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By Nancy Levin, Director

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All locations closed Dec 23–Jan 1, Jan 15, and Feb 19.

Little Heights: Our Family Literacy Playroom at the Library

Enjoy our playroom while building important school readiness skills. Our carefully chosen materials give parents the perfect chance to help their child learn to count, sort, match, and become a confident learner.

Have fun with other families in our playroom filled with fun and interesting toys and play equipment. Run, jump, slide, and spin in our Large Muscle Room! Small Fee: Pay to drop-in or purchase a pass.

Baby and Me: The first year of parenthood is filled with many experiences ranging from joy to fear, from delight to frustration. This informal program encourages parents to get acquainted, share challenges and milestones, find support, and gain information from each other and staff. Small Fee: Pay to drop-in or purchase a pass.

Storytimes and Programs for Babies, Toddlers, and Preschoolers

Not sure which storytime is right for your little one? Look for age guidance in BOLD.

**Baby Bonanza**

Tues, Dec 5–Feb 27, 10 a.m. at Lee

Wed, Dec 6–Feb 28, 9:30 a.m. at Coventry & Noble

Bring your babies and blankets in for books, hopping, and bouncing at our year round lap-sit program. This is the perfect program for children too young to enjoy Story Stop, but not too young to have fun. For children birth through walking.

**Baby Stay and Play**

Tues, Dec 5–Feb 27, 10:30 a.m. at Lee

After Baby Bonanza ends, stick around and trade parenting secrets while your kids interact with puzzles, puppets, and toys in this drop-in, open program. For children birth through walking.

**Waddlers**

Thurs, Dec 7–Feb 22, 10 a.m. at Lee

Too old for Baby Bonanza, but also too active for other storytimes? Join us as we sing songs, read stories, do a few rhymes, and engage in some well-deserved playtime. Shaking, jumping, and wiggling are strongly recommended in this weekly storytime for toddlers who are walking to 24 months.

**Toddling Time**

Fri, Dec 1–Feb 23, 10 a.m. at University Heights

Stories, songs, rhymes, and other surprises. For children ages 1–3.

**Young and the Restless**

Tues, Dec 5–Feb 27, 11 a.m. at Lee

The same great experience you get from our Story Stop programs, now designed specifically for toddlers. This reading extravaganza will help teach early literacy through books, songs, music, and more. For toddlers ages 2–3 1/2.

**Story Stop**

Mon, Dec 4–Feb 26, 10 a.m. & 11 a.m. at Lee

Wed, Dec 6–Feb 28, 10:30 a.m. at Coventry

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Fri, Dec 1–Feb 23, 10:30 a.m. at Noble

Hear stories, sing songs, do a little dancing too! Bring the entire family to enjoy books, music, and activities during our weekly reading adventure. For preschoolers of all ages.

**Saturday Story Stop**

Sat, Dec 2–Feb 24, 10:30 a.m. at Lee

We know it can be hard to come in during the week for storytime, so we have added a special Saturday
Preschool and Daycare Fair
SUN, JAN 14, 2 P.M.

Are you shopping around for a preschool or daycare for your child? If so, come meet representatives from area child care and preschool providers and learn about their organizations. The fair will be held in the meeting rooms at the Lee Road Library.

Preschool Book Club
Fri, 10 a.m. at Lee
Dec: The Mitten
Jan 12: If You Decide to Go to the Moon
Feb 9: Maybe Something Beautiful
Dig deep into your favorite picture books with crafts, activities and games designed to help develop skills for your little learner.

Evening Storytimes
Winter Wonderland Storytime
Thurs, Dec 7, 7 p.m. at Noble
Celebrate the beginning of winter with books, songs, and crafts at this special evening storytime. For preschoolers of all ages. Registration begins November 23.

Outer Space Storytime
Thurs, Jan 11, 7 p.m. at Noble
Zoom off into outerspace for this special interstellar evening storytime. Books, music, crafts and fun will be shared. Registration begins December 28.

A Night under the Stars
Thurs, Jan 18, 4 p.m.
Join us for a night under the stars at the Coventry Branch Library. Learn about the constellations and make one of your own. Registration begins Jan 4, supplies are limited.

Creating With Clay: Wonderful Winter
Tues, Jan 30, 4:30 p.m.

Make and Take Art: Frida Kahlo Self-Portraits
Tues, Feb 6, 4 p.m.
Frida Kahlo (1907–1954) was a Mexican painter, most famous for her colorful self-portraits. Join us as we briefly discuss her interesting life and then try our hands at our own self-portraits. Flower crowns encouraged. Grades 2–6. Registration begins Jan 23.

Fairy Tale Party
Tues, Feb 27, 4 p.m.
Celebrate “National Tell a Fairy Tale Day” at the library with tasty treats, creative crafts, and great games. Registration begins Feb 13.

Homework Helpers
Tues, Dec 5–Feb 27, 4 p.m.
Thurs, Dec 7–Feb 22, 4 p.m.
Need help with your homework or a class project? Want some quiet time to read by yourself or with a friend? We’re here for you, just drop on in. Grades K–5.

PageTurners: A Homeschooling Book Discussion
Wed, Dec 6, Jan 3, Feb 7, 12:30 p.m.
Loved it? Hated it? Can’t wait to talk about it? Please join us for a monthly book discussion on the first Wed of the month for children ages 9 and up. There are extra copies of each month’s book in the Lee Road children’s room.

LAF: Library Afterschool Fun  🎈
Wed, 3:30 p.m.
Dec 6: Salt Painting
Join us as we make process oriented art with paint, salt, and glue.

Dec 13: Make Your Own Floam
Make your own squishy, squashy, crinkly floam: the slime that holds its shape!

Jan 10: Mystery LAF
We might have a craft, we might play a game, we might break the laws of space and time. Who knows what we’ll accomplish? You will when you show up for our Mystery LAFs.

Jan 17: DIY Piggy Banks
Make an animal themed piggy bank with a Ziploc container and felt. Registration begins Jan 3.

Jan 24: Duck Tape-It
Come make cool projects with fancy duct tape. Registration begins Jan 10.

Jan 31: Straw Art
Discover all the cool crafts you can make with straws.

Feb 7: Mad Scientist Mystery Program
Calling all junior mad scientists. Come for a surprise science/art project.

Feb 14: Have a HEART Crafts
Show some love to your family and friends by making fun heart themed crafts.

Feb 21: Mod-Podge It
Come make all the things (or maybe just a few of them) with Mod-Podge.

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Children’s Ukulele Program
Mon, Dec 4, 3 p.m.
Join the Chinese Language and Culture Center for a children’s ukulele program. We will sing and play together, start with basic chords, interesting songs, and some bilingual Chinese children’s rhymes. Grades K–6, though smaller children welcome with an adult.

Family Fun Film Matinee: Movie Madness
Fri, Dec 29, 3 p.m.
Thanks to the Cleveland Heights-University Heights community, we know what this area’s favorite family film is. The catch is, we don’t know right now what will win, but join us for this very special Family Fun Film matinee to see one of the favorite movies of all time.

Popcorn will be provided.

Cabin Fever Just Dance Off
Wed, Jan 3, 3 p.m.
We’ve been cooped up inside for the past week and now it is time to burn some energy off. Join us as we get up, move, and just dance the afternoon away.

CHECK US OUT
Heights Libraries | For Children

**STAR\_Net Opening Celebration!**
Fri, Jan 12, 6 p.m.
3-4-3-2-1 BLASTOFF! Join us to celebrate the opening of the interactive STAR\_Net Exhibit, Explore Space: A Cosmic Journey. Fun for the whole family.

**STAR\_Net Explore Space: A Cosmic Journey**
Sun–Sat, Jan 12–Feb 28, All Day
Where did we come from and are we alone? In this interactive exhibit, take a journey through space to understand the origins of galaxies, stars, and planets, and learn what it takes to support life beyond Earth.

**STAR\_Net Craft: Marbled Paper Planets**
Sat, Jan 13, 11:30 a.m.
Join us as we learn about our solar system and create marbled paper versions of our planets.

**One Community Reads: Food Drive**
Sun–Sat, Jan 15–Feb 28, All Day
Over 230,000 people in Cuyahoga County currently live in a state of food insecurity. That is 18.6 percent of our total population. You can help. Look for donation boxes at all Heights Libraries branches, and please consider donating non-perishable food items to the Heights Emergency Food Center.

**Family Fun Film: The Little Mermaid**
Fri, Feb 9, 6:30 p.m.
Join Sebastian, Flounder, Prince Eric, Ariel, and of course Ursula as we watch the 1989 Disney classic, The Little Mermaid. If you miss this Family Fun Film offering, Ursula will think of you as a “poor unfortunate soul.” Popcorn will be provided.

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**NOBLE**

**Kids Cafe Meal Program**
Tues, Dec 12–Feb 27, 3:30 p.m.
Thurs, Dec 7–Feb 22, 3:30 p.m.
Youth between the ages of 0–18 can stop in for a free, nutritious meal courtesy of the Cleveland Foodbank. No meal service on days CHUH school district is closed.

**LAF: Animaniacs (Anime/Manga) Club**
Wed, Jan 3–31, 3:30 p.m.
Dive into the world of Japanese animation and storytelling every Wed after school. Kids in grades K–5 will be able to view episodes, read manga, and create their own comics or drawings in the Japanese style. Super fans and newbies welcome.

**STEM in Space**
Wed, 3:30 p.m.
Explore space at the library with science and hands-on projects. Each week will feature a different topic.
Feb 7: Rockets

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**Children’s African American Read In**
Wed, Feb 28, 4 p.m.
At this special event, volunteers from the community will be reading and sharing African American children’s books, characters, and authors. Join us for this open hour of literacy, socializing, and sharing.

**UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS**

**Mug Makers**
Thurs, Dec 14, 6 p.m.
The weather outside is frightful, but with your very own cocoa mug the long winter nights will be so delightful. Sign up to decorate your own mug with sharpies and warm up with some cookies and cocoa. Registration begins November 30.

**Reading & Rescues**
Sat, Jan 27, 1 p.m.
Looking for a new best friend? How about a great new book? The library and City Dogs are partnering up again to bring you both! Come for an afternoon of stories, crafts, and dogs looking for a home of their own.

**Toilet Roll Telescopes**
Tues, Feb 6, 3:30 p.m.
Look up and see the stars any time of day with your very own toilet roll telescope. For grades 6–8.

**Speed Reading**
Tues, Feb 13, 6 p.m.
Are you in a reading rut? No book catching your eye? Speeder Readers is here to help! You’ll have 5 minutes to get acquainted with a book before it’s time to move onto the next one. We guarantee by the end of the hour you’ll find your perfect match. On your mark! Get set! READ! For grades 4–8.

**Family Fort Night**
Fri, Feb 16, 5:30 p.m.
If you’ve ever daydreamed about getting locked in the library after hours here’s your chance! Bring your own pillows, blankets, sheets and anything else you need to build the perfect fort to read in. Tape, clips and snacks will be provided by the library. For families with children ages 2–8.

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**LEE**

**Pajama Party**
Fri, Dec 1, 6 p.m.
Because who doesn’t like to be comfy and warm? Teens are encouraged to bring sleeping bags, pillows, and stuffed animals, and wear their (appropriate) PJ attire. We’ll watch movies, play fun games, and eat snacks.

**Teen Spot**
Fri, Dec 1–Feb 28, 3 p.m.
Play video games, participate in tabletop gaming, watch anime, and more! Every school day from 3–6 p.m., the teen room is reserved for ages 13–18, so stop in and see what we have going on.

**Teen Winter Read: Space**
Fri, Dec 1–Feb 23
With STAR\_Net coming, middle and high school students are encouraged to read any space-themed book and write a short review. Teens that complete the program are invited to a Space Pizza Party February 23 during the after-school Spot that will be… out of this world.

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**COVENTRY**

**Winter Break Movie Night**
Tues, Jan 2, 6 p.m.
Join us as we celebrate winter break with a movie. Stop by starting December 26 to vote for your favorite movie.

**Glow in the Dark Wii Party**
Thurs, Dec 28, 4 p.m.
Join us for a special, glow in the dark Wii Party.

**Tweens Tuesday - Pinterest Craft Club**
Tues, Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13 4 p.m.
Calling all Tweens! Join us the second Tues of the month for our new Pinterest Craft Club. We will make crafts inspired by Pinterest. For ages 11–14.

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**FREE LIBRARY PROGRAMS**

**19th Annual Poetry Slam!**
Wed, Dec 6 & Jan 17, 3:30 p.m.
Want to enter the Poetry Slam but need some help? Maybe a little inspiration? Lake Erie Ink will be hosting workshops for high school students interested in competing in the annual Poetry Slam. Participants are encouraged to center poems on the concept of home. Drop by and perfect your poem.

**One Community Reads and the 19th Annual Poetry Slam!**
Thurs, Jan 18, 6:30 p.m.
Hosted by Lake Erie Ink and Heights Libraries, the slam is open to all high school students. Participants are encouraged to read Matthew Desmond’s Evicted and center poems around the concept of home. Prizes and pizza on slam night and workshops offered prior to the event. Registration begins Jan 1.

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**Poetry Slam Workshops**
Wed, Dec 6 & Jan 17, 3:30 p.m.

**Teen Library Council**
Mon, Dec 13 & 20, Jan 10 & 24, Feb 7 & 21, 4 p.m.
Are you a teen interested in making a difference in your community? Start at your library. During TLC, teens can share their thoughts and ideas on how to make our community a better place, and earn volunteer hours. Bring your ideas and dedication, and let’s get to work!

**Doctor Who Party**
Thurs, Dec 21, 4:30 p.m.
Are you obsessed with the Doctor? Do you yearn to own a TARDIS? Join us to celebrate Doctor Who in all his (and her) regenerations. There will be fun activities and snacks, and the chance to win Doctor-themed prizes.
Creative Spaces: Writing  
Thurs, Jan 11 & Feb 15, 4 p.m.  
Are you a teen looking to share and get feedback on your writing, be it fiction, non-fiction or poetry? Join us at this safe, open-floor program. The time will include a brief instruction section, time to write, then a chance to share and discuss your work with fellow young writers.

Teen Coding Club  
Tues, Jan 23 & Feb 13, 3-30 p.m.  
Interested in learning more about coding and computer programming? Come to this monthly meet-up for activities and practice. Grade 6–12. Registration begins Jan 9.

Teen Movie: 2001: A Space Odyssey  
Thurs, Feb 1, 5 p.m.  
High school students are invited to watch one of the greatest science fiction epics ever put on film, from master of the form, Stanley Kubrick. Gorgeous, profound and intense, 2001 dazzled viewers when it was released and remains a stunning artistic achievement. Snacks will be provided.

Escape the Room: Rebel Revolt  
Wed, Feb 14 & 21, 4 p.m.  
“Welcome, Rebels...” With those words, high school students, in teams of four, will be locked in a secret government facility filled with clues that are the only means of escape. There will be snacks and prizes for winning teams.

EVICTED  
JAN 15 – MAR 15  
One Community Reads is a collaboration amongst the City Club of Cleveland, Playhouse Square and all nine local public library systems to create a shared reading experience for the Greater Cleveland community. This year’s selection, the Pulitzer Prize-winning Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Dr. Matthew Desmond, will transform our understanding of poverty and the centrality of home. One Community Reads programming will include book discussions, film screenings and panel discussions on the topics of economic exploitation, inequality and housing – and how we might come together as a community to address the devastating problem of eviction. One Community Reads will conclude with an appearance by Matthew Desmond on March 15, 2018 at the Ohio Theater. Look for related programs marked by a .

Heights Libraries
For Teens

Noble
Afterschool Zone  
Fri, Dec 1–Feb 28, 3:30 p.m.  
Drop by every weekday afternoon from 3:30–5:30 to hang out with your friends, play games and have fun. Grades 6–12.

Podcast Players  
Fri, Dec 1, 15 & 29, Jan 5 & 19, Feb 9 & 23, 4 p.m.  
Teens are great talkers. Hang out and express yourself with each other using recording apps. Tell stories, discuss topics, and listen to some podcasts for inspiration.

Girls’ Night In  
Fri, Jan 12, 6 p.m.  
Spend an after-hours “sleepover” at the library with your girlfriends and library staff! Have a blast and relax while talking, playing games, and having some snacks. Registration begins Dec 29.

Cleveland Association of Black Storytellers  
Tues, Feb 6, 4:00 p.m.  
The Cleveland Association of Black Storytellers is a cultural organization whose purpose is to perpetuate Black Storytelling and the Oral Tradition. Come and witness their talents during a February celebration. The theme is “perseverance.”

Delicious Dump Cakes  
Thurs., Feb 22, 4:30 p.m.  
Learn how easy and fun it is to make a dump cake and take home some yummy recipes to bake for your loved ones. We’ll have a tasting party too! Registration begins Jan 29.

Teens & Zines  
Wed, Dec 20, Jan 24, Feb 21, 4:00 p.m.  
Explore the creative world of zines with examples of different stories and styles. Then try your hand at your own pieces. Bring your ideas and friends!

Relax & Revive  
Tues, Dec 12, Jan 16, Feb 13, 4:00 p.m.  
Feeling stressed out or tired this winter? Learn simple skills that you can use throughout your day to calm down your mind and body so you can refocus and recharge.

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Tween Spot  
Fri, Dec 1–Feb 28, 3:30 p.m.  
Drop by every weekday afternoon from 3:30–5:30 to hang out with your friends, play games and have fun. Grades 6–12.

Tween Tuesdays (ages 12-16)  
Tues, 4 p.m.  
Dec 12: Bad Art Day  
Re-purpose bad art from thrift shops by painting over the original design. Improve the design by adding dinosaurs and Godzilla monsters, start from scratch by painting over everything in a solid color, or do something completely different!

Jan 9: Duck Tape Creations  
We provide Duck Tape in cool colors and patterns and instructions to make useful items. From wallets and purses to messenger bags and jewelry, participants are encouraged to be creative and create whatever they can imagine.

Feb 13: Origami 101  
Come practice your origami skills. We’ll have the paper and instructions for some cool creations, but you can also experiment with some of your own.
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Poets across the northeast Ohio region are encouraged to apply. Candidates are not required to live in Cleveland Heights, but must demonstrate a strong connection to the city.

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Huck Finn
SUNDAY • FEB 11 • 2 PM
AT THE LEE ROAD BRANCH

Based on the novel The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain, Adapted by Eric Schmiedl. For grades 3 and up, this adaptation of the classic novel features two actors playing dozens of characters in a story both hilarious and poignant.

Tai Chi and Qigong
Saturday, Dec 2–Feb 24, 10 a.m.
Mon, Dec 4–Feb 26, 2 p.m.
Tues, Dec 5–Feb 27, 2 p.m.
Wed, Dec 6–Feb 28, 12 p.m.

Ruth Butler (Matt Wernet on Tuesday) teaches the 24 short form of Tai Chi and the Eight Best Movements for Health from Qigong practice. Tai Chi and Qigong are gentle forms of exercise to bring about a total union of mind, body, and spirit and are ideal for any age.

Cleveland Institute of Music:
Coventry Concert Night
Mon, Dec 11 & Feb 12, 7:30 p.m.

Settle back to enjoy a wonderful concert showcasing the talent of Cleveland Institute of Music students and graduates. Performances vary each month; check back close to concert times for the upcoming selections and performers.

Exploring the Heart of Dying Through Courageous Conversation
Tues, Dec 12, Jan 9, Feb 13, 7 p.m.

Adaire Petrichor, end-of-life doula, leads an exploration of the natural stages of dying and ways to support a natural death.

Step Out of Time
Thurs, 7 p.m.

Dec 14: Zen and Now . . . Now and Zen
Learn to recognize and manage stress with Relaxation Strategist Lucky Caswell-Harris. A student of the Chopra Center, Caswell-Harris will teach techniques to assist you in your journey to wellness.

Jan 11: Meditation Evening
Share a meditation session with a small, supportive group and discover the energy a group generates. Please bring a rug, pillow, or blanket if you like.

Feb 8: Tarot Reading
New and experienced Tarot readers will work in groups of two or three to exchange readings and discuss the process. Please bring your cards.

Caregiver Cafe
Fri, Dec 22, Jan 26, Feb 23, 1 p.m.

Join facilitator Adaire Petrichor for coffee, snacks, and conversation in a supportive group of caregivers.

Ukulele Jam
Tues, Dec 26, Jan 30, Feb 27, 7 p.m.

Bring your ukulele for an evening of strumming, singing, and generally having a good time! All levels welcome, listeners welcome. Music provided.

Heights Arts Announces a Search for Next Cleveland Heights Poet Laureate

Heights Arts has begun the process of selecting the Cleveland Heights Poet Laureate, who will serve from April 2018 to March 2020. The term of Christine Howey, who will serve from April 2018 to March 2020. She is also the current Cleveland Heights poet laureate, will end on March 31, 2018.

Poets across the northeast Ohio region are encouraged to apply. Candidates are not required to live in Cleveland Heights, but must demonstrate a strong connection to the city.

Applications will be accepted at the Heights Arts website (www.heightsarts.org) until December 31, 2017. Detailed information about the responsibilities of the Cleveland Heights Poet Laureate are available on the Heights Arts website.

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Peter, a Christian missionary, is sent to a distant planet by an enigmatic corporation to preach to the native population. Separated from his wife Bea, in the midst of a newly discovered world and far from another back home in increasing peril, Peter's love and faith are tested in unexpected ways.

Lee Road Movie Night: Explore Space: A Cosmic Journey.
Tues, Jan 12, 6 p.m.
At The Cleveland Museum of Art, we'll explore the cosmos and the interwoven short stories about family. The Story of Land and Sea follows three generations of a newly discovered world and far from another back home in increasing peril, Peter's love and faith are tested in unexpected ways.


Third Tuesday Book Club
Tues, 7 p.m.
Join our lively monthly book club. We will be reading great books, both modern and classic, and partaking in engaging discussions. We will be meeting at The Tavern Company, 2299 Lee Rd.

Jan 16: Ray Bradbury's timeless collection of interwoven short stories The Martian Chronicles about the colonization of Mars by humans and its effect on the native population.

Feb 20: A thoughtful, elegiac reflection on race, loss, and identity, Zinzi Clemmons' contemporary novel What We Lose illuminates the inner life of a young African American woman.

ESL Conversation Club
Wed, Dec 20, 7 p.m.
Conversation club for non-native English speakers.

Cleveland Orchestra Music Study Group
Tues, Jan 9–Feb 27, 10 a.m.
With Dr. Rose Breckenridge, explore the Orchestra's "concert of the week" through informal lectures and listening. Pick up a brochure at the Library. To register (fee required) call the Orchestra: (216) 231-7355.

STAR Net Opening Celebration
Fri, Jan 12, 6 p.m.
Where did we come from and are we alone? Join us to celebrate the opening of the interactive STAR Net Exhibit, Explore Space: A Cosmic Journey. Fun for all ages.

Lee Road Movie Night: Life
Fri, Jan 19, 6:30 p.m.
Astronauts aboard the International Space Station discover the first evidence of life on Mars. As they begin to conduct research, their methods end up having terrifying consequences. This thriller stars Rebecca Ferguson, Jake Gyllenhaal, and Ryan Reynolds. 2017. 1 hour 44 minutes.

Understanding Our Universe
Wed, Jan 24, 7 p.m.
From Galileo's insights into our solar system 400 years ago, to our knowledge of multiple galaxies only a century ago, achievements in astronomy have accelerated rapidly. CMNH Planetarium Manager Jason Davis will discuss the past, present, and future of our understanding of the universe we live in.

One Community Reads: The Homeless and Missing Youth of Cuyahoga County
Tues, Jan 30, 6:30 p.m.
Join Karen McHenry, program manager of Bellefonte JCBI's Homeless Youth Programs, for a discussion on issues in Cuyahoga County. Learn what you can do to identify and help those in need. Please consider bringing a donation of winter gloves, mittens, or sealed snacks for hygiene and survival kits.

Art Study Group at the Cleveland Museum of Art: Love and Romance
Wed, Jan 31, 7 p.m. at the CMA
The Cleveland Museum of Art invites you to explore European Romanticism's hearts, flowers, and putti. Love comes in all permutations and has inspired innumerable artists. Just in time for your Valentine's Day preparations, we'll search out depictions of these varied ideas of romance across time and geography. Registration opens on Jan 17.

One Community Reads: Evicted
Fri, Feb 2, 7 p.m.
A community read and book discussion of Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Matthew Desmond. All ages are welcome to join the conversation.

Cultural Encounters Film Series
Tues, 6:30 p.m.
Enjoy a handpicked selection of foreign films. All movies have subtitles.

Feb 6: After the Storm (Japan, 2016, 117 min.)
Dwelling on his past glory as a prize-winning author, Ryota wastes the money he makes as a private detective on gambling and can barely pay child support. After the death of his father, his aging mother and beautiful ex-wife seem to be moving on with their lives. Renewing contact with his initially distrusting family, Ryota struggles to take back control of his existence and to find a lasting place in the life of his young son.

Feb 20: Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow
(Taiwan, 2013, 106 min.)
In this madcap and lighthearted comedic romp, introverted optometrist Weichung begins to question his marriage with his wife Feng, upon learning of her desire to have another baby. At his sister's engagement party, Weichung bumps into an old friend, Stephen, a wedding photographer who, though also married, is living the high life of a younger, single gay man. When Stephen teases Weichung for his newly straight-laced lifestyle, dormant emotions are awakened in Weichung, setting him off on a quest for true romance and desire.

Crafting with the Stars
Wed, Feb 7, 7 p.m.
Want to bring outer space into your home space? This hands-on program offers a wealth of ideas for star-stuck decor. We'll complete a few easy paper cutting-or-folding projects during the evening and instruction sheets and celestial coloring pages will be available to take with you. Registration opens Jan 24.

AARP Tax Help
Tues, Feb 13 & 20, 12 p.m.
Fri, Feb 16 & 23, 12 p.m.
Sat, Feb 17 & 24, 9 a.m.
Free tax help from AARP volunteers.

African American Read-In
Sunday, Feb 18, 2 p.m.
Celebrate the voices of African American authors. Bring a short selection from an African American writer to share, or simply be part of the audience. Co-sponsored by the FRIENDS of the Heights Libraries. For teens and adults. Registration recommended for readers, and begins Jan 16.

Scan Your Family History
Wed, Feb 28, 11 a.m.
Do you have old family photos and small documents you would like to digitize? Learn how to use scanners to save your family history and scan some of your own photos. Please bring a flash drive to save your photos, a limited number will be available for sale. Registration begins Feb 14.

Job Search Essentials
Resume Workshop
Thurs, Feb 8, 2 p.m. at Coventry
Sat, Feb 10, 11 a.m. at Lee
Mon, Feb 12, 2 p.m. at University Heights
Thurs, Feb 15, 2 p.m. at Lee
Transform your resume into a powerful tool that will get you interviews! This workshop will help you create or update a powerful and polished resume and cover letter using Microsoft Word. If you have an existing resume or cover letter please bring it to class. Registration begins Jan 27.

Searching for Jobs Online
Sat, Feb 17, 10 a.m. at Lee
Thurs, Feb 22, 2 p.m. at Coventry
Learn the basics of searching for jobs online using the popular job search website Indeed. Indeed is a job search engine that allows you to search for jobs, post your resume, and apply for jobs efficiently. If you have a resume, please bring it on a flash drive. Registration begins Feb 3.

LinkedIn
Sat, Feb 24, 11 a.m. at Lee
Learn about the social and business networking website LinkedIn. This class covers how to get established as a member, as well as hints and tips for using the site for career development. Must have an active email account to register on LinkedIn. Registration begins Feb 10.
Noble Needles Knitting Circle
Thurs, Dec 7–Feb 15, 6:30 p.m.
Come and knit with the Noble Knitters. Bring a current project to work on or, bring a ball of worsted yarn and size 8 or 9 needles to learn how to knit.

Coloring Outside the Lines
Mon, Dec 18, Jan 22, Feb 26, 7 p.m.
Relax, enjoy some music, and have fun with other adults at this monthly stress-relieving coloring club. Coloring pages and supplies are provided, but feel free to bring your own!

Important Works Book Discussion
Tues, Feb 20, 7:30 p.m.
As an extension of our community-led Noble Great Books Discussion series, we’ll be hosting a special discussion of the Ninety-five Theses by Martin Luther, marking the 500th anniversary of its publication.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS
Senior Happenings
Thurs, Dec 7–Feb 22, 2 p.m.
Senior Happenings weekly lecture series, sponsored by the City of University Heights. Call 321-4700 for details. Free and open to residents of all communities.

ESL Instruction
Tuesday Night ESL Class
Tues, Dec 5–Feb 27, 6:30 p.m.
Informal ESL class will be offered to immigrants and refugees learning English as a second language.

ASPIRE ESOL Classes
Tues, Dec 5–Feb 20, 9 a.m.
Wed, Dec 6–Feb 21, 9 a.m.
Thurs, Dec 7–Feb 15, 9 a.m.

Would you like to make a long-lasting gift?
Consider the planned giving opportunities available through The Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries.

There are two ways to give your tax deductible contribution:

1. Cleveland Foundation:
   Planned giving is an option that can be arranged by the Cleveland Foundation support staff.
   Call Michelle at (216) 615-7145 or visit www.clevelandfoundation.org and write “Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries” in the search box.

2. Mail a check to:
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   Lee Road Branch
   2345 Lee Road
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Individuals and organizations may contribute to the Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries as a tribute to a friend, to memorialize a loved one, or to honor a special occasion. You may remember the Fund for the Future of Heights Libraries in your will, with an insurance policy, or through donation of other assets.
We're expanding our computer classes to our branches to better serve our customers. Take a look at our offerings, below, now listed by branch.

### Computer Classes
Registration begins two weeks before the class date and is required for all computer classes. Classes that have part 1, 2, 3, etc. are available for registration two weeks before the first class. Call (216) 932-3600 or visit events.heightslibrary.org/computer-classes to register.

#### Coventry
**COMPUTER BASICS**
- Email Q & A
  - Thurs, Dec 7, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 1
  - Thurs, Jan 11, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 2
  - Thurs, Jan 25, 2 p.m.

**COMPUTER BASICS/THE INTERNET**
- Email Q & A
  - Fri, Dec 1, 11 a.m.; Sat, Jan 20, 11 a.m.
- Windows Basics
  - Sat, Jan 13, 11 a.m.
- Free With Your Library Card: eBooks
  - Wed, Dec 13, 11 a.m.; Tues, Dec 19, 11 a.m.
- Staying Safe Online
  - Wed, Dec 20, 7 p.m.; Tues, Feb 6, 11 a.m.
- Windows
  - Wed, Dec 27, 7 p.m.
- Excel
  - Tues, Jan 17, 7 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 1
  - Wed, Jan 24, 11 a.m.
- Windows Basics Part 2
  - Wed, Jan 31, 11 a.m.

#### Lee Road
**COMPUTER BASICS/THE INTERNET**
- Email Q & A
  - Fri, Dec 1, 11 a.m.; Sat, Jan 20, 11 a.m.
- Windows
  - Wed, Jan 17, 11 a.m.
- Living in the Cloud
  - Wed, Dec 6, 11 a.m.; Sat, Jan 27, 11 a.m.; Tues, Feb 7, 7 p.m.
- Windows 10
  - Sat, Dec 9, 11 a.m.; Wed, Dec 20, 11 a.m.; Sat, Jan 13, 11 a.m.
- Free With Your Library Card: eBooks
  - Wed, Dec 13, 11 a.m.; Tues, Dec 19, 11 a.m.
- I’m Not on Facebook
  - Tues, Dec 12, 11 a.m.
- Facebook: Posts & Photos
  - Fri, Dec 15, 11 a.m.; Mon, Jan 29, 7 p.m.
- Facebook: Security & Privacy
  - Mon, Feb 5, 7 p.m.
- Facebook: Business Pages
  - Mon, Feb 12, 7 p.m.

#### Noble
**COMPUTER BASICS**
- Email Q & A
  - Thurs, Dec 14, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 1
  - Thurs, Jan 18, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 2
  - Thurs, Feb 1, 2 p.m.

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- Windows Basics Part 1
  - Wed, Jan 17, 11 a.m.
- Windows Basics Part 2
  - Sat, Jan 27, 11 a.m.; Tues, Feb 7, 7 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 3
  - Wed, Jan 24, 11 a.m.
- Windows Basics Part 4
  - Wed, Jan 31, 11 a.m.

#### University Heights
**COMPUTER BASICS**
- Email Q & A
  - Mon, Dec 11, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 1
  - Tues, Jan 16, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 2
  - Mon, Jan 29, 2 p.m.
- Facebook Q & A
  - Mon, Feb 12, 2 p.m.
- Facebook: Posts & Photos
  - Mon, Feb 26, 2 p.m.

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  - Fri, Dec 1, 11 a.m.; Sat, Jan 20, 11 a.m.
- Windows Basics
  - Wed, Jan 17, 11 a.m.
- Windows Basics Part 1
  - Wed, Jan 24, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 2
  - Wed, Jan 31, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 3
  - Wed, Feb 7, 2 p.m.
- Windows Basics Part 4
  - Wed, Feb 14, 2 p.m.

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**Computer Classes**

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Excel Part 3
- Tues, Jan 16, 7 p.m.; Wed, Jan 17, 11 a.m.

Excel Part 4 - Simple Budgets
- Tues, Jan 23, 7 p.m.; Wed, Jan 24, 11 a.m.

Excel Part 5 - Charts and Graphs
- Tues, Jan 30, 7 p.m.; Wed, Jan 31, 11 a.m.

Excel Part 6 - Formulas
- Tues, Feb 6, 7 p.m.; Wed, Feb 7, 11 a.m.

Excel Part 7 - Pivot Tables
- Tues, Feb 13, 7 p.m.; Wed, Feb 14, 11 a.m.

**MICROSOFT POWERPOINT**

- PowerPoint Part 1
  - Wed, Feb 7, 7 p.m.
- PowerPoint Part 2
  - Wed, Feb 14, 7 p.m.
- PowerPoint Part 3
  - Wed, Feb 21, 7 p.m.

**MICROSOFT OFFICE ESSENTIALS**

- Excel: The Essentials
  - Wed, Dec 13, 7 p.m.; Tues, Feb 20, 7 p.m.; Wed, Feb 21, 11 a.m.
- PowerPoint: The Essentials
  - Tues, Feb 20, 11 a.m.

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**CREATE WEBSITES**

- Coding Basics: A Four-Part Series
  - Thurs, Jan 4–25, 7 p.m.
- Weebly: A Four-Part Series
  - Mon, Dec 4–Dec 18, 7 p.m.; Fri, Jan 5–Feb 23, 11 a.m.
- WordPress: A Four-Part Series
  - Fri, Feb 2–23, 11 a.m.

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Heights Library Board Meetings
Mon, 6:30 p.m. Lee Road branch
December 18, January 22, February 19

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Board Meetings
Thurs, 7 p.m. Lee Road branch
December 14, January 11, February 8

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Mon, December 11, 12 p.m.
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