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leesburgflorida.gov/library
or see a staff member for help.



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Lifelong Learning

Emotional Healing with Essential Oils

Thursday, November 3 | 2:00 pm

Learn how the science behind essential oils can offer powerful emotional support for sleep issues, depression, anxiety, grief and more. Stephanie Clunn presents. Take home a sample of an anti-anxiety blend.

Diabetes Awareness: Reflect on Your Feet

Wednesday, November 9 | 2:00 pm

They say the eyes are the windows to the soul, but for people with diabetes, their feet can be the truest tell for any looming health issues. November is Diabetes Awareness Month. Join foot and ankle specialist, Dr. Anna Marie Chwastiak, as she shares some strategies to help you outsmart diabetes.

Essential Oils: The Super Seven

Saturday, November 12 | 11:00 am

Learn more in this super-charged fun workshop based around the Seven Dwarfs! Stephanie Clunn presents.

Successful Self-Publishing

Thursday, November 17 | 2:00 pm

Learn self-publishing tips and pitfalls from Greg Sharp, a publishing executive with 30 years in the industry. An invaluable lecture for fiction and nonfiction writers, artists and photographers, whether you're ready to go to press or formulating your book idea. Grasp an overview of how to self-publish: manuscript preparation, digital and traditional printing, e-books, book sales and distribution.

Florida Trail Association: Best Local Hikes

Tuesday, November 29

2:00 pm

Join Gene Bouley, President of the Highlander Chapter of the Florida Trail Association for a presentation on the best places to hike in Lake & Sumter Counties. Hear about the many fun activities that the local chapter has to offer.

Essential Oils: Holiday Gift Giving Ideas

Thursday, December 1 | 2:00 pm

Don't miss this fun "DIY" for beauty, health, wellness and fun. Come see all that can be done beautifully and inexpensively for your loved ones this holiday season. Make and take home a peppermint sugar scrub. Stephanie Clunn presents.

A Christmas Carol: Live Theatre Event

Starring Duffy Hudson

Saturday, December 3 | 2:00 pm

The Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Yet to Come are characters we have come to love and welcome into our homes and hearts during the holiday season. Join us as Broadway and film actor Duffy Hudson brings this magical tale and all its memorable characters to life. This classic show is ideal for the entire family.

Happy Holiday Meals

Monday, December 5 | 2:00 pm

Join Mia Wilchcombe with the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences for a presentation on preparing healthy, holiday recipes. Learn to make the right choices in order to still indulge and enjoy the holiday season.

Pearl Harbor: A Remembrance

Wednesday, December 7 | 2:00 pm

Japan's December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor and six other military bases on the Hawaiian island of Oahu propelled the United States into World War II. Join Adult Services Librarian Tom Wilcox for a multimedia presentation to commemorate the 75th anniversary of that sneak attack. Through photographs and period radio broadcasts, Tom will show why Pearl Harbor has come to represent American resolve and perseverance.

Leesburg Library Readers' Circle Evening Book Club



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Join us for an informal book discussion facilitated by local author and former educator Ray Moore. Adults and teens are welcome. Ask for books at the second floor reference desk. Registration is recommended but not required.

A Land Remembered

by Patrick Smith

Thursday, November 10 | 6:00 pm

This engaging historical novel follows the story of three generations of the MacIveys, rugged Crackers whose struggles and successes are tied to Florida's history. A classic family saga, the Florida Humanities Council called it "an iconic...book that has resonated with generations of Floridians in helping people understand the history of this remarkable state."

Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

and

The Martian by Andy Weir

Thursday, December 8 | 6:00 pm

Read either book—or both—and let's talk sci-fi. Set in 2044, Ready Player One tells Wade Watts' story as he searches for clues to gain control of a virtual world that real-world villains are desperate to protect. It's "a smart, funny thriller that both celebrates and critiques online culture...Layered with inside jokes and sly references." —San Francisco Chronicle

In The Martian, astronaut Mark Watney is stranded and alone on Mars. With resourcefulness and a sense of humor, Mark perseveres against all odds. The Associated Press recommends it "for readers who enjoy thrillers, science fiction, non-fiction, or flat-out adventure [and] an authentic portrayal of the future of space travel."



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Music at the Library

The Villages String Trio

Tuesday, November 15 | 2:00 pm

The Trio play Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett and Bobby Darin standards as well as Latin and Brazilian Bossa Nova music. Come hear their cool sound and hip vocal stylings.

Lake County Ladies Chorus

Tuesday, December 6 | 1:00 pm

Join us for a holiday concert performed by this fabulous group of 40 ladies. Their music is sung in three-part harmony with solos and ensembles included in their presentations. Kick off the season with a song in your heart.

Youth and Teen Special Events



International Games Day

Saturday, November 19 | 10:00am – 4:00pm

All Ages

Come join us on Saturday, November 19th for International Games Day! Come try out games from the library's extensive board game collection or bring your own favorite title to teach to others. We will debut our new life-size game Giant Word Winder! Team work and socks are the tools needed for this game of strategy. People of all ages are invited and encouraged to come play. Game on!

Dragonfly Puppet Theater

Tuesday, December 6 | 10:00am

Ages: 0 - 7

The beautiful Dragonfly Puppet Theater located in the children's department sets the stage for an hour full of stories and fun. It is a wonderful experience for young children and their caregivers as they watch well-known picture books come alive with the help of the library's large collection of puppets and its professional staff.

Special Christmas Story Time

Thursday, December 15 | 10:30am

Join Mr. Andrew and his special guest from the North Pole as we sing Christmas songs, hear Christmas stories, and enjoy a Christmas snack. Caregivers will want to take pictures of this rare visit during the Big Elf's busiest season. Ages 7 and younger are invited to attend with a caregiver.



Crafty Kids: Holiday Edition

Thursday, December 22 | 4:30 pm

All ages

Come and create a craft for a favorite winter holiday. There will be several choices of materials and directions for different crafts. Make one to keep and one to share as long as supplies last. Get crafty cool!

YOUTH PROGRAMS



Story Time

Thursdays at 10:30 am

Each Story Time consists of books, music, movement, fingerplays, and a craft related to a common theme. A “stay & play” time follows the activities. Some story times feature special guests and even magic! Children who attend Story Time must be accompanied by a caregiver who is at least 16 years old. Special Christmas Story Time will be on Thursday, December 15th.



Be a “Reader of the Pack”

First Thursday of every month at 4:00 pm

All ages are invited to join the PAWS Therapy Dogs for reading in the Story Room. Share a book with and pet these gentle, trained therapy dogs. Reading skills are strengthened and reading confidence built during literacy time with these wonderful dogs and their owners. We provide the books. You provide the reading! (You can even read in Spanish!)

Crafty Kids

Thursdays at 4:30 pm

Want to create a project that you can take home or give away? Then come to Crafty Kids on the second, third, and fourth Thursdays of the month at 4:30 in the Story Room. Special Holiday Edition will be on December 22nd. All Ages of Youth.

Tiny Explorers!

Mondays at 10:00 am

Children from birth through age 5 are invited to come and play in interactive, educational and sensory centers in our Story Room. Young children develop fine motor and cognitive skills in addition to beginning social skills in a relaxed and fun environment. This drop-in playtime lasts an hour and is designed to be enjoyed by a toddler accompanied by her or his special grown-up.

Makers Club

Tuesdays at 4:00 pm

All ages of youth, and a caregiver if the child is under the age of nine, are welcome to come and create projects, individually or in a group, using technology, various materials, and imagination. Children and teens may choose from a variety of activities including 3-D pens, flying a drone, Snap Circuits, Legos, K’Nex kits, Spirograph, loop jewelry making, and more in the Story Room.

Minecraft Maniacs

Tuesdays at 5:00-6:15 pm Ages 6-18

If you are a fan of this game, come and check it out. There are many of the top servers available and even the library’s own server, so that you can save your best creations. We will play P2P survival games, monster arenas, and have building contests. There are ten laptops available, and you can bring your own if you have an account. Steve, villagers, zombie pigs and creepers are waiting for you. All levels of experience are welcome.

Adult Technology Classes

Our Adult Services Department offers free technology classes for adults on a variety of topics, from Microsoft programs to eBooks. Classes usually last two hours. **Pre-registration is required for all of these classes, as space is limited.**

Please pre-register by emailing librarian@leesburgflorida.gov or calling (352)728-9790, option 3

Learn to Download eBooks & eMagazines

Tuesday, November 1 | 9:30am-11:30am

Tuesday December 6 | 9:30am-11:30am

Learn to download free library eBooks and digital magazines to your color tablet by installing the Overdrive, Flipster, and Zinio apps.

Android Basics

Monday, November 7 | 9:30am-noon

Do you have questions about how to use your new Android device? Charge up your tablet or smartphone and learn the basics from instructor Jere Minich of the Lake Sumter Computer Society.

Intro to Windows 10

Wednesday, November 9 | 1pm-3:30pm

Wednesday, December 7 | 1pm-3:30pm

Learn what’s the same, what’s different, and what’s better about Windows 10. In this hands-on class we’ll help you get acquainted with features like the Start Menu, File Explorer, Settings, and the Edge Browser. Laptops are provided.

Beginning Computers

Saturday, November 12 & 19 | 10am-1pm

Ready to learn to use a computer? Start with the basics in this free, two-session series. These two Saturday classes are perfect for those who work during the week. During the 3 hour classes (lecture, hands-on practice, and a break) you’ll learn the following topics: Hardware Overview; Starting Windows; Mouse and Keyboard skills; Writing a Letter/ Word Processing; Storing Information; Surfing the Internet; and Email.

iPhone/iPad Basics

Monday, November 14 | 9:30am-noon

Monday, December 5 | 9:30am-noon

Charge up your new iPad or iPhone and join us for lessons with Jere Minich of the Lake Sumter Computer Society. Each 2 ½ hour session will cover the basic iPad and iPhone operations: keyboard, Internet, and e-mail.

Intro to Evernote

Tuesday, December 13 | 9:30am-noon

Evernote is a free app and website that allows you to take notes, save files, photos, and websites, and sync your information across devices. It’s a powerful way to keep lots of information in one place on the cloud. Learn the basics of signing up for an account, creating notebooks, and tagging notes to easily find what you’re looking for.



Adult Culinary

with Ze' Carter

Free cooking demonstrations with free tastings. Registration required.

Holiday Sides Revisited

Thursday, November 10 | 11:00 am

Roaming Gourmet Chef Ze' Carter shows you how to create and update those classic holiday side dishes. Enjoy tastings and take home recipes. Space is limited. ***Registration required***

The Great Cookie Exchange

Thursday, December 8 | 11:00 am

Bring in two dozen of your favorite cookies to share and enjoy, include printed recipes with all ingredients listed. We will provide a hot beverage bar. Canned food donations will be accepted for a local food charity. There will be a prize for the best cookies. Space is limited.

Registration required



During the month of December the Leesburg Public Library will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items for humans & pets.

English Conversation Classes

Clase de inglés

Mondays from 10 am – 12:00 noon

For native speakers of all languages.

Free and open to the public.

Photography Class

Every Tuesday at 11 am

Get your camera out and get ready to take amazing pictures. This hands-on beginners class teaches the basic skills of photography. Learn how to take control over the camera and start shooting like the professionals.

Coloring & Crafting Time for Adults

First and third Monday of the month | 6 pm

The library supplies coloring pages, crayons, markers and colored pencils. Those interested in crafting are invited to bring a project to work on or an activity to share with the group.

Teen Scene

The Leesburg Public Library is a great place for teens to study, socialize and hang out. You have access to the internet on our public computers and free Wi-Fi. Our broad collection of young adult media and print, including the latest graphic novel releases, console video games, music, and award winning audiobooks, guarantee a good time for every taste.

TNT Video Gaming League

Thursdays | 4:00 pm

The TNT Video Gaming League meets every Thursday from 4:00PM – 5:30PM. With the WiiU being the console of choice, up to eight players can challenge each other at the same time. Enjoy fun and action games on cinematic screens. A clever scoring system allows player enter at any time or skip one or multiple sessions and still have a chance to become the champion at the end of a season. Prizes include gift cards, amiibos and more.

Teen Club

Wednesdays at 3:30 pm

For ages 13-18

- 11/02/16 Pathfinder Workshop
- 11/09/16 Beautiful Corpse
- 11/16/16 Cupcake Contest
- 11/23/16 Deal or No Deal
- 11/30/16 Box of Lies
- 12/07/16 Christmas Craft
- 12/14/16 Live Escape Room*
- 12/21/16 Christmas Party
- 12/28/16 New Year's Party



Leesburg Pokémon League

Mondays at 4:00 pm | Ages: 8-18

Come battle with other local trainers and work towards becoming a Pokemon master! The Leesburg Pokemon League is open to new or experienced trainers who play the Pokemon Trading Card Game, Pokemon Video Games, and/or Pokemon Go! Video game trainers must bring their own systems and games. Trading card game players may bring their own decks or come in and use a demonstration deck. This program is facilitated by certified Pokemon Professor Andrew Foster. No registration is required.

Live Escape Room

**Wednesday, December 14
3:30 pm
Ages: 13 - 18**

Locked in a room with no way out... it is dark...how do you get out? You have 30 minutes to search for hidden compartments, find gadgets and clues that help you solve the riddles along the way as you hunt for an escape route. Success, failure, and team work are inevitable – escape is not!

November

- 1** TUE  **EARLY VOTING 9:00 am – 6:00 pm**
9:30 am Learn to Download eBooks & eMagazines(A)*
11:00 am Photography Class (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 2** WED  **EARLY VOTING 9:00 am – 6:00 pm**
- 3** THU  **EARLY VOTING 9:00 am – 6:00 pm**
10:30 am Story Time (Y)
2:00 pm Emotional Healing with Essential Oils (A/T)
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:00 pm Reader of the Pack (Y/T)
- 4** FRI  **EARLY VOTING 9:00 am – 6:00 pm**
LIBRARY CLOSED
- 5** SAT  **EARLY VOTING 9:00 am – 6:00 pm**
LIBRARY OPEN 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
- 6** SUN **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS**
TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
LIBRARY CLOSED
- 7** MON 9:30 am Android Basics (A)*
10:00 am English Conversation/ Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
4:00 pm Pokémon League (Y/T)
6:00 pm Coloring & Crafting Time for Adults (A)
- 8** TUE  **ELECTION DAY** 
VOTE AT YOUR PRECINCT
11:00 am Photography Class (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 9** WED 1:00 pm Intro to Windows 10 (A)*
2:00 pm Diabetes Awareness (A)
3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
- 10** THU 10:30 am Story Time (Y)
11:00 am Roaming Gourmet: Holiday Sides (A)*
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:30 pm Crafty Kids (Y)
6:00 pm Leesburg Library Readers' Circle Book Club: "A Land Remembered" (A & T)

- 12** SAT 10:00 am Beginning Computers Pt. 1 (A)*
11:00 am Essential Oils: The Super Seven (A/T)
- 14** MON 9:30 am iPhone/iPad Basics (A)*
10:00 am English Conversation/ Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
4:00 pm Pokémon League (Y/T)
- 15** TUE 11:00 am Photography Class (A)
2:00 pm The Village String Trio (E)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 16** WED 3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
- 17** THU 10:30 am Story Time (Y)
2:00 pm Successful Self-Publishing (A)
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:30 pm Crafty Kids (Y)
- 19** SAT 10:00 am Beginning Computers Pt. 2 (A)*
10:00 am International Games Day (E)
- 21** MON 10:00 am English Conversation/ Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
4:00 pm Pokémon League (Y/T)
6:00 pm Coloring & Crafting Time for Adults (A)
- 22** TUE 11:00 am Photography Class (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 23** WED 3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
LIBRARY CLOSING AT 6:00 pm
- 24** THU **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 25** FRI **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 26** SAT **LIBRARY OPEN 9:00 am – 5:00 pm**
- 28** MON 10:00 am English Conversation/ Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
4:00 pm Pokémon League (Y/T)
- 29** TUE 11:00 am Photography Class (A)
2:00 pm Florida Trails: Best Local Hikes
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 30** WED 3:30 pm Teen Club (T)

December

- 1** THU 10:30 am Story Time (Y)
2:00 pm Essential Oils: Holiday Gift Giving Ideas (A)
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:00 pm Reader of the Pack (Y/T)
- 3** SAT 2:00 pm "A Christmas Carol": Live Theatre Starring Duffy Hudson (E)
- 5** MON 9:30 am iPhone/iPad Basics (A)*
10:00 am English Conversation/ Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
4:00 pm Pokémon League (Y/T)
6:00 pm Coloring & Crafting Time for Adults (A)
- 6** TUE 9:30 am Learn to Download eBooks & eMagazines(A)*
10:00 am Dragonfly Puppet Theatre (Y)
11:00 am Photography Class (A)
1:00 pm Lake County Ladies Chorus: Holiday Concert (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 7** WED 1:00 pm Intro to Windows 10 (A)*
2:00 pm Pearl Harbor: 75th Anniversary Remembrance (A/T)
3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
- 8** THU 10:30 am Story Time (Y)
11:00 am Roaming Gourmet: The Great Cookie Exchange (A)*
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
6:00 pm Leesburg Library Readers' Circle Book Club: "Ready Player One"/"The Martian" (A & T)
- 12** MON 10:00 am English Conversation/Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
4:00 pm Pokémon League (Y/T)
- 13** TUE 9:30 am Intro to Evernote (A)*
11:00 am Photography Class (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 14** WED 3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
- 15** THU 10:30 am Christmas Story Time (Y)
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:30 pm Crafty Kids (Y)
- 19** MON 10:00 am English Conversation/Clase de inglés (A)
10:00 am Tiny Explorers (Y)
6:00 pm Coloring & Crafting Time for Adults (A)

- 20** TUE 11:00 am Photography Class (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 21** WED 3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
- 22** THU 10:30 am Story Time (Y)
4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:30 pm Crafty Kids Holiday Edition(Y)
- 23** FRI **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 24** SAT **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 25** SUN **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 26** MON **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 27** TUE 11:00 am Photography Class (A)
4:00 pm Makers Club (Y/T)
5:00 pm Minecraft Maniacs (Y/T)
- 28** WED 3:30 pm Teen Club (T)
- 29** THU 4:00 pm TNT Console Gaming League (Y/T)
4:30 pm Crafty Kids (Y)
- 31** SAT **LIBRARY OPEN 9 am – 5 pm**

January

- 1** SUN **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 2** MON **LIBRARY CLOSED**
- 3** TUE **LIBRARY OPEN 9:00 am – 8:00 pm**
2:00 pm Essential Oils: New Year, New You (Y/T)

*Class sizes are limited. Please pre-register by calling **728-9790** option 3 or emailing librarian@leesburgflorida.gov

(Y) Youth Program | (A) Adult Program
(T) Teen Program | (E) Everyone/All Ages