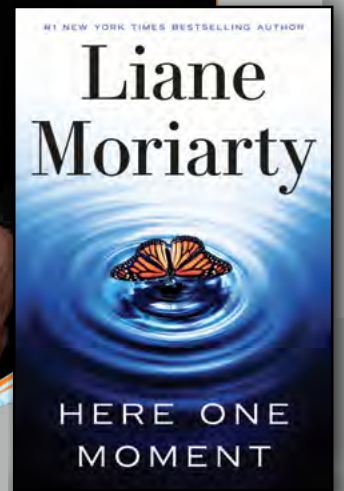


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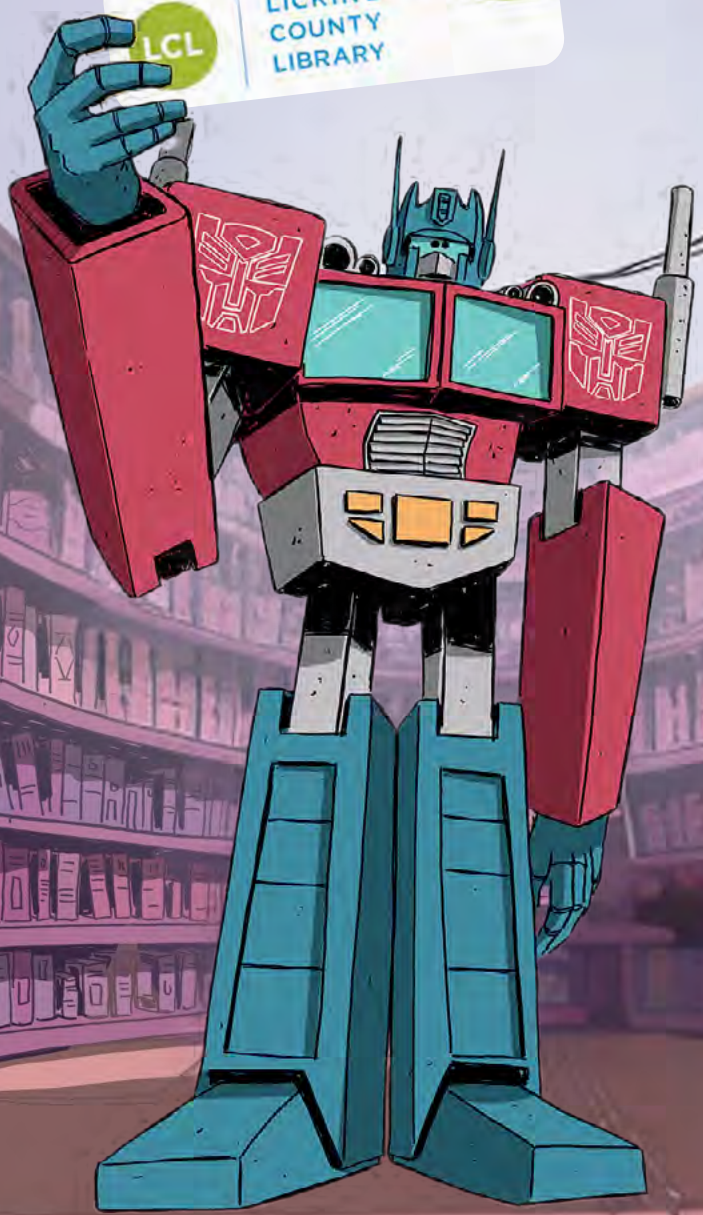
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# LIBRARIES- MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE...



**ROLL OUT  
WITH A  
LIBRARY  
CARD.**



## September is **LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH**

If you don't have a Licking County Library card—now is the time to get one! During September, sign up for a card and be entered into a drawing for a Lego® Optimus Prime building set or a gift card to Home Depot® or Lowe's® (your choice!). Run, don't walk, to get the most valuable card in your wallet!

Already a Library user? Great! Borrow anything in September to be entered into the same drawing.



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# The Collective:

through September 27

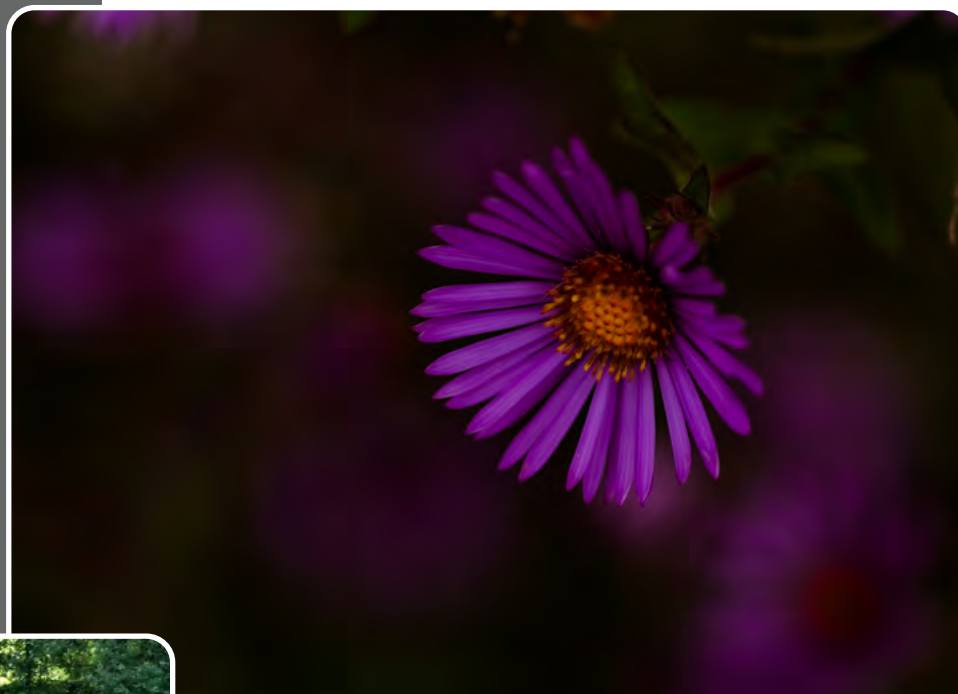
*Nature Calls* exhibit features snapshots of Ohio nature from local photographers. While showcasing the creative work of community members, *The Collective* brings inspiration to get outside and experience Ohio's natural and wild places. This show runs through September 27.



RACHELLE SNYDER

## October

It is time to get creative! *The Collective* space transforms into a blank slate... well, with a tint of green. LCL is supplying a green screen along with props, app recommendations and guidance on how to create photos and videos. Bring your friends and family and immerse yourself into digital backdrops, overlays and more!



WONDERBUG PHOTOGRAPHY




JIM McCORMAC

*Mysterious Moths*  
with Jim McCormac  
Downtown Newark | 9.18 @ 6:30pm

# Inclusive Programs

## Downtown Newark

 **Next Chapter Book Club**  
SEPTEMBER 3, 17, OCTOBER 1, 15 | 12PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

A unique community-based book club for adults with Down syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy and other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

 **Sensory Story Time**  
SEPTEMBER 16, OCTOBER 21 | 10:30AM  
DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS

Join Licking County Board of Developmental Disabilities in a sensory story time for preschool-age children. This is created by matching the storyline with characters, movements and objects within the story. Children who learn through touching, feeling, repetition and tone of voice, even where learning difficulties are profound, can be engaged and involved in a sensory story.

**Navigating Dyslexia**  
SEPTEMBER 17 | 5:30PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

Is learning to read difficult for your child? Do you need guidance on how to work with your child at home? Is there reading support your child should be receiving at school? Join representatives from Ohio Statewide Family Engagement Center and Newark City Schools Coordinator of Structured Literacy as they share advice on navigating dyslexia for students.

**Adventures in Art: Upcycling**  
SEPTEMBER 18 | 12PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS & TEENS

A time to learn recycling tips from Licking County Recycling and explore upcycled crafts while practicing self-expression.

**Word Slinger Squad**  
SEPTEMBER 19 | 3PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

A creative writing workshop for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities designed to encourage community connections, creativity and the practice of writing.

**LCL's Accessibility Resources**  
SEPTEMBER 26 | 12PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

Learn about the accessibility features offered through Licking County Library's electronic and physical resources for people with disabilities.

**Online Safety Tips**  
OCTOBER 9 | 12PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

Newark Police Department provides online safety tips, including advice on recognizing scams, safely meeting strangers and limiting personal information shared online. This discussion is designed for adults and teenagers with disabilities.


**Adventures in Art**  
OCTOBER 16 | 12PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS

A time for adults and teens with disabilities to explore art while practicing self-expression.


**Adventures in Board Gaming**  
OCTOBER 17 | 3PM  
DESIGNED FOR ADULTS & TEENS

Adults and teens with disabilities are invited to meet new people and play board games like Scrabble, Apples to Apples, Braille Uno, Braille Dominoes and Taco Cat Goat Cheese Pizza.

## Johnstown (Mary E. Babcock)

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SEPTEMBER 9, OCTOBER 7 | 2PM  
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 **Next Chapter Book Club**  
SEPTEMBER 9, OCTOBER 7 | 3:30PM  
DESIGNED FOR TEENS

A unique community-based book club program for teens with Down syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy and other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Reputable, passionate and well-loved author and nature photographer Jim McCormac is coming to Licking County Library! He presents on the fascinating world of moths and how to ensure they thrive. Be sure to stay for a book signing of his latest release *Gardening for Moths: A Regional Guide*.



# Buckeye Lake



## Family Story Time

FRIDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Enjoy stories, rhymes and songs that help develop early literacy skills! Designed for ages birth through 5.



## Bubble Art Story Time

SEPTEMBER 13 | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Make one-of-a-kind art by blowing bubbles through a straw. While your art dries, enjoy stories, rhymes and songs to develop early literacy skills.

## Felt Art Sewing

SEPTEMBER 25 | 5PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Sew a felt animal while learning to thread a needle, do basic stitches and tying off. Walk away with a hand-sewn project.



## Flash Light Story Time

SEPTEMBER 27 | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Discover the contrast between light and dark by reading stories and finding shadows. Create flashlight art and observe how the image transforms on different colored papers.

## Bad Art

OCTOBER 5 | 1PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Enjoy stress-free art and create your very own "disasterpiece!" Use inspiration from Leo Tolstoy to jumpstart your creativity and remember, "If you look for perfection, you'll never be content."

# Downtown Newark



## Tech Mondays

MONDAYS | 10AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Techsperts are available to answer your technology questions. No appointment is necessary. This drop-in program is supported, in part, by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the State Library of Ohio.



## Preschool Story Time

TUESDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Support school readiness through stories, songs and activities! Designed for ages 3-5.



## Youth Classics Book Club

TUESDAYS | 4:15PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Whether you are an emergent or independent reader, sharpen your skills through discussion, vocabulary development and creative thinking with your peers. Program kicks off with *Ralph S. Mouse* by Beverly Cleary. Participants get to choose the next book. The book is available at our Downtown Newark location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library or hoopla.



## Tots and Twos

WEDNESDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Enjoy stories, rhymes and songs that help develop early literacy skills! Designed for ages birth through 2.

## Writing Club: Twisted Tale Edition

SEPTEMBER 4 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Write your own Disney® twisted tale and share your creativity with others.

## Ready for Kindergarten

THURSDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Focusing on a new skill each week, we aim to help participants become successful readers and begin their educational journey into Kindergarten. Designed for ages 3 - 5.



## J.R.R. Tolkien, the Mythmaker

SEPTEMBER 5 | 2PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

In preparation for Hobbit Day (September 22), Dr. Stephen Yandell discusses J.R.R. Tolkien's life and how his experiences and spiritual beliefs deeply informed his writings.

## Tolkien Trivia

SEPTEMBER 5 | 4PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Show off your knowledge of all things J.R.R. Tolkien! Compete for prizes with other Middle Earth buffs.



## Minimize Risk, Maximize Life

SEPTEMBER 9 | 1PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Alcohol use in older adults is trending upward. Pathways of Central Ohio offers an evidence-based program covering alcohol consumption and reducing the risks of related problems. Learn how to minimize risk while maximizing quality of life.

## Anime Trivia Night

SEPTEMBER 9 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Put your anime knowledge to the test for the opportunity to win great prizes.



## Dillon State Park

SEPTEMBER 10 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Michael Durst, naturalist with Ohio Department of Natural Resources, discusses Dillon State Park and the region's role in the rich cultural history of Ohio.



## Romantasy Book & Craft Club

SEPTEMBER 10, OCTOBER 8 | 6PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Do you love fantasy mixed with your romance? This is a book club where discussions and making a craft go hand in hand. Materials are provided. Copies are available at the Downtown Newark location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library or hoopla. September: *The Shadows Between Us* by Tricia Levenseller  
October: *Bride* by Ali Hazelwood



## Writers Workshop

SEPTEMBER 11, OCTOBER 9 | 1:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

A writing workshop with the homeschooler in mind. Discuss various elements of the writing process with a focus on imagination. Get ready to fine-tune your creative writing skills!

## Do the Tea Towel Stomp

SEPTEMBER 12 | 4PM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Unleash your creative side with a craft that is great for your toddler's fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination.



## The Ohio River

SEPTEMBER 12 | 6:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

The Ohio River supplies drinking water to over 5 million people, provides a home for fish and wildlife and serves as the foundation of the region's cultural and economic identity. Attend a screening of *This is the Ohio: Life, Death, Rebirth of the Beautiful River* followed by a discussion with filmmaker Morgan Atkinson.



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## Buckeye Book Club

SEPTEMBER 17, OCTOBER 15 | 3PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Explore books by some of the best Ohio-based authors. Copies are available at the Downtown Newark location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library or hoopla.

September: *Cuyahoga* by Pete Beatty

October: *Betty* by Tiffany McDaniel

## Mysterious Moths with

Jim McCormac

SEPTEMBER 18 | 6:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Author and nature photographer Jim McCormac takes us on a pictorial journey into the fascinating world of moths and how "moth-gardening" helps support these important pollinators. Our enchantment with butterflies isn't surprising, with their rainbow palette of colors punctuated with ornate patterns. However, their close nocturnal relatives, the moths, overwhelm butterflies in species diversity and sheer numbers. Moths are inextricably intertwined with native plants, bats, birds and the whole ecosystem. Copies of *Gardening for Moths: A Regional Guide* are available for purchase and signing at the time of the program.



JIM MCCORMAC



## EXTRAterrestrial Sci-Fi and Fantasy Book Club

SEPTEMBER 19, OCTOBER 17 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Discuss the month's book with your fellow earthlings! Copies are available at the Downtown Newark location or download a digital copy from The Ohio Digital Library or hoopla.

September: *Piranese* by Susanna Clarke

October: *Starship Troopers* by Robert A. Heinlein



## Silent Book Club

SEPTEMBER 23, OCTOBER 21 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Connect with fellow book lovers for a quiet 30-minute reading session with the book of your choice, followed by an optional 30 minutes of socializing.



## Ohio's Bobcat Comeback

SEPTEMBER 24 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Ecologist and conservation biologist Dr. Shauna Weyrauch discusses the ecological comeback of the bobcat, *Lynx rufus*. They had been extirpated from Ohio by the mid-1800s due to habitat loss, over-hunting and trapping. Her current research focuses on understanding habitat requirements for growing bobcat populations in Ohio.



# Downtown Newark continued...

**MOOCs Free Online Courses**  
SEPTEMBER 25 | 1PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Discover MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses)! They are a variety of free, college-level education courses available to anyone with an internet connection. Learn how to find, enroll and benefit from these opportunities provided by top universities and institutions.

## Accessing Aging Services

SEPTEMBER 25 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging experts present resources and services that can help older adults and their caregivers by assisting them with everyday living.

**Booked to Death**  
SEPTEMBER 25, OCTOBER 23 | 5:30PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Calling all armchair sleuths! Copies are available at the Downtown Newark location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library or hoopla. September: *While Justice Sleeps* by Stacey Abrams  
October: *A is for Albi* by Sue Grafton

## Paint D&D Figurines

SEPTEMBER 25 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Bring your chosen D&D figurine to life with a personalized and creative twist.

## Author Talk Book Group:

**Silvia Moreno-Garcia**

SEPTEMBER 27 | 12PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Join us for a brown bag lunch book talk about *Silver Nitrate* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia. This program is in preparation for the author's live, virtual talk on October 9. *Details for October 9 were not available at the time of printing. Please see website for updates.*

## Anime Hang Out

SEPTEMBER 30, OCTOBER 28 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Hang out and make friends, all while watching anime and crafting.

**Famous Art Forgeries and Thefts**  
OCTOBER 1 | 2PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Art historian Sean Crum discusses some of the more infamous incidents from the dark side of the art world, from the famous art forger Han van Meegeren, the theft of the Mona Lisa, and the unsolved art thefts from the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston.

**Live Longer, Live Stronger**  
OCTOBER 2 | 1PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Dr. Brian Clark discusses tips for maintaining muscle mass as you age, one of the key components to staying fit. Maintaining muscle mass is about more than extending mobility. It also impacts the chances of experiencing age-related disease associated with metabolism. This class includes example exercises that support increased mobility.

## Writing Club: Scary Story

**Writing Chain**

OCTOBER 2 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Get settled into the spooky season by writing a collaborative scary story.

**Cranberry Bog**  
OCTOBER 3 | 11AM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Buckeye Lake was once a large wetland complex called the "Great Swamp" that was eventually turned into a reservoir to feed the Ohio and Erie Canal system. The impoundment of the swamp in 1830 made Cranberry Bog a unique place, a bog mat surrounded by a lake. Join Ohio Department of Natural Resources Chief Botanist Rick Gardner as he discusses the natural history of Cranberry Bog State Nature Preserve.

**Licking County Emergency Management Agency**  
OCTOBER 8 | 11AM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Established in 1988, the Licking County Emergency Management Agency is an offshoot of the Civil Defense Program

of the 1950s, which later turned into Disaster Services. The agency is responsible for Homeland Security, the Regional Communications Center (911) and Safety Services operations throughout the County. Join representatives from the agency as they discuss their mission and the services provided to our county.

**Rise and Fall of Ancient Athens**  
OCTOBER 9 | 11AM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Dr. Rebecca Futo Kennedy discusses civic life in ancient Athens. Dr. Kennedy is Associate Professor of Classics, Women's and Gender Studies and Environmental Studies at Denison University. She earned her Ph.D. in Greek and Latin from The Ohio State University.

## The Song of the Wind

OCTOBER 10 | 4PM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Did you know the wind has a song? Make your own windchime and listen to the unique song that you create.

**The Music of the Carter Family**  
OCTOBER 10 | 6PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

From 1946 to 1965, Licking County's Hillbilly Park hosted many of the greatest country western singers including Johnny Cash and his wife June Carter-Cash of the famous Carter Family. This program details the life and recording career of the famous Carter family, who were part of the "Big Bang" of country music including the formation of the trio, their audition at "The Bristol Sessions," to the popularity that was seemingly snatched away at the zenith of their career. Listen and learn about the songs and the background of one of the most powerful additions to American music in the past one hundred years presented by Steve and Lisa Ball.

**Introduction to Cricut®**  
OCTOBER 15 | 5:30PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Learn the basics of how to use a Cricut® machine and Design Space software in this hands-on class.

**China and Taiwan**  
OCTOBER 16 | 1PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Dr. Scott Smitson discusses global tensions relating to China and Taiwan and the numerous geopolitical ramifications. Dr. Smitson is a Distinguished Visiting Fellow in Politics & Public Affairs at Denison University, a geopolitical strategist, global futures forecaster and political scientist.

## Tim Burton Pumpkin Painting

OCTOBER 16 | 5PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Paint pumpkins that resemble beloved Tim Burton characters.

**Haunted Newark: A Ghostly Walking Tour**  
OCTOBER 19, 26 | 11AM  
OCTOBER 31 | 5PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Explore the haunted history of Newark by taking a stroll through its historic streets. This tour delves into downtown's reportedly haunted sites and the tragic deaths that might have led to these hauntings. Meet inside the Library.

## Planning Ahead

OCTOBER 23 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging experts cover topics related to aging. The session includes important conversations with family members, planning documents, paying with Medicare and Medicaid, housing choices, and considerations for veterans.

## How Many?

OCTOBER 23 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Have you ever been asked to guess how many candies are in a jar? There's some math involved in making a good estimate. Let's have fun with math and figure out the best strategy for answering this question!

**Fact vs. Fiction in a Digital World**  
OCTOBER 30 | 1PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Are you tired of misinformation clouding your judgment? Sharpen your critical thinking skills and become a

truth warrior in this engaging class on identifying fake news in a digital world.

**Goosebumps and Ghosts**  
OCTOBER 30 | 4:30PM  
**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Create a spooky ghost while watching classic *Goosebumps* stories.



**Family Story Time**  
WEDNESDAYS | 10:30AM  
**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

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**Puzzle Challenge**  
SEPTEMBER 24 | 5:30PM  
**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Can your family complete a 400-piece jigsaw puzzle faster than anyone else? Test your skills against other families and get ready for a fast-paced night of racing! A group of five to six people is recommended for fair team play. Please have one person per group complete online registration.

## Screen Print Tote Bag

OCTOBER 3 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Get creative! Select from several meme-style designs and create a screen print bag. Follow step-by-step instructions, then try it yourself. Pull your own print using a screen, ink and squeegee. Materials are provided.

## Book Brick Painting

OCTOBER 8 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Transform an ordinary brick into a stunning piece of art inspired by your favorite book cover. Your artistic talents don't matter—what's more important is time spent with fellow crafters.



# Johnstown (Mary E. Babcock)



**Family Story Time**  
TUESDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Enjoy stories, rhymes and songs that help develop early literacy skills! Designed for ages birth through 5.

### Teen Tuesdays

TUESDAYS | 6PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Get creative with crafty projects and games—there is something new every week. Don't miss out!



**Babcock Book Club**

SEPTEMBER 12, OCTOBER 10 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Copies are available at the Johnstown (Mary E. Babcock) location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library.

September: *American Predator*

by Maureen Callahan

October: *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*

by Betty Smith



**Healthy Eating As We Age**

SEPTEMBER 16 | 1PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Making smart food choices is an important part of healthy aging. Experts from Pathways of Central Ohio present sound tips and strategies on healthy eating.

### Y on the Fly

SEPTEMBER 18, 25, OCTOBER 9, 16, 23, 30 | 3PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Buckeye Valley Family YMCA brings a variety of games and STEM/STEAM activities weekly.



**U.S. Immigration in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**

SEPTEMBER 23 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Dr. Robert Gitter presents a detailed discussion on U.S. immigration and its impact on the economy.

### Wine Cork Pumpkins

SEPTEMBER 26 | 6:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Fall is in the air so it's time to break out the pumpkins. Get crafty and create beautiful decor with wine corks. Materials are provided.

### Land Preservation

SEPTEMBER 28 | 12PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Learn about stewardship and land preservation with Licking Land Trust. Free native plants while supplies last. Kids are welcome and can participate in art activities.



**Blackhand Gorge**

OCTOBER 10 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Aaron Keirns discusses Blackhand Gorge, the spectacular natural and historic gorge of the Licking River. His book, *Black Hand Gorge: An Illustrated Guide*, is available for purchase and signing at the time of the program.



## Friends of the Mary E. Babcock Library Book Sale

Support the Friends Group of LCL's Johnstown location at their annual book sale! Proceeds raised go back to the Mary E. Babcock Library.

The sale is in the large meeting room.

Hours: Oct. 24, 10am - 7:30pm; Oct. 25, 10am - 4:30pm; Oct. 26, 10am - 2:30pm



**Family Story Time**

MONDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Enjoy stories, rhymes and songs that help develop early literacy skills! Designed for ages birth through 5.



**The History of Utica:**

1860-1900

SEPTEMBER 24 | 6PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

From the Civil War to the turn of the century, Utica experienced growth in the glass industry. It also suffered devastating fires in the village. The program looks at the people and places in Utica during this time.



**Homeschoolfest**

OCTOBER 8 & 9 | 1PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Homeschoolfest features interactive programs for homeschool families.

**Day One:** Learn cool facts while interacting with animals in an experience you won't forget. Presented by Bring the Farm to You.

**Day Two:** Discover the truth about wolves in Ohio Canid Center's informative presentation "Wolves: Fact vs. Myth."

### Sloth Paint Party

OCTOBER 10 | 4:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Hang around as we learn the step-by-step process of painting your own lazy sloth friend.

# West Newark (Emerson R. Miller)



**Family Story Time**

THURSDAYS | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Enjoy stories, rhymes and songs that help develop early literacy skills! Designed for ages birth through 5.

### A Practice in Mindful Coloring

SEPTEMBER 4 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Most people view coloring as just a bit of childish fun. However, many studies are proving that coloring helps benefit our mental health well into adulthood. Participate in a peaceful and stress-free hour and get your color on!

### Wood Whittling

SEPTEMBER 5 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Learn whittling fundamentals and get step-by-step instructions for the most common cuts and finishing techniques using the provided materials.

### Back-to-School Craft Night

SEPTEMBER 10 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Head into the new school year with flair! Customize school supplies with our DIY stickers and pencil pouches workshop. Bring water bottles, binders and notebooks to adorn with adhesive masterpieces and receive pencils and pens to fill a one-of-a-kind case. Designed for ages 9 - 12.

### Prepare with Pedro

SEPTEMBER 11 | 3:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

This Red Cross preparedness program teaches children how to prepare and take action for home fires and local hazards. Designed for ages 5 - 8.

### International Spice Group

SEPTEMBER 11 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Love to experiment with new flavors? Interested in learning the history and culture of spices or want to explore new ways of incorporating them into your cooking? Look no further and let's explore the world of spices together. September spotlight: coriander

### On Yer Mark, Get Set, Arrr

SEPTEMBER 12 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Yo-ho-pefully have a great time joining fellow pirates to prove your worth as the best crew by building a ship-shape vessel from cardboard.

### BritLit Book Group

SEPTEMBER 18, OCTOBER 16 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Calling all literary enthusiasts and Anglophiles! Join us for witty discussions and a jolly good time. Copies are available at the West Newark (Emerson R. Miller) location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library.  
September: *And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie  
October: *A Traitor in Whitehall* by Julia Kelly

### Happy Hobbit Day

SEPTEMBER 19 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

In a hole in the ground, there lived a hobbit. Celebrate all things Shire and Baggins at this celebration of Bilbo's birthday.



## Historical Drama Group

SEPTEMBER 25, OCTOBER 23 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Delve into the untold stories behind history through film and gain a new perspective on the people and events that have shaped our world. Copies are available at the West Newark (Emerson R. Miller) location.

September: *Sully*

October: *One Life*

## Little Listeners: Too Much Glue!

SEPTEMBER 26 | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Develop early literacy skills through crafting, reading, singing and playing along with your little one.

## BOOK CLUBS LGBTQIA+ Book Group

SEPTEMBER 26, OCTOBER 31 | 6PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Everyone is welcome to engage in fun, respectful dialogue. Copies are available at the West Newark (Emerson R. Miller) location or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library or hoopla.

September: *Hijab Butch Blues*

by Lanya H.

October: *We Used to Live Here*

by Marcus Kliever

## Create a Creepypasta

OCTOBER 1 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Can you strike terror in just a few words? Create super scary short stories in multiple mediums.

## Book Witch

OCTOBER 1 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Make a beautiful witch from a previously-loved book. It's wickedly cute and makes a unique addition to your Halloween décor.



## Girls in the Garage

OCTOBER 2 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Ladies, try a basic carpentry class that breaks down the barriers. This includes working with wood, planning and designing simple projects, and using tools safely and effectively. Leave the class feeling confident and ready to tackle household projects.

## Little Listeners: Rhythm and Rhyme

OCTOBER 3 | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

These stories, songs and activities are great tools for helping preschoolers develop rhythm, fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination.

## Floral Book Arrangement

OCTOBER 9 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Unleash your creativity as you learn basic book folding and the art of crafting stunning floral arrangements within the pages of a book.

## Cozy Fantasy Night

OCTOBER 15 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Do you enjoy fantasy books with recipes instead of rampaging, and coffee shops instead of combat? Come craft and relax with other fans of the cozy fantasy genre.

## Spooky Suds

OCTOBER 17 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Bubble, bubble, soil and muddle! Join us for a frightfully-fun afternoon of brewing up your very own Halloween-themed soap. Wear your favorite costume! Designed for ages 9 - 12.

## Haunted Graham Cracker House

OCTOBER 19 | 11AM

**DESIGNED FOR ELEMENTARY**

Why wait for the holidays to decorate a candy house? Everyone in the family can easily get involved in this fun, come-and-go activity, but there is a trick: you put it all together in the dark!

## DIY Rubber Duck Cosplay

OCTOBER 29 | 5:30PM

**DESIGNED FOR TEENS**

Celebrate any fandom you want and practice your cosplay skills with scraps and glue.

## Little Listeners: Halloween Story Time

OCTOBER 31 | 10:30AM

**DESIGNED FOR EARLY LEARNERS**

Listen, learn and laugh with not-so-scary stories, songs, rhymes and activities.



## Getting Started with Telehealth

SEPTEMBER 11 | 1PM | LCAP

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Learn about the benefits of telehealth, how to communicate with a provider using secure messaging, the technology needed to attend a telehealth appointment, and tips for attending a telehealth appointment. *Location: Licking County Aging Partners, 1058 E. Main Street, Newark.*

## ESL Speaking Club

SEPTEMBER 11, OCTOBER 9 | 4:30PM

COTC PATASKALA CAMPUS

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Practice speaking English in a relaxed environment. This is a conversation club for adults who do not speak English as their first language and want to improve their English communication skills. Program is facilitated by C-TEC's ESOL Coordinator/Instructor and LCL's Inclusive Services Coordinator.

## Intro to Chromebooks

SEPTEMBER 18 | 1PM

OHIO MEANS JOBS

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Learn the ins and outs of Chromebooks, how they differ from a Windows PC or laptop, and discover if it is right for your needs. *Location: Ohio Means Jobs, 998 E. Main Street, Newark.*

## Author Talk: Liane Moriarty

SEPTEMBER 21 | 7PM | VIRTUAL

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Chat with mega-bestselling author Liane Moriarty about her newest novel *Here One Moment*. If you knew your future, would you try to fight fate? If you were told you only had a certain amount of time left to live, would you do things differently? Would you try to dodge your destiny? Moriarty's *Here One Moment* is a brilliantly constructed tale that looks at free will and destiny, grief and love, and the endless struggle to maintain certainty and control in an uncertain world.

## Black Swamp Bird Observatory

SEPTEMBER 26 | 11AM | VIRTUAL

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Founded in 1992, the Black Swamp Bird Observatory (BSBO) organizes and hosts The Biggest Week In American Birding, a 10-day birding festival coinciding with the peak of spring songbird migration in northwest Ohio. The annual event draws over 90,000 avid birders globally. Learn the story behind BSBO, its focus on education, and its commitment to conservation and economic development.

## Ohio's Amazing Bats

SEPTEMBER 30 | 7PM | VIRTUAL

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Marne Titchenell, Extension Wildlife Program Director with The Ohio State University, discusses the importance of bats to the ecology, economy and health of our shared world ecosystem. Titchenell has extensively studied bat populations in the forests of southern Ohio.

## Fact vs. Fiction in a Digital World

OCTOBER 10 | 1PM | LCAP

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Are you tired of misinformation clouding your judgment? Sharpen your critical thinking skills and become a truth warrior in this engaging class on identifying fake news in a digital world. *Location: Licking County Aging Partners, 1058 E. Main Street, Newark.*

## TECHSPERT Computer Basics

OCTOBER 16 | 1PM | OHIO MEANS JOBS

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Are you a computing novice? This beginner class covers: computer parts; hardware and software differences; opening, closing and resizing windows on a computer screen; and mouse use. *Location: Ohio Means Jobs, 998 E. Main Street, Newark.*

## EMPOWERED MINDS The Unbearable Lightness of Meaning

OCTOBER 18 | 11AM | VIRTUAL

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Dr. Nikole Patson discusses language, a tool we use proficiently every day yet seldom pause to consider how it works. A remarkable feature of language is that speakers (or writers) can leave parts unsaid and our minds automatically fill the gaps. Discuss how this feature of language (and our minds) can lead to misinterpretation and how advertisers take advantage of it.

## The Book Ball

OCTOBER 18 | 7PM | NEWARK STATION

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

Licking County Library invites you to the Book Ball, a celebration for book lovers at Newark Station. Bring a favorite book to share or trade, dress up as a book character or sport your book-themed paraphernalia. Come prepared to talk books! Signature book-themed cocktails are available for purchase. Light desserts are provided. *Location: Newark Station, 325 W. Main Street, Newark.*

## BOOK CLUBS at the Library Community Book Club: Beaverland

OCTOBER 29 | 7PM | INFIRMARY MOUND PARK

**DESIGNED FOR ADULTS**

In preparation for author Leila Philip's November 11 visit to Denison University, Licking Land Trust, Licking Parks District, Licking County Library and Granville Public Library are hosting a book discussion. Copies of *Beaverland* can be borrowed from Licking County Library or download a copy from The Ohio Digital Library. *Location: James Bradley Center at Infirmiry Mound Park, 4351 Lancaster Road, Granville.*



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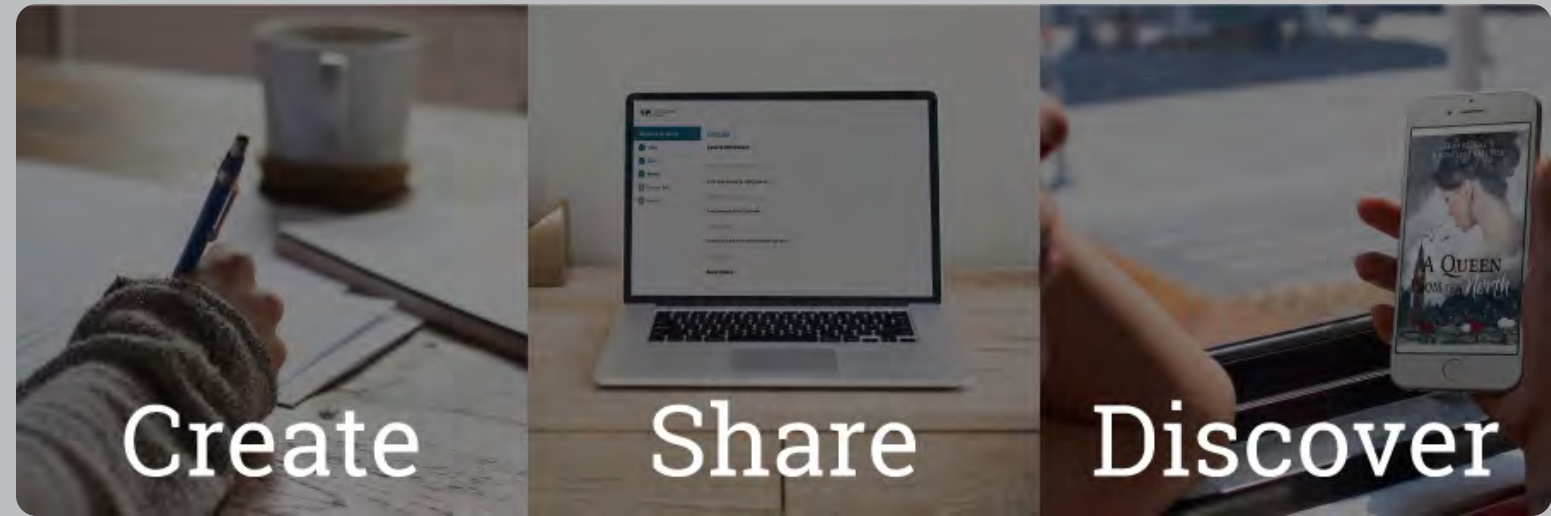
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### Downtown Newark\*

101 West Main Street, Newark | 740.349.5500

### Buckeye Lake

4455 Walnut Road, Buckeye Lake | 740.928.0472

### Hebron

934 West Main Street, Hebron | 740.928.3923

### Johnstown (Mary E. Babcock)

320 North Main Street, Johnstown | 740.967.2982

### West Newark (Emerson R. Miller)\*

990 West Main Street, Newark | 740.344.2155

### Utica\*

115 South Main Street, Utica | 740.892.2400

### Mobile Library

schedule listed online | 740.349.5519

### 24-Hour Kiosk • COTC Pataskala Campus

8660 West Broad Street, Reynoldsburg

### 24-Hour Kiosk • Legacy Park Hanover

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Monday, September 2 - Labor Day  
Monday, October 14 - Staff Development Day

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**Program Calendar:** [lickingcountylibrary.org](http://lickingcountylibrary.org)

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