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What A Southwest Agent Taught Me About Staying Connected to Family

This summer, my high school class announced they were planning our 30th class reunion. I had not attended our first one. Very pregnant and married to a controlling husband who thought I shan't go (even though I'm pretty sure no man would have a single interest in me with my beach belly) I skipped it. When the next one came along (the reunion that is) I was probably too much in the thick of things with three little kids and being a single mom to even attempt to go (plus we had social media, so I was on the band wagon with those who thought we had already caught up with old friends).

Fast forward to this summer and what seemed like Post-Covid (thankfully writing about something other than Corona, but actually this has something to do with that; an afterthought while writing). This time around, I'll be with just one teenager at home and have the freedom and desire to travel and attend my reunion!

I turned it into this big to-do! I would contact many close friends and a few of my family who are still there, and I would visit them all! I would treat myself to a wonderful day at the spa at which I used to work at as a teen and always dreamed of doing...and to make the trip sweeter, my military daughter would meet me there during her holiday leave to come with me to attend my reunion and the hit the spa!

Enter Covid-Post-Covid...(insert eye-roll here). This wonderfully planned trip is now no longer on, as the concerns of many attendee-led facilitators to postpone. It is what it is, I was forced to cancel



all of the things I had booked, including the plane ticket. Not good. As I know that I purchased the airfare a while ago. And even though I can use it at later date, I know the rescheduled reunion date will not fall within the twelve months that the ticket will be good for...can you tell I fly this airline often? I should have bought stock in SW a long time ago for all the flights I've purchased for the kids to go see their dad. Well, it was time for that phone call to Southwest...which unfortunately would probably result in a disappointing outcome.

In between a crazy day full of school taxi trips and business calls I dialed my favorite airline. What I got wasn't a solution to my problem exactly. I got more. The agent that answered my call was an angel and she gave me a lesson to share. I have been in customer service and relations for over 35 years, and I am always blessed when I get a good rep on the other end of my customer care call. While I cannot use her name, I will share her story (with permission) and I think you will appreciate it and be able to use as part of your family connection practice, no matter if you are a parent or not.

So, I knew I couldn't transfer the ticket, but I did try. I thought if I could give it to my military daughter to come here instead of meet me in Connecticut, it would help her. Nope. Maybe offer it to my son to take the weekend

to go there and visit one of his grandfathers? Nope. However, the military family thing became a conversation... and before I knew it she was sharing her story with me. Her brothers (7 of 12) were in the service, her husband is still, and she had served four years.

She shared with me that, as most babies of the family experience when elders go away, she was devastated that her big brothers wouldn't be near, and being that they were boys, she knew they wouldn't be reaching out quite as often or as regularly as she would want. So, she told each and every one of them to set their cell phone alarms ALL to the same time, and program it for 'DAILY'. This way, every day at the same time the entire group of siblings would have a reminder that she, little sister, was thinking of all of them.

As a parent who has a child in the military...and one who lives out of state and one whose dream it is to travel... this is ingenious. I'd never heard it before...but I'll be using it. With Covid 'ramping up again' and many already living across distances, please implement this. Actually, even if your kids are home, but they are on the go...or if your parents are aging and you're busy and don't visit them as often as you like...or maybe, like me, I might be asking my besties to do this as they both are in different states than I am. This is an easy way to implement a small and consistent connection with loved ones.

So there you have it...today's lesson from Southwest. I knew I loved that airline, and not just for their amazing pilots and for most times *the* smoothest flights, but also the ease of booking, affordable tickets...and especially their people... That trickles down from the top you know. This agent? 16 years with SW. Me? 15 and counting.

Be well and stay safe.

Feel a touch of autumn. Riding on the breeze. Sense it in the shifting wind. See it in the trees.

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Join in the Fall Fun at Busy Bees Pottery & Arts Studio

Busy Bees Pottery & Arts Studio, located in the Great Lakes Mall, is the place to “bee” this fall! Open seven days a week the studio offers fun art creation ranging from nurturing your young artist’s creativity without making a mess in your home, to sipping your favorite beverages with friends while painting together, the multi-medium studio allows both novice and accomplished artists of all ages to release their inner Van Gogh.

“Busy Bees goal is to be a destination to forget the stresses of the day, week, life and lose yourself in the creative process. It’s the experience that provides the benefit and enjoyment; spending time with your family, friends or for that much needed “me” time. This isn’t about creating a museum quality masterpiece, this is “fun”art, not “fine”art.” says owner Beth Brinton. “I tell people to come in, relax and enjoy the process. You don’t have to have artistic ability. Just the desire to have fun and explore.”

The studio, celebrating its 6th anniversary this year caters to children and adults and offers open studio times as well as instructor-

led programs. During open studio time, choose your project/medium of choice and a staff member will assist with the supplies and best practices needed to create something unique and memorable.

The 2021-2022 After School Art Club program is underway and registration is still open for the remaining weeks of fall. Club meets every Thursday from 3:30 - 5:30pm. Parents can register children for one session or multiple sessions. “We wanted a flexible program to work with hectic schedules, as a parent I know how hard it is to fit every experience we want for our kids. This program allows kids to experience art at the pace and schedule that works for them. Each session focuses on a new medium(s) to create projects and enjoy time together learning about art techniques and approaches,” Brinton explains. Art Club members will experience creating with clay, pottery, glass, mosaics, canvas and more.

Busy Bees offers additional activities for school-age children; kids can attend art classes and camps held

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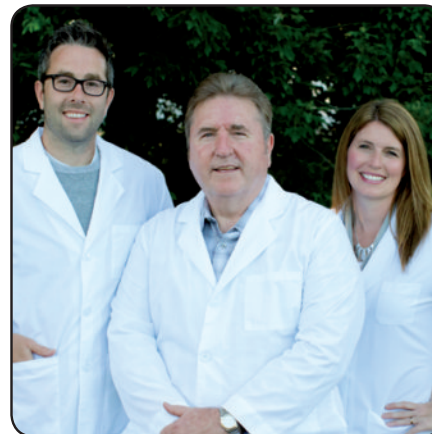
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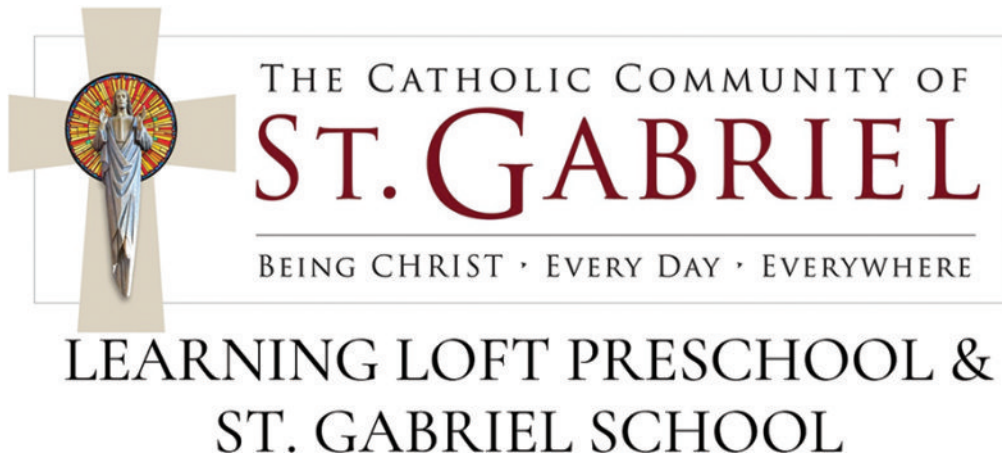
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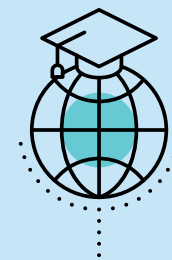


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Laurel School — Two Campuses, One Community

Laurel's suburban-rural advantage gives girls the edge. Its traditional Lyman Campus is in suburban Shaker Heights and just seven miles away in Russell Township, Laurel students immerse themselves in the natural world at the beautiful 150-acre Butler Campus. Both campuses are used by all students from 18 months-Grade 12 but when the need to spread out due to the COVID-19 pandemic arose, Laurel moved Grades 3-5 to its Butler Campus so that all students could experience an in-person learning

environment all year long. The move resulted in the school building on its existing innovative experiential learning curriculum and set the girls up for success--so much so that Grades 3-5 will continue to learn at the Butler Campus during the 2021-22 school year. While Laurel benefits from being a two-campus school that provides flexible learning spaces, it is actually one school when it comes to its philosophical approach to its students. At Laurel, three kinds of learning in particular distinguish its Kindergarten through Grade 12 cur-

riculum: experiential, interdisciplinary and community-based.

Campus details:

The Lyman Campus covers 11 acres and features two libraries; two gymnasiums; a rock-climbing wall; a bouldering wall; a maker space; a dance studio; dedicated science labs in all divisions; 2D and 3D art spaces; extensive outdoor play areas and a restored Chapel Theater.

The Butler Campus features 150 acres of woodland and waterways; world-class athletic facilities, including a 16,000-square-foot Fitness Center; a Magic Tree House; two all-season lodges; a 16-element Project Adventure Course and five classroom yurts.

To take virtual photo tours of both the Lyman and Butler Campuses, visit LaurelSchool.org/Campuses. Then come see the school for yourself in person! Visit LaurelSchool.org/OpenHouse to register for the Kindergarten-Grade 12 Open House on Wednesday, October 6 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Laurel's K-12 Open House includes opportunities to tour both campuses, a presentation by Head of School Ann V. Klotz and time to learn more about the curriculum, special programming, the admissions process and Variable Tuition. Pre-registration is required.

Reserve your spot today at LaurelSchool.org/OpenHouse. Or, call 216-464-0946 to schedule a private tour.



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St. Gabriel School and Learning Loft Preschool have been molding students in Lake County through faith, learning, and love for over 50 years. Both are award-earning schools staffed with teachers who make a difference in their students' lives. Their compassion, dedication, and expertise, challenge students to think independently and ignite their love of learning. St. Gabriel School is a STEM designated school that instills a strong sense of purpose and service. A proud participant in Cleveland Diocese's Better Together initiative, they strive to serve all students and meet each child's individual needs. The St. Gabriel Learning Loft Preschool has been voted best of Mentor five years running. They foster a warm and nurturing environment for students just starting their educational journey.

Whether you are a parent making your first school choice or you are considering switching to a new school for an older student, we know it is a big decision

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Education is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the world.

- Nelson Mandela

Theatre Season is Back at Fine Arts

The Fine Arts Association's 2021-2022 Theatre Season, Back in the Spotlight, offers something for everyone! Miracle on 34th Street will open the holiday season at FAA (November 26-December 19, 2021). Continue the holiday spirit with a Holiday Concert by the Cliff Habian Trio (December 11, 2021). The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe will ring in the new year (February 11-February 27, 2022), featuring chases, duels and escapes as the witch is determined to keep Narnia in her possession and to end the reign of Aslan.

Selected submissions received from all over the world, The Fine Arts Association's One Act Festival -Ten Below! will take place (April 1-April 10, 2022). The festival is guaranteed to arouse post-theatre conversation. Audiences will laugh and be amazed at the wit and humor of our young actors during Chili Con Comedy as they incorporate suggestions and chance into live



performances on November 13, 2021, February 5, 2022, and May 14, 2022.

The 2021-2022 theatre season concludes with Alice in Danceland (June 10-26, 2022), a BRAND NEW MUSICAL conceived and created by FAA Staff. This is an exciting new venture as FAA combines their Theatre Department with their Dance Department.

FAA's Artist Recital Series is a new addition to their enhanced performance season this year featuring

master musical artists, both local and national, in recital.

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Gilmour's independent accreditation means

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Gilmour's nature-based learning program includes opportunities for students in all three divisions. The school's 144-acre campus now features a chicken coop, greenhouse, apiary and Giving Gardens, and environmental science coursework



and sustainability initiatives have been added to the curriculum.

The campus' most recent addition - The Lorraine and Bill Dodero Center for Performing Arts - features a main stage theater, studio theater, practice rooms and exhibition spaces. This state-of-the-art facility is utilized to advance student engagement and expression through the arts.

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They are nationally accredited by National Lutheran School Association (NLSA) and recognized by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). They feature full-day, five-day kindergarten; weekly STEAM programs; computer technology with robotics, iPads, Chromebooks, and a dedicated computer lab; Smartboards in the classrooms; science lab; enrichment programs; and K-8 Spanish.

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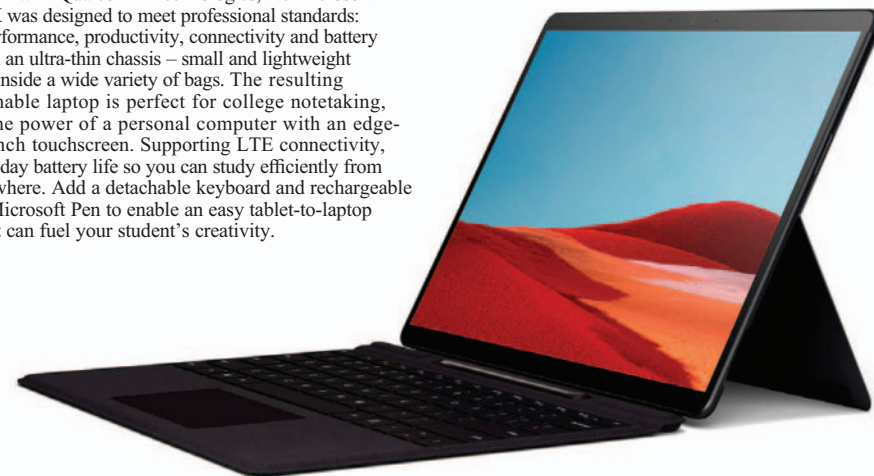


Power Through the Day

With a footprint only slightly larger than a sheet of paper, the Acer Chromebook Spin 513 uses the Snapdragon 7c compute platform to deliver more than enough processing power, battery life and connectivity to get through the school day – wherever that may be. Featuring a 13-inch screen inside a compact, low-weight frame, the 2-in-1 convertible design flips between laptop and tablet modes, ensuring students can stay connected to their data and apps for homework, notes and other school assignments. Two built-in microphones improve the quality of video calls for learners of all ages while its ultra-durable touchscreen and touchpad can withstand the rigors of everyday use of young learners.

Efficient Studying for Higher Learning

Leveraging Microsoft's SQ1 and SQ2 processors, developed in collaboration with Qualcomm Technologies, the Microsoft Surface Pro X was designed to meet professional standards: maximum performance, productivity, connectivity and battery life, all within an ultra-thin chassis – small and lightweight enough to fit inside a wide variety of bags. The resulting 2-in-1 detachable laptop is perfect for college notetaking, combining the power of a personal computer with an edge-to-edge 13-inch touchscreen. Supporting LTE connectivity, it enables all-day battery life so you can study efficiently from virtually anywhere. Add a detachable keyboard and rechargeable self-storing Microsoft Pen to enable an easy tablet-to-laptop transition that can fuel your student's creativity.



Smart and 5G Fast

The Lenovo Flex 5G (also known as the Yoga 5G) is the world's first personal computer with lightning-fast 5G connectivity, thanks to Snapdragon 8cx 5G compute platform. As the ultimate laptop for on-the-go students, this slim, eye-catching 360 degree convertible 1-in-1 device includes unmatched power and efficiency capable of multiple days of use on a single charge, plus a wide and responsive 14-inch touchscreen that's perfect for higher education and other specialized programs. Equipped with 5G cellular connectivity, it combines the speed and mobility of a cellphone with the performance you'd expect from an ultra-portable laptop.

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Keep Up with Learning Needs

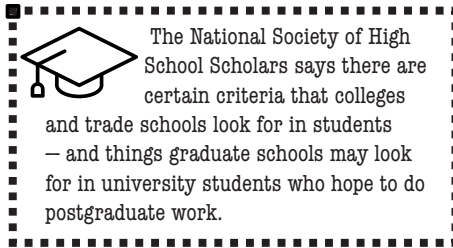
With modern features that both students and teachers can enjoy, the Acer Chromebook 511 is the perfect device for almost any digital or hybrid learning environment. Utilizing Snapdragon 7c compute platform and an 11.6-inch screen, this compact yet durable laptop delivers built-in 4G LTE connectivity to help protect data and provide fast, reliable access to learning apps in the cloud. It also offers up to 20 hours of battery life between charges, so students of all ages can take the classroom anywhere they're going without power interruption. Educators can also make it through lessons without looking for charging carts or vacant outlets.



How-to establish a well-rounded school résumé

A quality education is priceless. Lessons learned in the classroom are vital to students' long-term success, serving as a foundation as young adults transition from the role of student to professional.

An academic résumé is a great vehicle for young people to illustrate how well-rounded their educational experiences have been. Such résumés also give college admissions departments a snapshot of students' accomplishments, hobbies and extracurricular activities. In fact, the National Society of High School Scholars says there are certain criteria that colleges and trade schools look for in students — and things graduate schools may look for in university students who hope to do postgraduate work. Recognizing these attributes can help students better



prioritize their time as they look to build strong résumés.

- **Grade point average:** The NSHSS says some colleges will recalculate students' GPAs based only on core subjects, such as math, language arts, social studies, science, and foreign languages. It is essential to do well in these core subjects.

- **Advanced placement classes:** Many schools weigh honors or AP classes more heavily toward GPA or acceptance requirements due to their rigor. AP courses often translate directly into college credits, which can make them even more valuable to high school students.

- **Extracurricular activities:** Schools and even future employers look at more than just test scores and GPAs. In a competitive admissions climate, colleges will weigh the entire picture of a student. Someone who was heavily involved in sports, clubs and peer-run groups like scouting organizations may find that such participation is what sets them apart from other applicants. Pick extracurricular activities that align with passions rather than just ones that will look good on a résumé. According to Christine Chu, a premier college counselor at IvyWise, a New York-based education consulting company, students who demonstrate grit, authenticity and integrity stand out.

- **Well-crafted essay writing:** Essays give students an opportunity to tell their unique stories in ways a résumé cannot. An essay should be highly personal and thoughtful,

and also present students as a real person. Students should write essays even when they are optional, as the essay can be a window into what makes applicants tick. It is important for students to continually hone their essay-writing skills, which they can ultimately utilize to make a strong impression with university admissions departments.

- **Depth, not breadth, of experience:** Students should focus their passions on a few select activities over widespread participation in many different ones. Activities that carry over into academic focus and a future major may be especially valuable.

It's never too early for students to start building their school résumés. Achievements in and out of the classroom can lay the groundwork for both short- and long-term success.

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Teaming up with Moe's to hold a fundraiser means a simple process with a substantial return. Moe's supplies the marketing materials and link for orders to be placed and paid for online. The fundraising organization simply picks a date, markets the event and shares the online ordering link to all its members and supporters. Moe's will even post the event on their Facebook page! For every taco kit sold, the fundraising organization gets 25% of the sale and many people get a happy and full tummy! And for a limited time, organizations have a chance to double their money by participating in the Taco Kit Fundraising Contest!

"Because of the popularity of the taco kits, we wanted to add an extra element of fun and opportunity for the organization to rally around and raise more money. What better way than a contest," states Moe's owner,



Ryan O'Hare. The group or organization who raises the most money out of the fundraisers held between September 14th and November 24th will get an additional check from Moe's doubling their sales proceeds. The winner will be announced in the beginning of December.

Each taco kit serves 4-6 and comes with 12 soft flour tortillas, your choice of 2 proteins, lettuce, shredded cheese, Pico de Gallo, rice, beans, sour cream and of course a

bowl of Moe's famous queso. As usual, the chips and salsa are included and are compliments of Moe's! Taco kits are \$36.99.

Taco Kit fundraisers are very popular with schools, PTAs, sports teams, clubs, churches, groups and non-profit organizations. "We are all about the food and family experience which is why our Build Your Own Taco Kit is perfect to offer as a fundraising option. Easy, convenient and plenty of food and fun," states O'Hare.

Make fundraising easy and delicious! To book your fundraiser and enter the contest email

moesfundraisingcle@gmail.com or call Moe's fundraising coordinator, Candi at 440-773-1128.

About Moe's Southwest Grill

"Welcome to Moe's!" Just about 21 years ago the Southwest fare restaurant opened in Atlanta, Georgia

with these very words. Still today, this is the greeting received when entering Moe's because well, everybody should feel welcomed. Cleveland's east side saw its first Moe's Southwest Grill with the opening of a Mentor location in 2015 by the O'Hare family. To date the O'Hare's locally own and operate four locations with the additional three being in Mayfield Heights, South Euclid and a second Mentor location. Moe's guests can create whatever they're craving with fresh, healthy ingredient choices. Famous for Mexican burritos, queso and the free chips and salsa that come with every order, the Moe's build your own Taco, Fajita and Nacho Kits are soon to be added to the favorites list. Known as a community partner, Moe's looks forward to helping others raise funds through their Taco Kit Fundraisers.

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during evenings, weekends, and school vacations. Children's activities occur in the studio or offsite at schools, daycares, or other locations. Among the keepsake projects offered are clay projects or pottery involving handprints, fingerprints, and footprints.

Busy Bees isn't just for the young artists. The studio has multiple creative options for the entire family and adults. Adults can visit the studio anytime during open studio time or sign up for events and classes. The studio publishes a monthly schedule on their website for those interested in an instructor led and group environment. Family classes and events are a great activity for parents and kids to collaborate on creating together, enjoy painting a canvas, sculpting a clay object, or painting a ceramic piece. It's a great alternative to screen time and get the family together for an activity and conversation, a great way to create family memories.

Grown-ups need their creative time too, away from the kids, work, or school. For those occasions, Busy Bees Pottery & Arts Studio hosts Adult Workshops, Ladies' Nights Out, bachelorette parties, baby showers and other events. A party room is available for rent. Guests 21 and over are permitted to bring and enjoy adult beverages (BYOB).

Guests may create projects using a variety of every-changing mediums and techniques. Among them are mosaics, canvas painting, glass fusing, clay hand building, wine glass painting and candle making. The studio offers more than 400 different pottery pieces to paint, from kids' figurines to coffee mugs and serving bowls. Artistically challenged individuals needn't be scared away. "We have stencils, stamps, stickers, silk screens and all kinds of different tricks and tools they can use to enhance their design," Brinton says.

Call 440-571-5201 or visit them online at mentor.busybeesart.com.

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Register online at www.mentor.busybeesart.com

For children ages 6 - 14



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5642 Andrews Rd.
Mentor-on-the-Lake 44060
(440) 257-2512

Headlands

4669 Corduroy Rd. Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 257-2000

www.mentor.lib.oh.us

Ghouls & Ghosts Scavenger Hunt All October. Headlands. Kids can search the shelves of the Headlands Branch for ghouls and ghosts. If they find them all, they will be entered into a drawing for a gift card and candy.

Monster Scavenger Hunt All October. Lake Branch. Monsters are wreaking havoc in the Lake Branch, chewing the edges of books and leaving monster crumbs. If kids can find the monster, they will win a prize. Monster hiding spots change daily, and kids can play once a day. Walk-in program with no registration.

Yoga Kids Thursday, Oct. 7, at 11 a.m. Main Branch Kids (ages three to six) along with their grownup are invited to stretch their minds and bodies during this special yoga story time. Yoga Instructor Darlene Kelbach will lead everyone through breathing and movement exercises, all put together with a story and music. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel for both child and adult. Registration is required.

Art on the Bus Friday, Oct. 8, Three sessions: starting at 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. Main Branch Preschoolers can have fun making art with clay. Cathi Mezzopera, the founder of A Kid at Art for the Heart, will work with the kids to create art pieces in her mobile classroom that will then be displayed in the library's Children's Department. Due to seating, availability for this program is limited. Registration is required. Call 440-255-8811 ext. 220 to sign up. This program is for preschoolers. No younger or older siblings, please.

Super Mario Party Friday, Oct. 8, at 11 a.m. Lake Branch, Kids (ages four to 12) can celebrate the 36th anniversary with a supercharged Mario-themed party. There will be games, trivia and crafts. Partygoers are also welcome to come in costume for a photo opportunity in front of the library's Mario background. RSVP required.

Oreo Tasting Friday, Oct. 8, at 2 p.m. Main Branch, What a tasty way to spend the day! Kids (ages seven to 12) will try to

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guess Oreo flavors during this delightful and delicious program. Registration is required

Food Frenzy Friday Friday, Oct. 8, at 4 p.m. Headlands Branch A candy taste-test challenge? What a sweet idea! Tweens (ages nine to 13) can also enjoy fast and fun food-related games. Registration required.

Interactive Harry Potter & the Sorcerer's Stone Movie Saturday, Oct. 9, at 1 p.m. Village Room, Main Branch Enjoy this classic film in a brand-new way by interacting with the characters on the screen. The library will provide audience-participation bags during this special viewing of "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." Open to all ages, although best suited for those able to read. Registration required.

A Boo-tiful Night Monday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. Main Lawn, Main Branch Bring your blankets and chairs for a special Halloween movie outside. The library will provide popcorn and hot chocolate, in addition to the film. Costumes are encouraged. No registration required, and the screening is open to all ages.

World Tour of Snacks: Mexico Wednesday, Oct. 13, at 6:30 p.m. Village Room, Main Branch Students in seventh through 12th grade can enjoy authentic Mexican candy and treats, while learning about their ingredients and country of origin. RSVP required. Call (440) 255-8811 ext. 247 or email ask@mentorpl.org if you have any allergy concerns.

Wiggle, Giggle, and Shake Thursday, Oct. 14, at 11 a.m., Main Branch Kids (ages two to six) and their caregivers can have fun clapping, marching and moving. Registration required.

Haunted Peeps Diorama Saturday, Oct. 16, at 2 p.m. Lake Branch Tweens (ages nine to 13) can make a Haunted Peeps Di-

orama using a shoebox, peeps, and other candies and craft supplies that the library will provide. Registration is required and opens Oct. 2.

Trick or Treat Bags Tuesday, Oct. 19 and 26, at 4 p.m. The HUB Kids (ages four to 12) can customize their trick-or-treat bag at The HUB. Registration required. Two sessions of this program are being offered. Please only register for one to make room for as many kids as possible.

Create Your Own Cryptid Trading Cards Thursday, Oct. 21, at 6:30 p.m. Main Branch. Kids (ages seven to 12) will learn about North America's most infamous cryptids like sasquatch, the mothman, and more. Then they'll choose their favorite few to turn into trading cards using watercolor paints. They'll also be cryptid-themed treats. Registration required.

Preschool Dance Party: Costume Carnival Monday, Oct. 25, at 1 p.m. Main Branch. Kids (two to six) can get those costumes out early and come to the library for a preschool dance party. Enjoy an afternoon of dancing, moving and grooving in costume. Registration required.

Pumpkin Painting Party Monday, Oct. 25, at 6:30 p.m. Headlands Branch Kids (ages eight and older) can enjoy a spooktacular Halloween pumpkin-painting party. Registration required.

Monster Spray Wednesday, Oct. 27, at 5 p.m. The HUB Kids (ages four to eight) can get ready for Halloween by mixing a magical batch of Monster Spray. (Spray under beds and in closets to keep the boogymen away.) Registration required.

Family Game Night: MonDRAWsity Thursday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. Main Branch. Calling all Paranormal Investigators! Monsters have been spotted and we need you to draw their sketches based on the



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witnesses' descriptions. Unfortunately, the witnesses didn't get a very good look. Gather your team and see who can draw a monster closest to the description. Family Game Night is open to family groups with kids ages 13 and younger with an adult. Registration is required.

Trick or Treating at the Library Friday, Oct. 29, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Main Branch Children can don their costumes and trick-or-treat through the library.

MORLEY LIBRARY

184 Phelps St. Painesville, OH 44077
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www.morleylibrary.org

Stories & Songs | Mondays, 10:30-11 am thru Oct 25 Come join us in the Storyroom for fun with some of our favorite stories shared through songs, movement, picture books, puppets and flannelboards. This storytime is focused on developing early literacy skills and small motor control. Registration required. Please indicate the total number of participants (children and adults) who will be attending the program. Masks will be required for ages 2+.

Storytime Fun | Wednesdays, 10:30-11 am thru Nov 17 Join Morley Library children's services staff for songs, activities, stories and more! This is a drop-in program with a limit of 15 participants in order to maintain safe social distancing. Masks will be required for ages 2+.

Family Fun Storytime | Saturdays, 10:30-11 am thru Oct 30 Join Morley Library children's staff each week for stories, activities, songs and more! This is a drop-in program that will be held outside in the Morley Library parking lot as weather permits. Masks are optional.

Please check the Morley Library Facebook page for cancellations and updates.

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Eastlake Public Library

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(440) 942-7880 x. 105

Willoughby Public Library

30 Public Sq. Willoughby, OH 44094
(440) 942-3200 x. 104

Willowick Public Library

263 E. 305 St. Willowick, OH 44095
(440) 943-4151 x. 116
(440) 516-0843 TTY

Willoughby Hills Public Library

35400 Chardon Rd.
Willoughby Hills, OH 44094
(440) 942-3362
www.welibrary.info

For a complete schedule of events or to register for one of our upcoming programs, visit www.we247.org.

Carryout Crafts for Teens Each month we will have an activity kit for you to pick up at the Willoughby Library and complete at home. Month of October-Bead Frog Craft

Willoughby Public Library

Khin's Craft Corner Follow along with Miss Khin as she gets creative with materials you have around the house! A new, pre-recorded video will be available every week. Links available Fridays, October 1–November 19

Lego Club We provide the LEGOs, you provide the imagination. All ages welcome. Saturday, October 2, 2 pm Online via Zoom

Homeschool Research The average Google search can yield millions of results, but which one will give you the information you need? In this class, children ages 8-12 will learn how to find, evaluate and use information. Thursday, October 7, 2 pm Online via Zoom

Learn How to Sew a Stuffed Pumpkin Sewing machines and all supplies provided. Limit 6 participants. Thursday, October 7, 5:30-7 pm. Willoughby Public Library

Basement Writers Write with us in our creative writing group. Bring your writing and ideas to share. Positive feedback and fun environment provided. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18). Mondays, October 11 & 25, 7-8 pm

Willowick Public Library

Sensory Family Storytime Children of all ages & abilities are welcomed to this interactive, inclusive storytime specifically designed to support the developmental needs of those with sensory

challenges. Tuesday, October 12, 6:30 pm Online via Zoom

Fall Candle Holder Craft Decorate your very own candle holder. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18). Tues, Oct. 12, 7-8 pm Willowick Public Library

Homeschool Writers Club During this in-person event, we'll use the amazing Playing with a Purpose videos from our partners Lake Erie Ink to inspire young writers ages 7-12. Classes will be facilitated by a librarian and all materials will be provided. Monday, October 18, 1:30 pm Online via Zoom

Feathers, Furs and Scales Families will learn about the different animals and other species that live at the Lake Metroparks' facility. This event will be held outside on the lawn in front of the old bank. Please bring blankets or camp chairs. In the case of inclement weather, this event will be rescheduled. Tuesday, October 19, 6:30 pm Old Citizen's Bank Building in Downtown Willoughby

Homeschool Travelers Take a trip around the world without leaving your house! Each month features a different location, complete with facts & fun activities! Wednesday, October 20, 2 pm Online via Zoom

Homeschool Animal Explorers Each month children 6-12 will learn about a new animal through crafts, books and more! Thursday, October 21, 2 pm Online via Zoom

WILLOWICKED Halloween Party Enjoy crafts, games and stories during our annual Halloween event! Thursday, October 21, 6:30 pm Online via Zoom

60 Minutes of Magic Magician Chris Woodman will perform card tricks, make predictions and more! Monday, October 25, 6:30-7:30 pm Willoughby Hills

Whoose Bones Are Those? Ever wonder what (or who) owls eat? You can find out at this hands-on event where we'll dissect real owl pellets! (All supplies will be available to pick up from the Eastlake Library.) Tuesday, October 26, 6:30 pm Online via Zoom

Hills' Halloween Bash with Turtle

Dance Music Join us for a special live virtual show from Turtle Dance Music featuring inclusive comedy, singing, music technology and a monster mash dance party! Wednesday, October 27, 1 pm Online via Zoom

Teen Art Club Do you love to create art but never get the chance? Join other art-loving teens for Art Club where we will focus on a different artist or style. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18). Thursday, October 28, 6:30-8:30 pm Eastlake Public Library



FIRE DEPARTMENT STORY TIME JULY 9, 2021

Youth Cooking Club, Chess Club, Fire Trucks, and Fighting Fraud This Week at Fairport Library

The Try Something New Jr. cooking club is Fairport Harbor Public Library's new Youth cooking group. The group will meet the 1st Saturday of each month at 10 am. Each member will work from the same cookbook and bring in a recipe from the book to share with the group at a potluck style gathering. The next meeting is Saturday, October 2 from 10:00am - 11:30am. Please call for instructions and to register.

The Fairport Harbor Public Library **chess club** will meet every other Saturday morning at 10:00 am at the library. Steve Neff, our Fairport chess master is combining his passion for chess and his love of children by starting a chess club for all ages and skill levels with a desire to mentor and guide each participant to embrace the game and reach their greatest potential. The next meetings are October 9 and October 23.

The Fairport Harbor Fire Department will be presenting a special Fire Fighter story time and tour of the fire truck Friday, October 8 at 11:00 am.

Please reserve your seat for all events on the library website www.fairport.library.com or by calling 440-354-8191. All current safety protocols, including the wearing of masks inside the library, will be followed. The library is located at 335 Vine Street in Fairport Harbor.

Other events at the library this month include: Pens and Swords Tabletop Role Playing Group (TTRPG) will be meeting once a month at Fairport Library. Our next meeting is Saturday, October 16 at 11:30 am. Seats will be first come first served to play (limit of 6). You can play with an approved character or use one of our generated character sheets. This event may be held via zoom depending on COVID conditions.

Come watch Saturday Morning Cartoons at the library every weekend from 9-10 am! All ages welcome.

Anime Club meets every Thursday after school from 4-5:00 pm. Let's geek out and discuss our latest anime obsessions and manga series! Registration is Required to receive the Zoom Link.

And H.E.R.O Club Meets October 7 from 3:14-4:00 pm. H.E.R.O. (Helping to Educate Regarding Orientation) is a club made for and by LG-BTQA+ members and their allies. If you identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, queer, questioning, or an ally, this program is for you. Come meet other LGBTQA members and join us for games, movies, and discussions! This will be a safe, positive, and friendly space. Registration is REQUIRED for the Zoom link.

Homework Help is offered Mondays and Tuesdays after school 3:30-5:30 pm for some extra schoolwork assistance.

Stop in the Idea Lab on Wednesdays after school to work on school assignments or art projects

Halloween Trick or Treating will be held at the library on Saturday, October 30 from 10am-1pm. Stop in dressed in your costume if you like and choose a sweet treat or spooky trick. Prizes will be given to extra creative costumes!

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