Book Clubs

V Online Book Club
All February
Our Online Book Club is perfect for readers who love books but don’t know when they’ll have free time. Our first book is The Good Neighbor: The Life and Work of Fred Rogers by Maxwell King. Join the conversation now. Sign up at www.pbc.guru/mentor! RR

H End of the World Book Club
Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 6:30 pm
Our new book club for teens features the best in YA dystopias. Fans of The Hunger Games, Divergent, and Maze Runner book series will love our End of the World Book Club. Join us at the Mentor Headlands Community Center to discuss The Knife of Never Letting Go by Patrick Ness. RR

M It’s a Mystery Book Club
Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 6:30 pm
This club reads crime-related genres, including thrillers, suspense, true-crime and mysteries. February’s book is Long Call by Ann Cleeves. Join the discussion in person or via Zoom. RR

M Senior Center Book Club
Wednesday Feb. 16, at 1:30 pm
Join us at Mentor Senior Center for a monthly book discussion. February’s book is The Glass Ocean by Beatriz Williams. RR

M Men’s Book Club
Monday, Feb. 21, at 7 pm
This month’s book is The Moviegoer by Walter Percy. RR

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M Monday Night Book Club
Monday, Feb. 28, at 6:30 pm
Join us for a discussion of bestsellers, popular reads, and books of interest. This month, we’ll discuss The Guest List by Lucy Foley. RR

L Watch What You Read Book Club
Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 6:30 pm
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Join our Winter Reading Challenge

Have you tried our Winter Reading Challenge? You can read something new and win something too! It’s open to all teens (seventh grade and higher) and adults.

Pick up a Winter Reading Challenge form from the reference desk at our Main Branch. It has 15 different reading challenges that are designed to introduce you to new authors, genres, and topics.

Complete at least five of the challenges and bring the form back to our reference desk, and you’ll be entered into a raffle for a gift basket at the end of the month.

By the way, you can win an additional raffle ticket by participating in one of our Cozy Reading Afternoons on Tuesday, Feb. 9 and 16!
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<td>Lisa Meade, a park ranger from First Ladies National Historic Site, will explore the many roles that first ladies have filled throughout our country’s history: from the first receptions held by Martha Washington to the public obsession with Frances Cleveland and groundbreaking activism of Eleanor Roosevelt. Meade’s talk will be hosted online via Zoom.</td>
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<td>Spice up your life with our newest club: Spice Club! Each month, you can pick up a sample of our featured spice and suggested recipes from the Main Branch’s reference desk. One kit per family. February’s spice is paprika! Share your culinary creations on social media with the hashtag #SpiceUpMentor.</td>
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Mixed-Up Valentine Mailers
Feb. 3 - 9
Get a mystery valentine and help spread Valentine’s Day cheer! Here’s how in four easy steps:

1. Children can stop in anytime from Feb. 3 through Feb. 9 and decorate a valentine in the children’s area of our Main Branch.

2. Then they’ll address an envelope to themselves and put it in our magic mailbox without sealing it.

3. Next, our Children’s Department will mix up the valentines and send them to other kind kids.

4. Finally, the children can check their own mailbox to see when their mystery valentine will arrive.

This fun valentine exchange is open to kids of all ages. No registration is required.

COSI Learning Lunchbox Kits Raffle
All February
Kids up through sixth graders can earn a chance to win a COSI Learning Lunchbox Kit by playing Book Bingo! Get a bingo sheet from our Main Branch. Then borrow and read a book from the library for each square. Earn a ticket for each square filled and an extra five raffle tickets for completing at least 15 squares. At the end of February, we’ll draw tickets at random to see who gets a COSI Learning Lunchbox Kit. The kits include fun and educational hands-on science activities. Stop by the children’s area at our Main Branch to get your tickets and see the kits.

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Hoopla is free to use with your Mentor Public Library card. You can borrow up to 20 items per month from the Hoopla Instant collection and 10 items at a time from Hoopla Flex.
KIDS

H  Where's Waldo
   All February
Kids can scour the Headlands Branch for Waldo, the Wizard Whitebeard, Wenda, and friends. They’ll win a prize if they find them!

L  Studio MPL
   Wednesday, Feb. 2
   Walk in from 4 to 6 pm
Creative kids (K-5th grade) can make fun art projects while learning about snowflake shapes. Walk in. No registration required.

H  Groundhog Day
   Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 6 pm
Learn fun facts about groundhogs and the origins of Groundhog Day during this special story time. There’ll be crafts too. RR

M  Yoga Kids
   Thursday, Feb. 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

H  Pinkalicious Tea Party
   Saturday, Feb. 5, at 2 p.m.
   Pinkies up because we’re throwing a tea party that will be pinktastic! Kids can enjoy pink cupcakes, apple juice, and picture books from the popular Pinkalicious series. RR

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   Monday, Feb. 7
   Walk in from 3:30 to 7:30 pm
Give a valentine as special as the person receiving it! Enjoy a Valentine photo shoot using The HUB’s green screen. Walk in only.

M  Jr. Pinterest
   Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 4 pm
   Each month, kids (2nd-5th grade) can make a new craft creation inspired by Pinterest. RR

H  Magic for Muggles
   Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 6:30 pm
   Our Headlands Branch is transforming into Hogwarts! In February, kids can dive into Muggle Studies. Test your knowledge of the wizarding world with a few fun rounds of Harry Potter trivia. RR

M  Paws to Read
   Thursday, Feb. 10
   Sessions start at 6:30 and 7 pm
   Kids (up to age 12) who can read independently are invited to sign up for a 30-minute session where they’ll read with a licensed therapy dog. Registration opens two weeks before each session. RR

L  Donut Contest
   Saturday, Feb. 12, at 11 am
   Serve as judge for our donut contest! Enjoy some of the best donuts in Lake County. RR

H  Headlands Jeopardy
   Saturday, Feb. 12, at noon
   Test your know-how and learn something new with an afternoon of trivia challenges. RR

H  Roblox Saturday
   Saturday, Feb. 12, at 2 pm
   Join us online or in-person for a different game from ROBLOX each month. RR

HB  Kids Room Decor
   Wed., Feb. 16 or 23, at 5 pm
   Kids (8-12) can use a Cricut Maker and creativity to make a sign for their room! RR

M  BUILD Club
   Thursday, Feb. 17, at 4 pm
   Kids (K-5th grade) can enjoy our new BUILD Club. We provide the building materials and a different theme or challenge each month. RR

M  Egg Hatching at the Library
   Starts Monday, Feb. 21
   Starting Feb. 21, you can visit the chicken eggs that will be hatching in our children’s area. We’ll have an incubator set up and you may even get to see the eggs hatch. You can also catch the hatch on our Twitch channel, twitch.tv/mentorpubliclibrary. After the chicks hatch, they’ll stay at the library for about a week before relocating to their forever home.

M  Lunch and a Movie
   Monday, Feb. 21, at noon
   Enjoy a movie while school is out. Bring your own lunch, blankets and pillows, and we’ll supply the popcorn and the movie.

M  The Storytelling Magic of Jerry Pinkney
   Monday, Feb. 21, at 3:30 pm
   We’re celebrating the life of Jerry Pinkney, an artist who has illustrated more than 100 children’s books. Kids (K-6th) can enjoy activities inspired by some of his books and a special reading of The Lion and the Mouse, his wordless Caldecott winner. RR

M  Library Detective Agency
   Thursday, Feb. 24, at 4 pm
   Calling all detectives! Rainbow Fish is missing and we need your help your help to find him. Kids (8-12) can review the curious clues and question wacky witnesses to uncover who is behind the dastardly deed. RR

M  Snappy Little Story Time
   10 am on Mondays, except Feb. 28
   Kids from birth to five years old can enjoy a story time that combines songs, rhymes, books, and flannel stories – all geared to the little listener. This story time doesn’t include a craft.

M  Tiddlywinks
   10 am on Tuesdays & Wednesdays, except Feb. 22
   Children from birth to three years old accompanied by their adults will love this interactive story time filled with stories, songs, and rhymes.

L  Storytime Stars
   10:30 am on Tuesdays
   Kids (ages five and younger) can enjoy stories, music, rhymes, and a craft. All kids must be accompanied by an adult.

M  Preschool Story Time
   11 am on Tuesdays, except Feb. 22
   Kids (3-6) will love and learn with stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft. Adults don’t need to attend this story time with their child.

M  Pre-K Pop Party
   11 am on Wednesdays
   Does your little one have energy to burn? Then they’ll love our Pre-K Pop Party. We throw a party full of music, movement, rhymes, a story, and lots of dancing. Open to kids (3-6) without an adult.

M  PJ Family Story Time
   6:30 pm Wednesdays
   Children can wear their snuggliest pajamas while they enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and a snack. All ages welcome. Kids must be accompanied by an adult.

L  Musical Munchkins
   10:30 am on Thursdays
   Kids (five and younger) can enjoy an interactive musical story time with singing, stories, and exploration of simple musical concepts. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No registration necessary.

M  Mother Goose on the Loose
   10 am on Fridays, starting Feb. 11
   This 3-week interactive program is perfect for kids from birth to 30 months old. It uses rhymes, songs, puppets, and more to stimulate learning. Registration is required and begins Jan. 29. RR

M  Family Favorites Story Time
   11 am on Fridays
   All ages will enjoy stories, music, rhymes, and a craft. Kids must be accompanied by an adult.
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