Want to get involved?



Western Allegheny Historical Society (WAHS)

In 2015, a group of residents from the West Allegheny community formed a Historical

Society to tell a story of our community's past through pictures, articles, and programs. The group is open for yearly memberships at a cost of \$10 per member. Email WAHS at wahistoricalsociety@gmail.com for more information or fill out the online application today at wahistoricalsociety.com.

WAHS will be visiting the Woodville Plantation located in Bridgeville, PA on Saturday, September 23 at 10:00 a.m. The home, built in 1775, is Pennsylvania's oldest surviving home and the site of a skirmish during the Whiskey Rebellion in the 1790's. Learn more and register at wahistoricalsociety.com.



Friends of the Library

The **Friends of the Library** is an organization created to help support Western Allegheny Community Library through various fundraising and volunteer efforts. Among other duties, they raise money to help support the library's budget, provide funding for the summer reading program, and volunteer at events throughout the year. The Friends also help grow community partnerships, operate regular book sales, and manage donated materials. But above all, they are a group of volunteers who love books, understand the vital role WACL plays in the community, and want to promote the library's programs and services.

Contact waclfriends@gmail.com for more information or visit the library website under "**Friends of the** Library."

Check out our "Library of **Things**"!

Our "Library of Things" includes a wide variety of gadgets, games, tech, and tools for you to take home (and bring back when you're done, of course!). Why buy when you can borrow? Here's just a sample of what we offer!

- Experience Passes
- Technology Items
- Household & Kitchen Tools
- Board Games
- Outdoor Games & Kits
- Kids' Toys & Tech

Visit our website under "Books & More" to see our full "Library of Things" list, with more to come! Call the library for availability and to request a hold.

Tech Talk: Tutor.com

Get online help from real tutors every day from 12 p.m. to 12 a.m.! **Tutor.com** Live Homework Help offers online tutoring for grades K—12, as well as college level students in English, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Non-traditional students and adult learners can also take advantage of essay writing, skills building, GED prep, and other tutoring services designed specifically for adults. There's also SAT/ACT and other test prep, study skills, and so much more! To get started using this free online library resource, visit our website under "Online Resources" and click on **Tutor.com**.

Need a hand with homework?

We can Help! On-demand tutoring, online.

Visit our website at westernalleghenylibrary.org and click on "Online Resources" to get started!





WESTERN ALLEGHENY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Fall 2023

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Saturday, September 16, 2023

Save the date for our annual Fall for Your Library event! FFYL is our largest fundraiser and the community's premier food

& beverage tasting event, featuring special food & wine/beer pairings, games, auctions, and music.

Tickets are \$50 and are available for purchase online or at the library. FFYL will take place on Saturday, September 16, 6:00—10:00 p.m. at Celebrations, 8110 Steubenville Pike, Imperial, PA.

Incentives for sponsors may include free tickets, advertising, and more! Contact Amy at 724-695-8150 x6 or mcdonalda@einetwork.net for details.

WHAT'S INSIDE:

Programs for All Ages Special Events "Love Your Library" Month

LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

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LOVE YOUR LIBRARY COMMATCHING GIFT CAMPAIGN

We are thrilled to announce the return of Love Your Library month for 2023! Thanks again to the generosity of the Jack Buncher Foundation, every donation made to Western Allegheny Community Library throughout the month of September will receive a prorated MATCH - up to \$500 per donor! With an entire month to "Love Your Library," there are many ways to get involved & double the impact of your support. See our website at westernalleghenylibrary.org for details and get ready to share the love this September!

LYL) Support & Sponsorships

Make your support go even further by making a tax-deductible donation to WACL during "Love Your Library" month! See our website under "Donate," or stop by the library to give in person. Own a business? Sponsorship opportunities are also available—contact Amy at mcdonalda@einetwork.net for more information.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Do some shopping and support your library! Books, puzzles, and other items are available for purchase at our ongoing book sale located near the front desk. We are also accepting donations of books and other gently used materials; see page 2 of this newsletter for donation criteria. Interested in joining our Friends Group? Look for more information on our website under "Get Involved"!

Merchandise Sales

You can even help by purchasing Sarris candy bars, earbuds, flash drives, and more at the library front desk. Everything counts!

Libraries connect us with each other

LOVE YOUR LIBRARY

All gifts to your local library made during September will be **MATCHED**! Love YOUR Library and create a connection by making a gift today. For more information call us or visit westernalleghenylibrary.org.

Event Highlights

See details & sign up on our website.

GARAGE SALE Saturday, August 12 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Get rid of some old treasures and find some new ones at our huge Garage Sale to benefit the library! Donated items for the sale may be dropped off during open library hours, 9 a.m.—8 p.m. on August 8—10. Please Note: We are not accepting donations of clothes, TVs, computers, hazardous materials, weapons, or large furniture; small furniture is ok. To volunteer to help out with the sale or for any questions, contact kdoddato@yahoo.com.

WINE & DESSERT TASTING Thursday, October 26 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Join us for a fun twist on one of our most popular programs. This year we're teaming up with two amazing community partners. L&K Bundt Shop will be here with five amazing desserts that will be expertly paired with five wines from Four Twelve Winery. The cost for this program is just \$20, so it is sure to sell out. Space is limited; must register and pay online.

CPR & FIRST AID CLASS Saturday, October 28 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

CCAC is coming to the library to present an American Heart Association Heart Saver CPR/AED/First Aid certification class. This 4hour class is for adults only age 18 & up and is offered at a special discounted price of \$25 per person. Participants who meet requirements will receive an AHA Heartsaver course completion card valid for 2 years.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE Saturday, December 9 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

This holiday season—give the gift of life! Vitalant is once again holding a Blood Drive at the library. Donations are greatly needed at this time. Appointments recommended! Check our website for details on donor eligibility & to sign up to participate in this worthy cause.

NOTARY SERVICES

Notary services are now available at the library! Our librarian Heather Auman is a registered Notary Public and can perform notary services by appointment only during open library hours. Please fill out the form on our website or call 724-695-8150 x2 for an appointment. All parties to the transaction must have proper identification and be prepared to pay the required standard fees.

LIBRARIES ARE FOR EVERYONE



LIBRARIES ARE FOR EVERYONE A Program for All Ages & Abilities Mondays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. August 21: Art Free for All September 11: Art Free for All September 25: Citizens Art Show October 2: Amphibian Extravaganza October 30: Pumpkin Painting November 6: The Magic of Halloween November 17: Animal Tales (on Friday) December 4: Gingerbread House Workshop December 18: Bandana Tote Bags Come join people from all walks of life for a series of interactive programs. See details on each week's theme and register online. A special program for all ages and abilities.

LIBRARIES ARE FOR EVERYONE: EXERCISE CLASS

Thursdays, October 12—December 14

Come join us for some weekly exercise that everyone can participate in. LeAnne, our friend from Citizens Care, will lead us through a series of exercises that we'll follow along on a large screen. No experience required. Space is limited, so please register separately for each session you plan to attend. No class November 23. A special program for all ages and abilities.

Save the date for our fall Friends Book Sale!

Thursday—Saturday, October 12—14



Thursday, 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

(\$10 Early Bird fee* 9:00—10:00 a.m.) Friday, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Saturday, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

\$10 per bag or individually priced:

- ★ Fiction & Non-Fiction Books
- ★ Adult, Teen, and Children's Materials
- ✤ Puzzles & Games
- ★ Raffle baskets, and more!

There will be a Teacher Preview night on October 11, 3:00—6:00 p.m. (must show educator ID). Sale accepts cash or credit.

Hosted by our Friends of the Library Group

*Early Bird Fee waived for Friends members. Interested in joining our Friends group and helping out with our book sales? Visit our website under "Get Involved" to learn more!

We are accepting donations!

The library accepts and appreciates donations of gently used materials for our book sale. Donations may be dropped off inside the library during open hours. Please note we can NOT accept any of the following: VHS, cassettes, LPs, DVDs, CDs, encyclopedias, dictionaries, textbooks, reference books, National Geographic, Reader's Digest Condensed books, magazines over two years old, or anything significantly damaged, soiled, or moldy. Thank you for your support!

Adult Programs

Please register online for all programs.

ALASKAN CRUISE NIGHT Tuesday, September 12 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Come join us as Cruise Planners tells you all about exploring this amazing destination on both land and sea. Not only will you learn why Alaska is one of the most popular travel destinations year after year, but you will also discover how easy it is to make this dream vacation a reality!

LLCs MADE SIMPLE Friday, September 8 2:30—3:30 p.m.

Join Attorney Woods from Woods Law Offices to learn the ins and outs of creating an LLC. Attendees will be given an overview of what LLCs are, why they exist and how to open a side business with an LLC you can create yourself. The presenter will also review why you may need to consult an attorney and a Memorandum of Incorporation if you want to do something more complicated.

ESTATE ADMINISTRATION Wednesday, September 13 6:30—7:30 p.m.

Whoa, it costs a lot to die. Who knew settling the affairs of someone who passed away could be so hard or costly. Michele Conti, from Conti Law, will discuss the overall procedure of administering an estate in Pennsylvania and the most common assumptions that are truly wrong.

CUSTODY 101 Tuesday, September 19 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Whether you are a parent going through a separation, or a third party caring for a child, stop by to learn the policies and procedures for child custody in Pennsylvania. We will review the law, the process and what to expect as well as answer any questions. Presented by Aleksandra Kocelko of BOK Law & Mediation Services.

PERSPECTIVES ON DYSLEXIA Thursday, September 21 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Dyslexia is the most common learning difference, yet the most misunderstood. Translated literally, dyslexia means "difficulty with language." This session will explain the continuum of dyslexia, early indicators of language development concerns, and how dyslexia impacts reading, writing, and eventually all school subjects if not remediated. Presented by Provident Charter School.

NATURAL HEALTH BASICS Tuesday, September 26 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Presenter Renee Swasey will be introducing Natural Health Basics. Topics will include six areas to help determine where to start, focus, and resources for natural health. The presenter is a board-certified naturopathic, certified health coach, and licensed Massage Therapist, and she operates Allegheny Muscle Therapy & Massage.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS INFORMATION SESSION

Monday, October 2 6:30—7:30 p.m.

You do not need to be an expert, have prior knowledge, or know someone living with dementia to become a Dementia Friend! Join us for a one-hour session led by a Dementia Friends Champion, where you will learn to: describe dementia; know the most common type; understand five key messages; learn ways to effectively communicate. All attendees will receive a workbook, resource packet, and Dementia Friends certificate.

FIRE PREVENTION Tuesday, October 3 6:00—7:00 p.m.

October is Fire Prevention Month, and North Fayette Fire Department is coming to present a program for adults regarding fire prevention in the home. Be informed on how to keep yourself, your belongings, and your loved ones safe!

BATTLE OF THE MONONGAHELA Wednesday, October 4, 6:00—7:00 p.m.

This fascinating history program will focus on the Battle of the Monongahela and the incidents that led to the battle, which eventually paved the way for the French and Indian War. Time for Q&A will follow. Presented by Braddock's Battlefield History Center.

ESTATE PLANNING 101 Thursday, October 5, 6:30—7:30 p.m.

Beginning with a foundation is the most important starting place for any plan, especially one so important. Attorney Laurel Krajewski from Conti Law will be here to discuss the different planning documents you and your loved ones should have.

VETERANS BENEFITS DROP-IN Thursday, November 2 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

An area VFW representative will be at the library to meet with vets and give information about benefits for veterans, as well as discuss issues and answer questions. Topics may include VA claims assistance, pensions, and appeals. Drop by and get your questions answered.

HONEYBEES & WHY WE NEED THEM Saturday, November 11 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Honeybees are so much more than just producers of honey! They are crucial for our ecosystem and many of our food sources. Learn from local beekeeper Hank "The Bee Guy" just how amazing bees are and how we can be more aware of their importance. This program will also include a special premier of "Hive," an original documentary.

GUARDIANSHIP VS. POA Tuesday, November 14 6:30—7:30 p.m.

Guardianship vs. POA: Which is Better? Do you have a power of attorney in place? Attorney Laurel Krajewski from Conti Law will be here to discuss what happens if you don't, and the day arrives when you are unable to make a decision for yourself.

Thinking about fall yet?

Some of us can't wait! And not just because of pumpkin spice lattes... the return of autumn also means the return of our **Fall Reading Challenge**! Keep an eye out for details coming soon, and get ready to register on Beanstack! We'll have lots of **awesome autumn activities** and **reading tracking** for all ages, with of course the chance to win **great prizes**. The Fall Reading Challenge will run September 1— November 22.

Middle Grade & Teen

Grades 6—12

HOMESCHOOL LUNCH BUNCH

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. September 7—November 16 (Offsite on September 21, October 12, October 19, & November 16)

Bring your lunch to munch and chat alongside fellow homeschoolers and parents, or just enjoy some self-directed free play, exploration, and art activities! This program is for homeschool families with children and teens of all ages. Please register online only once for the whole season.

TEEN ART NIGHT: MASON JAR MOSAICS Monday, September 11 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Come rock the evening! Get creative and design your own mason jar mosaic. For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN MAKER LAB: CLOUD LIGHTS Monday, September 18 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Are things getting dull & dreary as the weather turns toward fall? Construct your very own cloud light to brighten up your room! For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN TEST KITCHEN: ENERGY BALLS Monday, September 25 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Teen Test Kitchen is perfect for aspiring teen chefs and foodies, as well as complete novices who don't know how to boil water. Put some pep in your step with no-bake energy balls! Recommended for teens without food allergies. For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN ART NIGHT: YARN LETTERS Monday, October 9 6:00—7:00 p.m.

No need to get yourself all knotted up! Create your own beautiful yarn décor by making yarn letters. For teens in grades 6— 12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN MAKER LAB: PUMPKIN CARVING Monday, October 23 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Let's get spooky! Design and carve your own jack-o-lantern just in time for the spookiest of seasons. All supplies will be provided, but bring stencils or your own tools if you'd like! For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN TEST KITCHEN: APPLE MONSTER COOKIES Monday, October 30 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Teen Test Kitchen is perfect for aspiring teen chefs and foodies, as well as complete novices who don't know how to boil water. This time we will be making Apple Monster Cookies! Recommended for teens without food allergies. For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN ART NIGHT: GNOME ORNAMENTS Monday, November 6 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Gnome matter what, we are about to have fun constructing and painting these no-sew gnome ornaments. For teens in grades 6— 12. Please register online; limited space.

TEEN MAKER LAB: YARN TREES Monday, November 13 6:00—7:00 p.m.

What a TREEEEt we have for you! Make yarn trees that are holiday-themed or simply ready for a winter wonderland. For teens in grades 6—12. Register online; limited space.

TEEN TEST KITCHEN: COOKIE DECORATING Monday, November 20 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Teen Test Kitchen is perfect for aspiring teen chefs and foodies, as well as complete novices who don't know how to boil water. Show off your cookie decorating skills with this week's test kitchen! Design and decorate multiple winter cookies. Whether you are a pro-decorator or a novice, this program is for you! For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online; limited space.

Need Volunteer hours? We need Volunteens!

Are you in need of community service hours or just want to help out at the library? We are currently accepting Volunteen applications for Fall 2023 for teens ages 13—17. Applications received by September 15 at 11:59 p.m. are guaranteed hours starting in October; all others after that are on an as-needed basis. Fill out our Teen Volunteer Application online at www.westernalleghenylibrary.org/get-involved/teen-volunteering.html

Crafts & More

PUMPKIN NEEDLE FELTING CRAFT

Monday, August 7, 6:30–7:30 p.m. Ever want to try needle felting? We've got a great craft night to get you ready for fall! Join us as we make a pumpkin needle felting craft. Must register; limited space. For adults age 18 & up.

PUZZLE EXCHANGE Wednesday, September 6 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Back by popular demand - bring a puzzle, take a puzzle! Bring in a gently used, complete puzzle and take one from our stack to share. Drop in to make your trade, and then let the puzzle fun begin!

CRAFT SWAP Saturday, September 30 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Did you pick up a crafting hobby that is no longer interesting you? Want to try something new without the upfront cost? Then come to our craft swap! Donations will be accepted starting September 20, or bring them in the day of the swap. You do not need to donate to participate, but we will have a greater variety when more people participate! See our website for donation guidelines & ideas.

WINTER HAT CROCHET CLASS Thursday, October 19 6:00—7:30 p.m.

Make a warm winter hat just in time for the chilly weather! Class includes all supplies to make a hat in class. Novice through experienced crocheters welcome! For adults age 18 & up. See more from our presenter at www.etsy.com/shop/CatawampusKitsch.

CRAFT NIGHTS First Tuesdays, 6:30—7:30 p.m. September—December

Each month we'll provide all the supplies & know-how needed to create various simple & fun decorative craft projects. Please register for each craft night you plan to attend. For adults only, age 18 & up.

Computer Classes

TECH TUTORING

Need help accessing our online resources? Having trouble with a specific software or mobile device? Request a one-on-one tech tutoring session! These classes typically last about 30 minutes and are available on a flexible schedule. Visit our website or call 724-695-8150 x2 to request an appointment.

RÉSUMÉ WORKSHOP Tuesday, August 8 6:30—7:30 p.m.

Are you new to the workforce and need help creating a résumé? Or are you back for a second career and need to update your old one? This workshop will demonstrate the basics of using a template to create a résumé from scratch, as well as tips for editing and updating. Further assistance may be requested by appointment.

INTRO TO OUR NEW CATALOG Tuesday, August 22 6:30—7:30 p.m.

We're getting a LOT of questions about our new online catalog! This intro will address how to log in to the new catalog, create a username, see your reading history, place holds, search and filter, and much more. If you have any questions, go ahead and bring them along, as there will be plenty of time for Q&A.

MICROSOFT OFFICE ON THE JOB Tuesdays, 6:30—7:30 p.m. Part One, Word: September 12 Part Two, PowerPoint: October 10 Part Three, Publisher: November 14 Part Four, Excel: December 12

Are you new to the workforce or going back for a second career and the job description requires "proficiency in Microsoft Office"? Come get the skills you'll need to start out! In this series of computer lab-style classes, we will cover the basics, including creating a document, using a template, changing fonts and styles, and using pictures and other objects. Sign up for one class or come to them all to experience the entire Office Suite.

SELLING ONLINE Tuesday, October 17 6:30—7:30 p.m.

In this class we will explore the various platforms for buying and selling online, including eBay, Craigslist, Facebook, and more. Learn about the buying and selling process, advantages and disadvantages, best practices, scams, and online safety.

Need tech help? Ask for a one-on-one

Tech Tutoring

appointment with a librarian!

Book Clubs

BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB 1st Wednesdays 1:00—3:00 p.m.

Western Allegheny Community Library's longest-standing book club for adults! Join the Bookworms to discuss each month's title in a variety of genres of adult fiction. Check our website for each month's book choice.

WE BE BOOK'N 2nd Wednesdays 6:00—8:00 p.m.

Each month, we'll reserve a copy of the book for you and make reservations at a local restaurant. All you have to do is show up, enjoy the deliciousness, and share your thoughts on the book. Please RSVP by the evening before so we can make accurate restaurant reservations. This is a 'Dutch Treat' event. See our website for each month's book & restaurant choice.

BOOK-TO-MOVIE CLUB 4th Mondays 5:30—7:30 p.m.

"The book was better" - or was it? Come answer the age-old question at our Book-to-Movie Club! Each month we'll choose a book to read, then watch the movie version to share & compare! See our website for each month's book & movie choice. Note: Will meet 3rd Mondays in November & December.

Children & Family

Please register online for all programs.

Family Programs

STORY STROLL @ Donaldson Park

The Story Stroll at Donaldson Park is a great way for your family to burn off some energy, get steps in, and enjoy a children's story in a different setting! The story will change around the start of each month and is available for families to enjoy year-round on their own time. Scan the QR Code at the end to share stats and feedback! Donaldson Park is located at 590 Donaldson Rd in Oakdale.

HOMESCHOOL LUNCH BUNCH

Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. September 7—November 16 (Offsite Sept. 21, Oct. 12, Oct. 19, & Nov. 16)

Bring your lunch to munch and chat alongside fellow homeschoolers and parents, or just enjoy some self-directed free play, exploration, and art activities! This program is for homeschool families with children and teens of all ages. Please register online only once for the whole season.

THE LEGO MOVIE BUILD-ALONG ©Warner Bros. Saturday, September 23 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Everything is awesome! Keep the kragle in the craft closet, and build along while watching *The LEGO Movie* (©Warner Bros.). Use the bricks we have, or bring your own from home at your own risk. For families of all ages. Please register online.

FRANKENSCHNOZ RETURNS! Saturday, October 21 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Frankenschnoz makes his glorious return to the Youth Services Desk, and we need you to pick his nose! Like an old challenge on Double Dare, reach up in the monster's schnoz, and dig around for a spooky surprise. One per child; while supplies last.

Storytimes

Storytimes run Sept. 5—Nov. 22 Registration required; please visit our website to register.

BABY RHYME TIME Wednesdays, 9:30—10:00 a.m. Birth—18 months

Enjoy the company of other babies and caregivers while we bounce, clap, sing, and fly! Best for babies ages birth-18 months with a caregiver. Please register online only once for the whole season. No program Oct. 11 & Nov 1.

LITTLES STORYTIME Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10:30—11:00 a.m. 18 months—5 years

Read, sing, and shake your sillies out! Then make a new friend in our Play Room, and check out some books. The same storytime will be presented both days. Best for ages 18 months—5 years with a caregiver. Please register online only once for the whole season by registering for either day. No program Oct. 10—11 and Nov. 1. Offsite at Donaldson Park Story Stroll Sept. 19, Oct. 17, and Nov. 14.

TROLLS DOUBLE FEATURE ©Universal Pictures Saturday, November 18 10:00-11:30 a.m. & 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Get your rewatch on before you see the newest Trolls movie in theatres! Dance on over for *Trolls* (©Universal Pictures) at 10:00 a.m. then *Trolls: World Tour* (©Universal Pictures) at 12:00 p.m. Registration gets you on the list for the whole double feature attend either or both. A troll hair headband craft will be available while supplies last. For families of all ages. Please register online.

Thursdays, 9:30—10:30 a.m. OR Fridays, 1:00—2:00 p.m. Entering Kindergarteners

PLAY K

This program is exclusively for children entering kindergarten in Fall 2024. We'll support the development of kindergartenreadiness skills by focusing on academic, social, emotional, self-help skills, and even play! Weekly attendance is encouraged. Please register online only once for either the Thursday OR Friday session; limited space.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY STORYTIME Fridays

10:30—11:15 a.m.

This dynamic and interactive experience is for kiddos with sensory processing difficulties, autism, or other developmental differences. The design of the program allows children to participate at their own level with activities that strive to meet their sensory needs. Songs, movement, and stories will be followed by open exploration activities that promote socialization, motor skills, and more! Best for children requiring an inclusive storytime experience and their caregivers. Please register only once online for the whole season; limited space.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE WORKSHOP Saturday, December 2 10:00—11:00 a.m. OR 12:30—1:30 p.m.

Our annual Gingerbread House Workshop is one of WACL's longest-standing traditions! We'll provide the iced tea container base, and you provide a can of frosting and a cookie sheet or baking pan to build on. You'll also be asked to drop off a candy decoration to share prior to the program. For families of all ages. Please register only once online for each person that would like to build their own gingerbread house; limited space.

Don't forget to register! Registration is required for all storytimes and events.

School Age

ART CLUB: LEAF GARLAND Monday, September 11, 4:30—5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Put your creativity on display, and create a fun fall craft! We will be designing and constructing fall leaf garland. For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

MAD SCIENTISTS: PARACHUTE PEOPLE Monday, September 18, 4:30—5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Let's go mad exploring various STEM concepts! Brave the challenge of constructing your own parachute people hoping to survive a daring dive. For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

MOVEMENT MAKERS: OBSTACLE COURSE Monday, September 25, 4:30-5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Put on your sneakers, and get ready to move! During each program, we'll be up and moving our bodies by doing fun and engaging movement activities ending with a group parachute time. This week's main activity will be an obstacle course! For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

ART CLUB: AUTUMN ART Monday, October 9, 4:30—5:15 p.m. Grades K—2

Put your creativity on display, and create some autumn art! We will be painting and stenciling with leaves. This program will "leaf" you feeling happy! For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

MAD SCIENTISTS: SLIME TIME Monday, October 23, 4:30-5:15 p.m. Grades K—2

Let's go mad exploring various STEM concepts. This month's activity will be icky, sticky SLIME! For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

MOVEMENT MAKERS: MOVEMENT GAMES Monday, October 30 4:30-5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Put on your sneakers, and get ready to move! During each program, we'll be up and moving our bodies by doing fun and engaging movement activities ending with a group parachute time. This week will be all about movement games, including but not limited to: Red Light/Green Light, Balloon Keep-It-Up, Freeze Tag, and more! For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

ART CLUB: WINTER ORNAMENTS Monday, November 6 4:30—5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Put your creativity on display, and create a wonderful winter craft! We will be making winter-themed bulb ornaments. For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

MAD SCIENTISTS: SHAVING CREAM THUNDERSTORMS Monday, November 13 4:30-5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Let's go mad exploring various STEM concepts! This month's activity will be a booming good time with glow-in-the-dark shaving cream thunderstorms. For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

MOVEMENT MAKERS: DINOVEMBER Monday, November 20 4:30-5:15 p.m. Grades K-2

Put on your sneakers, and get ready to move! During each program, we'll be up and moving our bodies by doing fun and engaging movement activities ending with a group parachute time. Let's celebrate Dinovember with a dinosaur themed extravaganza! From dinosaur yoga to the dinosaur stomp, it'll be a roaring good time! For children in grades K-2. Please register online; limited space.

POKÉMON CLUB 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the Month 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Gotta catch 'em all! Bring your cards to battle (teen volunteers will be on hand to teach) or trade, play Pokémon Go or on your Nintendo Switch, or participate in a Pokémon-themed activity. This program is open to all ages but geared toward grades 3-5; adults must stay with children younger than 3rd grade. Please register online only once for the whole season.

OWL PELLET INVESTIGATION With Raccoon Creek State Park Thursday, September 14, 5:00—6:00 p.m. Grades 3—5

This program is going to be a hoot! Discover what an owl pellet is, how it's made, and investigate and dissect some pellets that local owls left behind at Raccoon Creek State Park. For kids in grades 3-5. Please register online; limited space.

SHARPIE SCIENCE With ALCOSAN Thursday, September 28, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Grades 3—5

Sharpen your science skills with Sharpie Science! ALCOSAN will lead us in experimenting with solubility, color mixing, and the movement of molecules by using hydrophobic markers and rubbing alcohol. For grades 3-5. Register online; limited space.

RAINBOW LOOM BRACELETS Thursday, October 12, 5:00—6:00 p.m. Grades 3—5

Loop and knot your way to a beautiful bracelet! Make a unique rubber band bracelet using a Rainbow Loom to gift to a friend or keep for vourself. For kids in grades 3-5 with the patience to learn a new crafting skill. Please register online; limited space.

TURKEY STUFFIES

Thursday, November 9, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Grades 3—5

Happy fall, y'all! Before you get stuffed full of turkey, make a fleece or flannel turkey stuffie perfect for snuggling up with after a long day of eating. For kids in grades 3-5. Please register online; limited space. 5