OUR VALUES

We value free and open access to the library and library services for all citizens.

We value our patrons by serving them equally, respectfully, and with a friendly attitude.

We value lifelong learning and reading for joy.

We value the privacy of our patrons.

We value our community by playing an active role in improving quality of life.

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BOARD MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2022 at 4:30 pm at the Findlay-Hancock County Public Library.

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Dear Friends,

As I write this, we are almost halfway through SummerREAD with lots of fun events still to come. Be sure to check out the programs listed in this newsletter for great events like Mermaid Ballet, a virtual field trip to the Toledo Zoo and Aquarium, and an escape room for teens and adults.

This month we are excited to launch our Virtual Author Talks in partnership with our neighbors at the Marathon Center for the Performing Arts. The lineup of speakers includes bestselling and award-winning authors of both fiction and nonfiction works. With two to four events offered each month, there’s sure to be something for everyone to enjoy. Don’t worry if you have to miss an author you love. The events will be recorded and available for viewing at a later time.

Finally, if you have not registered for SummerREAD yet, it’s not too late. Sign up in the library or online to join the fun.

Happy Reading!

Sarah Clevidence, Director
Findlay-Hancock County Public Library
1000 Books Before Kindergarten

The concept is simple, the rewards are priceless. Read a book to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to have read 1,000 books before your precious one starts kindergarten.

Early Literacy Kits

Each kit has a theme and useful tips on how to use the items in the bookbag, and is filled with books and interactive toys that children can use to build those crucial early literacy skills. We currently have kits on the following topics: Counting, ABC’s, Colors, Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See, and Opposites.

Playaway Launchpads

Playaway Launchpad is the first-ever secure, pre-loaded learning tablet created just for children. Each Launchpad is pre-loaded with high-quality, ad-free learning apps grouped by age, grade level, subject area and theme.

Audiobooks

Going on a road trip? Pick up an audiobook/book combo. These kits have a CD of the book being read, and the book so your little one can follow along with the story.

Storytimes

Your little one will master new skills through stories, songs, and rhymes. Learning has never been so much fun!

The Findlay-Hancock County Public Library and the Marathon Center for the Performing Arts are partnering to bring an exciting mix of online author talks from New York Times Bestselling authors and a Pulitzer Prize winning historian to Hancock County this summer. Our Virtual Author Talks series gives the thrill of meeting your favorite authors with a live streamed author event. Audiences will be treated to behind-the-scenes discussion of each title and conversation from the author, followed by an interactive question and answer session. Please watch findlaylibrary.org for more authors coming soon! Please register at libraryc.org/findlaylibrary.
How to Prevent Summer Slide

Summer slide is a term for the learning loss that happens when kids are out of school for the summer. A 2020 study by the Northwest Evaluation Association of children in grades 3 - 5 showed that, on average, students lose about 20% of their reading gains — and about 27% of their math gains — over the summer months. How can parents avoid this loss of learning? SummerREAD, of course! Here are more suggestions for parents to avoid the slide.

1. **Attend SummerREAD Programs at the Library** Storytime, Makerspace, Reading with Gibbs, Virtual Trips, and MORE!

2. **Read the Book before You Watch the Movie** Have a weekly movie night, but only after you’ve enjoyed the book. (They get to pick the treat 😊)

3. **Set a Great Example** When you visit the library, pick out a book for yourself as well. (No cell phone use during reading time. Stay engaged!)

4. **Wednesdays Are Comic Book Night** They will build important skills without realizing it. (Then talk about your favorite superheroes!)

5. **Plant a Vegetable or Herb Garden Together** Have them read the planting and growing instructions, count the seeds, and record their growth.

6. **Take a Hike** Visit the many local parks available to you and look up plants, trees, and bugs as you go. (Visit StoryWalk® too!)

7. **Break Out the Tablet** Try an e-book or an audiobook on Libby or Hoopla, available with your library card. (You cool, techie parent! 😎)

8. **Take a Field Trip** Hancock County has many exciting options! It’s a great way to learn about where we live, and the people who live here.

9. **Cook Together** Reading recipes, following instructions, and learning about foods from different cultures can be a lot of fun! #yummy

10. **Go Online** Search free interactive educational games for kids online for great options. (findlaylibrary.org has some online resources for kids too!)
AT-HOME ESCAPE ROOM: SEARCH FOR SUNKEN TREASURE
July 2 in the Children’s Department
Our at-home escape room kit contains puzzles and props to create a fun escape room in your own home. Kits can be picked up starting Saturday, July 2, and are available while supplies last.

MAKERSPACE
Tuesdays at 2:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
Join us for art, science, and engineering projects in our Makerspace for kids! Different projects each week. You can drop in at any time between 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm. Children 8 and under should be accompanied by an adult.

COMICS CLUB
July 6 & 20 at 2:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
Hang out with other kids who love comics, manga, and graphic novels and learn how they’re made. Register at findlaylibrary.org.

READING WITH GIBBS
Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Children’s Programming Room
Readers in kindergarten through grade 12 are invited to drop in for reading practice with Gibbs, a licensed therapy dog, at the library each week. Receive one-on-one time with Gibbs and his trainer as a way to work on reading strength and confidence while enjoying the company of a furry friend!

DRAWING CLUB: OCEAN SCENE
July 7 at 6:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
This month, we will be experimenting with watercolor, learning how to mix drawings with watercolor paints, and following a tutorial to draw and paint an ocean scene. Register at findlaylibrary.org.

BIOLUMINESCENCE: WHY NATURE GLOWS
July 14 at 6:00 pm at Oakwood Nature Preserve
When living things produce their own light, it’s called bioluminescence. Join us to learn more about what creatures have this amazing ability then explore how and why they glow. Register at findlaylibrary.org.

MERMAID BALLET
July 25 at 10:00 am & July 28 at 6:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
Join us for fun stories and a mermaid craft, then learn to dance ballet like a mermaid with students from the Findlay Academy of Ballet. Please register at findlaylibrary.org.

AMAZING ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS: VIRTUAL TOLEDO ZOO & AQUARIUM TRIP
July 27 at 2:00 pm on Zoom
A live tour of an exhibit at the Toledo Zoo & Aquarium and time for questions. Register at findlaylibrary.org. Sponsored by The Friends of the Library.

JOIN US FOR STORYTIME!
BABY STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY
Wednesdays & Fridays at 9:30 am in the Lindamood Room
We will sing, rhyme, read, and have fun with scarves and bells!

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY
July 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, & 26 at 9:30 am in the Lindamood Room
Join us for an in-person Storytime program at the library. We will sing, rhyme, and read together.

FAMILY STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY
July 18 at 6:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
We will incorporate the same fun activities as our weekly Storytime, just later in the day when it’s more convenient for you.
StoryWalk is a series of book pages placed along a path for you to enjoy some fresh air, exercise, and a great story. Visit the Riverside Park, Findlay City Schools Preschool and Benton Ridge locations all month long! The Pop Up StoryWalk® locations are for one week only.

July 3-9
Jenera Park

July 17-23
Vanlue Park

July 10-16
Bigelow Hill

July 24-30
Chamberlin Hill

July 28 at 10:00 am
Join us for Storytime at Riverside Park on July 28 at 10:00 am at the Waterfalls Pavilion!
**TEEN PROGRAMMING**

**TEEN MAKE & TAKE: COLLAGE KIT**
July 1 in the Teen Area
Kits include many graphics and backgrounds to be cut out and assembled into an oceanic collage creation!

**TEEN & TWEEN TOTE TIE DYE**
July 15
at 2:00 pm & 3:00 pm outside the library
Need an awesome tote for all your books? Teens & Tweens in grade 4 or above are invited to come tie dye canvas totes at the library. Space is limited so please be sure to register at findlaylibrary.org or by calling the Youth Services desk at 419-434-1077.

**TEEN GAME NIGHT**
July 5 at 6:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
Come to the library for a teen game night! Teens in grades 6 - 12 are invited to come hang out and play board games, card games, and puzzles!

**TEEN STRANGER THINGS ESCAPE ROOM**
July 21 & 22 in the Lindamood & Blanchard Rooms
Test your knowledge of the hit Netflix show, Stranger Things, solve puzzles, and defeat the Demogorgon at our escape room! Register for the time slot you prefer at findlaylibrary.org.

**TEEN SIDEWALK CHALK ART**
July 30 at 10:00 am outside the library
Teens can meet in front of the library to create some SummerREAD-themed sidewalk chalk art!

**ADULT PROGRAMMING**

**MAKE YOUR SALADS FRESH AGAIN!**
July 6 at 4:30 pm in the Lindamood Room
Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Educator Jennifer Little shares about fresh ideas for making this summer staple.

**EATING HEALTHY ON A BUDGET**
July 13 at 6:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
Join Kirsten Seele, dietitian and health coach from Northwest Ohio Health and Wellness, for more information, tips, and tricks on how to navigate healthy eating while on a budget.

**TEA GARDENS**
July 19 at 6:00 pm in the Lindamood Room
Logan Benjamin, owner of Honest Herbs and Tea Co., will explain how to grow, harvest, and pack herbs to make herbal tea!

**READ FOR LIFE TUTOR TRAINING**
July 8 at 9:30 am in the Lindamood Room
Read for Life is looking for volunteers to teach reading, writing, English, life skills, and subject areas of the High School Equivalency including math, social studies, and science. Registration is required by calling 419-422-3755 or e-mailing readforlife@findlaylibrary.org.

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Test your knowledge of the hit Netflix show, Stranger Things, solve puzzles, and defeat the Demogorgon at our escape room! Register for the time slot you prefer at findlaylibrary.org.
CRAFTERWORK
July 27 at 6:00 pm
in the Lindamood Room
This month’s free craft is a two-liter animal pot. Adults and teens 16+, please register to attend.

SPICE WORLD
July 18 - 23 at the Library
This month we are making quick, fresh kimchi! The kits will be available to pick up July 18-23. Reserve a kit at findlaylibrary.org.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

FICTION ADDICTION
BOOK DISCUSSION
July 11 at 2:00 pm
in the Lindamood Room

LIT LOVERS BOOK DISCUSSION
July 11 at 6:30 pm
in the Lindamood Room

BOWS AND BLASTERS
SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY
BOOK CLUB
July 13 at 6:00 pm
in the Blanchard Room

GENTLE READS
BOOK DISCUSSION
July 14 at 2:00 pm
in the Lindamood Room

MONDAY AFTERNOON
BOOK GROUP
July 18 at 1:00 pm
on Zoom. Register at findlaylibrary.org.

50 NORTH
BOOK DISCUSSION
July 21 at 10:00 am
at 50 North

Check our calendar to get started reading next month’s selections!

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Eloise (Burner) Crawfis
by The Crawfis Family

In Memory of:
Mary Ellen Rader
by Brian & Kelly Young

In Memory of:
Lois (Riepenhoff) Schroeder
by The Crawfis Family

In Honor of:
Jean Alexander
by Mini Magic Miniature Club

In Memory of:
David Cole
by East Point Condo Association

In Memory of:
June Arnold
by Ohio Star Quilters

In Memory of:
Barbara Eishen
by Ohio Star Quilters

The Findlay-Hancock County Public Library appreciates the opportunity to be a part of a lasting tribute that will be enjoyed by the entire community. Patrons often donate to the library to purchase a book(s) as a tribute to a deceased family member, friend, or co-worker. Other patrons donate to purchase a book(s) in honor of retirements, birthdays, anniversaries, and special occasions.

Donors may suggest specific titles or subjects for memorials/honorariums or allow our professional selectors to choose appropriate items. A special bookplate will be placed in each donated book identifying the person being memorialized or honored, as well as the name of the donors. Please click here for more information or to donate, or contact us at 419-434-1480.
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What is Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library?
Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library is a book gifting program designed by Dolly to foster a love of reading by providing children with the gift of a specially selected book each month from birth to age 5. By the end of the program, your child will have a library of 60 books! Each month, a new book will be mailed in your child’s name directly to their home. Best of all, it is FREE to any child! There is no cost or obligation to your family.

Who is eligible?
Registration is open to children from birth to five years old who reside in Hancock County.

How do I register my child?
Fill out the online registration form at findlaylibrary.org/dpil or click HERE! Paper registration forms are also available at the library to fill out and return to us.
CONTACT US

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Book Cellar 419-434-1044
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Local & Family History 419-434-1143
Media Services 419-434-1036
Read for Life 419-422-3755
Teen Services 419-434-1300

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BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

MONDAY
Arcadia 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Van Buren 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

TUESDAY
Vanlue 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Mt. Blanchard 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY
Mt. Cory 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Benton Ridge 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

THURSDAY
Jenera 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Rawson 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

SENIOR TOWERS
1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

50 NORTH
1st & 3rd Friday of each month
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM