



**Mishawaka-Penn-Harris
Public Library**
Learning for a Lifetime

April–May 2025

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Event Highlights:

Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt Lock-In
Spring "Egg"-stravaganza
Spring "Egg"-periments
All That '90s Trivia Night
Earth Day Seed Swap
Ask a Lawyer

**Registration begins
Monday, March 17!**

Program Guide | For Children, Teens & Adults

The People Next Door

Witnessing the Holocaust



Contest Awards and Opening Reception Mishawaka Library | Wed., April 23 | 5-6:45 p.m. Recommended for Teens and Adults

Join local students as they showcase their entries in The People Next Door Student Art and Creative Writing Contest. After opening remarks, contest winners will be announced and select students will discuss or read their work. Light refreshments will be served.

Exhibition of Student Art and Creative Writing Mishawaka Library | April 24-30

Come experience the artistic talents of local high school students. Each work on display is inspired by the personal stories of Holocaust survivors who rebuilt their lives right here in Michiana. The artwork will be on display in the lower level atrium during normal library hours at our downtown Mishawaka Library location.



Kurt & Tessye Simon Fund
for Holocaust Remembrance

Co-presented by the Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library and
the Kurt & Tessye Simon Foundation for Holocaust Remembrance.
Learn more at peoplenextdoor.org. WARNING: SOME WORKS MAY CONTAIN MATURE THEMES.



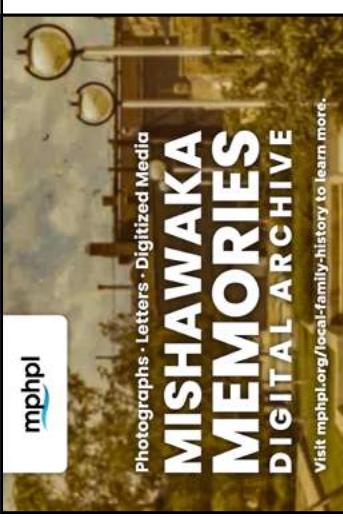
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Our Mission

The Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library inspires and empowers our community by connecting patrons to literature, information, ideas and new experiences for lifelong enrichment.

April 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
mphpl  Photographs • Letters • Digitized Media MISHAWAKA MEMORIES DIGITAL ARCHIVE Visit mphpl.org/local-family-history to learn more.						
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<p>20</p> <p>4:30 p.m. - M Cooking Classics: Cowboy Mushrooms (Age 18+)</p> <p>6 p.m. - B or H Stuffed Animal Sleepover (Ages 2-11)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>3:30 p.m. - M Teen Gaming (Grades 6-12)</p> <p>- No Reg. Required -</p>
<p>27</p> <p>1-4 p.m. - M Ask a Lawyer (Age 18+)</p> <p>- No Reg. Required -</p> <p>5:30 p.m. - H Teen Tinker Lab (Grades 6-12)</p> <p>6 p.m. - B Night Owl Storytime (Age 11 & under)</p>	<p>28</p> <p>3:30 p.m. - B Teen Gaming (Grades 6-12)</p> <p>- No Reg. Required -</p> <p>6 p.m. - Zoom Virtual Food Tasting: Mexican Snacks (Family & All Ages)</p>
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<p>TACKLE SIMPLE LEGAL TASKS</p> <p>Authentic, legal forms, many of which are Indiana specific. Visit mphpb.org/online-resources to see how you can access Gale LegalForms for free.</p> <p><small>The products offered by Gale LegalForms are not a substitute for the advice of an attorney.</small></p>	

PLEASE NOTE:

Some programs have varying age groups. These programs have specific ages listed below the event. Programs are subject to change. Should a program be canceled, patrons will be notified at least 72 hours prior to the program.

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Storytime

- M - Mishawaka Library Location
- B - Bittersweet Branch Location
- H - Harris Branch Location

- Children (Birth-Grade 5)
- Teens (Grades 6-12)
- Adults (Age 18+)
- Family & All Ages



May 2025



<p>5:30 p.m. - M American Heritage Spotlight (Age 18+) - No Reg. Required -</p>	<p>3:30 p.m. - B Teen Gaming (Grades 6-12) - No Reg. Required -</p>	<p>24</p>	
<p>18</p>	<p>4:30 p.m. - M Cooking Classics: Chicken Salad Stuffed Avocados (Age 18+)</p> <p></p>	<p>19</p>	<p>5:30 p.m. - M Mishawaka Storytime (See page 12 for details) - No Reg. Required -</p> <p>3:30 p.m. - M Teen Gaming (Grades 6-12) - No Reg. Required -</p>
<p>20</p>		<p>21</p>	<p>5:30 p.m. - M Harris Storytime (See page 12 for details) - No Reg. Required -</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - M Watercolor Painting: Seasonal Landscapes (Age 18+)</p>
<p>22</p>		<p>23</p>	<p>5:30 p.m. - B Cupcakes & Canvas (Grades 6-12)</p>
<p>24</p>		<p>25</p>	<p>ALL MPHPL LOCATIONS CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY</p>
<p>26</p>		<p>27</p>	<p>5:30 p.m. - M Mishawaka Storytime (See page 12 for details) - No Reg. Required -</p> <p>3:30 p.m. - M Teen Gaming (Grades 6-12) - No Reg. Required -</p>
<p>28</p>		<p>29</p>	<p>5:30 p.m. - B Bittersweet Storytime (See page 12 for details) - No Reg. Required -</p> <p>10:30 a.m. - M Watercolor Painting: Seasonal Landscapes (Age 18+)</p>
<p>30</p>		<p>31</p>	<p>3:30 p.m. - M How to Train Your Dragon™ (Grades 3-5)</p> <p>11 a.m. - Central Park School City of Mishawaka's 5th Annual One Day in the Sun (Family & All Ages) - No Reg. Required -</p>



Marionette Playhouse Presents: Friendship Black Light Puppet Show

Mishawaka Library | 10:30–11:15 a.m.
Harris Branch | 2–2:45 p.m.
Fri., April 11 | Family & All Ages

Join puppeteer Jean Kuecher as she dazzles audiences with colorful and heartwarming stories about friendship and cooperation that are performed in the black light stage. Adult caregivers must remain in the room.

Registration required.

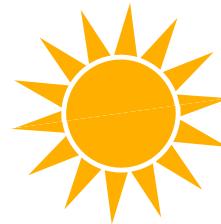
Virtual Food Tasting: Mexican Snacks

Live on Zoom | Wed., April 30
6–6:45 p.m. | Family & All Ages

Come expand your taste palette as we explore and enjoy various snacks from Mexico! Participants will receive an assortment of snacks to try while also taking a virtual tour of our neighbor to the south.

Registration required. Details on when and where to pick up program supplies will be sent via email to registrants. Limit one kit per household.

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Storytime with the Bunny!

University Park Mall | 6501 Grape Rd.
Mon., April 7 | 11 a.m.
Family & All Ages

Join the Easter Bunny and MPHPL at University Park Mall for a special Storytime with the Bunny!

No registration required.

Kids to Parks Day

Hillis Hans Park | 600 E. 13th St.
Sat., May 17 | 11 a.m.
Family & All Ages



Visit us at Hillis Hans Park to celebrate Kids to Parks Day with the Mishawaka Department of Parks and Recreation. We will have a table with different activities, including crafts and games!

No registration required.

One Day in the Sun

Central Park
295 E. Mishawaka Ave.
Sat., May 31 | 11 a.m.
Family & All Ages



Come visit the library's table at One Day in the Sun. We will have crafts, program guides and games!

No registration required.



Kids in the Kitchen

Mishawaka Library

**Tuesdays: April 1 or May 6
4:30–5 p.m. | Grades K–2**

Enjoy an afternoon filled with learning new kitchen skills and recipes. The best part is that everyone gets to sample their creation! Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

Registration required and limited to MPHPL cardholders. Please register for either the April or May session.

Kids in the Kitchen

Mishawaka Library

**Wednesdays: April 2 or May 7
4:30–5:15 p.m. | Grades 3–5**

Enjoy an afternoon filled with learning new kitchen skills and recipes. The best part is that everyone gets to sample their creation! Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

Registration required and limited to MPHPL cardholders. Please register for either the April or May session.

Spring Break Walk-In Craft

**All Locations | During Library Hours
Mon., April 7 | Age 11 & under**

Start your spring break off at the library with a fun walk-in craft! Come in anytime during our open hours and join us in the Youth Services area for a craft. Take one home or make it here! Adult caregivers must remain in the room.

No registration required.

Nature Nuts

Bittersweet Branch

Mondays: April 7 & May 5

4:30–5:15 p.m. | Age 11 & under



Join us outside in the courtyard for sensory nature exploration and art! Please note if inclement weather occurs, the event will be moved indoors. Adult caregivers must directly supervise participants 5 years of age and younger; caregivers must remain in the library for participants 6–11 years of age.

Registration required for each session.

Spring “Egg”-stravaganza

Mishawaka Library | Tues., April 8

Harris Branch | Wed., April 9

Bittersweet Branch | Thurs., April 10

10:15–11 a.m. | Age 5 & under



Hop over to the library for some fun! Enjoy stories, “egg-citing” activities and a craft. Afterward, join in the egg hunt for a small prize. Adult caregivers must remain in the room.

Registration required.

Spring “Egg”-periments

Mishawaka Library | Tues., April 8

Harris Branch | Wed., April 9

Bittersweet Branch | Thurs., April 10

10:15–11 a.m. | Ages 6–11



Hop into our lab and complete our STEAM-inspired activities. Enjoy an egg hunt for a small prize. Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

Registration required.

Minecraft™ Painting

**Harris Branch | 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Mishawaka Library | 2–3 p.m.
Sat., April 12 | Grades 3–5**

Try your hand at painting your favorite Minecraft™ character! Limit one canvas per participant. Snacks will be provided. Sixth graders welcome as space allows. Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

Registration required.

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Around the World

**Bittersweet Branch
Mon., April 14
4:30–5:30 p.m.
Grades 1–5**



Ready to travel the world? During this fun and informative program, you'll learn about countries from around the world through games, recipes and crafts. Adult caregivers must remain in the library. This month we will be learning about Greece!

Registration required.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover

**Bittersweet or Harris Branch
Mon., April 21
6–6:30 p.m. | Ages 2–11**

Bring one of your favorite stuffed animal friends for a special evening storytime and craft before leaving them for a fun overnight adventure in the library! You'll pick up your friend the next day during our afternoon Popcorn & Pickup. Adult caregivers must remain in the room.

Registration required.



Little Maestros

**Mishawaka Library | Tues., April 15
Harris Branch | Wed., April 16
Bittersweet Branch | Thurs., April 17
10:15–11 a.m. | Age 5 & under**

Preparing your child to read includes reading, writing, talking, singing and playing. Explore these skills through the wonders of music! Multiple instruments will be available for your little maestros to try out!

Adult caregivers must remain in the room.



No registration required.

Homeschool Hour

**Mishawaka Library
Wednesdays: April 16 & May 21
1–2 p.m. | Grades K–5**

Homeschool students are invited to join us each month at the library to learn a new skill. Supplies will be provided. Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

April 16: Upcycle Jewelry

May 21: Knots

Registration required for each session.

Popcorn & Pickup

**Bittersweet or Harris Branch
Tues., April 22
4:30–5 p.m. | Ages 2–11**

For those that registered and joined us for our Stuffed Animal Sleepover Storytime, pick up your stuffed animal friend and enjoy a slideshow highlighting their overnight adventures! Enjoy the slideshow while munching on popcorn. Adult caregivers must remain in the room.



Night Owl Storytime

Bittersweet Branch | Mon., April 28
6-6:30 p.m. | Age 11 & under



Everyone enjoys one bedtime story, but what about three? Join us for our evening storytime with books, songs and a take-home craft. Adult caregivers must remain in the room.

Registration required.



Out of this World!

Bittersweet Branch | 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Mishawaka Library | 2-3 p.m.
Sat., May 3 | Grades K-5

Celebrate National Space Day with us! Explore parts of space with various games, activities and crafts. Adult caregivers must directly supervise participants in grades K-2; caregivers must remain in the library for participants in grades 3-5.

Registration required.

Mother's Day Walk-In Craft

All Locations | During Library Hours
Sat., May 10 | Age 11 & under

Celebrate your mom, aunt, grandma or another very special someone in your life. We will have materials to make a handmade craft to show your love and appreciation! Adult caregivers must remain in the room. Available while supplies last.

No registration required.



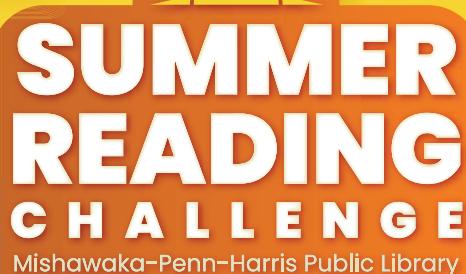
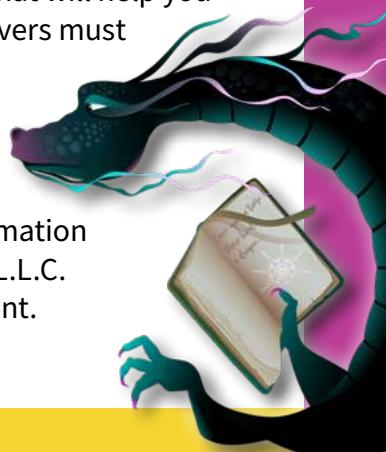
How to Train Your Dragon™

Mishawaka Library | Fri., May 30
3:30-4:15 p.m. | Grades 3-5

Join Toothless, Hiccup and the rest of the Dragon Flyers. Don your Viking gear and learn skills through activities and games that will help you train your dragon! Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

Registration required.

How to Train Your Dragon is a trademark of DreamWorks Animation L.L.C. Dreamworks Animation L.L.C. is not a sponsor of this free event.



June 2-August 4

The challenge card will be revealed Monday, May 19.

Storytime

Mishawaka Library

Tuesdays:
May 6, 13, 20 & 27
10:15-10:45 a.m.

Harris Branch

Wednesdays:
May 7, 14, 21 & 28
10:15-10:45 a.m.

Bittersweet Branch

Thursdays:
May 8, 15, 22 & 29
10:15-10:45 a.m.

Bouncin' Babies

Birth-23 Months

Bouncin' Babies is a structured 20 minute program that combines books, short rhymes, songs, fingerplays and movement activities to introduce children to the wonder of language.

Li'l Listeners

Ages 2-5

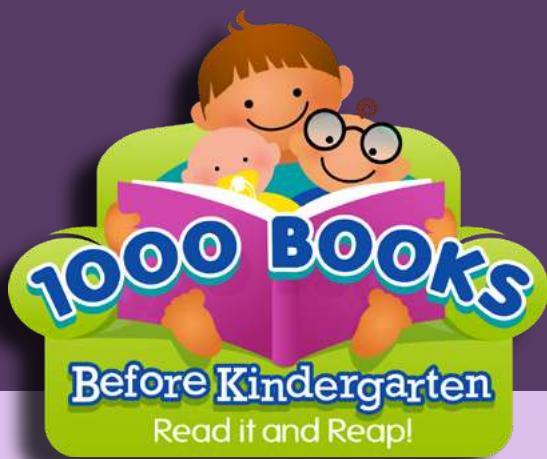
Li'l Listeners is a structured 30 minute program in which books, story-related activities and take-home crafts provide an enjoyable group experience.

No registration required for storytime.

Please note that we will close to additional attendees 15 minutes into our Li'l Listeners session to help reduce distractions to our young audience members. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. Caregivers are expected to participate in activities as able.

Groups may contact the Youth Services Coordinator at (574) 259-5277 ext. 1401 to inquire about special accommodations.

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MPHPL encourages families and caregivers to build closeness and early literacy skills with their children by reading 1000 Books Before Kindergarten!

MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENTS:

100 BOOKS

- Baker B.
- Logan B.
- Adeline D.
- Kasey F.
- Griffin P.
- Ellie P.
- Alejandro
- Sammy
- Kieran M.
- Noah N.
- Rose O.
- Griffin P.
- Eleanor S.
- Josie S.
- Lilian

200 BOOKS

- Charlotte D.
- Easton D.
- Nikolai H.
- Edric L.
- Karmen L.
- Sierra M.
- Cassiel S.
- Isaiah
- Sergio
- Cohen C.
- Rafael E.
- Kennedy F.
- Alexandra G.
- Keziah G.
- Oliver H.
- Avery H.
- Penelope I.
- Noah N.
- Josephine R.
- Claire W.

300 BOOKS

- Elowyn B.
- Olivia B.
- Theo B.
- Keziah G.
- Eden L.
- Olivia L.
- Jack Joseph M.
- Annie B.
- Lucy B.
- Sophia C.
- Judah K.
- Jacob L.
- Trevor P.
- Mila R.
- Evelyn S.



600 BOOKS

- Willow H.
- Zion H.
- Brody R.
- Phoebe W.

700 BOOKS

- Sadie C.
- Lilliana W.

800 BOOKS

- Myles R.
- Annette S.
- Aubriella S.

900 BOOKS

- Ellie M.
- Penelope N.
- Annette S.
- Aubriella S.

CELEBRATING 1000 BOOKS!



Gabie C.



Albert D.



Easton G.



Theodore H.



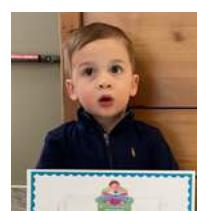
Gabriel S.



Liam W.



Nolan M.



Thomas W.



To get started, visit one of our Youth Services desks or mphpl.org/1000Books



TEEN GAMING

Join us in the teen department for gaming!
Play our Nintendo Switch™ or choose from an
assortment of card, dice and board games.

Stop in and play for a few minutes or
join us for the full two hours.

No registration required.

Teen Gaming
3:30–5:30 p.m. | Grades 6–12

Mishawaka Library
Tuesdays in April & May

Bittersweet Branch
Wednesdays in April & May



Teens in the Kitchen

Mishawaka Library | Thurs., April 3
or Harris Branch | Thurs., May 8
5–5:45 p.m. | Grades 6–12



Have you ever wanted to learn a new skill in the kitchen? Now is your chance! Enjoy an afternoon filled with learning new kitchen skills and recipes, then sample your delicious creations. The same recipe will be made at the April and May sessions. Teens must have a signed permission slip on file or an adult caregiver must sign a permission slip on-site.

Registration required and limited to MPHPL cardholders.
Please register for either the April or May session.

Flavor Feud: Oreo®

Harris Branch | Sat., April 5
2–3 p.m. | Grades 6–12

Do your tastebuds have what it takes to decipher the difference between a variety of Oreo® cookies? The participant who can identify the most cookies correctly will win a special award! Adult caregiver must sign a permission slip on-site.

Registration required.

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Messy Canvas Bags

Mishawaka Library
Tues., April 8
3:30–4:30 p.m.
Grades 6–12



Make a strategic hot mess with this style of painting! Choose from a few premade stencils or make your own unique mess! Join in Teen Gaming and play a few rounds with some friends while you wait for your canvas to dry!

Registration required.

Homeschool Hour

Mishawaka Library

Wednesdays: April 16 & May 21

1-2 p.m. | Grades 6-12

Homeschool students are invited to join us each month at the library to learn a new skill. Supplies will be provided.

Adult caregivers must remain in the library.

April 16: Upcycle Jewelry

May 21: Paracord Bracelets

Registration required for each session.



Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt Lock-In

Bittersweet Branch | Fri., April 18 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Grades 6-12

Bring a flashlight and join the quest to find hidden eggs with candy. Glow-in-the-dark eggs will contain small prizes. Find the supersized egg to receive the grand prize! Pizza will be served. Teens must have a signed permission slip on file or an adult caregiver must sign a permission slip on-site. No admittance after 5:45 p.m.



Registration required.

Teen Tinker Lab

Harris Branch | Mon., April 28 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Grades 6-12

Stretch your imagination and get creative with Shrinky Dinks™, thin sheets of plastic that shrink when heated. Adult caregivers must sign permission slip on-site.

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Registration required.

Cupcakes & Canvas

Harris Branch | Sat., May 17 | 2-3 p.m. | Grades 6-12

Bittersweet Branch | Thurs., May 22 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Grades 6-12

Create a fake neon light painting using a black canvas while enjoying cupcakes and beverages! Supplies will be provided.

Adult caregiver must sign a permission slip on-site.

Registration required.



Saturday Morning Book Club

Mishawaka Library

1st Saturdays: April 5 & May 3

10:15-11:15 a.m. | Adults (18+)



Join us at our Mishawaka Library to discuss the month's book selection. Books can be picked up a month in advance at the front desk of the Mishawaka Library.

April 5: *Weyward* by Emilia Hart

May 3: *The Housekeeper and the Professor* by Yoko Ogawa

Registration required for each session.



American Heritage Spotlight

Mishawaka Library

2nd Tuesdays: April 8 & May 13

5:30-6:30 p.m. | Adults (18+)

April 8: The Potawatomi Zoo has a rich history that dates back to 1921. It began with a small herd of deer and a duck pond. It has since evolved into a respected nonprofit organization dedicated to exemplary animal care, conservation and education. What was once a small community zoo has now transformed into a true regional destination. Discover the history of the Potawatomi Zoo, its remarkable journey over the last century and what you can expect in the future.

May 13: Travis Childs, Archivist and St. Joseph County Historian, will present on Freshwater Fury: Great Lakes Shipwrecks. The Great Lakes are the largest collection of freshwater on earth. They are beautiful and support all kinds of water sports, however they hide a dark secret. Since the time humans placed a boat on Great Lakes' waters, there have been wrecks. Come learn about a tiny sampling of the over 6,000 shipwrecks that lie within the five Great Lakes.

No registration required.

Chapter Chats

Harris Branch

2nd Thursdays:

April 10 & May 8

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Adults (18+)

Join us at our Harris Branch to chat about each month's book selection. Books can be picked up a month in advance at the front desk of the Harris Branch.

April 10: *Moloka'i* by Alan Brennert

May 8: *Persuasion* by Jane Austen

Registration required for each session.

BINGO



Bittersweet Branch

Wednesdays: April 16 & May 21

5:30-6:30 p.m. | Adults (18+)



Join us for an evening of bingo and beverages! Winners will receive small prizes and raffle tickets for a chance to win a door prize.



Registration required for each session.



Hidden Protein

Mishawaka Library

Thurs., April 17

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Adults (18+)

Join us in the Makerspace to learn easy and delicious ways to incorporate more protein into your everyday diet – featuring the star of the show, Greek yogurt.

Registration required and limited to MPHPL cardholders.



Cooking Classics

Mishawaka Library

Mondays: April 21 & May 19

4:30-5:30 p.m. | Adults (18+)

Want to try your hand at easy culinary creations? Join us as we experiment with different flavors to make irresistibly delicious goodies!

April 21: Cowboy Mushrooms

May 19: Chicken Salad Stuffed Avocados

Registration required for each session and limited to MPHPL cardholders.

Earth Day Seed Swap

Bittersweet Branch | Tues., April 22

10:30-11:30 a.m. | Adults (18+)



Join us for an Earth Day celebration, where you can swap seeds with your fellow attendees and make a floral craft to take home. While we encourage attendees to bring their own seeds to swap, the library will be providing some seeds as well.

Registration required

Needle Felting: Flowers

Harris Branch | Sat., April 26

10:30-11:30 a.m. | Adults (18+)

Join us for a morning of crafting and conversation! Learn the relaxing art of needle felting. Participants will use various colors of felt to create a one-of-a-kind flower scene that is perfect for spring decorating.

Registration required.

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Ask a Lawyer

Mishawaka Library

Mon., April 28

1-4 p.m. | Adults (18+)



Volunteers from the Volunteer Lawyer Network, Inc. will provide free legal advice to the public on a first come, first served basis. Attendees are encouraged to bring all pertinent information and documents.

No registration required.

5 or Fewer: Tacos

Harris Branch | Fri., May 2

10:30-11:30 a.m. | Adults (18+)

Join us as we try out a variety of simple taco recipes! We'll demonstrate how to make a few specialty ingredients, and participants will construct and enjoy their own tacos.

Registration required and limited to MPHPL cardholders.

Adults

DIY Spring Mirrors

Bittersweet Branch

Mon., May 5 | 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Adults (18+)

Spring is blooming – join us in creating your own floral mirror using foam clay and your creativity.

Registration required.

All That '90s Trivia Night

Mishawaka Library | Fri., May 9

6:30–8:30 p.m. | Adults (18+)

Show off your nineties knowledge at our All That '90s Trivia Night! We'll cover a variety of pop culture topics, like movies, TV, music, food and more! During this event, we will also be taking donations of non-perishable food items for the Mishawaka Food Pantry. Any participant who donates an item will be entered for a chance to win a small prize. Teams must have 2-6 members.

Registration required and limited to 15 teams.

Edible Excursions: Japan

Mishawaka Library | Mon., May 12

5:30–6:30 p.m. | Adults (18+)

Join us for an evening of exploration and eating! Participants will virtually visit a new country and then make a popular snack that is enjoyed in that country. During this session, we'll explore Japan!

Registration required and limited to MPHPL cardholders.



Watercolor Painting: Seasonal Landscapes

Mishawaka Library

Wednesdays: May 14, 21 & 28

10:30 a.m.–Noon | Adults (18+)

Join us for a three-week watercolor painting series, led by Marge Burkholder. Marge will teach patrons how to create seasonal landscapes. Patrons will walk away with a finished painting each session.

Registration required. Register once for all three sessions of this series.



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- Entertainment DVDs - 20 per card
- TV Series & Non-Fiction DVDs - 20 per card

Fees and Fines:

- New Release DVDs - \$1 per day
- All other items - 25¢ per day

Loan Periods:

- Books & Audiobooks - 21 days
- Magazines & Music CDs - 21 days
- New Release DVDs - 7 days
- Entertainment DVDs - 7 days
- TV Series & Non-Fiction DVDs - 21 days

Renewals:

- All DVDs - No renewals
- All other items - 3 renewals, as long as no one else has placed a hold on the item.
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Thursday	9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
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Sunday	CLOSED

**BITTERSWEET BRANCH**

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Sunday	CLOSED



Use the QR code to register
from our online event calendar!

Mark Your Calendar

Friday, May 16
CLOSED for Staff Training

Monday, May 26
CLOSED in observance of
Memorial Day

Board Meetings
3rd Thursday of each month
4 p.m. at Mishawaka Library

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