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MENTOR
PUBLIC LIBRARY

AUGUST 2023



KEY

RR: REGISTRATION REQUIRED

SC: MENTOR SENIOR CENTER

H: HEADLANDS

HB: THE HUB

M: MAIN

L: LAKE

V: VIRTUAL

ADULT

HB **Book Lovers Coasters**
Wednesdays, Aug. 2 or 9,
At 5:30 pm

Use The HUB's makerspace to personalize coasters that are perfect for book lovers. **RR**

M **Northeastern Ohio Railways:
Building the B&O Lake Branch**
Thursday, Aug. 3, at 6:30 pm
Discover the history of the Lake Branch with author and rail historian Dr. Dan Rager. What began as a pedestrian and freight mover became an essential way to move coal, oil, and iron ore from Fairport Harbor to Youngstown and beyond. **RR**

M **Meet Us in the Garden:
Demystifying Hydrangeas**
Saturday, Aug. 5, at 10 am
A Lake County Master Gardener answers the most common questions asked about hydrangeas. **RR**

V **All Booked Up with Cailey & Meg**
Saturdays, Aug. 5 or 19, at noon
MPL librarians Cailey and Meg discuss what they've been reading and recommend books that you'll enjoy. New themes every episode!

L **Crafty Adults: The Art of Book Folding**
Monday, Aug. 7, at 6:30 pm
Learn the art of book folding. We'll provide supplies, instructions, and patterns for this unique craft. **RR**

M **Weird Ohio Road Trips**
Monday, Aug. 7, at 6:30 pm
Writer James Willis shares some of the stranger sites you can visit in Ohio: the world's largest cuckoo clock; the world's first concrete street; autographed hot dog buns; a wall of gum, and more. **RR**

L **Castaways**
Wednesday, Aug. 9 & 23, at 10:30 am
Stitch with friends! Bring whatever knitting, crocheting, or other fiber art project you're working on.

ADULT

M **Leaders & Legacies of the Civil War: The National Park Service's Reconstruction Era Historical Network**
Wednesday, Aug. 9, at noon
The National Park Service oversees both Reconstruction Era National Historic Park in South Carolina, as well as a larger Reconstruction Era National Historical Network. Learn more about what the NPS is doing to preserve and interpret this important era in our history. **RR**

M **Cleveland Metroparks: The Legacy Continues**
Wednesday, Aug. 9, at 6:30 pm
Cleveland Metroparks Historian and Archivist Judy MacKeigan explains how the park system grew and changed from the turbulent 1960s to modern times. **RR**

M **Monday University: The History of Hough Bakery**
Monday, Aug. 14, at 6:30 pm
Hough Bakery was a Cleveland staple for 90 years until its closure in 1992. Discover its history, and find out the ways in which its legacy continues. **RR**

H **Headlands Crafternoon**
Tuesday, Aug. 15, at 1 pm
Come to the Headlands Branch for an afternoon of crafting. Bring your current project. All skill levels and ages welcome.

V **Author Talk with Bestseller Robert Jones Jr.**
Tuesday, Aug. 15, at 4 pm
Enjoy an online author talk with bestselling writer and National Book Award finalist Robert Jones Jr. He'll discuss his award-winning debut novel, **The Prophets**. Register to attend at libraryc.org/mentorpl. **RR**

M **Ghosts of the Griffith**
Tuesday, Aug. 15, at 6:30 pm
Explore the worst shipping disaster in Lake Erie's history, a tragedy of heartbreaking human cost! Local historian Ginnie Jeschelnig discusses the fire on the steamer G.P. Griffith, which occurred in 1850 near Lake County. **RR**

M **Twilight of Summer Lanterns**
Thursday, Aug. 17, at 6:30 pm
Create a one-of-a-kind lantern with all the colors of summer! All supplies provided. **RR**

M **Board Game Saturdays**
Saturday, Aug. 19, 9 am to 4:30 pm
Come to our Main Library on every third Saturday of the month for board games.

M **Spice Club: Thyme**
Starting Sunday, Aug. 20
Pick up a sample of our featured spice and suggested recipes from the Main Branch's reference desk. One kit per family.

H **World of Watercolor**
Monday, Aug. 21, at 6:30 pm
Artists of all skill levels can explore watercolor painting. Try different techniques and get creative. **RR**

M **Monsters in Ohio: An Evening with James A. Willis**
Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 6:30 pm
Join author and paranormal researcher James Willis for an evening of monster hunting. Hear about Ohio's legends like South Bay Bessie (the Loch Ness Monster's local relative), the Loveland Frog, and Kirtland's own Melonheads. **RR**

V **Author Talk with 'The Mortal Instruments' Writer Cassandra Clare**
Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 8 pm
Join an online author talk with Cassandra Clare, writer of the massively popular **Mortal Instruments** series. Clare will discuss the newest and final book in her **The Last Hour** series, **Chain of Thorns**. Register to attend at libraryc.org/mentorpl. **RR**

L **Lake Branch's 25th Anniversary Celebration**
Saturday, Aug. 26, from 1 to 3 pm
Celebrate your neighborhood library's 25th anniversary with a party! Carnival and yard games, a balloon artist, face painter, and magic show with Willie Barnett at 1:30 pm. *Registration required for the magic show.* No signup is otherwise required.

L **Meditation for Beginners**
Tuesday, Aug. 29, at 6:30 pm
Certified yoga therapist Jennifer Langsdale will share several techniques to help anyone begin their meditation practice. No experience necessary. **RR**

V **A Year Inside College Admission: Author Talk with Jeff Selingo**
Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 2 pm
Jeff Selingo immersed himself into the world of college admissions for a year. His result is the impressive **Who Gets In and Why: A Year Inside College Admissions**. Discover what he learned during this free author talk. Register to attend at libraryc.org/mentorpl. **RR**

M **Medicare 101**
Wednesday, Aug. 30, at 6 pm
Learn details on how Medicare works with a representative from Pelorus Financial. **RR**

M **Lord of the Rings & Game of Thrones with Author C. Dale Brittain**
Thursday, Aug. 31, at 6:30 pm
Author C. Dale Brittain discusses the influence of medieval literature and history on modern fantasy. She'll also explore the relationship between historical fiction and fantasy. **RR**

TEEN

H All Together Now Quilt All Summer

Help create a community quilt! All ages can design a paper quilt square. At the end of August, we'll assemble the quilt in the Headlands Branch's story time room for everyone to see.

M Ice Cream Sundaes & Lawn Games Saturday, Aug. 5, at 2:30 pm

Teens (grades seven to 12) can say goodbye to summer with ice cream sundaes and lawn games. Enjoy something sweet while playing giant Jenga, cornhole and more. **RR**

M Teen Advisory Board Thursday, Aug. 10, at 6:30 p.m.

Join our board of teenagers (grades seven to 12) to discuss teen services at the library. Help develop teen programs and make suggestions for the teen space at our Main Branch! Snacks and refreshments will be provided. Participants will also receive volunteer hours. **RR**

HB Personalized Initial Keychain Tuesdays, Aug. 22 or 29, Walk in between 3:30 and 7 pm

Tweens and teens (ages 12-17) can use The HUB's makerspace to personalize a keychain with their first initial. No registration required. One keychain per participant.

M Teen Book Club Thursday, Aug. 24, at 6:30 pm

Teens (entering grades seven to 12) can discuss a classic at the library. This month we're talking about Malala Yousafzai's **I Am Malala**. Refreshments will be provided. **RR**

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H Drawn In To Graphic Novels Book Club

Saturday, Aug. 26, at 2 pm
Tweens and teens (12-17) can explore history with some of the best graphic novels created. Each month, they'll discuss a different historical fiction graphic novel. In August, they'll talk about **Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina & New Orleans**. **RR**

H An Evening Stroll to the Past: Historical Fiction Book Club

Monday, Aug. 28, at 7 pm
Teens (entering ninth through 12th grade) can explore historical fiction with our newest book club. In August, we'll discuss the novel **Necessary Lies** by Diane Chamberlain. **RR**

T E C H

M One-on-One Tech Appointments Tuesday, Aug. 8

Sessions start at 2:30 & 3:30 pm
Get personalized answers for your tech troubles. Having a problem with your smartphone or tablet? Want help with software like Word or Excel? Want to learn how to get ebooks, music, and movies online for free with your library card? Schedule an appointment with one of our reference librarians for one-on-one help. **RR**

M Computer Class: Basic Computers Tuesday, Aug. 22, at 2 pm

Learn the basic skills needed to use a computer. No experience required. **RR**

M Computer Class: Word I Tuesday, Aug. 22, at 6:30 pm

Learn how to use Microsoft Word to create, open, and save documents, as well as how to select text and change its formatting. **RR**

M Computer Class: Basic Internet Skills Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 2 pm

Learn the basics of searching the web. Mouse and typing skills are required. **RR**

M Computer Class: Word II Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 6:30 pm

Learn how to use Microsoft Word, including the following features: Quick Access & Mini Toolbars; Line/Paragraph Spacing & Alignment; Margins & Orientation; Spelling & Grammar Checks; Find & Replace; Thesaurus; and how to print a document. **RR**

M Computer Class: Basic Email Thursday, Aug. 24, at 2 pm

Learn how to send, reply to, label, and archive emails, as well as how to send attachments. **RR**

M Computer Class: Facebook Basics Thursday, Aug. 24, at 6:30 pm

Learn how to use Facebook. This free, hands-on class will demonstrate its basic features. Please come to class with your Facebook login information and password. **RR**

For more tech offerings, visit the state-of-the-art makerspace at The HUB inside of Mentor High School. It offers a Cricut Maker, large-format printer, heat press, laminator, button maker, and more. They are available for your next project with our staff's assistance.

Go to www.mentorpl.org/makerspace for information about The HUB's makerspace, including how to schedule your appointment.



Book Clubs

M It's a Mystery Book Club Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 6:30 pm

Enjoy and discuss crime-related genres, including thrillers, true-crime, and mystery/detective novels. August's book is **Woman in the Library** by Sulari Gentill. **RR**

SC Senior Center Book Club Wednesday, Aug. 16, at 1:30 pm

Join us at the Mentor Senior Center for our monthly book discussion. August's book is **The Maid** by Nita Prose. Pick up a copy at our Lake Branch. **RR**

M Cookbook Club Wednesday, Aug. 16, at 6:30 pm

Local chef LaDonna Oltmanns leads this group, which combines a book club and a potluck. Each member picks and prepares a recipe from the same cookbook to share with the group. **RR**

H Science Fiction Book Club Wednesday, Aug. 16, at 6:30 pm

Our club celebrates new and classic speculative fiction! For our August meeting, we'll discuss **Embassytown** by China Miéville. **RR**

M Men's Book Club Monday, Aug. 21, at 7 pm

This month's book is **The Gates of Europe** by Ukrainian historian Serhii Plokhy. **RR**

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M Monday Night Book Club Monday, Aug. 28, at 6:30 pm

Join us for a discussion of bestsellers, popular reads, and books of interest. This month, we'll discuss **Pachinko** by Min Jin Lee. **RR**

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M Write a Letter to Pinkalicious All August

Kids can write a letter to (or draw a picture for) their favorite storybook characters at the library. We'll share our favorite letters and pictures on our social media.

H All Together Now Quilt All Summer

Help create a community quilt! All ages can design a paper quilt square. At the end of August, we'll assemble the quilt in the Headlands Branch's story time room for everyone to see.

H Headlands Take & Make Craft Mondays

Pick up supplies for crafts that kids (8 and younger) can make at home. While supplies last. New crafts every Monday.

HB Reading Rockstars Mondays, through Aug. 14, at 4 pm

Kids (K-3rd grade) can strengthen their reading skills with stories, music, games, and more! We'll encourage students to reach their reading goals. This program is supported by a Libraries Accelerating Learning grant from the Ohio Department of Education.

H Tinker Tuesdays Tuesdays, at 10 am

Kids and teens can enrich their summer with STEAM activities and play using our Tinkerlab cart. Follow your creativity! No registration needed, but items on our cart will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

M Reading Rockstars Thursdays, through Aug. 17, At 10:45 am

Kids (K-3rd grade) can strengthen their reading skills with stories, music, games, and more! We'll encourage students to reach their reading goals. This program is supported by a Libraries Accelerating Learning grant from the Ohio Department of Education.

H Finger Paint Fridays Fridays, from 10 am to 12 pm

Kids can explore their creativity with finger painting every Friday.

HB School Pencil Boxes Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 4 pm

Kids (entering kindergarten or 1st grade) can make a personalized pencil case at The HUB. (We're hosting a similar program on Aug. 8 for kids entering 2nd-4th grade.) **RR**

M Travel Club Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 4 pm

Kids (6-12) can make a craft, have a snack, and enjoy activities dedicated to a different country each month. **RR**

M End of Summer Reading Party with Jungle Terry

Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 6 pm
Celebrate all the reading you've done this summer and see if you won a prize at our End of Summer Reading Party! Jungle Terry will be bringing his animal friends too. Open to all ages. No registration required.

M Yoga Kids Thursday, Aug. 3, at 1 pm

Kids (3-6) along with their grownups will stretch their minds and bodies during this yoga story time. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel for both child and adult. **RR**

M LEGO at the Library Saturday, Aug. 5, at 11 am

Kids (ages 5-12) can rock the blocks on the first Saturday of every month at the library.

M Geometry in Motion Tuesday, Aug. 8, at 1 pm or 2 pm

Dance instructor Tom Evert will integrate movement and geometry using improvisation and dance. The 1 pm session is for kids, 6-9. The 2 pm session is for ages, 10-13. This program is made possible by a Libraries Accelerating Learning grant from the Ohio Department of Education. **RR**

H All Together Now to Celebrate Toy Story

Tuesday, Aug. 8, at 2 pm
Kids can celebrate the popular Pixar films and their message of friendship with stories, movies, games, coloring pages, and crafts. The party will be in the Headlands Community Center (9096 Lake Overlook Drive, Mentor.) **RR**

HB School Pencil Pouches Tuesday, Aug. 8, at 4 pm

Kids (entering 2nd-4th grade) can make a personalized pencil pouch at The HUB. (We're hosting a similar program on Aug. 1 for kids entering kindergarten or 1st grade.) **RR**

L Master Builders Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 4 pm

Kids (5-11) will build with LEGO, magnetic tiles, magnet sticks and Brain Flakes. New themes will spur creativity each month.

H Next Level Video Game Club Wednesday, Aug. 9, at 6:30 pm

Kids (8 and older) can play games like Smash Brothers, Mario Kart, and Nintendo Sports on Switch. They're also welcome to bring their own portable device. **RR**

M Domino Rally Thursday, Aug. 10, at 1 pm

Join us for a domino rally. Kids (6-12) can build lines and patterns with dominoes and other fun supplies. **RR**

M Saturday Family Movie: Clifford Saturday, Aug. 12, at noon

Enjoy the big red dog's new film at the library! Kids eight and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

H Headlands Jeopardy Saturday, Aug. 12, at noon

Kids (8 and older) can test their trivia knowledge and learn something new during a fun afternoon of trivia challenges. **RR**

H Roblox Saturday Saturday, Aug 12, at 2 pm

Join us online or in-person for a different game from ROBLOX each month. **RR**

M Life-Sized Battleship Water Balloon Style

Monday, Aug. 14, at 4 pm
Get into this super-sized game of Battleship. Kids (7-12) will be split into two teams and act as ships, as players take turns hurling water balloons and trying to sink each other. Dress in clothes that you don't mind getting wet and bring a towel. **RR**

L CSI for Kids: Crime Scene Basics Monday, Aug. 14, at 6:30 pm

Dan Boerner, senior special agent for the Crime Scene Unit of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation, will talk about his job in forensics. He'll also lead a tour inside of his crime-scene truck and demonstrate how to do fingerprinting. For kids, ages 9-14. **RR**

HB Unicorn Mermaids & Baby Dragons

Wednesday, Aug. 16 or 23, at 4:30 pm
Kids (6-11) can use lasers to cut mythical creatures that they'll paint and decorate. All supplies provided. **RR**

L Crafty Kids: Finger Weaving Serpents Monday, Aug. 21, at 6:30 pm

Kids (8-12) can weave slick serpents without a loom. All supplies provided. **RR**

H Curious Kids Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 6:30 pm

Each month, Curious Kids will exercise their creativity and learn with arts, crafts, and STEM activities in our new club. This month, we're making different kinds of poems. For kids, ages five and older. **RR**

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Monarch Magic at Mentor Library

Learn about the lifecycle of the monarch butterfly and see it in action when you visit our Headlands Branch this August!

We'll have live caterpillars at various life stages to view until they emerge from their chrysalises and make their way to Mexico in the fall.



Lake Branch Turns 25

Your Lake Branch turns 25 this year, and we're celebrating with a carnival from 1 to 3 pm on Saturday, Aug. 26!

We will have carnival and yard games for you to play, as well as a balloon artist, face painter, and magician.

Willie Barnett, the Ta-Da Magician, will perform an interactive and action-packed show that begins at 1:30 pm.

There will be mentalism, card tricks, jokes and -- yes -- a rabbit will magically appear. Kids can even win prizes while having an unforgettable time.

Registration is only required for the magic show. You can simply walk in and enjoy the rest of the fun.

Thank you for letting the Lake Branch be part of your life for 25 years!





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Aug. 16 at our Main Branch
Sept. 20 at our Main Branch
Oct. 18 at our Main Branch
The public is welcome to attend.

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