News & Programs

November/December 2025



GI VING TUESDAY

Spark curiosity and help children build literacy skills with a gift this GivingTuesday!

The library is a place where every child—regardless of background—can explore, learn, and grow in a safe space that nurtures curiosity and builds confidence.

Your gift is more than a donation; it's the spark that ignites a lifelong love of reading and learning in our youngest community members.



Scan to donate!

Donations can also be made in-person at all branches. Tax receipts are available for gifts greater than \$20.



New to the Collection: ROM Passes

You can now visit the Royal Ontario Museum (ROM) with your library card! Each ROM pass offers free admission for up to four visitors. Passes are borrowed for one week and can be placed on hold. Express passes (not holdable) are also available on a firstcome, first-serve basis at all branches.



Scan to place a pass on hold!



For Preschoolers

All preschool programs are drop in and free.

Babies and Books

0 - 15 months and caregivers

A fun and social time for babies and caregivers with stories, songs, and shakers!

Mondays, November 3 - 24 | 10:30 am | Fleming Wednesdays, November 5 - 26 | 12 pm | Fonthill

Story Time

Ages 5 and under and caregivers

Enjoy stories, songs, and fun at the library!

Tuesdays, November 4 - 25 (skip Nov. 11) | 10:30 am | Fleming Tuesdays, November 4 - 25 (skip Nov. 11) | 10:30 am | Fonthill Thursdays, November 6 - 27 (skip Nov. 13) | 10:30 am | Rittenhouse

Preschool Social

Ages 5 and under and caregivers

Meet in the children's area with your preschool child for unstructured play activities, where little ones and caregivers can meet and socialize with others.

Wednesdays | 10 - 11:30 am | Fleming

Screen Time and Preschoolers

Speech language pathologist and clinical manager of Niagara Children's Centre Jackie Van Lankveld will share recent findings and recommendations on screen time for children ages five and under, based on research from the Canadian Paediatric Society.

Monday, November 17 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm Fonthill | Free; registration required.





1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Raise a reader! 1000 Books Before Kindergarten is an early literacy program designed for parents and caregivers to complete with their little ones. At every 250 book milestone, participants receive a small prize. Pick up a tracking sheet at any LPPL branch or print it from the website.

This initiative is based on the Every Child Ready to Read framework, which encourages five practices parents and caregivers can use to support early literacy skills: TALK, SING, READ, WRITE, PLAY.



Remember to return your tracking sheet for the LPPL Reading Challenge: Junior Edition. Simply read a book from one of twelve categories, then submit your sheet at the end of the year by January 6, 2026 for a chance to win a prize.

Borrow a Yoto!

The Yoto Mini is a screen-free audio player for kids. Simply pop in a Yoto Card to listen to stories and music. Compact and travel-friendly, there is no microphone, no screen, and no ads. Borrow a Yoto Mini kit to try or browse the selection of stories available on Yoto Cards to use on your own player.

Scan to borrow a Yoto!





Scan to download a printable booklet!







For Kids & Families

Homeschool Hangout

For learners of all ages

Homeschooling families are invited to come learn with STEM activities. For more information in Lincoln, email Leanne: lgood@lppl.ca.

For more information in Fonthill, email Jennifer: jbennett@lppl.ca.

Thursday, November 20 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse Thursdays, November 13 & December 18 | 1 - 3 pm | Fonthill Free; registration required.

Reading Buddies

Recommended for readers in Kindergarten - Grade 2

This literacy program helps new and emerging readers build confidence and improve reading skills. Each child is paired with a teen volunteer for reading activities and literacy-based games.

Mondays, November 3 - 24 (skip Nov. 10) | 4 - 5 pm | Fleming Free; registration required.

Family Story Time

For families with kids of all ages

Join us for stories and a cozy time. Pajamas welcome!

Thursday, November 20 | 6:30 pm | Fleming

PA Days at the Library

Visit the library for fun activities, like scavenger hunts, LEGO, and board games. Activities may vary by branch.

Friday, November 28 | during library hours | All branches | Free; drop in

Therapy Tails Visit

Read and visit with the dogs from Therapy Tails Ontario.

Friday, November 28 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Spectacular Saturdays

Art Attack: What's in a Name?

For kids of all ages

Drop in to make your name a work of art by using scissors, glue, paint, squeegees, and more.

Saturday, November 8 | 10:30 am - 12:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Saturday, November 15 | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Art Attack: Decorate an Ornament

For kids of all ages

Decorate a one-of-a-kind ornament (while supplies last). Thanks to Mr. Ryan for making the wooden ornaments.

Saturday, December 6 | 10:30 am - 2 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Saturday, December 13 | 10 am - 12 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

The Mitten StoryWalk

For kids of all ages

Read the cozy classic *The Mitten* by Jan Brett and make a mitten craft to take home.

Town of Lincoln Tree Lighting Celebration Saturday, November 29 | 5 - 7 pm | Fleming Free; drop in Fenwick Lions Santa Claus Parade Saturday, December 13 | 12 - 4 pm | Maple Acre Free; drop in





Watch for Paige Turner, the Bookmobile, in the Santa Claus Parade!

Special Events

Wicked Dance Party

Something WICKED this way comes! Get ready to dance through life, defy gravity, and be changed for good with snacks, crafts, and an after hours dance party featuring all the best tunes from the movies. Oz-themed costumes encouraged!



Friday, November 21 | 6:30 - 8 pm | Fonthill Free; drop in

Noon Year Dance Party

Happy "noon" year! Welcome 2026 with dancing, crafts, and a practice countdown to 12 o'clock ... noon! For children of all ages.



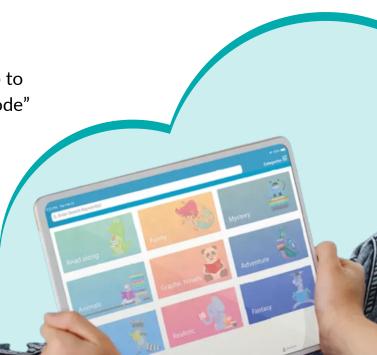
Tuesday, December 30, | 11:30 am - 1 pm | Fleming Free; drop in



CloudLibrary is the newest addition to the digital library. Access thousands of popular eBooks and audiobooks for kids anytime, anywhere with your library card. Borrow up to five books at a time. Hint: Turn on "Kids Mode" for a child-friendly interface!

Scan to learn more or visit lppl.ca.





For Teens

Teen Knitting and Crochet Drop-In

For ages 12 - 17

Bring your current knitting or crochet project, meet fellow crafters, and share or pick up some new skills.

Mondays, November 10 & December 8 | 4 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill Free; drop in

Teen Book Talk Social

For ages 12 - 17

Come enjoy a snack and meet with other teens to hang out and talk about the books you're reading.

Monday, November 17 | 4:30 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Teen Holiday Hangout

For ages 12 - 17

Come hang out and enjoy some snacks and activities to celebrate the holidays.

Wednesday, December 17 | 4:30 - 5:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in Monday, December 22 | 4:30 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Pathstone Mental Health Walk-In Clinic

Get free counselling for children and youth 17 and under and their families. Walk in or by appointment. To book, call 1-800-263-4944.

Tuesdays | 11:30 am - 7 pm | Meridian Community Centre, Fonthill Thursdays | 11:30 - 7 pm | Fleming

Exam Care Kits

For post-secondary students

Studying for exams? Come to the desk and receive a small exam care package to help with your study session. While supplies last.

Available starting November 24 | All branches | While supplies last

Tech and Makerspace

Tech Time

Book a free 30-minute appointment to get basic tech help on your device. Book by calling the library or online.

Tuesdays | 4 - 6 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.
Wednesdays | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.
Thursdays | 2 - 4 pm | Maple Acre | Free; registration required.
Fridays | 10 am - 12 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

3D Printer

Book a free one-hour appointment to learn how to use the 3D printer. Book by calling the library or online.

Tuesdays | 6 - 8 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required. Fridays | 2 - 5 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

Memory Lab

Book a free one-hour appointment to learn how to preserve, convert, and digitize photos and videos. Please note users must supply their own storage device. Book by calling the library or online.

Wednesdays | 2 - 5 pm | Rittenhouse Saturdays | November 1, 15, 29, December 13, 27 | 2 - 5 pm | Rittenhouse Free; registration required.

Ontario Genealogical Society Visit

The Ontario Genealogical Society will be onsite to answer questions and provide direction to those researching their family history.

Saturday, November 29 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Discover your roots with Ancestry: Library Edition! This robust database includes census, birth, marriage, death, immigration, military records and more. *Note: Ancestry can only be accessed at the library.*



Introduction to Computers

This class for beginners introduces the basic concepts of using a computer with Windows 11, including mouse movements, online safety, and email basics. In partnership with Niagara West Adult Learning Centre. Register by calling 905-563-1515.

Tuesdays, November 4 - December 2 | 1 - 3 pm | Fonthill Free; registration required.

Wednesdays, November 5 - December 3 | 1 - 3 pm Niagara West Adult Learning Centre | Free, registration required.

Financial Literacy Series

Financial expert Janet Oettgen from the Niagara West Adult Learning Centre will provide easy-to-understand and practical financial advice in this fourpart series.

November 6: Credit & Borrowing

November 13: Fraud & Scams

November 20: Your Money, Your Plan: Budgeting November 27: Strategies for Shopping Wisely

Thursdays, 6 - 8 pm | Fonthill Branch | Free; registration required.

New: Book a Quiet Booth!

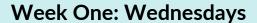
Looking for a place to work, meet, or study? Quiet booths are available for use at the Fonthill and Rittenhouse Branches. Each booth features a noise-reducing fan, dimmable lights, and plugs for charging and connecting devices.

The booths are free to use and can be booked in one- or two-hour timeslots during library hours. A library card is required to use the booth. There is a maximum of three reservations per week. Reservations can be made in person or by phone.



Bookmobile

Visit the Bookmobile to browse and borrow when out and about in Lincoln and Pelham!



9 am - 12 pm:

Community Care of West Niagara 4309 Central Ave, Beamsville

1:15 - 2:30 pm

Lincoln Museum & Cultural Centre 3800 Main St. Jordan

3:15 - 4:30 pm

Campden Firehall 3970 Fly Rd, Campden

Week One: Thursdays

10 am - 12 pm:

Golden Horseshoe Estates Rebecca Lane Visitors Lot corner of Sann Rd and John St, Beamsville

1:15 - 2:30 pm

Old Pelham Town Hall 491 Canboro Rd, Fenwick

3:30 - 4:30 pm

Beamsville Legion, Branch 612 5545 King St, Beamsville

The Bookmobile operates on a twoweek schedule. The schedule is subject to change.



Week Two: Wednesdays

10 am - 12 pm:

Village of Hope 2540 South Service Rd, Jordan

1:15 - 2:30 pm

Meridian Community Centre 100 Meridian Way, Fonthill

3:15 - 4:30 pm

North Pelham Presbyterian Church 602 Metler Rd, Fenwick

Week Two: Thursdays

9 am - 1 pm

Black Sheep Coffee Roasters 952 Foss Rd, Fenwick

2:15 - 4:30 pm

Jordan Lions Arena 2767 Fourth Ave, Jordan

Week One: Oct. 15/16, Oct. 29/30, Nov. 12/13, Nov. 26/27, Dec. 10/11

Week Two: Oct. 22/23, Nov. 5/6, Nov. 19/20, Dec. 3/4, Dec. 17/18



For Adults

Author Visit: Megan McSpadden

Join us for a fun conversation with local author Megan McSpadden to discuss her brand-new book, *Deck the Hores*, an opposites attract elopement romance. Note: this is intended for an adult audience.

Thursday, November 20 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Author Visit: Yvonne Van Lankveld

Local author Yvonne Van Lankveld joins us to launch her third book, *Follow Polly's Lane*, a novel that exposes the separate dramas of two female neighbours with differing values after a violent storm implodes their lives. A portion of book sales will be donated to the Fonthill Branch renovation.

Monday, December 8 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

AUTHOR SERIES

ALYSON RICHMAN

in conversation with Yvonne Van Lankveld

November 2 | 7:30 - 9 pm

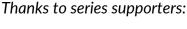
London Born Wine Co.
3749 Walker Rd, Beamsville
6:45 pm: Doors open
7:30 pm: Author talk begins
Books available for purchase
and signing

\$45/TICKET

Includes glass of wine, light food, and \$20 tax receipt (non-alcoholic options available)



















Métis Dot Painting

Métis artist Brian Kon will speak about Métis culture and lead a hands-on workshop where participants create a small dot painting, which is inspired by traditional beadwork. For ages 13 and up.

Monday, November 3 | 6:30 - 8 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Holiday Movie Marathon

Enjoy holiday movies throughout the day! Come in your PJs. Hot chocolate and popcorn will be served!

Saturday, December 20 | 10 am - 4 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in



Stay cozy with a cup of tea from the little tea library! Take a new tea to try and pass along varieties you're done with. Please note all donated tea must be unopened, in a sealed envelope or package. The little tea library will be available at all branches starting Monday, November 3.

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You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me. –C.S. Lewis

12 months books ideas 2025
LPPL Reading Challenge

Remember to return your 2025 book list to your nearest branch or log titles on the online form on Beanstack by Saturday, January 10, 2026. One lucky winner will receive a \$20 gift card to Someday Books.

Watch for the 2026 Challenge coming in mid-December!

For Adults

Knit and Chat

Bring your projects and enjoy conversation by the fireplace.

Mondays | 10 am - 12 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Tuesday Morning Crafters

Bring your projects and enjoy conversation and community.

Tuesdays | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

TGIF Crafters

Bring your knitting, crocheting, or any portable craft for an afternoon of conversation and fun.

Fridays | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

English Conversation Circle

Join us for a weekly conversation circle to improve your English. You will have the opportunity to practice listening, speaking, vocabulary, and pronunciation. All levels of English are welcome for a fun time to meet other newcomers.

Tuesdays | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Writers Roundtable: Fonthill

Join this monthly meetup with local author Yvonne Van Lankveld and fellow writers to share ideas and discuss writing and editing.

Mondays, November 10 & December 8 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.



Writers Roundtable: Beamsville

Join this monthly meetup with local author Jolie Phuong Hoang and fellow writers to share ideas and discuss writing and editing.

Mondays, November 17 & December 15 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming Free; registration required.

Adult Story Time

Celebrate the upcoming holidays with stories and activities! For teens and adults of all ages and abilities.

Mondays, November 10 & December 1 | 1 - 2 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Create and Chat

Make a seasonal craft, plus enjoy a social atmosphere. For teens and adults of all ages and abilities.

Mondays, November 24 & December 22 | 1 - 2 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

A Hand Along the Way

A monthly grief support group. In partnership with Rose Cottage Visiting Volunteers. To register, contact RCVV at 289-566-9588 or info.rcvv@gmail.com.

Tuesdays, November 4 & December 2 | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse Free; registration required.

Connect & Care Memory Cafe

Find peer support and participate in activities for care partners and loved ones living with dementia.

Thursdays, November 13 & December 4 | 1 - 2 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Thursdays, November 27 & December 18 | 1 - 2 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

VISITING LIBRARY SERVICE

The Visiting Library Service (VLS) brings library materials to community members who are unable to visit the library due to age, disability, or illness. This free monthly service is available to residents of Lincoln and Pelham. For more information, please visit lppl./visiting-library-service or contact your nearest branch.

Scan to sign up!



Save Money, Use the Library!



Borrow eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines.





Get unlimited daily access to more than 7,000 newspapers and magazines.





Borrow eBooks and audiobooks, with shorter wait times.





Stream TV shows and movies, plus get unlimited views on children's content.





Browse Canadian content, including news, radio, and TV shows, in English and French.



Find more to borrow in the Library of Things!

- Chromebooks and WiFi hotspots
- Nintendo Switch games
- Roku sticks with Apple TV and Disney+
- sensory support backpacks
- LEGO kits
- carbon monoxide detectors

- telescope
- fishing poles and life jackets
- snowshoes
- nature backpacks
- keyboard, ukuleles, and guitars
- Passes for NPCA, Ontario Parks, and the ROM

Please note late fees apply for non-traditional items.

Locations & Hours

Fleming Branch

5020 Serena Dr, Beamsville 905-563-7014

Mon - Thurs: 10 am - 8 pm Fri: 1 - 5 pm | Sat: 10 am - 5 pm

Maple Acre Branch

781 Canboro Rd, Fenwick 905-892-5226 Tues, Thurs, Fri: 11 am - 6 pm Wed: 1 - 8 pm | Sat: 12 - 4 pm

Fonthill Branch

43 Pelham Town Sq, Fonthill 905-892-6443

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 10 am - 8 pm

Wed, Fri: 10 am - 5 pm | Sat: 10 am - 2 pm

Rittenhouse Branch

4080 John Charles Blvd, Vineland 905-562-5711

Mon - Thurs: 10 am - 8 pm Fri: 1 - 5 pm | Sat: 10 am - 5 pm

All branches will be closed November 11, December 24, 25, 26, 31 and January 1.

Please note:

- Program fees are non-refundable unless a program is cancelled or rescheduled by Lincoln Pelham Public Library.
- If fees ever present a barrier to participation, or should you require assistance or accommodations related to you or your child's ability to attend a program, please contact Susan by phone: 905-562-5711 or email: programmers@lppl.ca.
- Children 10 years of age or under attending Library programs or events must have a caregiver present in the Library. Where Library programs or events are held outside of the Library building, the caregiver must remain within visual range of children.

Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge these are the traditional lands and territories of the Hatiwendaronk, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabeg, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties (No. 3) and by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement.

Lincoln Pelham Public Library recognizes the contributions and stewardship of all Indigenous Peoples, including First Nations, Métis, and Inuit. We are committed to celebrating and sharing stories from Indigenous communities and creating space for education and dialogue as we collectively acknowledge hard truths and work toward reconciliation.



