



VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC
Library

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February 2023



Bridgerton Ball

Friday, February 10 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Main Library • Lobby

Ages 21 & Up: Your presence is formally requested at the *Bridgerton Ball* as a guest of Her Majesty the Queen for an evening of dance, drinks, and companionship. Arrive in your finest Regency-inspired garb, learn a modern twist on a historical dance, and enjoy music and photo opportunities while you wait for the arrival of the Queen. Will she select you as the diamond of the ball?

Appetizers, drinks, and a cash bar will be available. Costumes are recommended but not required. This program is presented in partnership with Federal Coffee, the Community Theater of Terre Haute, and the Dance Studio.

Art Hacks: Regency Watercolor

Saturday, February 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Main Library • Lifelong Learning Center

Registration begins Wednesday, February 1

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

During England's Regency era, women's hobbies were limited by the norms of their society. Watercolor painting was one of their few acceptable creative pastimes, but few would be recognized for their skill. Despite these constraints, women like Maria Cosway, Clara Wheatley Pope, and Mary Moser managed to defy expectations and obtain notoriety for their works. At this month's Art Hacks, learn more about female artists during the Regency era and try painting with watercolor.



STORYTIMES



Wiggle Worm Storytime

Wednesdays, February 1 to February 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Registration begins Wednesday, January 4

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 2–5: Start your toddler or preschooler on the path to a successful year in Kindergarten with *Wiggle Worm Storytime*. At *Wiggle Worm Storytime*, your child will build early learning skills through listening to, reading, and discussing stories; practicing the alphabet; and expanding their vocabulary. They will also develop fine motor skills by performing fingerplays and body movement-based activities while learning to cooperate with others in a group setting. Each storytime ends with a half-hour session of free play for you and your child to socialize with others.



Ready to Read Storytime

Fridays, February 3 to February 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

West Branch Library ▪ Meeting Room B

Ages 0–5: Whether you're looking to bond with your little one, meet new friends, or prepare for their first day at Kindergarten, you can capture your child's imagination at *Ready to Read Storytime*. At *Ready to Read Storytime*, your child will learn new words and sounds, practice good listening and social skills, and develop fine motor skills with music, dance, and songs.



Tiny Tot Time

Mondays, February 6 to February 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Registration begins Monday, January 9

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 0–2: Introduce your infant or toddler to new books, experiences, and skills while you strengthen your bond with them at *Tiny Tot Time*! In this group setting, your child will interact with children their age, learn to listen to others as a librarian reads to them, and strengthen their hands through fingerplays, shakers, and scarves. You will also discover tips for how to build these skills at home. After storytime, you and your child can spend an additional half-hour socializing with other parents and their children!

Secret Agent Science & Stories

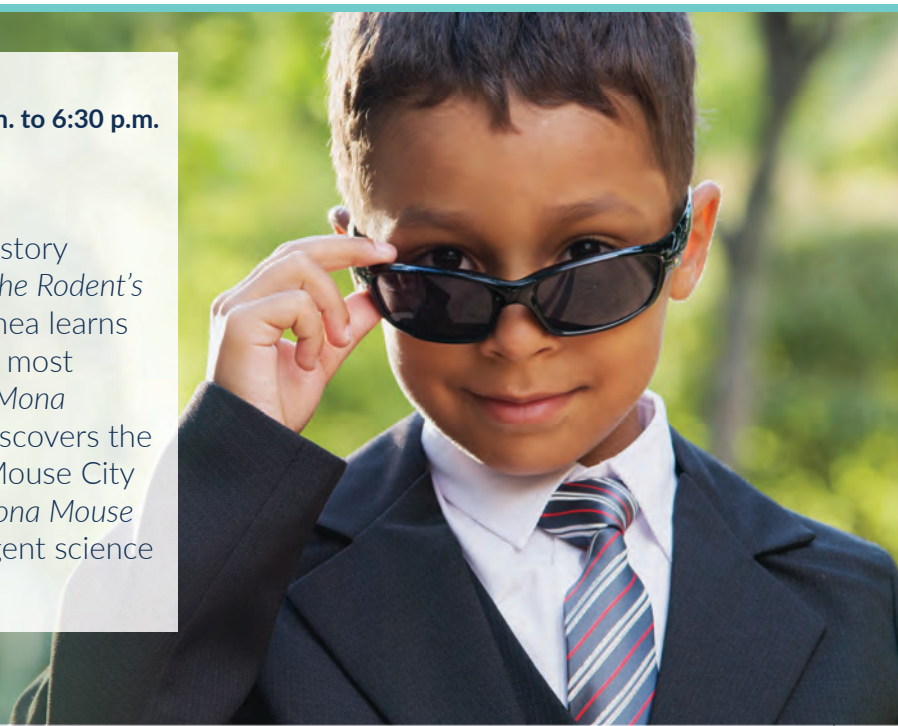
Mondays, February 6 to February 27 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Registration begins Monday, January 23

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 5–11: Geronimo Stilton knows a good story when he hears one—he's the publisher of *The Rodent's Gazette* after all. When his younger sister Thea learns that a map is hidden behind Mouse Island's most famous painting, it's a race to discover the *Mona Mouse's* secrets before a shady character discovers the code. Take a *fabumouse* trip through New Mouse City with the Stiltons as they try to crack *The Mona Mouse Code* and test out some hands-on secret agent science every Monday in February.





Read to Rover

Wednesday, February 15 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
West Branch Library ■ Meeting Room B

Saturday, February 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Main Library ■ Youth Services Program Room

Registration begins Wednesday, January 15

Call 812.235.2121 or 812.232.1115 to register

All Ages: Share a book with a furry friend from *Love on a Leash*. These good-natured therapy dogs are eager to listen to your child practice reading aloud in a stress-free setting, complete with cuddles, belly rubs, and ear scratches!

eBooks and Streaming Video—Just for Kids!

TumbleBookLibrary

Make storytime easy for your independent young reader! TumbleBookLibrary's animated, talking storybooks allow children to follow along as they learn new words and sounds, while older readers can relax with graphic novels and narrated chapter books. Your child can discover interesting facts, practice Spanish or French, and enjoy classic stories as well as new books.

Discover TumbleBookLibrary at bit.ly/vcpl_tumble or download the *TumbleBooks* app on the App Store or Google Play!

Just for Kids Access Video

Find hours of entertainment from familiar faces and new storytellers with Access Video's *Just for Kids* collection. Your little one can take a trip to Sesame Street or go on adventures with LeVar Burton, Arthur, Franklin, and even the Berenstain Bears. Older kids can explore everything from outer space to the wonders of Earth, fantasy kingdoms, and famous people.

Login to bit.ly/vcpl_av_kids with your library card to learn more.



KIDS



Lego® Lab

Thursday, February from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Registration begins Thursday, January 5

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 6–11: Challenge your child's construction skills, teamwork, and creativity at *Lego® Lab*! Your child can attempt the monthly challenge's theme or build their own designs every month. At the end of the evening, spend a few minutes touring everyone's designs and learn how others solved problems in their builds. Your child's design will be part of Youth Services' monthly display.

Parents and caregivers with children under 9 should assist with building.



Busy Builders

Tuesdays, February 7 to February 28 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Ages 0–12: From simple towers to intricate structures, you and your child can create anything you can imagine with *Busy Builders*. Playing with blocks in an open social setting encourages your child to problem-solve, cooperate with others, and develop coordination and motor skills. Blocks and building toys appropriate for all ages will be available—including Magna Tiles®, giant Legos®, giant and regular Lincoln Logs®, and more!



Messy Munchkins

Saturday, February 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Ages 0–7: Develop your child's observational and fine motor skills and encourage their creativity at the *Messy Munchkins* sensory playtime! Let your child dig through the sensory bins to discover new sensations, allow your infant or toddler to play in the exploratory area, and help them create their own DIY sensory bag.



DIY Valentines

Saturday, February 11 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Ages 6–11: Whether it's a card for grandma or a paper heart for their best friend, your child can express their creativity and show the special people in their life how much they care with hand-crafted valentines! Craft supplies will be available for use.



Painting with Nicole

Monday, February 20 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Youth Services Program Room

Registration begins Friday, January 20

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 5–15: Whether your child is a seasoned artist or a first-time painter, they can learn the basics of working with acrylic paint, develop their hand-eye coordination, explore their creativity, and take home their own painting on canvas.

Haute Create Cosplay Co-Op

Monday, February 6 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Haute Create

Registration begins Monday, January 9

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 15 & Up: Are you building your next cosplay masterpiece for an upcoming convention? Work alongside like-minded makers and creators, access Haute Create's array of innovative technology, and receive assistance from Vigo County Public Library's Tech Team when you need it at the *Haute Create Cosplay Co-Op*. Every month, the *Cosplay Co-Op* will allow you to get hands-on with 3D printers, a laser cutter, sewing machines, and more! Please bring your own materials for your costume.



Push the Button: Teen Jackbox Party Game Night

Tuesday, February 7 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Teen Space

Registration begins Tuesday, January 3

Register at www.vigo.lib.in.us/events

Ages 12-19: Use your smartphone or tablet to prevent an alien invasion with Jackbox Games®' *Push the Button* or pick another game from a Jackbox Party Game® pack! Jackbox Games® are multiplayer games where you will work with others to solve puzzles, answer trivia questions, or create and define new words. If you don't have a smart device, you can borrow one from the Teen Space to play.



Teen Advisory Board

Wednesday, February 8 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Teen Space

Email tab@vigo.lib.in.us to become a member

Ages 12-19: Do you want to impact what you see at the Library? As a *Teen Advisory Board* member, you can plan incredible programs, implement popular trends, and serve as a positive role model for your peers and community. TAB meets monthly and welcomes all newcomers.



Teen Board Game Night

Thursday, February 9 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Teen Space

Registration begins Thursday, January 12

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 12-19: Challenge your friends to a favorite board game or try a new card game at Teen Board Game Night. Choose from *Apples to Apples*, *Nertz*, *Phase 10*, and more!





TEEN MOVIES

WE LOVE TO HATE: HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Wednesday, February 15 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Main Library • Meeting Rooms A, B & C

Ages 12-19: After high school juniors Troy Bolton and Gabriella Montez share a moment on stage during a karaoke duet at a party during winter break, Troy is surprised to learn Gabriella has transferred to East High School but eager to try out for the school musical with her. When the two of them are called back for a final audition, Troy and Gabriella's cliques attempt to maintain the status quo by sabotaging their friendship and their second round of auditions.

BOOKS & BANTER

Teen Book Club

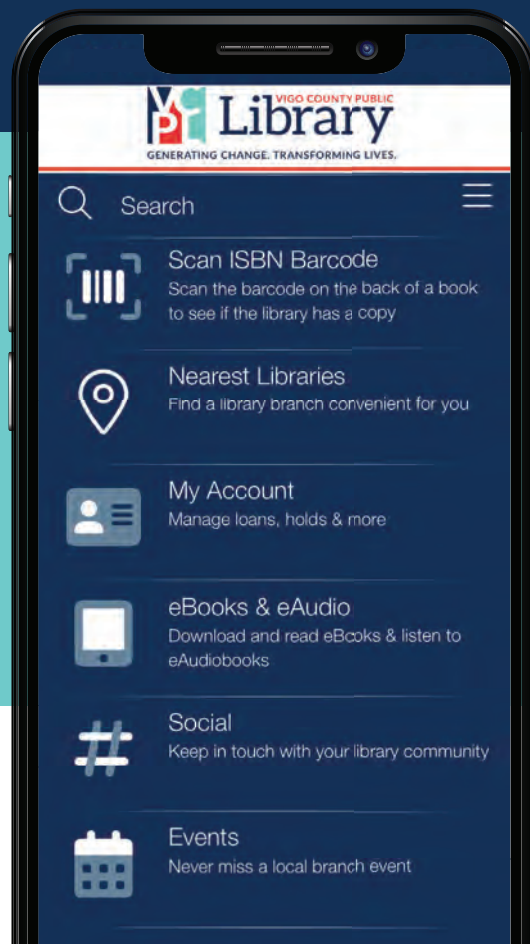
Wednesday, February 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Main Library • Meeting Room D

Ages 12-19: Are you reading something you love or looking for new suggestions? Do you want to tell everyone about your favorite book—or one you can't stand? At *Books & Banter*, discuss what you're reading now, what you want to read, and what you'd never read with other avid readers, regardless of whether you prefer novels, verse, fiction, non-fiction, manga, or graphic novels. Refreshments will be available.



YOUR LIBRARY, AT HOME

Download the new VCPL Mobile App
for an on-the-go library experience.



Celebrate

Black History Month

Who designed the first video security system? Whose innovations moved the development of personal computers forward? Who developed refrigeration transport technology—and held 60 other patents? What is the connection between Terre Haute and the Republic of Liberia?

Meet some of the Black Americans who reshaped history with their inventions, learn about Edgar James Roye—a businessman from Terre Haute who became a prominent politician—and discover Black authors throughout the Vigo County Public Library during the month of February.





Notarize Your Documents for Free

Are you preparing your will, a deed, or an affidavit? Having your legal documents notarized deters fraud because you are confirming that the facts in the document are correct, you understand the document, and you are the person you claim to be in front of a state-authorized Notary Public.

If you are a resident of Indiana, VCPL offers Notary Services at no cost. Call 812.232.1113 for more information.



Have Books, DVDs, & More Delivered to Your Car or Doorstep

Avoid the winter chill, whether you're out running errands or staying cozy in the house, with Curbside Pick Up and Home Delivery. Visit bit.ly/vcpl_catalog to search for the materials you want, place a hold, and select either your Library branch or home delivery.

Are you ready to pick up? Park in a designated space at your Library branch and call 812.234.0360 at the Main Library or 812.235.2121 at the West Branch Library to have your books brought to you!



Print Documents On-the-Go

Do you need a paper copy of an important document? Skip the hassle of lost power cords, low ink messages, and mechanical difficulties with VCPL's free printing service. Visit bit.ly/vcpl_printing to submit your prints for curbside pickup or home delivery, or learn more about the mobile and email printing services that will allow you to print from anywhere to your Library branch at no cost!



Let VCPL's VITA Volunteers File Your 2022 Tax Return

If you and your family have an income of less than \$66,000 a year, you may qualify for VITA services. For over fifty years, the IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program has offered free tax return preparation. VCPL has IRS-certified volunteers on staff who are ready to prepare your tax documents for you.

Contact 812.232.1113 ext. 5000 to learn if you qualify or to schedule an appointment. Your information will be kept confidential. Some restrictions apply.



VCPL ROBOTICS LEAGUE

Season 1

VCPL Robotics League: Season 1
Season 1 ends Tuesday, February 28
Main Library ■ Haute Create

Ages 9 & Up: Can you program the fastest robot and win amazing prizes? Find out with the first season of the *VCPL Robotics League*, a series of simple, self-directed coding activities which will pit you against other programmers in a race towards the finish line! Program one of VCPL's mini-bots to complete a line-follow challenge in record time. You can ask Tech Team staff to document an official time during the season. Are you not happy with your first attempt? Refine your program and document your time on three separate occasions. The quickest programmers in two age groups—ages 9 to 14 and ages 15 and up—will be announced at the end of the season.



VCPL Robotics League: Open Practice

Saturdays, February 4 & February 18
from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Main Library ■ Haute Create

Ages 9 & Up: Perfect your code for the *VCPL Robotics League* time trials at *Open Practice*. At these sessions, you'll be able to meet other robotics enthusiasts, share tips, and ask for advice in a relaxed environment.

INTRO TO Robotics

Wednesdays, February 1 & February 15 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Main Library • Haute Create

Registration begins Wednesday, January 4

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 15 & Up: Programming a robot might sound challenging—even intimidating—but it's easier than you think! Discover CircuitPython, a beginner-friendly programming language that will allow you to turn on motors, direct movement, and even turn corners with a small robot.

Robots provided by VCPL for demonstration purposes.



Advanced Robotics

Wednesdays, February 1 & February 15 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Main Library • Haute Create

Registration begins Wednesday, January 4

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 15 & Up: Take your knowledge of CircuitPython to the next level in *Advanced Robotics* and learn how to program a robot to use sensors and algorithms to evaluate its environment and make adjustments as it follows your commands.

Robots provided by VCPL for demonstration purposes.



Intro to Robotics: Junior League

Wednesdays, February 8 & February 22 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Main Library • Haute Create

Registration begins Wednesday, January 11

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 9–14: Encourage your child's creativity, curiosity, and critical thinking skills with *Intro to Robotics: Junior League*. At this kid-friendly session of *Intro to Robotics*, your child will learn how to program simple movements into a robot using block programming—a system that allows your child to drag and assemble pre-created, colorful blocks of code into their program without having to learn the syntax of a programming language. Robots provided by VCPL for demonstration purposes.



Intro to Laser Cutting

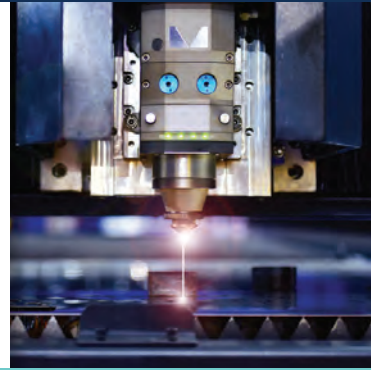
Thursday, February 2 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Haute Create

Registration begins Thursday, January 5

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 12 & Up: Whether you need precision cuts for a project or want to engrave a beautiful sign, learn how to create and format a design for the Dremel LC40 Laser Cutter then cut or etch your project in *Intro to Laser Cutting*. Customers who wish to use the Dremel LC40 Laser Cutter independently must complete this class.



Intro to Soldering: Valentines Edition

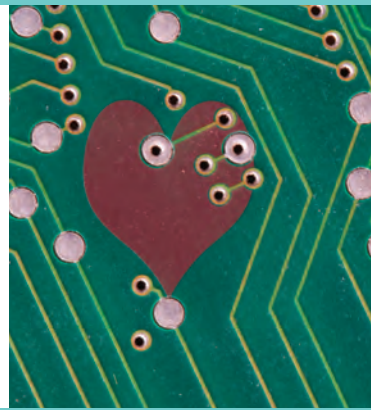
Thursday, February 9 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Haute Create

Registration begins Thursday, January 12

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 13 & Up: Soldering is a multi-purpose technique that will allow you to build electronics, make repairs, and create crafts! In *Intro to Soldering*, you will pick up this valuable skill and learn how to safely use the Haute Create soldering stations by making your own electronic valentine. Customers who wish to use the Haute Create soldering stations independently must complete this class.



Sew Simple: Coin Purse

Thursday, February 16 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Haute Create

Registration begins Wednesday, February 1

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Ages 13 & Up: Make your own repairs to clothing, create customized gifts, and save money with *Sew Simple*. Perfect for beginning or inexperienced sewers, *Sew Simple* will introduce you to the sewing machines available in Haute Create and teach you how to set up a machine for use. As part of the class, you will be able to create your own coin purse to attach to a backpack or lanyard.



PRINTING WITH PANCAKES

Celebrate National Pancake Day with ThePancakeBot®

Tuesday, February 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Main Library ▪ Haute Create

Ages 5 & Up: Design your own pancake with simple design software and then watch it print on the world's first 3D food printer: ThePancakeBot®.



ADULTS



Free HIV & Hepatitis C Testing with Positive Link

Wednesday, February 1 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Main Library ■ Meeting Room C

Worried that you or a loved one may have been exposed to HIV or Hepatitis C? Get testing quickly and easily with Positive Link. Positive Link provides free testing, comprehensive prevention information, and services for people infected with or at risk of contracting these two viruses. If needed, Positive Link will refer you to a disease intervention doctor for help with treatment.

All testing is done on-site; no appointment is necessary. HIV testing requires a simple finger prick, and your results will be available in one minute. Hepatitis C testing requires a blood sample; Positive Link will contact you with your test results.

Cranes Over Indiana

Thursday, February 2 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Main Library ■ Meeting Rooms A, B & C

Only fifteen species of cranes exist throughout the world. Of these, eleven are considered threatened or endangered due to habitat loss and unregulated hunting. Learn about the two crane species that live in or migrate through Indiana—the Whooping Crane and the Sandhill Crane—with the International Crane Foundation. The International Crane Foundation will explain how to identify these two species, where and when they are located in Indiana, and what threats undermine conservation efforts. They will also explain the efforts to reintroduce and preserve the Whooping Crane, currently the rarest of all crane species, and future safeguards that will protect Indiana's cranes.



Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, February 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 5 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Main Library ■ Meeting Rooms A, B & C

Shop for books, DVDs, CDs, and more at the *Friends of the Library Book Sale*.

Thousands of items will be available at low prices, from current bestsellers to your favorite classics. Proceeds from your purchases will be used to fund Library programs and services you enjoy!



Bingo by the Books

Wednesdays, February 8 & February 22 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

West Branch Library ■ Meeting Rooms A & B

Gather with your friends and neighbors for refreshments and be ready to shout "Bingo!" as you play traditional and non-traditional bingo games with the chance to win prizes. Bingo cards and number makers will be provided.



Westside Book Club: *Dear Emmie Blue*

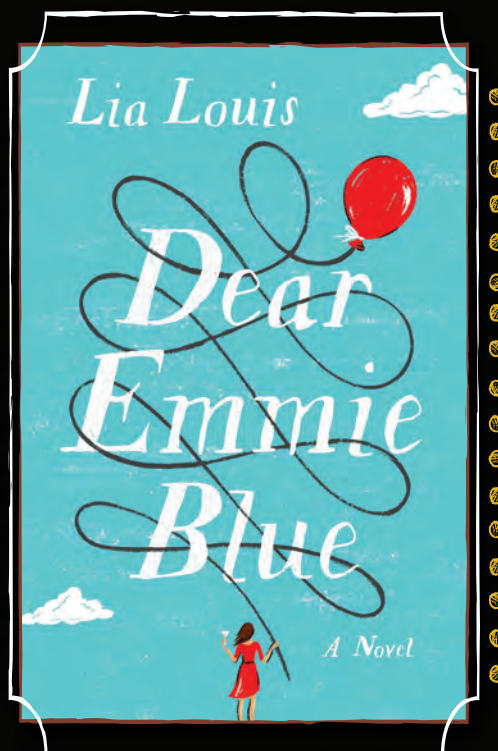
Wednesday, February 8 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Macksville Coffee Company

623 National Avenue

West Terre Haute, IN 47885

Grab a cup of coffee and a locally-made treat while discussing this month's book with the Westside Book Club at Macksville Coffee Company! When she was sixteen years old, Emmie Blue released a red balloon into the sky with her name, email address, and a secret she wanted to be free of attached. Fourteen years later, she's pinned all her hopes on Lucas Moneau—the young man who found the balloon—and has neglected other relationships in her life. When Lucas admits he has a big question to ask her, Emmie feels as if her dreams will come true in Lia Louis' *Dear Emmie Blue*.



Love Your Heart

with Purdue Extension

Thursday, February 9 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Main Library • Lifelong Learning Center

Give yourself the best Valentine's Day gift: a healthy heart! Discover simple changes that you can make to eat a heart-healthy diet, taste delicious smoothies, and learn other ways you can care for your heart with Purdue Extension.

Tax Day

Free tax prep with VITA on a first-come, first-served basis.

Saturday, February 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Main Library ▪ Lobby

Skip the hassle of complicated rules, confusing forms, and expensive professionals this tax season with help from VITA at VCPL. For over fifty years, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program has trained IRS-certified volunteers to help individuals and families with an income under \$66,000 file their taxes. VCPL's volunteers will be available for drop-in assistance without an appointment throughout the day.

Your information will be kept confidential. Some restrictions apply. Contact 812.232.1113 ext. 5000 for questions. Appointments are also available throughout tax season.

2023 LEGISLATIVE

CRACKERBARREL

Saturday, February 11 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Main Library ▪ Meeting Rooms A, B & C

Hear from Vigo County's state legislators about the committees they serve on, the bills they have sponsored or plan to sponsor, and the impact upcoming laws will have on your business, civic, and social priorities. Bring your questions regarding your legislators' 2023 initiatives for respectful discussion with the panel during the audience question and answer session.

Flavor Bytes: Dinner and a Movie

Premieres Monday, February 13 at 10:00 a.m. on [youtube.com/vigolibrary](https://www.youtube.com/vigolibrary)

Kit registration begins Monday, February 13

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Skip dinner and go straight to dessert with this month's Flavor Bytes! Whether you're preparing a treat for yourself or planning a Valentine's Day surprise for your loved one, you'll learn how to create a decadent—but simple—chocolate soufflé. Enjoy this fluffy, rich cake with a selection from a special movie playlist from hoopla®.



Chair Yoga

Monday, February 13 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

West Branch Library ■ Meeting Rooms A & B

Registration begins Friday, January 16

Register at vigolibrary.org/events

Take a mid-day break while you improve your flexibility, boost your mood, and reduce stress with a session of *Chair Yoga*. Common Ground Yoga will guide you through a gentle yoga routine that you can perform anywhere while seated. All experience and accessibility levels are welcome. No equipment is necessary; however comfortable, relaxed clothing is recommended.



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BOOK CLUB

Facebook Book Club: *The Midnight Library*

Never miss another book club meeting with the *Facebook Book Club*! Discuss new selections with other interested readers every month—on your schedule.

Without her job, her cat, her brother, or her best friend, Nora Seed decides that life isn't for her. She's a failure with a lingering sense of what-if: What if she'd followed her passion, what if she'd made traveled more, what if she accepted that coffee date? Waking up in an unfamiliar, she is greeted by Mrs. Elm, her kind school librarian, endless shelves of books, and the chance to visit her other possible lives in Matt Haig's magical *The Midnight Library*.

Join the *Facebook Book Club* at bit.ly/vcpl_fbbookclub.





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Main Library

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Monday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

West Branch Library

125 North Church Street
West Terre Haute, IN 47885
812.235.2121

Monday	12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

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