. Join us to understand how historical insights can guide and inspire our commitment to DEI principles today.

► **December**
5 Thursday • 7 - 8:15 PM
Woodbourne Library
(All Ages)

Good Life Award Celebration

Celebrate the winners and Honorable Mentions of the 18th Annual Dottie Yeck Good Life Award writing contest! Listen to nationally known speaker, author, consultant, and local resident Fran Kick as he puts his unique spin on life's perspectives and invites you to Kick It In! and Take the Lead. The top four writers will read their essays and refreshments will be served.

► **December**
11 Wednesday • 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults/Seniors)

A Conversation with Author Sharon Short

Join local author Meredith Doench (*Luce Hansen Thriller* series and *Whereabouts Unknown*) and historical mystery author Sharon Gwyn Short as they discuss Short's newest release *Trouble Island*, a stand-alone novel of suspense based on the author's rich family history.



► **January**
8 Wednesday • 6 - 8 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

MLK In His Own Words in CRT – with Michael Carter

Registration required.

This session delves into the profound insights of Martin Luther King, Jr., as expressed in his own words, analyzed through the lens of Critical Race Theory (CRT). We will examine how King's speeches and writings address issues of race, justice, and equality, and explore their relevance in the context of CRT. Join us for a deep dive into how MLK's vision continues to inform and challenge our understanding of racial dynamics and justice today.





► Oct. Nov. Dec.
2, 6, 4 Wednesdays •
12:30 - 1:30 PM
RecPlex
(Adults, Seniors)

RecPlex West Book Club

RecPlex members enjoy a book discussion lead by a librarian and co-sponsored with Washington Township. Membership to RecPlex is required to attend this club. Check the Washington Township website for details about membership.

October 2: *The Ferryman* by Justin Cronin

November 6: *The House Is On Fire* by Rachel Beanland

December 4: *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox & the Horse* by Charlie Mackesy



► Vega Discover

Vega Discover is our newest library catalog that replaced Encore as our primary catalog in the new year. New features in Vega Discover include a user-friendly design, combined formats, and improved website accessibility.

Try it out and learn more at wclibrary.info/catalog/vega.

Booked for Lunch

Join us 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (Adults, Seniors) at Woodbourne Library to discuss:

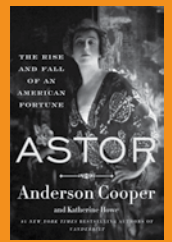
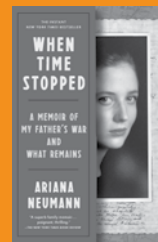


October 2: *When Time Stopped: A Memoir of My Father's War and What Remains* by Ariana Neumann.

November 6: *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson.

December 4: *Astor: The Rise and Fall of an American Fortune* by Anderson Cooper.

Books are available for pick up at either library.



► AfterWords

Join us Monday nights at 7 PM on Facebook to talk about books with fellow book lovers. There are no assigned books to read. Just get online and chat about what you've been reading!

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AfterWords

Dates

October 7*, 14, 21, 28 • November 4*, 11, 18, 25

December 2*, 9, 16, 23, 30

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book | discussions



► **Oct. 7,** **Nov. 4,** **Dec. 2** Mondays • 7 - 9 PM
Rumbleseat Wine,
101 E. Alex Bell Rd #118
(Adults, Seniors)

Uncorked

Unwind with a lively book discussion in a casual atmosphere. Read the month's selection and join us!



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October 7: *A Short Walk Through a Wide World* by Douglas Westerbeke

November 4: *Women and Children First* by Alina Grabowski

December 2: *Victim* by Andrew Boryga
Books are provided at the discussions and at the library front desks.

► **Oct. 15,** **Nov. 19,** **Dec. 17** Tuesdays • 10 - 11 AM
OR 2 - 3 PM
Woodbourne Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Page Turners

October 15: *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie

November 19: *There There* by Tommy Orange

December 17: Join us to discuss the books we read this year! Snacks will be provided.
Books are provided at the discussions and at the library front desks.

► **Oct. 17,** **Nov. 21,** **Dec. 19** Third Thursday of the Month • 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Centerville Library
(Adults, Seniors)

Book Ends

October 17: *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie

November 21: *There There* by Tommy Orange

December 19: Join us to discuss the books we read this year! Snacks will be provided.
Books are provided at the discussions and at the library front desks.

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programs, visit our
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Hours

Centerville Library

Monday-Thursday,
10 AM - 9 PM
Friday, 10 AM - 6 PM
Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM
Sunday, 1 - 5 PM
Closed Sundays from Memorial
Day through Labor Day

Woodbourne Library

Monday-Friday,
10 AM - 9 PM
Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM
Sunday, 1 - 5 PM

Creativity Commons

Mon-Tues 2:30PM - 7:30PM
Wed-Fri 12:30PM - 5:30PM
Sat 11:30AM - 4:30PM
Sun CLOSED

Locations

Centerville Library

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Centerville, OH 45458
937/433-8091

Woodbourne Library

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Centerville, OH 45459
937/435-3700

Creativity Commons

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Washington Township, OH 45459
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