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LTL Newsletter

New Year, New Reads!



Start 2026 with a great book! Whether your goal is to read more, learn something new, or try a different genre, the library has plenty of inspiration waiting for you. Check out our new arrivals as well as all our digital resources on Libby and Hoopla.

As we welcome a new year, we're so thankful for our wonderful patrons and community. Your visits, smiles, and support make the library a special place for everyone. Here's to another year of stories, creativity, and connection at Leighton Township Library!

Strategic Plan Questionnaire Coming Soon

We're excited to begin a new strategic planning process to help shape our future! An upcoming questionnaire will give everyone the chance to share ideas, feedback, and priorities. Your input is important! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey when it becomes available.

Family Escape Room



Our Family Escape Room is back with a brand-new challenge: The Glitch — an adventure where time itself is falling apart. You and your team are trapped in a malfunctioning time chamber where the past, present, and future collide. Mysterious clues appear as corrupted data and relics from different eras are scrambled together. Can you solve the puzzles, repair the “chronosystem”, and restore the timeline before the system crashes—and time freezes forever? Perfect for families and groups who love a good mystery, teamwork, and a race against the clock.

Winter Reading for Kids and Adults



Keep cozy and keep reading! Our Winter Reading Programs for kids and adults is underway —don't forget to log your books or have your kids complete their BINGO card for a chance to win prizes. There's still plenty of time to sign up and join in! Kids' BINGO runs through the end of January, while the adult program continues through the end of February.

RECURRING EVENTS

YOUTH

- **Storytime**
Wednesdays 10:30 am
- **Small Bites** 4:00 pm
1st Wed. every other month
- **Moving & Grooving**
Fridays 10:30 am
- **Sensory Saturday**
Quarterly event (watch calendar for dates)
- **LEGO Club**
1st & 3rd Mondays
Drop in 3:00-5:00 pm
- **Creators Club**
2nd & 4th Mondays
Drop in 3:00-5:00 pm
- **Use-A-Gadget**
2nd Mondays 6:00 pm
- **First Chapter**
2nd Wednesdays 4:00 pm
- **Anime Café**
3rd Wednesdays 6:00 pm
(off for January)
- **Tail Waggin' Tutors**
Read to a dog
Thursdays 3:30 pm
- **Tween Night**
1st Thursdays 6:00 pm
(2nd Thursday in January)
- **Nancy Drew Night**
2nd Thursdays 6:00 pm
(off for January)
- **Teen Night**
3rd Thursdays 6:00 pm
(5th Thursday in January)

ADULT

- **Book Club**
4th Mondays 6:30 pm
- **Community Coffee**
Thursdays 10:30 am
- **Seasons of Spice**
Monthly take home packet. *Signup Required.*

January Events

NEW!!!! SIGNUP FOR EVENTS ONLINE AT LEIGHTONLIBRARY.ORG!

New Year's Day - 1/1 - CLOSED

Happy New Year!!!

Adult Winter Reading - Now through February 28

This winter, turn the page toward progress and purpose. As the snow falls and the days grow quieter, it's the perfect time to dive into good books that spark imagination, reflection, and joy. Let each page move you closer to your goals - one story, one step at a time.



Family Escape Room: The Glitch - 1/5 through 1/31

Explore our escape room at your convenience during regular open hours. Sign up in advance to reserve a specific time. All ages are welcome, but children under 13 should be accompanied by an adult or teen.

Diamond Art - 1/5 at 10:30 am or 1/7 at 6:00 pm

Have fun with this relaxing craft where you apply tiny resin "diamonds" to a coded adhesive canvas to create shimmering Diamond Art. This is the perfect time to try it out and make a magnet, keychain, or plant stake. Ages 8 & up. *Signup Required.*



Glass Angel - 1/14 at 6:00 pm or 1/15 at 11:30 am

Craft your own glass angel. Ages 12 & up. *Signup Required.*



Winter Seed Sowing - 1/21 at 6:00 pm

Learn the simple, sustainable method of winter seed sowing—a way to start your garden early by letting nature do the work! Discover which seeds thrive in cold conditions, how to prepare your containers, and tips for success once spring arrives. Plant your first seeds in a take-home container ready to spend the winter outdoors. *Signup Required.*

Canvas Painting with Gail Suess-Brandow - 1/24 at 9:00 am or 11:00 am

Join us for a winter canvas painting event led by artist Gail Suess-Brandow. Choose to come at 9:00 am or 11:00 am. *Signup Required.*

Snowman or Angel Weaving - 1/28 at 6:00 pm

Weave your very own snowman or angel! For younger children or those who prefer not to weave, we can provide pre-woven bases ready for decorating. Cost is \$12 each. Check out the samples in our display case! *Signup and payment are required by January 24 (cash, check, or Venmo). All ages are welcome to participate.*



Be sure to follow us on Facebook for any last minute changes in programming. Check out our library YouTube channel, Facebook page, or visit leightonlibrary.org.

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