

White Lake Township Library

Winter 2026

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Winter Reading Bingo

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Registration is required for all programs.

Please register @ whitelakelibrary.org or by calling 248-698-4942.

Registration is required for all programs unless noted otherwise. Registration will open 30 days prior to program. Storytimes will open 14 days prior. Programs subject to change. The first week of registration is open for White Lake residents; non-residents may also register after one week.

Children Programs

Storytimes

Family Storytime (Family)

Gather your family to enjoy stories, rhymes, songs, and more at Family Storytime!

Tuesdays • 10:30 - 11 am

- Session 1: Jan 6 - 20
- Session 2: Feb 3 - 17
- Session 3: Mar 3 - 17
- Session 4: April 7 - 21

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3 - 5)

Join Miss Stephanie for stories, songs, crafts, and more as we get down to the serious work of play!

Wednesdays • 1:30 - 2 pm

- Session 1: Jan 7 - 21
- Session 2: Feb 4 - 18
- Session 3: Mar 4 - 18
- Session 4: April 8 - 22

Music & Movement (Family)

Get the wiggles out with Miss Mallory!

Thursdays • 11 - 11:30 am

Jan 15 & 29, Feb 12, Mar 26, Apr 9 & 23

Baby and Toddler Time!

(Birth - 3 years old)

Babies, Toddlers, and their caregivers can join Miss Stephanie for some Early Literacy fun!

Mondays • 2:30 - 3 pm

Jan 12 & 26, Feb 9 & 23, Mar 9 & 23, Apr 6 & 20

Evenings with Em (Family)

Join us for each of our themed evening storytimes that are fun for the whole family!

Mondays • 6:30 - 7:15 pm

Jan 26, Feb 16, Mar 23

Kids' Make-It Kits

(Grades PreK - 5)

Get crafty and discover your inner maker. Kits are available starting the first of the month on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. No registration required.

- January: DIY Journals
- February: Fairy Houses
- March: Shamrock Charm Bracelets
- April: Yarn Butterflies

Book Clubs

Read the book ahead of time and join us for book discussions! The first 10 to register receive their own copy of the book to keep.

Get the Picture (Grades K - 2)

Fun picture book discussion group kids and their families! We'll read the book together, talk about it, and then finish with a fun craft or activity.

Thursdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

- January 8: Doña Esmeralda, Who Ate Everything by Melissa De la Cruz
- March 12: My Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World by Malcolm Mitchell

Books & Blocks (Grades 3 - 5)

Join us in this fun opportunity to read and discuss books while building with LEGO!

Thursdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

- February 12: Ways to Make Sunshine by Renée Watson
- April 9: Mac Undercover by Mac Barnett

Comic Whiz Kids (Grades 3 - 5)

Join our book club! We'll discuss GREAT graphic novels together.

Saturdays • 2:30 - 3:30 pm

- February 7: The Night Librarian by Christopher Lincoln
- April 4: PAWS: Gabby Gets It Together by Michele Assarasakorn and Nathan Fairbairn

Tail Waggin' Tutors (Grades K - 5)

These loveable dogs make great listeners! Build confidence and self-esteem in a fun, non-judgmental environment.

Saturdays • 10:30 - 11:30 am

Jan 17, Feb 21, Mar 21, Apr 18

Tuesdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 21

Wednesdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 18, Apr 22

Monday Matinee (Family)

Hanging out at home during break? Come and watch a movie the whole family will enjoy on our big screen. Please call for the movie title. You are welcome to bring your own drink in a closed container, popcorn will be provided.

Mondays • 1 - 3 pm

Feb 16, Mar 30

Finger Knitting (Grades 3 - 5)

Join us for a cozy craft session as we teach you how to finger knit.

Tuesday, January 13 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Choose Your Own Adventure LIVE (Grades 3-5)

Step into the story and become the hero! Kids make choices that shape a live adventure, solve riddles, explore rooms, and uncover hidden treasures.

Thursday, March 26 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Taylor Swift Party (Grades K - 5)

Calling all Swifties! Join us to celebrate all things Taylor Swift with crafts, snacks, and more fun activities!

Saturday, March 7 • 10:30 - 11:30 am

Indoor Snowball Fight (Grades K - 5)

Back by popular demand, it's time for another Indoor Snowball Fight with a new twist!

Thursday, January 29

6:30 - 7 pm • K - 3rd

7 - 7:30 pm • 3rd - 5th

Family Fun & Game Night! (Family)

Enjoy an evening of fun and games with your family at the library!

Thursday, February 5 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Descendants Day (Grades K - 5)

Are you a VK or an AK? Choose your side and enjoy Descendants-themed games, crafts, music, and more!

Saturday, March 21 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Glowing Science (Grades 3 - 5)

Step into a glowing world of science! Make slime, reveal secret messages, mix neon colors, and create radiant art under blacklights!

Thursday, February 26 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Baby & Toddler Sensory Play: Bakery (Birth - 3 years old)

Join us for this Bakery themed sensory play! A perfect opportunity for some pretend play!

Monday, March 16 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Book March Madness (Family)

Vote for your favorite book characters in our bracket-style tournament! Cast your vote in person or on social media as characters face off each week. Who will be crowned the ultimate fan favorite? No registration required.

March 2 - 31

Creature Feature (Family)

ids, if you've ever wanted to see some unusual, maybe even wild and crazy animals up close, now's your chance! Sponsored by the Friends of the Library!

Saturday, April 18 • 2- 3 pm

Adventure Club

Embark on a year-round journey of outdoor thrills!

STEAMPower Saturday Salsa Garden! (Grades K - 5)

Decorate an indoor greenhouse planter and plant a variety of seeds that you can make your own salsa with! It's yours to keep!

Saturday, April 25 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Teen Programs

Grades 6 - 12

Teen Make-It Kits

Visit us every month for a new Make-It Kit. First-come, first-served basis while supplies last. No registration required.

- January: Pop Tart Hand Warmers
- February: Mini Bouquets
- March: Pocket Pets
- April: Flextanglers

Book Clubs

Read the book ahead of time and join us for book discussions!

Book Bites: Middle Grade

Check out the Middle Grade Book Club! We will alternate reading graphic novels and chapter books.

Tuesdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

- February 3: The Ruins of Gorlan by John Flanagan
- April 14: Goat Magic by Kate Wheeler

Book Bites: YA

Join our Young Adult Book Club! We will alternate reading chapter books and graphic novels.

Mondays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

- February 23: Arden High 1: Twelfth Grade Night by Molly Booth
- April 27: The Guinevere Deception by Kiersten White

Bullet Journals

Join us for a cozy bullet journaling evening! Beginners and pros alike can share ideas. Supplies provided, or bring your own.

Tuesday, January 6 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

CHOPPED: Art Edition

Ready, set, create! Inspired by the cooking show Chopped, teens will race the clock to transform mystery materials into amazing art. Creativity, fun, and prizes are all part of the challenge!

Saturday, January 10 • 10:30 am - Noon

Intro to Theatre Workshop

Welcome to the wonderful world of musical theatre! Students will gather weekly to learn the basics of singing, acting and dancing on stage. Then they will write a show that they themselves will perform on the last day.

Saturdays • 10:30 am - Noon

Jan 17, 24 & 31, Feb 7

Scooter Olympics

Scoot your way to victory in different scooter events, including the Mission Impossible Challenge. We provide the scooters, you provide the athletics!

Wednesday, January 21 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Pal-entines Day

Come celebrate some of the most important relationships, your pals! Snacks, crafts, and more will be enjoyed as we honor our friendships!

Tuesday, February 10 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Mini Mint Tin Bookshelves

Make your very own pocket-sized library in a mint tin!

Wednesday, February 25 • 6 - 7:30 pm

Silent Library

Shhh... Ready for the ultimate quiet challenge? Join us for Silent Library- a game of bizarre tasks, straight faces, and zero noise.

Tuesday, March 3 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Snack Around the World

Sample snacks from different countries and challenge your taste buds by guessing where each snack comes from!

Wednesday, March 25 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Beaded Succulent

Learn how to make a decorative, no-maintenance beaded plant.

Wednesday, April 15 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Will It Waffle?

Join us for a fun morning where we test unexpected foods in a waffle maker! Bring your curiosity (and appetite) to explore weird, wild, and waffly creations. Will it waffle? Let's find out!

Saturday, April 18 • 10:30 - 11:30 am

Programs open to Teens and Adults

Intro to Video Game Development

Want to make your own video game? This class covers the basics, tools, and resources to help you start your first project on your own!

Saturday, February 21 • 1:30 - 3 pm

More for Teens!

Did you know the teen room features a gaming center?! Teens in grades 6th - 12th are welcome to check out remotes from the circulation desk and play games on the libraries Nintendo Switch. The Switch comes with several games preloaded including the ever popular Mario Kart and Mario Party. Teens who are White Lake residents are also able to check out any Switch game available in the collection to play while in the library.

Thanks to many generous donations the teen room also features a Wellness Cart! The Wellness Cart offers both physical and mental wellness items for teens to use in the library or take home. Mental wellness items include art supplies, journals, stickers, and fidgets!

Adult Programs

Book Clubs

Read the book ahead of time and join us for book discussions!

Read & Discuss

Adults of all ages are invited to join this group! Read the pick of the month and join us for a lively conversation.

Mondays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

- January 12: Our Last Resort by Clémence Michallon
- February 9: Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant by Curtis Chin
- March 9: The Martian by Andy Weir
- April 13: The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Dublin Senior Book Club

Readers aged 50 and over are invited to join the Dublin Book Group. Located at the Dublin Community Senior Center

Wednesdays • 10:30 - 11:30 am

- January 14: Legends & Lattes by Travis Baldree
- February 11: Great Big Beautiful Life by Emily Henry
- March 11: How to Solve Your Own Murder by Kristen Perrin
- April 8: Darling Girls by Sally Hepworth

Rom-Commers Book Club

Calling all romantic comedy lovers! Join our book club for contemporary romances with guaranteed happy endings. We will be reading Overdue by Stephanie Perkins.

Saturday, February 14 • 2 - 3 pm

Recurring Programs

Yarn Club

Wednesdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 8

Craft Junkies

Mondays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6

Theater Thursday

Thursdays • 2 - 4 pm

Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 19, Apr 9

Paper Picasso

Tuesdays • 2 - 4 pm

Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 14

Yoga

Thursdays • 10:30 - 11:30 am

Jan 8, Feb 5, Mar 5, Apr 2

Tuesdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 21

Writing Workshop

Thursdays • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Jan 15, Feb 19, Mar 19, Apr 16

Estate Planning Seminar

Attorney Eric Ruth explains probate court and estate planning, covering wills, trusts, powers of attorney, and common mistakes to avoid.

Saturday, January 10 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Adulthood on the Spectrum: Life Skills for Thriving with Neurodiversity

Author Ron Sandison offers strategies to help young adults with autism navigate adulthood, build social skills, and manage anxiety, while guiding parents and educators in supporting growth and independence.

Wednesday, January 14 • 6 - 7:30 pm

Michigan Storm Chasers

Join Joel Fritsma, Chief Meteorologist of the Michigan Storm Chasers, for storm chasing stories and tips on severe weather safety!

Tuesday, January 27 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Adult LEGO Contest

Test your LEGO skills in an adult building contest! Teams of 4 compete for the most creative build and a prize. LEGO kits provided, limited to 5 teams.

Saturday, January 31 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm

Medicare Information Session

Medicare specialist Tracy Schulke explains how Medicare works, what each part covers, and how to avoid costly mistakes.

Tuesday, February 24 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Good Bug, Bad Bug with Ellen Zimmerman

Join Master Gardener Ellen Zimmerman for a session on the insects you may find in your garden and flowerbeds this spring.

Saturday, February 28 • 10:30 - 11:30 am

Puzzle Contest

Enjoy puzzles? Join us and race to complete your provided puzzle. Register as a team or register as an individual, and we will create a team.

Saturday, March 7 • 1:30 - 4:30 pm

Adult Coloring Night

Need a night to relax and unwind? Join us for a cozy evening of coloring for adults! All supplies will be provided, just bring your creativity.

Tuesday, March 24 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Recipe Exchange: Brunch

Do you have a favorite brunch recipe? Want to try something new? Make your favorite recipe, share and sample from other cooks and learn why this is a favorite!

Saturday, March 28 • 10:30 - 11:30 am

Fraud & Scam Prevention

Brought to you by Huron Valley State Bank: Learn real-world tips to spot fraud, protect your identity, and recognize common scams.

Thursday, April 23 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Researching the Underground Railroad in Oakland County

Historian Carol Egbo explores Oakland County's role in the Underground Railroad, including White Lake Township's connections, and how to research this secretive history. Sponsored by the White Lake Historical Society.

Wednesday, April 29 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Mystery Spice

Pick up this session's mystery spice at the adult services desk starting 4/13, cook with it, then join us for a discussion!

Monday, April 20 • 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Check out the registration calendar for more details.

Programs open to Teens and Adults

Canva to Craft

Create a personalized notebook! Learn Canva design techniques, then have your design laser-engraved on leather to pick up later.

Saturday, April 11 • Times Vary by Age Group

Check calendar for times

One More Thing...

A new year brings new opportunities—and your library is the perfect place to begin! We invite you to Read, Explore, Make, and Support in 2026, and discover all the ways your library can enrich your life.

- Read: Join one of our Book Clubs, sign up for our Winter Reading Bingo Challenge, check out e-books and digital audiobooks through Libby.
- Explore: There is much to find at the library, starting with our mobile app. Did you know you can pick up your holds at our Drive-up Window, use our study rooms, rent one of our event spaces, and get free or discounted tickets through the Michigan Activity Pass?
- Make: Your library is more than shelves of books—it's a place to create, experiment, and play. Our Library of Things offers tools, equipment, and kits to bring your ideas to life. Try out our:
- Laser Engraver, 3D Printer, Cricut, Sublimation Printer, Photo Scanner, Poster/Banner Printing, 3D Pens, Cake Pans, Gardening Tools, Yard Games, Jewelry Making Tools, Sewing Machine, Yarn Art Tools, Laminator, Microscope/Telescope, Wood Burning & soldering kits.
- Support: Join our Friends group, honor a family member with a legacy leaf on our donation tree, or volunteer by sharing your time and talents.

Alongside all these great resources, even more is on the way.

Coming soon...

- Kanopy Streaming Service – movies, classics, documentaries, foreign and independent films, and more
- Ancestry Library Edition Database – Genealogy research tool at the Library.
- Sensory Support Kits – tools to make the library experience welcoming for all

With so many resources, experiences, and new ideas waiting for you, there truly is a lot to love at your library.

See you soon,
April
Library Director

Download our mobile app from Google Play and Apple Store
<https://tlcgoapp.net/WhiteLakeTownshipLibrary>

Thank you, Vibe Credit Union, for sponsoring our STEAM Kits and Early Literacy Backpacks.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday 10 am to 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am to 5 pm

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

December 31 & January 1, New Year's
January 19, MLK Jr. Day

News from the Friends

Mark Your Calendars!

Quarterly Meetings

Tuesday, January 20 • 6:30 pm

Tuesday, April 21 • 6:30 pm

Book Sales

March 11 • March 14

June 10 • June 13

- Wednesdays, Friends Only 5–7 pm
- Memberships available at the door
- Thursdays, 10 am–7 pm
- Fridays & Saturdays, 10 am–4 pm
- Bag Sale, Saturdays, 1 - 4 pm

Creature Feature

Saturday, April 18 • 2- 3 pm

Kids, if you've ever wanted to see some unusual, maybe even wild and crazy animals up close, now's your chance! Ask your folks to sign up on the Library website for this program, presented free of charge by the Friends.

Scholarship Program

The Friends of the White Lake Township Library are pleased to announce the creation of \$1,000 non-renewing scholarship to be awarded to any high school student residing in White Lake Township, graduating in 2026 and planning to attend a two or four year college or trade school. Applications available at the Library or your school counselor's office.

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