



EVENTS

September – November 2017

If you need more detailed information concerning the following programs, please call the library of your choice. Pre-registration is requested for most programs and workshops.

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Akron-Summit County Public Library

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MAIN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MAIN LIBRARY 330-643-9000
60 S. High St., Akron, 44326

BUSINESS & GOVERNMENT 330-643-9020

Business Research Essentials Saturdays, September 9, October 7, November 4, 10:15 am-12 pm Computer Lab 2. Are you thinking of starting or expanding a business? Join us and learn how to utilize some of the library databases and government websites to find your answers. 12 available spaces. Register with Eventbrite or call the Business & Government Division 330-643-9020

Reentry in Motion: Senate Bill 337 & House Bill 49

Saturday, September 2, 3-4 pm Room 2AB. Ohio Senate Bill 337 expands opportunities for individuals to have criminal convictions expunged from their records. Also, the bill allows for the creation of the following: the Certificate of Qualification for Employment; child-support modifications based on actual earnings; juveniles kept in juvenile facilities; and courts developing alternatives to driver's license suspensions. House Bill 49 mandates that non-violent (F5) individuals be sent to a regional diversion program instead of prison. Joann Sahl, Associate Clinical Professor of Law at the University of Akron School of Law, will provide more information about these bills.

Introduction to Finding Grants Wednesday, September 6, 9:30-11 am Discover what funders are

looking for in nonprofits seeking grants and how to find potential funders with an emphasis on Foundation Directory Online. Program will be held in Meeting Room 2 AB. Register: 216-861-1933 x325.

Reentry in Motion: Social Security Disability

Tuesday, September 19, 11 am-12 pm Room 2AB. Robert Fenn II, Public Affairs Specialist, Social Security Administration, will answer questions about disability and provide additional useful information.

Introduction to Proposal Writing and Project Budgeting

Wednesday, September 27, 9:30-11:30 am Are you new to proposal writing or want a quick refresher? If so, you don't want to miss one of our most popular classes, along with an intensive review of the essentials of project budgeting. Program will be held at Main Library in Meeting Room 2 AB. Register: 216-861-1933 x325.

Introduction to Fundraising Planning

Wednesday, October 18, 9:30-11 am Learn a basic planning process for diversifying your organization's support. Program will be held at Main Library in Meeting Room 2 AB. Register: 216-861-1933 x325.

Reentry in Motion: Meet the Reentry Providers

Tuesday, October 24, 11 am-12 pm Room 2AB. Reentry providers in Summit County assist citizens returning from incarceration in the following areas: mental and spiritual health; medical assistance; transitional housing; job training; and much more. Meet some of the organizations devoted to help individuals make a smooth transition back into the community.

Reentry in Motion: University of Akron Reentry Clinic

Saturday, October 28, 10 am-1 pm Auditorium, Room 1, Room 2AB, Room 3. Receive assistance from the University of Akron

School of Law with the following: expungement; certificate of qualification for employment; clemency; and license restoration.

Reentry in Motion: Financial Literacy

Thursday, November 9, 11 am-12 pm Room 2AB. Kathleen Seminatore, Investigator, Summit County Office of Consumer Affairs, will discuss how to improve your credit score, lower your bills, set up a monthly budget, apply for PIPP and HEAP, avoid scams, and much more.

CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

330-643-9050

Early Childhood Programs

A Time to Play Second Tuesday of each month, 10:30-11:30 am Hands-on, age-appropriate, creative play experiences and materials will be available for young children and their caregivers. Explore, make friends, share stories, create and play with us.

September 12: "Fall Explorers"- Celebrate the arrival of the beautiful fall season together. Investigate leaves, apples, pumpkins and animals with your little explorers.
October 10: "Young @ Art"- Art materials and supplies provided for your budding artists. Build your child's imagination and develop fine motor skills by creating beautiful, open ended works of art together. We will get messy!

November 14: "Curious Kids"- Join us as we transform the Children's Library into a science lab for the very young. Hands-on, sensory activities, explorations and experiments are waiting for your "little Einstein's" this month.

Baby Time

Every Wednesday, 10:30 am An active story time for children from birth to 2 years old with an adult caregiver. We combine music, story and play to engage our youngest learners.

Preschool Story Times

Every Thursday, 10:30 am Watch as books come to life through stories, music and activities. For children 2 to 5 years old with an adult caregiver.

Saturday Story Time Sampler

First and third Saturdays of the month, 11 am Story time for preschool-primary children with an adult caregiver.

September 2: Pirate Story Time: Argh, it is time to sail the high seas and search for treasure. C'mon matesy, join us for a swashbuckling good time!

September 16: Apple Stories: Special apple stories, apple tasting and an apple craft.

October 7: Beautiful Stuff: What can you create from found materials?

October 21: Calling all Wild Things! Feel free to dress like a Wild Thing and let the wild rumpus begin!

November 4: Going Squirrelly: All thing squirrel!

November 18: Fall in the Forest: Prepare to hibernate in our den of great autumn stories, crafts and activities.

Paws for Reading

Second Saturday of each month, September 9, October 14, November 11, 11 am Share a book with a certified therapy dog.

Sunday Story Time Sampler

Every Sunday, 2 pm A half-hour story time for preschool-primary children with an adult caregiver.

Yoga Play

Mondays in September, 10:30 am For 3-5 year olds. Join us for a multi-sensory yoga experience. We add play and learning to create an inspiring adventure.

Family Events

Builders' Club

Saturday, September 30, 2 pm Open play with Lego's, Duplo's and other building materials.

Halloween Spooktacular Family Story Time

Saturday, October 28, 11 am Join us in costume for a ghoulish good time!

Mini Maker Faire

Saturday, November 11, 2-4 pm

Calling all junior engineers for a box design challenge! Turn an ordinary box into a dollhouse, or an extraordinary game, or a robot, or a flower garden. Every engineer will get their own box and a variety of supplies will be provided.

School Age Programs

After-School Craft Club

Wednesdays, October-November, 4-5 pm For Grades K-6. Join us and let your creative side shine!

Dead Men Tell No Tales...except at the Library! After-Hours Pirate Event

Friday, September 15, 6-8 pm

Batten down the hatches, hunt for booty, create your own pirate garb, and have a fathom of fun! Please pre-register. Grades 4 and up.

Science Club

Saturday, September 23, 2 pm For Grades 2+. Play and explore basic stop motion animation techniques as we create our own movies using stop motion animation apps for iPad.

Frankenanimals

Saturday, October 28, 2 pm For Grades 2+. Learn basic sewing techniques as we tear apart our old stuffed animals to make fabulous, scary, funny and weird new creations.

Comic Book Club

Saturday, October 28, 2 pm For Grades 4+ in Teen Area. Connect, create, collect! Do you love to draw and talk about comics? Children and teens in grades 4-12 are invited to join us in the Teen Programming Room to explore the world of comics.

Wii Just Dance

Saturday, November 25, 2-3:30 pm For Grades K-6. Show off your dance moves with our Wii Gaming System.

CULTURE & AV

330-643-9015

Thursday Movies@Main

All films will be shown in the Main Library Auditorium at the show times listed below. Visit the library's website & check the flyers for updates.

September 7, 6 pm Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2

September 14, 6:30 pm My Cousin Rachel

September 28, 6 pm Beauty and the Beast (2017)

October 5, 6 pm Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales

First Wednesday Book Group

September 6, October 4, November 1, 6:30-8 pm Meeting Room 1. Door opens at 6pm. For more information on our lively group or the next title email cadv@akronlibrary.org or call 330-643-9015. Adults ages 18 and over. Copies of the discussion books are available at the Culture & AV desk.

Poetry Hour

Saturdays, September 9, October 14, December 9, 3-4 pm Do you like to write poetry? Read and share it with others? Listen to local poets read their work? Meeting room 1.

Yarn Lovers @ the Library

Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 15, 12-2 pm Drop by for the entire two hours, or any time between 12-2 pm. Bring your own lunch, or purchase at the Café. You're welcome to bring a current project. Knitting and crochet instruction and assistance will be available when possible. Stray Dog Café

The Main Event Speaker Series presents ROZ CHAST – Acclaimed NEW YORKER Cartoonist

Thursday, October 12, 7 pm Main Library Auditorium. There will be a Q&A after Ms. Chast's presentation, and a book signing. Books will be available for purchase. Sponsored by the Friends of Main Library. Admission is free.

Akron Sudoku Tournament

Saturday, November 4, 1-4 pm Compete to complete Sudoku puzzles provided by New York Times Editor, Will Shortz! All levels of Sudoku enthusiasts are encouraged to participate. Meeting Room 2AB. Adults ages 18 and over. Registration requested; email cadv@akronlibrary.org or call 330-643-9015.

LIBRARY SHOP AT MAIN

330-643-9070

Located on the second floor, behind the security desk and conveniently located by the parking deck entrance. Owned and operated by Friends of the Main Library, LSAM offers gently used books at exceptionally low prices and unique gifts to support ASCPL. Volunteer opportunities are available. All volunteers get free parking and 25% off store products.

MOBILE SERVICES

330-643-9055

Bringing the Library to you! Call for more information.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

DIVISION

330-643-9075

Akron Mini Maker Faire Call for Makers

September 11-October 14 Want to be a Maker at the Akron Mini Maker Faire? You can fill out an online application during the Call for Makers, September 11-October 14 at akron.makerfaire.com.

Akron Mini Maker Faire

Saturday, November 11, noon-4 pm Family-friendly, free, and fun, the Akron Mini Maker Faire at Main Library. Contact Science & Technology at 330-643-9075, or visit our website akron.makerfaire.com for details.

Please contact Science & Technology to reserve your spot in any of these programs:

Akron Inventors Club

Second Thursday of every month, 6 pm Doors open at 5:30 pm for refreshments and networking. Monthly meetings feature a variety of speakers and informational programs as well as a chance to meet with like-minded innovators. The club meets in Meeting Room 2AB on the High Street Level.

Lunchtime Birdwatching -

Celebrate Urban Birds

Every Thursday, 12:15-12:25 pm Be a citizen scientist and help us count how many bird species can be found in downtown Akron during this 10-minute period. This is part of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's ongoing nationwide program to count birds in urban areas. Group meets in the Library Park on the corner of Main and Mill Street, every Thursday, rain or shine.

Introduction to Intellectual

Property

Tuesdays, September 12, October 17, 6:30-7:30 pm Learn the differences among the various types of intellectual property, and how best to protect your creative work. Class meets in Meeting Room 1 on the High Street Level.

Introduction to Patents & Patent Searching

Saturdays, September 16, October 21, 10:15 am-noon Librarians from the Science & Technology Division will explain the process of getting a U.S. patent, and

show you how to do a preliminary patent search using the United States Patent & Trademark website. Class will meet in Meeting Room 1 on the High Street Level.

Bringing Down the Dam; Freeing the Falls

Monday, September 25, 6-7 pm Elaine Marsh, Watershed Specialist from the Summit Metro Parks will discuss the proposal of removing the 100-year-old Gorge Dam in Cuyahoga Falls and returning the Cuyahoga River to its original glory. This program is in Meeting Room 2AB on the High Street Level.

Ask A Patent Attorney

Monday, November 6, 6-8 pm Register for a free one on one 20-minute session with a registered patent attorney. Appointment times are limited and must be scheduled beginning October 6 by contacting the Science & Technology Division.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

330-643-9030

These FREE classes require registration (where noted). For more information and to register, contact the Special Collections Division, 330-643-9030 or speccollections@akronlibrary.org. Visit our website at www.akronlibrary.org/special-collections.

Discover Your Family History Using Historical Newspapers in Your Genealogy Research

Saturday, September 9, 10:30 am-12:30 pm From births to obituaries, estate notices to news stories, newspapers can fill in important details and help to paint a fuller picture of our ancestors' lives. This new class will take a look at accessing newspaper content through a variety of resources. This class meets in Computer Lab 1, First Floor. Registration requested.

Late Night at the Library After Hours Genealogy Event

Friday, September 15, 6:30-10:30 pm The Akron-Summit County Public Library and the Summit County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society presents Late Night at the Library. Mingle and share with fellow researchers in Special Collections as you uncover the details of your ancestry. Staff, SCCOGS volunteers and Representatives of the DAR will offer consultation and membership information.

Using Ancestry in Your Genealogy Research

Saturday, September 30, 10:30 am-12:30 pm This class will introduce you to the many features of Ancestry Library Edition and show you how to do effective searches. As we will be using electronic resources, basic computer skills are recommended. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor. Registration requested.

Fold3

Saturday, October 7, 10:30 am-12:30 pm Learn about the unique resources available from this database including military records, city directories, naturalization records and more. This class meets in Computer Lab 1, First Floor. Registration requested.

FindMyPast

Saturday, October 21, 10:30 am-12:30 pm FindMyPast offers a wide variety of genealogical records, but it's especially strong in British and Irish records. This class will focus on what FindMyPast has to offer and how to use it effectively. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor, Main Library. Registration requested.

Searching The Reporter

Wednesday, October 25, 6:30-8 pm The Reporter, Akron's African-American newspaper covering 1969-2016, is now available and full-text searchable on Ohio Memory (www.ohiomemory.org)! Join Jenni Salamon of the Ohio History Connection to learn how this newspaper was transformed from hardcopy to microfilm to digital images, as well as tips on how to search the digital collection. The digitization of the Akron-Summit County Public Library's collection of The Reporter was funded in part by the Dick and Chris Chenoweth fund of the Akron Community Foundation. Meeting Room 2AB, High Street Level.

Heritage Quest

Saturday, November 4, 10:30 am-12:30 pm Learn about the many resources available from this database including the U.S. Census, Revolutionary War pension files, Freedman's Bank records, books and more. This class meets in Computer Lab 1, First Floor. Registration requested.

Researching Your Immigrant Ancestors, 1820-1892

Saturday, November 18,

10:30 am-12:30 pm Focusing on European arrivals to the eastern seaboard, this class will discuss historic background as well as sources and strategies commonly used in researching immigrants during this era. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor. Registration requested.

TECHZONE@MAIN 330-643-9145

Visit the new Makerspace at Main Library. Equipment in the TechZone@Main includes a professional grade recording studio, 3-D printer, laser engraver, vinyl printer, HeatPress media transfer station, green screen video recording, photo box, and a crafting area with a button maker, sewing, embroidery and silhouette machines. Design computers with Adobe Creative Cloud are also available. For more information, contact the TechZone@Main reference desk at 330-643-9145.

YOUTH SERVICES OFFICE 330-643-9067

Teen Programs at Main Library Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for teens ages 11-18. Please call the Teen department or email ysodiv@akronlibrary.org to register for programs or with any questions. *Snacks will be served at this program. Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the Teen Department.

Rock Art

Saturday, September 23, 3 pm Create doodlestones, pebble picture holders or just create, beautiful colorful stones to decorate your room or desk.

Teen Advisory Board Meetings* **Second and fourth Tuesday of every month beginning Tuesday, September 26, 6 pm** Whether you're looking to get volunteer hours for school or just like to work on cool projects, eat and have fun, the Teen Advisory Board in the place to be! You'll help plan Teen programs and decorate the Teen Area. It looks great on a resume too.

Gaming@Main*

Fridays, September 29, October 20, November 10, 2:30-4:30 pm Hang out and play video games in the Teen room! Snacks provided.

ACT Practice Test*

Friday, October 20, 9:30 am In the Teen Programming Room. Join us for a practice test and a snack! Sylvan Learning Center is offering a

free practice exam to prepare you for the real test at the Main Library. You will have access to your scores within one week after the test. Please bring your own calculator, and be sure to register early, spaces are limited! Registration is requested at least a week before each test. Please contact Sylvan Learning Center fairlawn.oh@sylvanlearning.com or The Main Teen Area 330-643-9067 to register.

Paranormal Portraits

Saturday, October 21, 3 pm Join us to make creepy, spooky, all together ooky self-portraits using the Tech Zone's green screen, make-up, costumes, photo apps, and more. The program will start and end in the Teen Programming Room on the third floor.

Comic Book Club*

Saturday, October 28, 2 pm Connect, create, collect! Do you love to draw and talk about comics? Comic Book Lovers in grades 4-12 are invited to join us in the Teen Programming Room to explore the world of comics.

Holy Justice League, Batman*

Saturday, November 18, 3 pm Celebrate the release of the new Justice League movie. Make a Batman or Wonder Woman fidget spinner, play videogames and make Justice League crafts.

BRANCH LIBRARY PROGRAMS

ADULT BRANCH PROGRAMS

ELLET – 330-784-2019
2470 E. Market St., Akron, 44312

Book Clubs

Books are available in advance at the circulation desk.

Rabid Readers Book Discussion
Third Tuesday of the month, 1:30 pm

September 19 THE TRUTH ABOUT THE HARRY QUEBERT AFFAIR by Joel Dicker

October 17 LINCOLN IN THE BARDO by George Saunders

November 21 THE BOSTON GIRL by Anita Diamant

Book Club On the Run
New books on the second Monday of the month

No meetings...no deadlines...just GOOD books! Perfect for someone crunched for time. Book selections each month include author

information and other interesting things about the book.

September 11 HOMEGOING by Yaa Gyasi

October 9 RUINS OF LACE by Iris Anthony

November 13 AT HOME: A SHORT HISTORY OF PRIVATE LIFE by Bill Bryson

Ellet Needle Crafters

First and third Monday of the month, September 18, October 2, 16, November 6, 20, 3:30-5 pm

Do you like to share techniques, ideas and suggestions? All levels of expertise and all ages welcome.

Early Bird Movie Matinee

Mondays, September 18, October 23, November 13, 10:30 am Enjoy popcorn and a fun family-friendly movie on the big screen!

Travel Agent in Your Pocket

Tuesday, September 5, 6:30 pm Learn about apps that can easily translate languages and text for you even if you don't know a single word in another language, easily create a jam-packed and informative itinerary that you can use without any internet access, find and book hotels, flights and events inexpensively and knowledgeably and much more. Take your trip with confidence knowing you practically have a travel agent in your pocket!

Ohio State Football: The Forgotten Dawn

Tuesday, September 12, 6:30 pm Author Robert J. Roman draws on extensive archival research to tell the untold story of the early days of football at Ohio's flagship public university. Copies of the book will be available to purchase and have autographed.

Man Hunt: The John Wilkes Booth Trail

Tuesday, September 19, 6:30 pm Paul Goebbel portrays a newspaper reporter for the New York Herald reporting in first person about the events during the great man hunt for Abraham Lincoln's killer.

Vacationing Vicariously Via Jewell Jones' Journals

Monday, September 25, 1:30 pm "Vacationing Vicariously via Jewell Jones' Journals" is a way for you to "get away" just by going to the library. Jewell will read from her vacation journals and share pictures taken by her husband from their summer vacation in Burlington, Ontario, Canada.

Medicare 101 with Sharon Honroth

Tuesday, October 3, 6:30 pm Sharon Honroth will help you understand what Medicare covers and what it doesn't. You will learn about Medicare Supplements, Advantage Plans and Part D Prescription Plans.

Bumblebee Gourd Painting with Kathy Meekins

Tuesday, October 10, 6 pm Paint a bumblebee on a gourd for a fun seasonal craft. Please register for this program beginning Monday, September 18.

Bring Your Bill with PUCO
Tuesday, October 17, 6 pm

This event will provide you with the opportunity to clarify the charges on your bill, find your current energy supplier, learn about alternative suppliers, seek resolutions to billing disputes or get answers to any utility-related questions you might have.

Seasonal Prep Energy Tips for Winter

Tuesday, November 7, 6 pm Participants will learn about seasonal assistance programs, energy conservation and efficiency tips, safety tips and the different kinds of tax rebate programs that Ohioans can take advantage of.

Coffee & Coloring

Wednesdays, September 6, October 4, November 1, 1 pm Studies show coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and help promote overall wellness. Coloring pages designed especially for adults as well as coloring utensils and refreshments will be provided.

Memory Cafe: An Early Stage Dementia Program

Wednesdays, September 27, October 25, November 29, 1 pm Memory Cafe offers a relaxing and comfortable way for people living in the early stages of memory loss to build a social network and connect with like individuals in their own community. The Memory Cafe is a collaboration between The Alzheimer's Association Greater East Ohio Area Chapter and the Akron-Summit County Public Library. Advance registration is requested. To register, please contact the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900.

FAIRLAWN-BATH – 330-666-4888
3101 Smith Rd., Akron, 44333

Anything Goes Book Discussion Join us the second Monday of each month, 1 pm

September 11: THE RUINS OF LACE by Iris Anthony
October 9: MY BRILLIANT FRIEND by Elena Ferrante
November 13: THE LITTLE PARIS BOOKSHOP by Nina George

In The Park: Nature Photography for Adults & Teens

Saturday, September 16, 2 pm Learn how to take great nature pictures with photographer John Landis. In his own photography, Mr. Landis experiments with new techniques with his iPhone and his SLR (Single Lens Reflex) camera—and you should, too! Bring your camera or cell phone. Beginners welcome. After the photography presentation, we will take a hike through the park with the Field Station Manager, Dr. Lara Roketenetz, and look for photo opportunities. Participants are encouraged to submit pictures to the Fall into Nature photography contest. We will meet at the University of Akron Field Station, located within the Bath Nature Preserve, at 4160 Ira Rd. Please call 330-666-4888 or stop by the library to register.

How to Make Your Phone Your Travel Agent

Thursday, September 14, 6:30 pm Learn about apps that can easily translate languages and text without knowing a single word in another language, easily create a jam-packed and informative itinerary that you can use without any internet access, find and book hotels, flights and events inexpensively and knowledgeably and much more. Take your trip with confidence knowing you practically have a travel agent in your pocket.

Bringing Down the Dam; Freeing the Falls

Thursday, September 28, 6 pm This presentation will examine the interwoven story of the gorge dam, the Cuyahoga River and Gorge Metro Park. This evening's program will feature the transformative benefits of dismantling the dam and "Freeing the Falls" which currently lie drowned under this obsolete mass of concrete.

Antique Appraisals with Jason Adams

Thursday, October 5, 6 pm

Collectibles expert and art historian Jason Adams returns for another round of antique appraisals. Limit two items per person. No swords or firearms. Please register at the library or call us at 330-666-4888.

Medicare 101

Thursday, October 12, 6 pm This program will help you understand Medicare, what it covers and what it does not. You will learn about Medicare Supplements, Advantage Plans and Part D Prescription Plans. This program is presented by Sharon Honroth.

OPERA 101: Explaining the Enduring Popularity of a Unique Musical Art Form

Thursday, November 2, 6 pm Operatic venues in Cleveland and around the world have continually enthralled audiences. This presentation explains why and how this phenomenon occurs. Opera is both an audio and a visual medium and video clips with English subtitles will be utilized to enhance explanations. This program is presented by Northern Ohio Opera League.

Beyond Bond: The Actors Who Have Played James Bond

Thursday, November 9, 6:30 pm Seven actors have portrayed Ian Fleming's iconic character James Bond on the silver screen. Pop culture historian Bill Brauning presents a multi-media examination of these seven actors, highlighting what each brought the role.

Ohio State Football: The Forgotten Dawn

Thursday, November 16, 6:30 pm Author Robert J. Roman discusses his book *Ohio State Football: The Forgotten Dawn* which draws on extensive archival research to tell the untold story of the early days of football at Ohio's flagship public university. Books will be available for purchase and a book signing will follow the presentation.

OPERA 101: The Highs, Lows, and In-Betweens of Singing Opera

Thursday, November 30, 6 pm In this exciting talk, the use of different voices for different operatic roles will be discussed. In addition, attendees will also learn that the use of high and low notes and other musical concepts are tools used by composers to emphasize aspects of the opera's story. This program is presented by Northern Ohio Opera League.

Financial Peace of Mind: An Eight-Part Series

Join local attorney, Linda Ulinski, for an eight-part series designed to educate the public on various financial issues.

Part One: Last Will & Testament
Tuesday, October 10, 6 pm

Covered topics include writing your Will, considering a Power of Attorney and the necessity of Advanced Health Care Directives.

Part Two: Revocable Trust
Tuesday, October 17, 6 pm

Covered topics include how to establish your trust and use it to manage your assets through various phases of life, including incompetence.

Part Three: Long Term Care (Medicaid) Planning
Tuesday, October 24, 6 pm

Covered topics include understanding Medicaid eligibility, the spend down, the look back, and asset protection.

Part Four: Real Estate Deeds
Tuesday, October 31, 6 pm

Attorney Linda Ulinski explains the various ways individuals and couples own their real estate, as well as probate avoidance options to achieve your estate planning goals.

Part Five: Probate Estate Administration

Tuesday, November 7, 6 pm Covered topics include the probate process and trust administration.

Part Six: Asset Registration
Tuesday, November 14, 6 pm

Covered topics include being consistent with your estate plan in the registration of your retirement accounts, brokerage accounts, various bank accounts, and other assets.

Part Seven: Tax Matters
Tuesday, November 21, 6 pm

Covered topics include personal income taxes (Form 1040), fiduciary income taxes (Form 1041), Federal estate taxes (Form 706), and gift taxes (Forms 709).

Part Eight: Guardianships for Adults

Tuesday, November 28, 6 pm Covered topics include necessity, timing, legal requirements, ongoing management, and termination of these legal arrangements.

FIRESTONE PARK – 330-724-2126
1486 Aster Ave., Akron, 44301

Book Club on the Run

No meetings, no deadlines, just good books! Pick up new selections the first of each month. Discussion questions, read-alike lists and author information included with each book.

September WILD by Cheryl Strayed

October THE BOOK THIEF by

Markus Zusak

November GO SET A WATCHMAN

by Harper Lee

Needle Crafting @ The Library

Second and fourth Monday

evenings of the month,

September 11, 25, October

9, 23, November 13, 27, 6 pm

Enjoy discussion and share current knitting and crochet projects.

Resume & Cover Letter Mini-Clinics

Thursday afternoons, September

7, October 5, November 2, 2 pm

Do you need some help with your resume? Register for a fifteen-minute mini-clinic that keeps learning simple and enjoyable. If you have a paper copy of your resume, please bring it along. Register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

Busy Persons Book Club

Tuesdays, 2 pm This book club will meet every 6 weeks at A Walk in the Park Café (no food or beverage purchase necessary) located across the street from the Firestone Park Branch Library. Stop in the library to pick up our next book.

September 12 THE BEAR AND THE

NIGHTINGALE by Katherine Arden

October 24 THE WOMAN IN CABIN

10 by Ruth Ware

Firestone Park Book Club

Wednesday, November 29, 5:30

pm @ Firestone Park Community

Center. This book club is for everyone in the Firestone Park community who is 18 and up. Join your neighbors as we discuss: CIRCLING THE SUN by Paula McLain

Keep Calm and Color On

Thursday afternoons, September

28, October 12, November 9, 1

pm Relax, reduce stress, and leave feeling restored! Coloring books and supplies will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own materials from home.

Vinyl Revival Listening Group

Tuesday evenings, September 12,

October 24, November 14, 6 pm

Take the time to enjoy full-length

albums front to back, and share your thoughts with other vinyl addicts from the area.

B4 Bed + Stories for Adults

Monday evenings, September

18, October 16, 6:30 pm Let

your imagination wander as you join Storyteller Kyle Jozsa from Wandering Aesthetics as he shares a series of short stories – radio play style – for adults only. Participants should feel free to bring their sewing, knitting or crocheting projects, coloring books or other handheld fidget toys to enjoy as Kyle weaves these tales.

Mocktails & Masterpieces

Thursday, September 14, 2 pm

Enjoy refreshing, non-alcoholic mocktails while painting your own masterpiece with friends. All supplies are included! Space is limited, please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

October is National Book Month

Guess how many books are in our library for a chance to win a gift card!

Beginning Watercolor Part 1

Monday, October 9, 6 pm Through

demonstration and hands-on help, you'll learn all the basic watercolor techniques in a small, relaxing class. No drawing experience or artistic skill required. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

Beginning Watercolor Part 2

Monday, November 6, 6 pm

Advance your skills in watercolor painting in this course for the "advanced beginner." Move on from the fundamentals to explore advanced techniques and compositions. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

DIY Fleece Blankets

Saturday, November 18, 1 pm

We have blankets for you and your friends to make for free! Space is limited, please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

GOODYEAR – 330-784-7522

60 Goodyear Blvd., Akron, 44305

Book Club to Go

New books are available the first week of each month. No meetings, no deadlines, just some GREAT reads! Discussion questions, read-alike lists, and author information are included with each book.

September ONE LAST DANCE: IT'S

NEVER TOO LATE TO FALL IN LOVE

by Mardo Williams

October THE CHILDREN ACT by

Ian McEwan

November THE GIRLS by

Emma Cline

Workshops & Programs

Geeks Who Game @ the Library

First Saturday of the month,

September 2, October 7,

November 4, 10 am-4 pm

Millennials, young professionals, and those who want to find games for your next get-together, let your inner geek out and join us to discover new, and revisit some favorite, tabletop games.

Color It So

First Tuesday of each month,

September 5, October 3,

November 7, 12:30 pm Spend a

relaxing time coloring with us. We'll provide coloring sheets designed specifically for adults, plus colored pencils and crayons. Blank paper will be available to those who like to craft their own drawings.

Computer Training

No registration is required; however, you must have a ticket to be admitted to each hands-on class.

Class size is strictly limited to 15 participants. Tickets will be passed out ½ hour prior to each class time.

Tuesday, September 5, 2-3:30 pm

– Internet Part 1: An Introduction

Wednesday, September 6, 2-3:30

pm – Internet Part 2: Searching,

Printing, and Favorites

Thursday, September 7, 2-

3:30 pm – Google Drive Part 1

Friday, September 8, 2-3:30 pm –

Google Drive Part 2

Space-to-Make

Mondays, September 11, 25,

October 9, 23, November 13,

27, 6-7:45 pm Join us for a new

adult-friendly gathering of crafters, thinkers, hobbyists, artists, tech enthusiasts, students, and more. Bring your craft or hobby with you and work on it at the Library.

Puzzle Pizzazz Time

Second Thursday of each month,

September 14, October 12,

November 9, 12:30-2 pm If you like

word searches, crossword puzzles, Sudoku, jigsaw puzzles, brain-teasers, logic puzzles, etc. then stop on in. We will have a variety of puzzles on hand, or feel free to bring your own. Refreshments will be served.

Painted Pebbles

Tuesday, September 26, 12:30

or 6:30 pm Transform rocks and

stones into your own beautiful masterpiece. Attendees are encouraged to relax and let their inner creativity flow. Class size is limited to 25 adult participants for each session. Register for only one session. Please register in advance.

Author Talk with Irv Korman

Tuesday, October 3, 6:30 pm

During his 30 years working within the Akron Public School System, Irv collected an array of memorable quotes from his students. Straight from the inked margins of his tattered lesson plans book, Irv shares some of these verbal gems in his book ANTUAN WAS HEAR. Join us and hear more about this book and others he has written. Please register in advance.

Free Women's Self-Defense Class

Monday, October 16, 6 pm Learn

simple techniques that could save your life! This two-hour class is designed to offer women both verbal and physical techniques including: screaming; wrist breakaway; free oneself from a chokehold; escape if pinned to the ground; practice kick and slaps. Sponsored by John Galonski, chief assistant prosecutor and Sherri Bevan Walsh, Summit County Prosecutor. Class size is limited to 30 adult participants. Registration begins on Monday, September 18.

Goodyear Monster Factory

Saturday, October 28, 2 pm Join

Dan & Nate and create your own miniature monster. All supplies are provided. Class size is limited to 25 adult/teen (16 & over) participants. Registration begins on Monday, September 25.

Wonders of Tea

Monday, November 6, 6:30 pm

Explore the wonders of tea with Liksha Hoskins. Learn more about the benefits of tea and sample some different varieties of tea. Class size is limited to 30 adult/teen (16 & over) participants. Registration begins on Monday, October 2.

What's Cookin'-Appetizers Even Guys Will Love

Tuesday, November 7, 6:30 pm

Join Tonya to sample and learn some great appetizer recipes that appeal to guys and gals alike. Class size is limited to 25 adult/teen (16 & over) participants. Registration begins on Tuesday, October 3.

Author Talk, Reading, and Book Signing with Antonia Harris

Monday, November 20, 6:30 pm Antonia Harris will read portions of her book, *OUT OF THE DEPTHS*, and then answer audience questions. Please register in advance. Sponsored by the Friends of the Goodyear Branch Library.

Santa Cookie Plate Paint Party

Tuesday, November 21, 6 pm Start the holiday season off right by crafting your own, one-of-a-kind, Santa cookie plate. Kimberly Henderson will guide you in designing your holiday masterpiece. Class size is limited to 15 adult participants. Registration begins on Tuesday, October 24.

GREEN- 330-896-9074
4046 Massillon Rd., Uniontown,
44685

Author Talk: Robert J. Roman
Wednesday, September 6, 6:30 pm Mr. Roman will discuss his book *OHIO STATE FOOTBALL: THE FORGOTTEN DAWN*.

Mature Muscles Exercise

Thursdays, 2 pm These classes will be led by Lisa Kelleman-McClain, CPT from Build A Body Personal Training, LLC. Please register in advance.

September 7: Mature Muscles Strength and Balance

September 14: Mature Muscles Movement

September 21: Mature Muscles Strength and Balance

September 28: Mature Muscles Chair Yoga

Adults with Aging Parent Drivers

Thursday, September 7, 6:30 pm Matt Gurwell, Founder and CEO of Keeping Us Safe LLC, shows how you can help when a loved one's ability to drive safely as a result of the natural aging process becomes a concern. A roadmap will be provided so families can address the issue with tact, compassion and empathy so that the older driver's dignity and independence are never unnecessarily jeopardized.

Ethiopian Coffee Ceremony

Saturday, September 23, 1:30 pm Attendees will benefit from taking in the aroma of freshly roasted coffee. You will be enlightened to the facts and history of the bean. Finally, you will take comfort in the fine delicacy and smooth authentic taste of true coffee. Please register in advance for this program.

Books Without Reading

Evenings, 6:30-8 pm No need to read the books beforehand (or after). Just come and have the fun of learning with Frank Henninger, emeritus professor of literature, University of Dayton.

Tuesday, September 26: *THE OLD MAN AND THE SEA* by Ernest Hemingway

Monday, October 30: *CRY, THE BELOVED COUNTRY* by Alan Paton

Wednesday, November 15: *NEVER CRY WOLF* by Farley Mowat

PUCO: Power of Choice

Wednesday, September 27, 6:30 pm The Power of Choice program can help participants to understand how Ohio's energy markets work, how to find and compare offers from competitive suppliers and how to deal with energy marketer's door-to-door and telemarketing salespeople.

Soup Jar Craft

Monday, October 2, 6:30 pm Join Tonya Gardella as she tests our culinary skills. We will be tasting prepared soups and you will craft your own soup in a jar to take home. Please register in advance for this program.

On The Table: Adults

Tuesday, October 3, 12 pm A one-of-a-kind initiative where thousands of diverse residents, from all walks of life and socio-economic backgrounds, gather to share a meal and discuss meaningful ideas to strengthen our community. It's an opportunity to shape our region into a strong, vibrant, safe and dynamic place to live and work. Please register in advance for this program.

PUCO: Seasonal Prep Tips

Wednesday, October 4, 6:30 pm Participants will learn about seasonal assistance programs, energy conservation and efficiency tips, safety tips and the different kinds of tax rebate programs that Ohioans can take advantage of.

Medicare 101 with Sharon Honroth

Wednesday, October 18, 6:30 pm Sharon Honroth, an independent insurance agent from Kaz Co., will explain Advantage Plans, Medicare Supplements and Part D Prescription Plans at this educational seminar.

Theodore Roosevelt

Monday, November 27, 6:30 pm Presented in first person portrayal

by Ted Dudra, Vice-President of the Green Historical Society.

Sedona Bracelet Craft

Thursday, November 30, 6:30 pm Let Jennie Thewlis, owner of Beadtini Boutique, teach you how to create a Sedona Bracelet. Please register in advance for this program.

Cookbook Club

Wednesdays, September 13, October 11, November 8, 6:30 pm Love reading cookbooks and sampling recipes? Then join us each month as we pick a theme and prepare dishes to share. Check out our library display for each month's theme and cookbooks, or use your own recipes. Enjoy some good food, discussion and fun.

Book Discussions

Afternoon Book Discussion

Tuesdays, 1 pm

September 5: *MR. PENUMBRA'S 24-HOUR BOOKSTORE* by Robin Sloan

October 10: *THE WITCHES: SUSPICION, BETRAYAL, AND HYSTERIA IN 1692 SALEM* by Stacy Schiff

November 14: *GARDEN OF STONES* by Sophie Littlefield

Evening Book Discussion

Tuesdays, 6 pm

September 19: *MORNINGS ON HORSEBACK* by David McCullough

October 17: *MY NAME IS LUCY BARTON* by Elizabeth Strout

November 21: *FATES AND FURIES* by Lauren Groff

Classic Book and Film Discussion
Dessert and Discussion for Teens and Adults

Tuesdays, 7 pm

September 19: *THE MALTESE FALCON* by Dashiell Hammett

October 17: *THE HAUNTING OF HILL HOUSE* by Shirley Jackson

November 21: *THE GOLDEN COMPASS* by Philip Pullman

HIGHLAND SQUARE -

330-376-2927

807 W. Market St., Akron, 44303

Please call or stop in to visit us and register for all adult programs.

Navigating the Medicare Maze with Sharon Honroth

Tuesday, October 10, 6:30-

7:30 pm Sharon Honroth will explain Advantage Plans, Medicare Supplements and Part D Prescription Plans at this educational seminar.

History of Aprons Presentation with Patsy Biddinger

Wednesday, October 18, 6:30-

7:30 pm Patsy Biddinger will share examples from her apron collection as she shares how aprons have evolved over time. Once a symbol of hard work and fortitude, aprons came to be a fashion statement. Passed down between generations in families, aprons become a sign of family heritage. People attending are encouraged to bring aprons from their own families to share.

Relieve Stress with Adult Coloring

Wednesday, November 1, 11 am Listen to relaxing music and color with friends, family, or our community. All supplies are provided.

Grandmother's Little Sewing Treasures

Tuesdays, October 24, November 14, December 5, 6-7:45 pm

Dolly Webb is returning to teach her sewing series. Not so long ago in the "Sewing Times World," ladies made little sewing keepsakes for themselves or to give as remembrances. Make these treasures for yourself or as a gift. Beginners are welcome, and all supplies are provided.

Create an Autumn Tree Picture

Saturday, November 11, 1:30-3:30 pm We'll be painting a tree base on canvas, then using different materials, including buttons, to create a vivid fall scene. Enjoy the season with our community and be creative.

History of Jewelry Presentation

1680-1980 with Jason Adams
Wednesday, November 29, 6-7:30 pm Join Jason Adams, a contemporary jeweler, art historian and collector, as he discusses and displays pieces of jewelry from the past 340 years.

Book Discussion Group

Thursdays, 6:45 pm Join us to discuss a diverse selection of titles. New members are always welcome.

September 28 *THE BOSTON GIRL* by Anita Diamant

October 26 *BLIND JUSTICE* by Bruce Alexander

November 16 *CROOKED LETTER, CROOKED LETTER* by Tom Franklin

KENMORE - 330-745-6126

969 Kenmore Blvd., Akron, 44314

Book Club to Go

Pick up new selections on the second Monday of each month. No meetings, no deadlines, just good books! Discussion questions, read-alike lists and author information is included with each book.

September 11 CUCKOO'S CALLING by Robert Galbraith

October 9 HEART-SHAPED BOX by Joe Hill

November 13 THE TALISMAN by Stephen King

Adult Wreath Series

Saturdays, 1 pm Join Bea Richardson to create beautiful seasonal wreaths to grace your home or to give as gifts. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

September 9 Fall Wreath

November 11 Winter Wreath

Kenmore Craft Club

Mondays, 6 pm

September 11 Wrapped Bottle Vases-Create your own vase using a bottle and some string!

October 9 Changing Leaves-Decorate your own tree with colored buttons in Fall colors.

November 13 Flower Petal Candle Holders-Create your own flower petal candle holders!

Decorative Gourds

Saturday, October 21, 1 pm

Join Kathy Meekins to create a decorative gourd bee to place in your plants or elsewhere. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

Computer Training

All classes are limited to the first 15 people; stop at the desk to receive your entry ticket. All classes are at 6 pm.

Tuesday, September 26 Basic Computer Skills

Wednesday, September 27 Windows 10

Thursday, September 28 File Management

MAPLE VALLEY – 330-864-5721
1187 Copley Rd., Akron, 44320

The Akron African United Front Book Discussion Group

Every second and fourth Thursday, 6 pm The Akron African United Front book discussion group offers you the opportunity to share your opinions on how history affects our world views in today's society. Read and analyze books that are rich in African American culture and history.

Sistas Knit 2

Every Thursday, 6:30 pm Socialize with other crafters while creating wonderful projects that can be given to family and friends. This group does everything from

knitting to crocheting, needlepoint to cross stitch and more. All crafters are welcome.

Author Visits and Book Signings

Saturdays, 2 pm The library has invited two new authors to share their books with you. Please call to register.

Be Inspired by author

Mira Roberts-September 16 Mira Roberts author of Under His Wings: Walking in Love has played many roles in her life. Former model and a wife of a musician, she has had challenges and accomplishments in her life. Through her faith and support of her church, Ms. Roberts has written a book that is meant to help others see the potential in themselves.

Spend the Afternoon with Author Katrina Riley-November 4 Ms. Riley's goal when writing is that her book will touch a life in an inspiring way.

Computer Training

Monday, September 18, 10:30 am Basic Computer Skills

Tuesday, September 19, 10:30 am Windows 10

Wednesday, September 20, 10:30 am File Management

Thursday, September 21, 2 pm Typing

Home Buying Workshops

Wednesdays, 6 pm Gwen Kwee, Mortgage Manager from Civista Bank, along with Maria Grimm, Realtor from Russell Real Estates Services, and Angela Kurlich from Angel Insurance, will give three workshops on the best practices for purchasing a home. Please call the branch to register.

September 27 Home Buying 101

October 25 Home Buying 101

November 29 Home Buying Process

Getting Crafty with Magazines

Saturday, September 30, 2 pm We will be using magazines to make artwork. All supplies are provided by the library. Please call the branch to register.

Fire Safety in Your Home

Wednesday, October 18, 6 pm Lt. Slash from the Akron Fire Department will present an educational program about fire prevention. Free smoke detectors will be available. Please call the branch to register.

Historical Movie Showing

Saturday, November 18, 2 pm For Love of Liberty: the Story

of America's Black Patriots-Gain an unprecedented look at the experiences and accomplishments of African Americans in the military, and learn why such a group of heroic men and women would fight for the freedom of others that they themselves were not able to enjoy. Hosted by Halle Berry, with an introduction by Colin Powell, and featuring the voices of Morgan Freeman, Bill Cosby, Danny Glover, John Travolta, and many more.

MOGADORE – 330-628-9228
144 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, 44260

Medicare 101

Thursday, September 14, 6 pm Join Sharon Honroth as she guides you through the Medicare maze with emphasis on Medicare, Supplements, Advantage Plans and Part D Prescription plans. Please register for this program.

Fabulous Fall Foods

Wednesday, September 27, 6 pm Join Erin Molnar from Countryside Conservancy as she discusses fall produce, recipes, and tips for utilizing the autumn bounty.

Painting Party

Thursday, October 12, 6 pm Follow along with Rachel from Palladian Palette who will give you step-by-step instructions and leave you with a finished masterpiece. No experience necessary and all supplies provided. Space is limited. Call 330-628-9228 to register.

Adult Coloring and Games

Thursday, October 19, 6 pm Join us at the library for this therapeutic source of creativity and relaxation and de-stress as we color inside and outside of the lines and stimulate the mind. Activity sheets, coloring sheets and colored pencils will be provided, or feel free to bring your own. Adults only please.

Local Thanksgiving

Thursday, October 26, 6 pm Erin Molnar from Countryside Conservancy will discuss how you can utilize local ingredients to make your Thanksgiving dinner. You will receive information on ingredients commonly available from local farmers during the run up to Thanksgiving, including turkey breeds, potato varieties, and more with recipes to provide inspiration for your holiday feast.

Veterans Dinner

Thursday, November 9, 6 pm Join us for this moving program as

we thank those who've served our country bravely. Please contact us to register for this special ceremony for Veterans and a guest, presented by The Hospice of Western Reserve. Be sure to wear your recognition pin. If you have not been recognized previously, please let us know so we may formally pin you during the program this year. Refreshments will be served. The program will be held at the Russ Pry Community Center. Please register for this program by calling 330-628-9228.

Eating Locally and Seasonally Year-Round

Thursday, November 30, 6 pm Erin Molnar, Countryside Conservancy's farmers' market manager, will share information on how to incorporate local and seasonal foods into meals throughout the year. She also will share some of the benefits of local and seasonal eating.

Cookbook Club

Wednesday, September 27, Thursdays, October 26, November 30, 6 pm Do you love browsing through cookbooks and trying new recipes or cooking techniques? Each month we will get together to talk about a certain book, theme, or a celebrity chef. There will be food samples or activities at every meeting. Browse our collection, try out some of the recipes, and join the group to discuss your successes and mishaps.

September 27: Fabulous Fall Foods
October 26: Local Thanksgiving
November 30: Eating Local and Seasonally Year-Round

Investment Perspectives

Tuesdays, September 19, October 17, 6:30 pm Financial advisor Vince Rosnack will be discussing timely market topics and potential solutions to help you stay on track. Registration is requested; please call 330-628-9228.

Reader's Choice Book Discussion

Wednesdays, 6:30 pm
September 6: THE GERMAN GIRL by Armando Lucas Correa
October 4: THE NEST by Cynthia D'Apris Sweeney
November 1: A PIECE OF THE WORLD by Christina Baker Kline

Past Times Book Club

Wednesdays, 2 pm
September 20: FIVE QUARTERS OF THE ORANGE by Joanne Harris
November 15: THE SECOND MRS. HOCKADAY by Susan Rivers

Mysterious Tuesdays

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

September 5: THE CRACKED SPINE by Paige Shelton

October 3: THE VANISHING by Wendy Webb

November 7: WHERE THEY FOUND HER by Kimberly McCreight

Warm Up Akron

Tuesdays, September 12, 26,

October 10, 24, November 14, 28, 3:30-5 pm Knit and crochet to help the needy! If you can make just one 7" or 9" rectangle you can help keep the needy in the Akron area warm.

Computer Training

Class size is limited to 15 and tickets will be handed out on a first come basis beginning a half-hour prior to class.

Monday, November 6, 6 pm: Windows 10

Tuesday, November 7, 6 pm: MS Word 1

Wednesday, November 8, 10:30 am: MS Word 2

Wednesday, November 8, 6 pm: MS Word 3

NORDONIA HILLS – 330-467-8595
9458 Olde Eight Rd., Northfield, 44067

Adult Speaker and

Demonstration Programs

Registration is suggested (330-467-8595) for the following programs.

A Real American Picker

Thursday, September 14, 7 pm
Auctioneer and probate appraiser Paul Goebbel shares his stories and experiences he has had buying and selling collectibles. He will give ideas and places for you to evaluate your own items for sale or purchase. Please do not bring any items as NO APPRAISALS will be done during this presentation.

College Funding Workshop

Tuesday, September 19, 6:30 pm
College Funding Educators of America was formed to provide comprehensive education to parents so that they can maximize financial aid and understand various college funding strategies that will help reduce their family's out-of-pocket expenses.

Medicare 101

Thursday, September 21, 7 pm
Sharon Honroth discusses Medicare supplements, Advantage plans, and Part D prescription plans.

Insights into the Unknown

Tuesday, September 26, 6 pm
Do you believe in ghosts? You will

after you see a presentation on the paranormal and ghost hunting by investigators from Tri-C Ghost Hunters! They collectively have been on over 900 investigations, from a small two-bedroom apartment in West Virginia to a large medieval castle in Scotland. Join us as they take you on a trip into the world of paranormal and ghost hunting as they present evidence from some of their most memorable investigations.

A Force of Nature

Thursday, October 5, 7 pm *The Largely Literary Theater Company* present a show celebrating the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. It tells of the meeting between President Theodore Roosevelt and naturalist John Muir in Yosemite. Based on Mark Dawidziak's new book, THEODORE ROOSEVELT FOR NATURE LOVERS.

Ohio Hauntings

Thursday, October 12, 7 pm
Jim Kleefeld tells chilling tales of eerie places and ominous deeds, including a display of intriguing artifacts from historic Ohio places.

All About Search and Rescue Dogs

Saturday, October 28, 1 pm Join the Ohio Search Dog Association for a talk all about these amazing animals: why a dog's sense of smell helps them excel at finding missing people, all about the extensive training the dogs receive, and how these animals and their handlers help law enforcement search for missing persons. Meet search and rescue dogs and join a live Q & A session with their handlers!

Ventriloquist David Weyrick

Thursday, November 2, 7 pm
David Weyrick performs his unique ventriloquism magic, while also discussing the craft and experiences from his many years of stage work.

First-Time Homebuyers' Seminar

Thursday, November 9, 7 pm
Carol Dolejs discusses the eight steps to home ownership, and answers questions you might have about the process.

Medicare 101

Tuesday, November 28, 6 pm
Viktoria Jurkovic with the Ohio Department of Insurance's OSHIIP division will provide an overview of Medicare Part A and Part B benefits, the prescription drug benefit (Part D), Medicare Advantage plans, and Medicare supplement insurance.

Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program representatives are trained by the state, and do not sell or promote any insurance companies, policies, or agents.

THE TRIPLE DOG DARE: Author Joanna Wilson

Thursday, November 30, 7 pm
Every year since 1997, TBS has aired 24 hours of *A Christmas Story*. But no one watches all 24 hours, right? Author and Christmas TV expert Joanna Wilson discusses the 24-hour marathon of *A Christmas Story* to find out what really happens when you watch all 12 screenings of the classic movie non-stop, commercials and all. Along the way, she discusses the traditions of Christmas on TV, the nuances of Bob Clark's filmmaking, the ongoing appeal of the movie and its relation to the multilayered, literary storytelling of Jean Shepherd.

Adult Participation Programs

Registration is suggested (330-467-8595) for the following programs (unless noted).

Book Discussions

No registration necessary.

Monday, September 11, 2 pm

Monday Casual Reads. SCARLET FEATHER by Maeve Binchy.

Thursday, September 14, 2 pm

WHISTLING SEASON by Ivan Doig.

Wednesday, September 27, 7 pm

Mystery Book Discussion Group. "Reader's Choice" of a Robert Randisi book.

Monday, October 9, 2 pm

Monday Casual Reads. HOME SAFE by Elizabeth Berg.

Thursday, October 12, 2 pm

BRAIN ON FIRE by Susannah Calahan.

Wednesday, October 25, 7 pm

Mystery Book Discussion Group. "Reader's Choice" of a Chris Cavender book.

Thursday, November 9, 2 pm

A MAN CALLED OVE by Fredrik Backman.

Monday, November 13, 2 pm

Monday Casual Reads. GIRL WAITS WITH GUN by Amy Stewart.

Crafters' Corner

Saturdays, September 2, October 7, November 4, 10 am-4 pm

Join your fellow crafters for daylong fun. Bring your own supplies. Come for an hour or the entire day. No experience necessary – all crafts welcome!

Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance

Mondays and Tuesdays, September 11-November 28,

10:30-11:30 am Kim Mozzochi with the Area Agency on Aging conducts this FREE exercise series, geared toward older adults wanting to improve strength, flexibility and muscle tone. The sessions meet twice per week for a 12-week period. Registration is strongly encouraged, as space is limited. This series may be cancelled due to low attendance.

Sedona Bracelet Class

Tuesday, September 12, 6 pm

No tools are needed to create this unique bracelet. This class is limited to twenty participants, so registration is strongly suggested.

Stitch Clique

Tuesdays, September 12, October 10, November 14, 6-8 pm

Grab your crocheting/knitting needles and yarn and stitch the evening away. Join us for crocheting/knitting tips, friendship, advice and more. Refreshments will be served.

Socrates Café

Wednesdays, September 13, October 11, November 8, 6:30 pm

A regular gathering of adults engaging in great conversation, exploring current events, thoughtful ideas, and reasoned debates. Join us and take part, or just listen to the discussion! For all patrons 16 & over. No registration necessary – No homework – No assigned reading.

Nordonia Hills Game Time

Saturdays, September 16,

October 21, November 18,

10 am-5 pm Meet and join in with players of various games including chess, board and Euro games, role-playing games, mah-jongg, war games, and regular and trading card games. All ages welcome. No registration necessary.

Cooking Club

Tuesdays, September 19, October 17, November 21, 7 pm

An interactive group for discussing all things cooking, comparing recipes, and trying new eats.

Wellness Yoga: Yoga Off the Mat

Wednesdays, September 20,

October 4, 18, November 1,

15, 29, 6:30 pm Learn soothing stretches that you can incorporate into your daily life in this gentle yoga series with Diane Bielecki, who graduated from the Cleveland Clinic School of Yoga. No mat is needed – stretches are done standing or in a chair. Please dress in comfortable clothing and arrive 5-10 minutes

early so that class may begin on time. This class is limited to twenty participants, and registration is strongly suggested.

Writers Guild of Nordonia Hills Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 15, 6:30 pm New writers and old hands welcome, fiction, nonfiction, and everything in between. Have your work critiqued and give feedback to others in a fun and friendly environment. Please bring a sample of your work to share.

Adult Coloring Night Tuesdays, September 26, October 31, November 28, 6 pm Bring your own coloring book or choose from provided coloring pages and spend the evening relaxing and coloring with new friends. For adults and teens over the age of sixteen.

11th Annual Murder Mystery: "The Big Double-Cross" Saturday, September 30, 6 pm The chief and the crime boss have arranged a summit to "clear the air." But someone has been "bumped off," and everyone is a suspect! Prizes for the successful sleuth, and food for all. For all patrons 16 & over. Ticket entry required. Tickets are free – two per person only. Register in person starting Thursday, September 7 at 7 pm.

"On the Table" Community Discussions Tuesday, October 3, 12:30 pm Tuesday, October 3, 6:30 pm A candid and open discussion on the state of our local community and seeking ideas for improving our neighborhood while sharing a meal together. Meals provided by the *Friends of Nordonia Hills Branch Library*. Limited to twelve attendees. Registration requested (330) 467-8595, or stop by the library.

Megagame: Night Falls Saturday, October 14, 1-4 pm Under cover of darkness, vampires clash with the villagers who hunt them. Do you have the strength of will and negotiating savvy when night falls? This is an exciting new interactive mix of board game, role-playing, tactical thinking, and model UN. Come alone or bring some friends. The more players, the better! Teams will be formed at the event. No prior experience necessary. This event will have snacks and prizes!

Paint Night Tuesday, October 17 & Wednesday, October 25, 6-8 pm Paint your own masterpiece and discover your creativity! Each artist will have a finished painting to take home at the end of the night. Registrations are limited to two spots per person. Both nights will feature the same painting, so registrations per person are limited to one night each. Sixteen and over, please. All supplies provided, and registration is strongly encouraged by calling 330-467-8595, or by stopping in the library.

NanoWriMo Write-In Saturday, November 4, 11 am-4 pm Tuesday, November 7, 5-8 pm Tuesday, November 14, 5-8 pm Wednesday, November 29, 1-5 pm Taking on the NanoWriMo challenge to write 50,000 words of your novel in a month? Join us at the library in a quiet, distraction free environment. Light refreshments provided.

Computer Training No registration is required; however, you *must* have a ticket to be admitted to each hands-on class. Class size is *strictly* limited to 15 participants. Tickets will be passed out ½ hour prior to each class time.
Monday, October 16, 2 pm MS Word 1
Tuesday, October 17, 2 pm MS Word 2
Wednesday, October 18, 2 pm MS Word 3
Thursday, October 19, 2 pm MS Word 4

NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423
183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310

North Hill Needle Crafters Mondays, September 11-November 27, 10:15 am-12 pm If you love to knit, crochet, and help others, this is the group for you. Everything this talented group makes is donated to helping organizations in our community.

Evening Book Discussions Mondays, 6:30 pm Books are available for check out one month prior to the discussion at our service desk. New members are always welcome!
September 11: AT THE WATER'S EDGE by Sara Gruen
October 2: THE WOMAN UPSTAIRS by Claire Messud
November 6: HILLBILLY ELEGY by J.D. Vance

Project Learn ESOL/GED Classes Tuesdays & Thursdays, September 12-October 19, November 7-December 14, 5:30-8 pm These free, convenient, GED classes are designed for those for whom English is a second language. If you or someone you know would like to attend these classes, please contact Project Learn at 330-434-9461 to arrange for testing and orientation.

Gentle Yoga with Nia Mondays, September 18, October 16, 30, November 13, 27, 6:30 pm Be led in warm-up stretches and breathing exercises, move through yoga poses with the help of a chair, end sessions with music and nature sounds. Please bring a yoga mat or beach towel and a water bottle.

Upcycled Craft-Make a Book Pages Wreath Monday, October 23, 6:30 pm Join us as we upcycle old books into beautiful wreaths to decorate your home. Please call the branch to register beginning Monday, October 2. The program is limited to 15 participants.

An Ornamental Evening Monday, November 20, 6:30 pm Join us as we make ornaments to kick off the holiday season. We will use recycled and new materials to create unique ornaments. Please call the branch to register beginning Monday, November 6. The program is limited to 15 participants.

NORTHWEST AKRON – 330-836-1081
1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313

The Novel in You: Introduction to Novel Writing In this six-part writing workshop, each session will provide an in-depth look at a different part of writing, including how to create realistic characters, dialogue and plot, and the tools necessary for bringing out the best of the writer's work. Please call 330-836-1081 to register.

Thursday, September 14, 6 pm Your Brain: Where Great Ideas Come From
Tuesday, September 19, 6 pm Who Am I? A Guide to Character Development in Fiction
Thursday, September 28, 6 pm Where Am I? A Guide to Creating Realistic Settings
Tuesday, October 3, 6 pm What Did You Say? How to Create Realistic Dialogue

Tuesday, October 17, 6 pm What's Going On? A Guide to Creating a Slam-Bang Plot
Tuesday, October 24, 6 pm The Feng Shui of Writing: How to Find the Right Atmosphere to Write

Art Smart Series Please call 330-836-1081 to register for these programs.

Drawing 101: Learning How to See Like an Artist Tuesday, September 5, 6 pm Drawing realistically from life is a skill that anyone can acquire once they've learned a few tricks. This class is an introduction to the fundamental ways artists translate what they see from the three-dimensional world onto a two-dimensional surface. This class will challenge you to "see" like an artist and help to demystify the process of drawing the world around you.

Carve! Print! Repeat! Holiday Card Printmaking Tuesday, November 7, 6 pm Relief printmaking is the oldest type of printmaking in the world, dating back to the Egyptians in 500 BCE. In this class, participants will learn the basic process for making relief prints from linoleum and will take home printed cards and a reusable linoleum printing block.

Holistically Healthy You Series Please call 330-836-1081 to register for these programs.

Energize Your Day Thursday, October 26, 6 pm For those who sit at a computer for hours at a time and for those who are on their feet all day, several de-stressing, healing and re-energizing applications are taught. This program incorporates movements from martial arts, Yoga, Qigong and Polarity Therapy as well as self-massage, acupressure and eye care. This seminar, taught by Nancy Gardner, LMT and certified Tai Chi instructor, includes handouts of the exercises covered.

Meditation Tuesday, November 21, 6 pm Stimulate your parasympathetic nervous system through sitting meditation (zazen), walking meditation (kinhin), and stress reduction meditation (visualization). For those planning to attend this session, wearing loose or stretchy clothing is recommended. Presented by Simone Richardson, MLIS, MA; Librarian, Business & Government Division.

Author Talks

Ohio State Football: The Forgotten Dawn

Thursday, September 7, 6 pm
Author Robert J. Roman draws on extensive archival research to tell the untold story of the early days of football at Ohio's flagship public university. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing.

Secrets of the South: Mystery Author Mary Ellis

Wednesday, September 20, 1 pm
In Mary Ellis' Secrets of the South series, Nicki Price, a newly-minted PI from Mississippi, is working to make the world a better place, one case at a time. From the historic boulevards of New Orleans to the moss-draped oaks of Savannah, join Ellis as she describes the world she has created through her complex crime dramas, set in the Deep South. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Book Buzz Discussion Group

Second Tuesday, 6 pm At Nervous Dog Coffee Bar. This discussion group for book lovers in their 20s and 30s meets monthly to talk novels and nonfiction over drinks crafted by the baristas at Nervous Dog Coffee Bar. Copies of each title will be available at the Northwest Akron Branch Library one month prior to its discussion date. Attendees will be responsible for the purchase of their own drinks, but purchase is not required. Nervous Dog Coffee Bar is located at 1530 W Market St, Akron, OH 44313.

September 12 THE CIRCLE by Dave Eggers

October 10 FATES AND FURIES by Lauren Groff

November 14 HOMEGOING by Yaa Gyasi

Mystery Book Discussion Group

Third Wednesdays, 1 pm
October 18 HEAVEN IS HIGH by Kate Wilhelm

November 15 CURIOUS MINDS by Janet Evanovich

Movie Afternoon: Wonder Woman (2017)

Saturday, November 18, 1:30 pm Spend an afternoon with us watching Wonder Woman on our big screen. Popcorn will be provided.

NORTON – 330-825-7800
3930 S. Cleve.-Mass. Rd., Norton, 44203

Book Discussion

First Wednesday of each month, 1 pm Join us for good books, conversation and light refreshments.

September 6: HILLBILLY ELEGY: A MEMOIR OF A FAMILY AND CULTURE IN CRISIS (NF) by J.D. Vance

October 4: THE GIRLS by Emma Cline

November 1: A MAN CALLED OVE by Fredrik Backman

Hands-On Art Workshop

Thursday, September 14, 2-4 pm

Felicia Stadelman will visit once again for a hands-on abstract art workshop. It will center around Kandinsky, who is considered to be the father of abstract art. Our workshop for this project will center around the special aspects of abstract art and geometrical progression. Space is limited. Please register.

Financial Planning and Retirement

Tuesday, September 19, 1 pm
Edward Jones Financial Planner William Rhoades will get you headed in the right direction as he gives an overview of the planning process and what to consider.

Coloring Fun

Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, 11 am Join us for a morning of coloring, relaxation, conversation and snacks. Coloring sheets, markers, colored pencils, music and snacks are provided. Feel free to bring your own supplies or use ours.

Bigfoot Investigator Marc DeWerth

Thursday, October 5, 5:30-7:30 pm Marc is the President of the Ohio Bigfoot Organization and an Ohio Bigfoot Investigator since 1990. He will focus on the most up to date sighting reports in the Buckeye State and other Midwestern states.

Medieval Demonstration

Saturday, October 7, Noon-3 pm
The Barony of Brendoken of the Society of Creative Anachronism, Inc. will be putting on a Medieval demonstration of armored and rapier combat, medieval dress, different forms of sewing and embroidery, weaving, illumination and calligraphy.

Ohio Hauntings

Monday, October 9, 6 pm Jim Kleefeld will present a collection of stories and legends taken from non-fiction accounts of ghostly investigations and haunted happenings. He will tell tales of spirits who supposedly haunt the Mansfield Reformatory, Franklin Castle, Concord Cemetery and more.

Missing Time and the Possible Connection to Alien Abduction

Thursday, October 26, 6-7:30 pm
Thomas Wertman, State Director of the Mutual UFO Network of Ohio, will explore incidents of missing time and their possible connection to alien abduction. Several cases will be discussed including personal experiences of the presenter, which began in the early 1960s.

Computer Training

No registration is required; however, you must have a ticket to be admitted. 15 tickets will be distributed 30 minutes prior to class.

Monday, October 23, 2 pm
Internet 1

Tuesday, October 24, 2 pm
Internet 2

Wednesday, October 25, 2 pm
Email 1

Thursday, October 26, 2 pm
Email 2

Monday, October 30, 6 pm
Windows 10

Tuesday, October 31, 10:30 am
Google Drive 1

Wednesday, November 1, 10:30 am
Google Drive 2

Thursday, November 2, 6 pm
Pinterest

Friends of Norton Library Annual Meeting & Historical Talk

Monday, November 27, 6 pm
Enjoy delicious refreshments provided by the Friends of the Norton Library Board, listen to the end of the year wrap-up meeting and vote on any issues. Afterwards we invite you to stay and listen to a presentation by the Norton Historical Society as they present Norton Celebrates 200 Years of History. Friends members and the community are invited!

Sportscaster & Cleveland Indians' Sideliner Andre Knott

Wednesday, November 29, Noon
You've heard him on WTAM, and seen him on SportsTime Ohio, now Akron native Andre Knott will be here sharing favorite stories from his experiences in sports

broadcasting and giving insights into the Cleveland sports scene.

ODOM BLVD – 330-434-8726
600 Vernon Odom Blvd., Akron, OH 44307

Inside/Out: Art & Coloring Contest

September 1-October 31 Stop by and check out the beautiful reproduction of the "Rhages Jar" by artist Emil Carlsen in front of our building. Inside/Out is a community activated art project that brings high-quality art reproductions from the Akron Art Museum's collection into your neighborhood. This art piece will be on display until the end of October, and we're celebrating with a Library coloring contest! One winner for the coloring contest will be chosen from each of three age groups-children, teen, and adult. All entries will be displayed in the library.

Book Club to Go

New books are available beginning the first week of each month. No meetings, no deadlines, just great reading. Discussion questions, read-alike lists, and author information are included with each book.

September THE HOUSE GIRL by Tara Conklin

October AMERICANAH by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

November THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD by Colson Whitehead

Fall into a Good Movie

Fridays, 1 pm Join us for an afternoon movie. Popcorn provided.
September 15 Boss Baby
October 20 Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2

November 17 Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales

Natural Hair Program

Monday, September 18, 6:30-7:30 pm Fellow naturalista, Crystal Jackson, will discuss how to maintain healthy natural hair that will be sure to take your hair from drab to fab!

Fall Crafts

Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm Join us as we guide you through the steps of making a craft for your fall display. We'll provide the materials; you supply the fun in this social craft event.

September 25 Fall mason jar
October 16 Paper book pumpkin
November 13 Thanksgiving craft

The Board Room: Board Gaming
Saturdays, October 14, November 11, 11 am-1 pm Let your inner

geek out and join us as we discover new and revisit some old favorite tabletop games.

Sogbety Diomande

Monday, November 20, 6:30-7:30 pm Join us for a good family experience as the sounds and steps of west African culture will be brought alive by Sogbety Diomande and his African drums and dance.

PORTAGE LAKES – 330-644-7050
4261 Manchester Rd., Akron, 44319

Community Photo Scanning Days in Collaboration with the Portage Lakes Historical Society

Fridays, September 1, October 6, 1-3 pm Do you have interesting old photos we can share with the public? Bring your original photo or slide from the Portage Lakes area to be scanned and digitally saved for our digital community archive, www.summitmemory.org. Please register in advance for an appointment time.

A Different Kind of Book Club

Mondays, September 11, October 9, November 13, 6:30 pm Are you looking for your next book to read and would like a recommendation from others? Join us as we eat, drink and share. No one has to read the same book. It's basically one big book report meeting and no books are off-limits. Classics, Self-Help, Biographies, Cozy Mysteries, Travel, Sci-Fi, anything goes!

Saturday Morning Craft Club

Flower Apple Pot
September 16, 10:30 am Turn a small terra cotta flower pot into a decorative apple jar perfect for candy or other goodies. Class size is limited to 15 participants. Please register in advance. Ages 16 and up preferred.

Pom-Pom Pumpkins

October 21, 10:30 am Create 3 little yarn pumpkins to display for fall. Class size is limited. Please register in advance. Ages 16 and up preferred.

Scrabble Tile Trees

November 18, 10:30 am Spell out Joy, Love, Peace to form a tile tree on canvas. Perfect to frame for the holiday. Class size is limited. Please register in advance. Ages 16 and up preferred.

Angel in the Alps

Thursday, September 21, 6:30 pm Local resident Sue Harman traveled to the Alps in 2012, recording her whole trip with her camera. Back

at home reviewing her photos, she is puzzled by an image she has captured at the top of the mountain. View this fascinating, unaltered photo and interpret for yourself what you think you see. Hear Sue's account of her time at the top of the mountain, how she discovered this picture six months later and what it means to her. Light refreshments will be served.

How to Navigate the Medicare Maze

Wednesday, September 27, 6 pm Sharon Honroth guides you through Medicare 101, helping you understand what it covers and what it does not. Learn about Medicare Supplements, Advantage Plans and Part D prescription plans.

Mystery Book Discussion

Thursday, September 28, 6:30 pm Ohio is famous for many things, and this month it's murder. All three mysteries take place in the Buckeye State. Read one, read all, your choice. A WELCOME MURDER by Robin Yocum, LAST PLACE YOU LOOK by Kristen Lepionka, TOO LUCKY TO LIVE by Annie Hogsett

Antique Affair

Saturday, September 30, 2 pm Antique Appraiser Eric Pandrea will educate us on what an item is really worth, how to research its value on the web and what it all means in terms of sentimental value vs. real treasure. Bring your favorite antique to the library to have Eric give his evaluation. Limit one item per person (no swords, firearms or extremely large items). Doors open at 1:30 pm. Limited to first 30 items. Unlimited audience seating available.

On The Table

Tuesday, October 3, 1 pm A one-of-a-kind initiative where thousands of diverse residents, from all walks of life and socio-economic backgrounds, gather to share a meal and discuss meaningful ideas to strengthen our community. It's an opportunity to shape our region into a strong, vibrant, safe and dynamic place to live and work. Please register in advance for this program.

History of Chocolate

Saturday, October 21, 2 pm We think of chocolate as a delicious treat, but chocolate wasn't always just for desserts. Join Leianne Neff Heppner from The Summit County Historical Society of Akron as she takes us on a journey from the

beginnings of cacao, its many uses and beliefs throughout the years and the popularity of chocolate today. Stay for a bite-sized chocolate tasting as we vote on the most popular type of chocolate: milk, dark or white? Please register in advance. Grades 6 and up welcome.

Mystery Book Discussion

Thursday, October 26, 6:30 pm What happens when bestselling authors become targets in real life? Read one, read all, your choice. BASED ON A TRUE STORY by Delphine de Vigan, GIRL WHO WAS TAKEN by Charlie Donlea, TRUST NO ONE by Paul Cleave

If You Could Talk to the Animals - Oh, You Can

Saturday, November 18, 2 pm Judith Wade will share the nature of animal communication, as well as stories and tips on knowing that you are connecting with your animals.

Computer Training

No registration is required; however, you must have a ticket to be admitted. 15 tickets will be distributed 30 minutes prior to the start of class.

Monday, November 27, 2 pm

Word 1

Tuesday, November 28, 2pm

Word 2

Wednesday, November 29, 2 pm

Word 3

Thursday, November 30, 2 pm

Word 4

Mystery Book Discussion

Thursday, November 30, 6:30 pm You may recognize the names of Sherlock Holmes, Henry Jekyll and Agatha Christie. Their legends live on in newly released mysteries. Read one, read all, your choice. DAUGHTER OF SHERLOCK HOLMES by Leonard Goldberg, STRANGE CASE OF THE ALCHEMIST'S DAUGHTER by Theodora Goss, TALENT FOR MURDER: A NOVEL by Andrew Wilson

RICHFIELD – 330-659-4343

3761 S. Grant St., Richfield, 44286

Speakers/Presenters

Fashion Scarf Seminar

Wednesday, September 20, 6:30 pm You can learn the many versatile features of scarves and ideas for wearing them, by joining us at the 'Accents by Ellie' fashion scarf seminar. Presented by Ellie Nape.

Introduction to Aromatherapy

Thursday, October 5, 6:30 pm Join us for a free introduction to essential oils. This is a hands-on workshop to help you understand the basics of aromatherapy and essential oils. Presented by Sandra Sorbin, CCAP (certified clinical aromatherapy practitioner).

Ohio State Buckeye Football: The Forgotten Dawn

Thursday, October 26, 6:30 pm Learn from the author Robert J. Roman about how, after Ohio State's first game outside the state (a victory in Kentucky), the team had to run for its life, chased by an angry mob of stone-throwing locals.

Genealogy Program- Finding Your Family in the U. S. Census Records

Wednesday, November 8, 6:30 pm The Special Collections Division will present a program to help you find your ancestors through the U. S. Census records. The program is a must for anyone starting out in genealogy. Computers and research material will be provided.

Book Discussions

First Wednesday, 2 pm Join our group for a lively discussion of these titles. Extra copies of the book are available at the front desk

September 6 DESTINY OF THE REPUBLIC: A TALE OF MADNESS, MEDICINE, AND THE MURDER OF A PRESIDENT by Candice Millard

October 4 THE MIRROR THIEF by

Martin Seay

November 1 UNBROKEN by

Laura Hillenbrand

Family History

First Thursdays, September 7, October 5, November 2, 6 pm Local genealogist and Richfield resident Rhonda Abrams will help anyone interested in discovering their past. Free access to Ancestry.com at the Library.

Richfield Mysteries, An On-Your-Own Book Club

Stop by the front desk and pick up this month's title. No Pressure – No Discussion. Just read, enjoy, and tell us how you liked it.

September CROCODILE ON THE

SANDBANK by Elizabeth Peters

October THE NINE TAILORS by

Dorothy L. Sayers

November THE CUCKOO'S CALLING

by Robert Galbraith

Friday Classic Movie Matinee

Second Friday, 3 pm

September 8 Arsenic and Old Lace with Cary Grant and Raymond

Massey

October 13 The Grapes of Wrath with Henry Fonda and Jane Darwell
November 10 American Graffiti with Richard Dreyfuss and Ron Howard

Craft Program Series

Second Thursday, 6 pm

Join the Richfield Crafters. There is limited space for these programs. Please register at the front desk.

September 14 Rope Bowls

October 12 Adult Pumpkin Carving

November 9 Thanksgiving Table Decorations

TALLMADGE – 330-633-4345
90 Community Rd., Tallmadge, 44278

College Planning Workshop

Tuesday, September 12,

6:30 pm Parents, learn how to choose schools offering the best financial aid, why an expensive Private College can actually cost less out of pocket than a State College, and how families can save for college without being penalized on their financial aid.

Local Author Amanda Flower

Thursday, September 14, 6:30 pm

Meet our local Tallmadge author Amanda Flower as she discusses her newest books THE FINAL VOW and ASSAULTED CARAMEL.

If These Walls Could Talk:

Researching the History of Your House

Monday, October 16, 6:30 pm

This program will show you how to find available resources through the Library and other local agencies in order to learn more about the history of your house. Presented by the Library's Special Collections Division.

Cuba Travelogue

Tuesday, November 7, 6:30 pm

Join Ron McElrath as he takes you on a tour of Cuba.

Book Discussions

Monday, September 11, 2 pm THE

ART OF CRASH LANDING

by Melissa DeCarlo

Monday, October 9, 2 pm ALL THE

LIGHT WE CANNOT SEE

by Anthony Doerr

Monday, November 13, 2 pm AT

THE WATER'S EDGE by Sara Gruen

TEEN BRANCH PROGRAMS

ELLET – 330-784-2019

2470 E. Market St., Akron, 44312

Afterschool Crowd

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and

Thursdays, 3:45 pm No programs

when Akron Public Schools are closed. Grades 6-12. Gaming, crafts, books, music, and more

Hyre CLC Book Discussion Group

Grades 6-8. Meetings held once a month during lunch period. Contact Hyre CLC librarian Barb Nicholson for a pass to attend.

Anime Afternoon

Saturdays, September 16,

October 21, November 18, 2 pm

Grades 6-12. Anime, crafts, and snacks

FAIRLAWN-BATH – 330-666-4888

3101 Smith Rd., Akron, 44333

Mondays, 6 pm, unless noted.

Grades 4-12. Please call 330-666-4888 or stop by the library to register.

Iron Chef

September 11 This competition will pit teams against each other to decide who makes the best sandwich. Join us for food, fun, and friendly competition. All supplies will be provided.

Science Toy Box

October 9 Play with some of the library's new gadgets and games. We will have snap circuits, the card game SET, and more.

Paint Like a Master

November 6 We'll be painting in the style of Vincent Van Gogh, one of the great master artists in history! This workshop, presented by Carolina Martin, is easy and fun. Please wear clothing suitable for painting. Space is limited.

ACT Practice Test

Saturday, September 9, 9 am

Sylvan Learning Center is offering a free practice exam to prepare you for the real test at your Fairlawn-Bath Library. Register today for a practice test to see how you might score on the big day! Afterwards, you will receive personalized evaluation of your performance along with suggestions on ways you can improve your score. Bagels and juice will be served before the test. Please call 330-666-4888 or stop by the library to register.

FIRESTONE PARK – 330-724-2126

1486 Aster Ave., Akron, 44301

Young Writer's Workshop

Thursday, September 28, 3:30 pm

Grades 4-8. Our certified teacher librarian will give simple writing strategies for young writers, and provide prompts for responses.

InbeTWEEN Book Club

Mondays, 3:30 pm Grades 4 and up.

October 9 The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

November 20 Wonder by

R.J. Palacio

NBA2K17 Xbox One

Monday, November 6, 3:30 pm

Grades 4 and up. Cavs season is here...are you ALL IN?

More Tales from Beyond featuring Jim Kleefeld

Monday, October 2, 6:30 pm Best suited for teens and adults. Jim is back with spookier tales!

GOODYEAR – 330-784-7522

60 Goodyear Blvd., Akron, 44305

Thursdays, 4 pm For ages 11-18.

Please register in advance for each program.

Art Party

September 14 Make some melted crayon art and some milk art because let's face it, it's fun to melt things and play with your food.

Painted Pebbles

September 28 Transform rocks and stones into your own beautiful masterpiece.

Spooktacular Speed Challenge

October 12 Join us for "Minute to Win It" style challenges, but with a Halloween twist. Compete to win prizes!

Goodyear Monster Factory

October 26 Join Dan & Nate and create your own miniature monster.

Gaming @ Goodyear

November 9 Bring your friends to hang out and play video games.

Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow

November 30 Chill at the library and make snow themed crafts and enjoy hot chocolate.

GREEN – 330-896-9074

4046 Massillon Rd., Uniontown,

44685

Teen Writers Club

Tuesdays, September 5, October

3, November 7, 6 pm We eat junk food and talk writing. No stress, just support and sharing the writing experience.

Fall Painting Craft with instructor Marla Knapic-Derga

Wednesday, September 20, 6:30 pm Please register in advance.

On The Table: Teens

Tuesday, October 3, 6 pm A one-of-a-kind initiative where thousands of diverse residents, from all walks of life and socio-economic backgrounds, gather to share a meal and discuss meaningful ideas

to strengthen our community. It's an opportunity to shape our region into a strong, vibrant, safe and dynamic place to live and work. Please register in advance for this program.

Scary Sweets Bake-off

Thursday, October 19, 7 pm

Prepare something at home with a spooky or Halloween theme, then bring it to share for fun and prizes. Bakers may bring their families as guest tasters. Please register in advance.

Holiday Angel Painting with instructor Marla Knapic-Derga

Wednesday, November 29, 6:30 pm Please register in advance.

HIGHLAND SQUARE

330-376-2927

807 W. Market St., Akron, 44303

Paint Your Gourd

Friday, October 20, 3-4 pm Join the fun by gussying up a mini pumpkin!

Leaf Scavenger Hunt

Through October—One of the best things about Autumn is turning leaves. Find examples from Ohio trees and win awesome candy.

Sugar Skulls

Wednesday, November 1, 3-4 pm

Calaveras are the colorful, festive skulls associated with the Mexican Dia de Los Muertos. Decorate a skull to make sure you're ready for the Day of the Dead.

News Literacy

All through September—Spin, satire, fake, and plain old bad reporting: The University of Akron teams up with the Library to help you navigate today's confusing world of news literacy.

KENMORE – 330-745-6126

969 Kenmore Blvd., Akron, 44314

For grades 6-12.

Teen Voice (TV) Meeting

Monday, September 25, 4 pm TV

is an advisory board for teens to contribute their ideas for library activities that are geared to them. We will have a short meeting where we will discuss what you would like to see happen. Snacks will be provided.

Drum Lessons

Tuesdays, September 5, 19,

October 10, 24, November 7, 21,

4 pm We are starting drum lessons where we will meet every other week to teach tweens and teens how to read and play music! Drum pads and sticks will be provided.

Wii U Gaming Days

Thursdays, September 7, 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9, 16, 4 pm Test your gaming skills with friends. Games will be announced weekly. Check our white board and digital sign for information.

Chess Club Mondays

Mondays, September 11, October 23, November 13, 3:30 pm We are starting a chess club where we will meet once a month and you can test out your skills with other chess lovers. Feel free to bring your own chess set if desired.

Cupcake Wars

Tuesday, September 12, 4 pm Join the creative mayhem and create some fabulous cupcakes! Prize will be given to the best voted team! This is a timed event; in order to participate, you must be on time! Limited to the first 20 students.

Design A Sign

Tuesday, September 26, 4 pm This is your moment to help decorate the teen area of your library! Develop a new Teen sign for the Teen area! Snack provided to those who participate.

Far-Out Fashion Wars, Second Edition

Tuesday, October 17, 4 pm You will have 30 minutes to design and create a haute couture outfit for your fashion mannequin. Both girl and boy mannequins are provided. You do not need to know how to sew! There is a prize for the best voted outfit! Space is limited to the first 25 participants. This is a timed event so you must arrive on time in order to participate.

Monster Glove Art

Tuesday, October 31, 4 pm Create crazy monster gloves for Halloween! Stretchy gloves will be provided along with snacks. This program is open to the first 20 students to arrive.

Sharpie Tie Die T-Shirt Art

Tuesday, November 14, 4 pm We are making tie dye art shirts! T-shirts will be provided. There is limited space so only the first 15 students to arrive may participate.

Book to Tree Art

Tuesday, November 28, 4 pm Turn a book into a cool looking Christmas Tree! Join the fun! Snacks will be provided. Event is limited to the first 20 students to arrive.

MAPLE VALLEY – 330-864-5721
1187 Copley Rd., Akron, 44320

Tuesdays, 3:30 pm

Button Making

September 5 Get creative and make awesome buttons with our button maker!

Movie Matinee

September 19 Beauty and the Beast (2017)(PG)(129 MIN)

Fall Coloring Fest

September 26 Color autumn-themed pictures and enjoy seasonal snacks and beverages.

Pumpkin Decorating (NatureConnect)

October 3 Decorate pumpkins with tissue paper leaves. Registration is requested for this program. Space is limited.

Thor Party

October 24 Celebrate the God of Thunder with a movie, games, crafts, and contests.

Music Bingo

November 28 Play bingo with a musical twist. Snacks and beverages provided.

Movie Night

Tuesday, September 5, 5:30 pm
Power Rangers (2017)(PG-13)
(124 MIN)

Practice ACT

Wednesday, October 4, 10:30 am Sylvan Learning Center is offering a free practice exam to prepare you for the real test. Please plan on this program lasting at least three hours. Registration is required at least a week before each test.

Painting Program

Tuesday, November 14, 6 pm
Join librarian and artist Amber Elfrink in creating your own artistic masterpiece. All supplies provided. Registration is requested for this program. Space is limited. For ages 14+.

Teen Read Week

October 9-14 Stop by the front desk and enjoy fun activities, crafts, and a contest in honor of Teen Read Week!

Library Card Sign Up Month

September is Library Card Sign Up Month! Get a small prize when you sign up for a new card or show your library card at the front desk if you already have one. For grades 4-12. While supplies last.

MOGADORE – 330-628-9228

144 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, 44260

Teen Lounge

Tuesdays, September 5, 19, October 17, November 7, November 21, 2:30-4 pm Stop in to spend time with your friends, enjoy snacks, try new activities, and play video games, in a place that's just for teens. Grades 6-12.

NORDONIA HILLS – 330-467-8595
9458 Olde Eight Rd., Northfield, 44067

Teen Mini Makerspace

One Tuesday a month, 6:30 pm
For students in grade 5 and up. We'll get together and create using a different medium each time.

September 19-Button Art

October 24-Bleeding Candles for Halloween

November 21-Gelatin Ink Printing

Cookies and Conversation

Wednesdays, September 13, October 11, November 8, 3:30 pm
We'll discuss philosophy, current events or whatever is on the groups mind. And don't forget we'll have cookies! All ages welcome.

Teens Do Something

Saturdays, September 23, October 28, November 25, 11am-1 pm Need volunteer Hours? Join us, drop in any time. Some of the projects we'll be doing are make library decoration, cookies for sheriff's office and clean library books and shelves. Any questions please ask Miss Sue.

NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423

183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310

Teen Advisory Board

Thursdays, September 14, October 19, November 16, 3:30 pm Help plan programs, design displays, and provide input for new books to add to the collection!

Create Your Own Graphic Novel

Thursday, September 21, 3:30 pm Create a scene or short comic using old graphic novels. Supplies are provided, just bring yourself and get ready to be creative. Grades 4-12.

Silent Library

Thursday, October 26, 3:30 pm
Complete various tasks without alerting the librarian (or security guard) to your activities. Can you keep quiet long enough to finish the task? Grades 4-12.

Edible Architecture

Thursday, November 30, 3:30 pm Replicate famous buildings or create your own using frosting, cookies, pretzels, and other edible building materials. Grades 4-12.

NORTHWEST AKRON –

330-836-1081

1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313

Wednesday Afterschool Hangout

Wednesdays, September 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, November 1, 8, 15, 4 pm Join us for a fun activity every week in our community room after school—from art to science to music to games. Food is provided!

Pizza and Pages

Third Wednesdays, 6 pm Join us for pizza to share your thoughts about the book selected each month.

October 18: CROSSOVER by Kwame Alexander

November 15: WORDS WITH WINGS by Nikki Grimes

Wonder Women: A History of Female Superheroes

Saturday, November 4, 3 pm
Explore the history of various characters including Batwoman, Mockingbird, The Wasp, Ms. Marvel, Catwoman and of course, Wonder Woman with expert Valentino Zullo.

Teen Read Week

Stop into the Teen Area for a fun, interactive activity anytime during October 9-14.

NORTON – 330-825-7800

3930 S. Cleve.-Mass. Rd., Norton, 44203

Volunteer

Tuesdays, September 5, October 3, November 7, 4 pm Do you like to help others? Do you need to earn volunteer hours for graduation, church or another organization? Become a Volunteer! Any interested teen or tween can help us help others by participating in meaningful, short term projects at the Library that will benefit the greater community.

Tween STEAM

Tuesdays, September 19, October 17, November 21, 4 pm From robotics to science experiments we'll spark your curiosity and show you learning is FUN!

NatureConnect for Teens and Tweens

Tuesdays, September 12, October 10, November 14, 4 pm Join us as we explore and experience nature in a variety of interesting and engaging ways.

Harry Potter Escape Room
Saturday, September 9, 2 pm Put your magical and muggle skills to the test against Harry Potter themed puzzles and riddles. Find the golden snitch in under an hour and you might also win a prize!

Teen Read Week
October 9-14 Stop by the teen section during Teen Read Week to "Unleash Your Story" and you might win a prize!

Feather Leather Jewelry Making
Saturday, November 4, 2 pm In this workshop, you will learn to make a set of leather earrings or necklace. Using repurposed leather local Art Educator Sarah Gott will teach you basic jewelry making techniques and apply embellishments to create a beautiful item. Take home a new skill just in time for holiday gift making! Students may bring in a soft, thin leather item they would like to re-use for the workshop. All supplies and materials will be included. Registration begins October 21.

ODOM BLVD – 330-434-8726
600 Vernon Odom Blvd., Akron, OH 44307

Teen Advisory Group
Tuesdays, September 5, October 3, November 7, 3:30-4:30 pm Like to have fun? Join the Teen Advisory Group. We'll discuss upcoming plans, brainstorm ideas, and have a little fun.

Teen Video Gaming
Tuesdays, September 12, October 10, November 14, 3:30-4:30 pm Cheer on your friends and enjoy time spent with others while taking turns playing video games. Games played are rated T or below.

Afterschool Teen Book Club
Tuesdays, September 26, October 24, November 28, 3:30-5pm Join us at our first meeting ready to discuss your favorite books or graphic novels. We'll talk about what makes your book choice awesome, read our favorite passages, and decide on the books for our next meetings.

Teen Chopped Challenge
Tuesday, September 19, 3:30 pm Teens will be given mystery ingredients that they must use to prepare a quality dish while being timed. Register to compete by calling 330-434-8726 or stopping by.

Spooky Teen Jewelry Making
Tuesday, October 17, 3:30 pm Just in time for Halloween, join us to make the spookiest DIY jewelry and accessories. Get ready to get crafty and creative with glue guns, beads, and more. Registration is requested in advance by calling 330-434-8726 or stopping by.

Monster Mash
Tuesday, October 31, 3:30-5 pm Join us for our 2nd annual Teen Monster Mash. Make yourself or your friends up to look like a monster and enjoy some ghoulish fun. Registration is requested in advance by calling 330-434-8726 or stopping by.

Recycled Weaving for Teens
Tuesday, November 21, 3:30 pm Need a stylish basket to help organize your room? Learn how to make one from recycled materials. Let us know you'll be joining us by calling 330-434-8726 or stopping by.

Movie Madness
Wednesdays, 3:30 pm Join us each Wednesday after school for a different family friendly movie. Stop in to the branch or call 330-434-8726 to see which movie we will be playing that week.

Kids Creative Space
Thursdays, 3:30 pm Join us each Thursday after school for a chance to get creative, play games, and hang-out with your friends.

PORTAGE LAKES – 330-644-7050
4261 Manchester Rd., Akron, 44319
T.G.I.F: Teens Great Informal Fridays

Fridays, 4:30-5:30 pm Grades 3-6. Spend an afternoon with friends, finger food and fun reads. Books with each month's theme will be on display in the Children's area. Check out the featured books or bring your own book to share. *Snacks will be served at this program. Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.*

September 29-Diary War: DIARY OF A WIMPY KID versus DORK DIARIES Who should win the diary war? Cast your vote, take a quiz, and make your own diary as we discuss our favorite characters and scenes.

October 27- Goosebumps and Ghostly Reads Join us in costume or just as you are as we tell spooky stories and make a cool ghostly craft!

Black Friday Ninja Day
Friday, November 24, 2 pm Dress in black and be ready to talk all things Ninja! Discover the NINJA LIBRARIANS series by Jen Swann Downey and make a Ninja Star craft.

Teen Time
Saturdays, 10:30 am-11:45 am Grades 5 and up. Take a break from your busy schedule and join us for an early morning snack. Spend time chilling, crafting, and chatting about our favorite foods, books, movies and more. *Snacks will be served at this program. Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.*

September 9-Emoji Party: Create an Emoji magnet, decorate an emoji cookie and share some emotions as we say goodbye to summer and gear up for an awesome school year!

November 11-Smoothie Day: Blend up some fun as we mix fruits and veggies into delicious and nutritious snacks. Please register in advance.

Glow In-The Dark Halloween Bash
Tuesday, October 31, 6:30-7:30 pm Join us in costume or make one at the party. A night of glowing fun and crafts galore!

Teen Scene
Each month check out the new do-it to go craft or contest in the Teen Area. Easy to enter, easy to win!

RICHFIELD – 330-659-4343
3761 S. Grant St., Richfield, 44286
Do You Understand the ACT Visuals?

Wednesday, September 6, 7 pm Improve interpreting the Visuals for ACT Math and Science. High school students should understand each type of graph or chart they will encounter on the ACT. Students who are familiar with graphs may answer ACT questions faster. The visuals by themselves are not especially complicated; rather, the challenge lies in the immense time-related pressure of the ACT format. You will have a minute or less per question. A College Review experts will take your student step by step with their proven program. Please register: 330-659-4343

Did You Know the Common App Essay Prompt Has Changed?
Tuesday, September 19, 7 pm The Common App essay prompts for 2017-18 have just been released. Of the five prompts, three have undergone minor makeovers to

expand the reach of each question and the breadth of a student's potential responses. The Common App has also added two new prompts. The 2017-18 college applicants will now have seven essay prompts to choose from. Learn about how to write the best essay from The College Review Pros. Please register: 330-659-4343.

Inktober Challenge and Exhibit
October 1-31 The sketchbooks are out, the pens are colorful. Every day there is a new sketch prompt challenge. Contribute!

Holograms and Pepper's Ghost
Saturday, October 21, 2 pm Make and take your own hologram display piece and Pepper's Ghost screen to use on a cell phone. Supplies provided. Please register for this craft as supplies are limited by calling 330-659-4343.

Doodling for Stress Relief
Saturday, November 18, 11 am Presented by Christina Turner, Akron-Summit County Public Library. Unwind, draw, and learn tips and techniques for extemporaneous pattern doodling. Leave with a framed work of art. Supplies provided. Please register for this program as supplies are limited by calling 330-659-4343.

TALLMADGE – 330-633-4345
90 Community Rd., Tallmadge, 44278

Vinyl on Trial
Tuesdays, September 26, October 10, November 14, 28, 6 pm Take the time to enjoy full-length albums front to back, and share your thoughts with other vinyl addicts from the area. Bring an open mind and new suggestions for our next meeting. Join us every second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-633-4345.

CHILDREN'S BRANCH PROGRAMS

ELLET – 330-784-2019
2470 E. Market St., Akron, 44312

Baby Story Play Group
Mondays, 6:30 pm
Tuesdays, 10:05 am
September 18-November 14 For ages 6-24 months and their caregiver. Stories, songs, bounces, rhymes, and activities geared for babies followed by group playtime.

Toddler Story Play Group

Tuesdays, September

19-November 14, 11 am For ages 2-3 years and their caregiver. Toddler appropriate books, songs, rhymes, and activities. Wiggly toddlers are welcome. Toddler time is followed by a simple craft and group playtime.

Story Time Play Group

Wednesdays, 10:30 am

Thursdays, 1 pm and 6:30 pm

September 20-November 16 For ages 2-6 years. Ms. Laurie will use books, flannel boards, puppets, props, and songs to engage children in stories. Your children will be active participants in Story Time. Each session will conclude with a craft and playtime.

Play Group

Tuesday, September 5 &

Wednesday, September 13, 10:30-

11:30 am For ages birth-6 years.

Babies, toddlers, and preschoolers can meet up with story time friends during these special playtimes. Enjoy toys, literacy activities, and simple crafts.

Sensory Story Time

Mondays, September 25, October

16, November 20, 10:30-11:30 am

Sensory Story Time includes a schedule board, a consistent program plan and sensory opportunities; such as, crafts, building and play.

Mad Science

Friday, October 20, 1 pm Join Dr. U

R Awesome to make slime, elephant toothpaste, and fake blood in his Halloween science lab.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Saturday, November 25, 1 pm The

Illusion Factory presents How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Enjoy this two-person, newly vamped holiday classic, performed with festive excitement!

Paws for Reading

Saturdays, September 30,

October 28, November 25,

12-1 pm For all ages. Snuggle up and read to a furry friend.

Kids Book Club to Go

Grab a copy of the monthly selection to read at home with family and friends. Answer the discussion questions provided, try the suggested activities, and complete the reading or writing activity that can be returned for display in the library.

FAIRLAWN-BATH – 330-666-4888

3101 Smith Rd., Akron, 44333

Tiny Tales Baby Time

Mondays, September 11-25,

10:15 am Please register.

Mondays, November 6-27,

10:15 am Registration begins

Monday, October 23. Children ages 6-24 months with an adult caregiver are welcome to join Miss Jessica for stories, rhymes, music, instruments and playtime.

Toddler Story Time

Mondays, September 11-25,

11:30 am Please register.

Mondays, November 6-27, 11:30

am Registration begins Monday,

October 23. For children ages 2-3 ½

years old with their favorite adult. We will enjoy stories, fingerplays, action rhymes, music, and a simple craft with Miss Jessica.

Evening Story Time

Wednesdays, September 6-27,

6 pm Please register.

Wednesdays, November 1, 8,

15, 29, 6 pm Registration begins

Monday, October 23. Children

age 2-5 with an adult caregiver

are welcome to join Miss Pam for stories, songs, rhymes, and more!

Pre-K Story Time

Wednesdays, September 6-27,

1 pm Please register.

Wednesdays, November 1, 8,

15, 29, 1 pm Registration begins

Monday, October 23. Children

age 3-5 with an adult caregiver

are welcome to join Miss Pam for stories, songs, rhymes, and more!

Local Picture Book Author and

Illustrator Lindsay Ward

Saturday, October 7, 1 pm This

special hour-long presentation

includes story time, question and

answer session, and book signing.

Lindsay will also demonstrate how

to draw her characters. Books will

be available for purchase. This

program is for children ages 3-7 and

their adult caregivers.

Preschool Halloween Party

Tuesday, October 31, 1 pm

Registration begins Monday,

October 16. Children age 2-5 with

an adult caregiver are welcome to

join Miss Jessica and Miss Pam for

some spooky fun! We will enjoy

Halloween stories, songs, rhymes,

and more. Be sure to wear your

costume!

Family Programs

In the Park: Around the Campfire

Friday, September 8, 6-8 pm

Join Miss Jessica, Miss Theresa and

Dr. Lara Roketenetz for a summer night celebration for the whole family. We'll share stories, make nature inspired crafts and eat s'mores. Musical guest, Sam Sapp and naturalist, Sarah Matheny will also entertain us by the fire. The event is located at the University of Akron Field Station in Bath Nature Preserve, 4160 Ira Rd. Call 330-666-4888 to register.

In the Park: StoryWalk

Saturday, October 14, 11:30 am-

3:30 pm The Fairlawn-Bath Library

presents a StoryWalk at Bath Park's

"Fall into Nature" event located at

the Bath Nature Preserve, 4160 Ira

Rd.

Paws for Reading

Saturdays, September 2, 16,

October 7, 21, November 4,

18, 10:30-11:30 am Children of all

ages can practice their literacy skills

by reading aloud to our doggie pals.

NatureConnect Discovery Center

During the months of September-

December, stop by our Discovery

Center in the children's section for

self-guided, hands-on activities

where children can explore and

learn about all things fall.

School Age Programs

Lego Open Build

Saturdays, October 14, November

11, 10:30-11:30 am Bring your

imagination and engineering skill.

We will provide the Legos. For

children kindergarten – 4th grade.

Kids Create

Saturdays, September 23,

October 28, November 25 Make

it take it crafts the fourth Saturday

each month. Pick up a craft all day

while supplies last.

Programs for Grades 2-5

Mondays, 6 pm Please call 330-

666-4888 or stop by the library to

register.

Draw Paws with Donald Peoples

September 18 Do you want to

learn to draw cartoons? Artist

Donald Peoples will teach you

to draw Paws, ASCPL's library

lion mascot, and give you tips

for drawing your own cartoon

character.

Pumpkin Decorating

October 16 The library will supply

pumpkins and everything you need

to decorate them.

Cookies in a Jar

November 13 We'll be making

Cowboy Cookie Mix that you can

take home and bake or give to someone you love.

FIRESTONE PARK – 330-724-2126

1486 Aster Ave., Akron, 44301

Family Programs

Story Time

Wednesdays, September

13-October 25, 11 am

or Thursdays, September

14-October 26, 11 am Join us for

stories, music, movement and fun!

Each session will be followed by

play time or a fun activity. Activities

are geared for ages 2-6, but all ages

are welcome to attend.

Movers & Shakers

Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15,

22, 10:30 am A music program for

children and their adults to sing,

dance, and play together! Presented

by music educator Marissa Leonino

Lange. Limited to 12 families

per class. Families may enroll for

individual sessions or all four. Ages

0-5 years and their grown-ups.

Registration requested.

Gymnastics and Story Time with Learning Ladder

Monday, November 13, 11

am Your child will learn basic

gymnastics skills on miniature

gymnastics equipment that is

designed specifically for young

children. All of the stories, games

and the craft relate to a fun theme.

Registration requested. Ages 3-5

with their grown-ups.

Paw Patrol Party

Saturday, November 4, 11 am

Put your best paw forward and join

us as we celebrate all things Paw

Patrol. Registration requested.

PAWS for Reading

Saturdays, September 16,

October 14, November 11,

12 pm Practice your reading skills

by reading aloud to our doggie pal.

School Age Programs

After School Fun Club

Wednesdays, 3 pm Grades K-5.

September 13 Back to School

Bingo

September 2 Apptastic Afternoon

September 27 Snap Circuits

October 4 No School, No Fun Club

October 11 Board Games

October 18 Legomania

October 25 Wii Gaming

November 1 Cup Stacking

Challenge

November 8 Apptastic Afternoon

November 15 Snap Circuits

November 22 No Fun Club

November 29 Wonder: Choose

Kind

Afterschool Adventures

Tuesdays, 4 pm

Dot Day

September 19 We'll read Peter Reynolds's book THE DOT and have an artsy time getting creative and stretching our imaginations. Grades K-5.

Apple Mania

October 17 We'll make apple art, peel apples with an old-fashioned crank peeler, taste different types of apples and enjoy tasty apple treats. Grades K-5.

Snapology

November 21 Animal lovers will create their own animal inspired robotic model in this Snapology Creature Creator Robotics class. Learn about gear ratio, sensors, simple machines, and programming as you build your creation. Registration requested. For kids ages 7-12

GOODYEAR – 330-784-7522

60 Goodyear Blvd., Akron, 44305

Stories and Play

Thursdays, September

7-November 30, 10:15 am (No story time November 23). Enjoy stories, movement, and song. Stay and play afterwards with toys and a chance for parents to chat.

Crazy 8's Math Club

Wednesdays, 6 pm Join our math club for grades K-2. Each week we will build stuff, play games, measure, and make a mess...it's a totally new kind of math club.

Glow-in-the-Dark City

September 27 We will build 3-D shapes with glow sticks and Styrofoam balls.

Crazy 8's Race

October 4 We are going to play a giant board game where 8's are lucky. Move your car along the game board and see who drives all the way to 64 first.

Funny Money

October 11 This week we'll take coins to a new level. You will get to 'buy' small prizes and play rock, paper, scissors.

Beach Ball Party

October 18 How many breaths does it take to blow up a beach ball? Next we will play number volleyball.

Funky Fractals

October 25 Using wax sticks, we will make wild repeating patterns called fractals. Then we will combine them to make a giant maze.

Walk on the Wild Side

November 1 Walk in the footsteps of an animal. Make the right number of legs and then try walking with far more feet than you're used to.

Super-Cube Shuffle

November 8 We will take cubes colored half red and half white and use them to make all sorts of designs – soon, you'll be a super-cube pro!

Epic Air Traffic Control

November 15 We're building our own mini-airplanes and using math to build 2 runways. We'll land the planes along the numbered runways without crashing at the crossing.

Paws for Reading

Mondays, September 11, October 9, November 13, 4 pm Practice your reading skills by reading aloud to our doggie pals.

Tai Chi Animals

Saturday, September 30, 11 am This session includes a number of animal postures and movements. Kids and adults will stand strong like a horse, move quickly like a cat, be as playful as a monkey and as balanced as a crane. Registration is appreciated.

Story Writing Contest for Children

During the month of October, you can pick up a form at the branch to enter our contest. This month we ask children from kindergarten through 6th grade to write a story about what happens when you hear an ad on the radio for a new product. Entries must be turned in by October 31.

Take it and Make it Saturdays

Stop in the library on the first Saturday of the month, pickup one of our simple kid's activity kits, make it here or take it home with you for a fun family activity! (While supplies last)

Crocodile

September 2 Make a crocodile with a craft stick, pipe cleaners, and more.

Spooky Sparkler

October 7 Create a festive sparkler that makes a spooky sound.

DIY Science Kit

November 4 Take home a bag with instructions and ingredients for some cool science experiments.

On Your Own

Participate in these activities on your own at the library. They will

each be available for two weeks. Bring them to the desk for a small reward.

Hot Air Balloon Search

September 5 Search around the children's area to find the hot air balloons.

Leaf Shapes

September 18 Look at the NatureConnect table to see some different shapes of leaves, then punch some new shapes out of them.

What's Up with Mr. Bones?

October 2 Find the skeleton bones around the children's area and see what Mr. Bones has to say.

Tracing Lines with Loose Parts

October 16 Check out the NatureConnect table and create a pattern along some lines out of stones, sticks, leaves, and shells.

Pumpkin Hunt

October 30 Find all the pumpkins in the children's area, write down the letters to see what they spell.

Fanciful Fruit

November 13 Nature comes in interesting shapes check out the NatureConnect table and tell us what you see.

GREEN – 330-896-9074

4046 Massillon Rd., Uniontown, 44685

Baby Time

Tuesdays, September 19-October 17, November 14-December 12, 10:15 am For babies 6-24 months and a caregiver. Babies will be introduced to hand rhymes, songs, movement activities, books and socialization skills.

Toddler Time

Tuesdays, September 19-October 17, November 14-December 12, 11:30 am For ages 2-3 with a caregiver. Children will enjoy stories, songs, rhythm & movement activities, and crafts.

Family Story Time

Thursdays, September 21-October 19; November 16-December 14, 10:30 am For all ages. Children will enjoy stories, songs, rhythm & movement activities, crafts and play.

Family Programs

Celebrate Grandparents

Saturday, September 9, 11 am Draw a life-size YOU and give it to your grandparents or other special older adult for Grandparent's Day. We'll trace your outline and decorate it with fancy paper, yarn,

glue, markers and crayons.

Paws for Reading

Saturdays, September 9, October 7, November 4, 12 pm Practice your reading skills by reading aloud to our doggie pals.

Pizza Party

Saturday, September 16, 11 am Join us for a pizza party using vegetables and herbs we've grown in our library's reading garden. Please register by September 9.

Marine Life

Monday, September 18, 6:30 pm Presented by Karen Sue Eckart. Have you wondered about the shells and/or teeth you find while walking down the beach? Ms. Eckart will have an identification chart for the ones you bring with you to the program. She will also have an activity and 100+ different seashells for you to look at, plus shark-stuff, puffer fish, sea stars and more. Please register in advance.

Pumpkins, Paint, and Punch

Saturday, October 7, 11 am-1 pm Learn to do a step-by-step pumpkin painting on canvas with Miss Brandie. For children 7 and up. Please register in advance.

Make Time for Play

Tuesdays, October 10, November 14, 6:30 pm Time to unwind. Bring the kids in for some free play time. We will have blocks, stackables, tunnels, tubes and more to explore and create with. For all ages.

Lego Fun and Mini-Figure Swap

Saturday, November 18, 11 am Have a duplicate mini-figure or one that you just want to get rid of? Then come to the Lego mini-figure swap and trade (with parents' permission) with fellow Lego lovers. Snacks will be provided.

Pokemon Club

Mondays, September 25, October 16, November 13, December 18, 6:30 pm Calling all Pokemon enthusiasts ages 7 and up! Join fellow Pokemon fanatics to talk, battle, trade (with parent's permission), or to show off your collection. This is a child led program.

HIGHLAND SQUARE –

330-376-2927

807 W. Market St., Akron, 44303

Board Book Boogie

Wednesdays in September, 10:30 am Local music educator Marissa Leonino Lange presents a music program centered around

children's literature for families to sing, dance, and read together! Please call 330-376-2927 or stop in to register for this program.

Fish Tank Warming Party

Monday, September 18, 11 am For children ages 0-5 plus their adult. Celebrate the library's beautiful new fish tank, a gift from the Friends of the Highland Square Branch Library, with stories, songs, art, and fun.

Baby & Me

Mondays in October, 11 am Ages 0-18 months and their grown-ups. Discover simple songs and exercises to do with your young learner to give him his first tools needed to learn to read and better understand her world. Best of all, these experiences will bring fun and joy into your little one's day! Dress for possible messy play experiences.

Story Time

Tuesdays, October 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 am Children ages 18 months-5 years old and their grown-ups. You are your child's first teacher. Discover songs, books, prop stories and movement activities to do with your young learner to give him his first tools needed to learn to read and better understand her world.

Ankle Biters Children's Improv Show and Workshop

Wednesday, October 4 Performance: 10:30 am Workshop: 11:15-noon Ankle Biters is an interactive, family-friendly improv show performed by Crooked River Comedy, Northeast Ohio's premier improv troupe. Each show is completely made up on the spot based on your child's ideas. Best of all, your child will have a chance to take the stage and be part of the fun! Recommended for children ages 4-94 (and beyond). Stick around after the show for a special improv workshop with the actors.

Write Me a Story: A Creative Writing Exercise

Submission deadline: September 30, 2017. Entry forms are available at the Highland Square Branch Library. Sit on a bench in front of the library and look at the Don Drumm sculpture titled: *Write Me A Story*. Let the art inspire you. Write a brief story. Submit your piece to the Highland Square Branch Library to be displayed on the meeting room bulletin board.

Book Buddies

Saturdays, September 9, October 28, November 4, 10 am Tweens and teens, do you love books and reading aloud? Here is an opportunity for you to volunteer at the library and read to children. We'll supply the books. Children, do you love it when someone reads to you? Stop in the library from 10-11am to have books read to you. We'll supply the readers.

KENMORE – 330-745-6126
969 Kenmore Blvd., Akron, 44314

Preschool Programs

Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays, September 12-26, November 7-28, 11 am Ages 2-5 years. Children will enjoy stories, rhymes, music, crafts, and a variety of other activities. Caretakers must remain with children throughout the programs. Please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

School Age Programs

Wednesdays, 4 pm Kindergarten-6th grade.

Inside the Human Body

September 27 Join us as we explore the inner workings of the human body. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

Fall Harvest

October 18 We'll be creating art out of some tasty treats from the Fall season! Caretakers must assist the younger explorers. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

Pumpkin Painting

October 25 Get ready for Halloween by decorating pumpkins and gourds. Make them scary, funny or just plain weird! Pumpkins will be provided. Caretakers must assist the younger artists. Please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

Family Programs

Paws for Reading

Saturdays, September 16, October 21, November 18, 12:30 pm Children of all ages can practice their literacy skills by reading aloud to our doggie pals.

Family Story Time

Saturdays, September 2, October 14, November 4, 11 am Kids of all ages, with their caretakers, are welcome to join us for stories, songs, crafts, snacks and more!

Please call 330-745-6126 or email kenmore@akronlibrary.org to register.

Lego League

Wednesdays, September 13, October 11, November 8, 4 pm Stop in to build a masterpiece with other Lego lovers! All ages welcome; caretaker assistance is appreciated for the younger designers. Legos and provided and creations will be displayed in the library.

Family Game Night

Mondays, September 18, October 16, November 20, 4 pm We have board games, card games and toys for the tots! You can also feel free to bring in any of your family's favorites!

Face Painting

Saturday, October 28, 1 pm Join us for some fanciful fun and turn yourself and your friends and family members into imaginary characters! Face paints are provided.

Pirate Party

Saturday, November 18, 1 pm We be hearin' stories, makin' crafts and searchin' for treasure! Be sure to call 330-745-6126 to register and come dressed in yer favorite pirate garb!

MAPLE VALLEY – 330-864-5721
1187 Copley Rd., Akron, 44320

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays in September, 11:30 am Join Miss Erica for stories, music, and more! For children ages 2-5 with an adult caregiver. Younger children are welcome.

Pitter Patter Playgroup

Thursdays, October 5-November 30, 11:30 am (Excluding October 12 and November 23) Ages 5 and under. Bring your little ones to enjoy our puzzles, games, and toys! Both children and caregivers can join in the fun!

PAWS for Reading

Saturdays, September 16, October 14, November 11, 2 pm Practice your reading skills by reading aloud to our doggie pal, Kivrin. Children of all ages are welcome.

Campfire Tales

Saturday, September 9, 2 pm For ages 2-9 years. Bring a blanket or your favorite stuffed animal and gather 'round the campfire with Miss Erica for some fun fall stories and songs! Afterwards, we will enjoy s'mores with friends and share our creativity while making a camping craft.

School-Age Programs

After School Homework Help

Mondays & Wednesdays, September 11-December 13, 3-5 pm Free homework help for students in grades K-6. You'll find everything you need to get your homework done here! Drop in anytime you need help.

Tech Time: Robotics and Coding

Thursdays, September 28, October 26, November 30, 4 pm Grades K-6. Join Sylvan Learning Center & Maple Valley Library as we find our EDGE with STEM@Sylvan. This program offers an exciting chance to learn hands on robotics while using Lego® WeDo Software. Children will have fun creating and animating robots, while also learning the basic concepts of design, programming, coding, and physics.

No School Today Movie Matinee

Wednesday, October 4, 1:30 pm Kick back and relax on your day off from school while watching a family friendly movie! For your enjoyment we'll also provide popcorn and drinks.

Family Programs

Spooky Halloween Carnival

Friday, October 27, 3:30 pm Pumpkins, balloon animals, and face paint, oh my! Dress up in your creepiest costume and participate in ghoulish games and creepy crafts.

Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Feast

Monday, November 20, 6 pm We will be enjoying all of the delicious treats featured in A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving (Rated G, 30 min) while watching the movie, making crafts, and playing games.

Family Movie Monday

Every third Monday of the month, 6 pm Join us for a family friendly movie, snacks, and drinks!
September 18 The Boss Baby (PG) (97 min)

October 23 Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie (PG) (89 min)

November 27 Despicable Me 3 (PG) (96 min)

Nature Connect

Visit, explore, and enjoy our new NatureConnect table. Be a nature explorer: use our binoculars, magnifying glasses, and observation notebooks to sketch and record what you see. The nature items and activities will change each month, so be sure to check back often for exciting new additions!

Apple S.T.E.M.

Thursday, September 14, 3:30 pm Apples are not just for eating, but exploring and experimenting! Stop in for a fun afternoon of playing with food as we use S.T.E.M. connections to learn about this delicious fruit!

MOGADORE – 330-628-9228
144 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, 44260

Library Babies and Tots

Thursdays, September 7-November 16, 10:30 am There will be no program on October 5. Ages birth – 3 ½. Join Miss Kim for songs, stories and group playtime with our library friends.

Story Time Programs

Tuesdays, September 5-November 14, 10:30 am There will be no program on October 3. Ages 3 and up. Join Miss Kim for stories, songs, games and crafts.

Story Time with Special Guest Author Lindsey M. Ward
Tuesday, September 19, 10:30 am Ages 3 and up. Miss Lindsay will read 3-4 books aloud, answer questions from the children and have a great time with both the children and the families. Please join us for this special story time sponsored by the Friends of the Mogadore Branch Library.

NatureConnect: Animal Track Identification

From September through November, visit our NatureConnect space in the Children's Area and try to identify the animal tracks displayed on the bulletin board. Bring your finished sheet to the desk and receive a bookmark.

School Age Programs

Grades K-5.

Lego Character Scavenger Hunt

There are 6 Lego characters hiding in the library. Find them all and bring your finished sheet to the desk and be entered to win a prize. Winners will be drawn on September 30.

Lego Club

Thursdays, September 7, 21, October 19*, November 2, 16, 3:30 pm Join us for an afternoon of imaginative Lego creation. All supplies provided. *On this day we'll have a special guest, Snapology Inc. of Kent.

Game Day

Wednesdays, September 27, October 25, November 29, 3:30 pm Join us for an afternoon

of classic games. We'll provide both board and card games, and sometimes we'll have Life-Size games to try out. Feel free to bring any cards or games of your own to play!

Halloween Dance Party

Friday, October 27, 3:30-4:30 pm Enjoy spooky treats and have a screaming good time. Costumes are welcome but not required. Music provided by Party Couture featuring TKO DJ's.

NORDONIA HILLS – 330-467-8595
9458 Olde Eight Rd., Northfield, 44067

NatureConnect

Explore what we will have going on in our NatureConnect area this fall.

Monthly Challenges

For grades K-5. Monthly challenges will be located in children's area. Complete the challenge for a chance to win a small prize.

September-Fill in the Correct Verb
October-Halloween Alphabetical Challenge

November-Sequencing-Put the cupcake pictures in the right order.

Paws for Reading

Tuesdays, September 12, October 10, November 14, 6:30 pm Read a book to Edmund, a certified therapy dog. Children of all ages are welcome.

Family Time Programs

Build it

Friday, November 10, 4 pm Whether you build by yourself or with a friend, use your imagination to build something with blocks or Legos.

Messy Monday

One Monday a month, 6 pm Join us for some messy fun. Don't forget to wear some old clothes, you may get messy.

September 25-Tissue Paper Art Transfer Canvas

October 9-Pumpkin Painting

November 20-Nature Painting

Science Saturday

Saturday, September 23, 2:30 pm Join us for great hands on STEAM fun! Children, school age and up, bring your moms, dads, and the whole family.

Family Night

One Monday a month, 6:30 pm Join our program for families of all ages! We'll get together for some great crafts.

September 18-Make Nature Prints in clay.

October 23-We're making Monster Mobiles. (Say that 5 times fast.)

November 27- Create your own Penny Spinner.

Story Times

Baby Time

Thursdays, October 5-November 2, 10:15 am For children 24 months and under with a parent or caregiver. Our programs feature bounces, songs, and stories.

Toddler Story Time

Thursdays, October 5-November 2, 11:15 am For children 2-3 years old, with two-year-olds accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Short stories, rhymes, and more!

Preschool Story Time

Thursday, October 5-November 2, 12:30 pm For children 3-5 years old, not yet in Kindergarten. Stories, rhymes, and more!

Parachute Play

Thursday, September 21, 11 am Toddler parachute play is for ages 2-5. We will use music and movement to play parachute games.

Yoga for Toddlers

Thursday, November 9, 11 am Ages 2-5. Registration is appreciated. Join Nirvana Yoga for some yoga fun.

School Age Programs

After School Club

One Wednesday of each month, 4 pm For children in Kindergarten- 4th grade.

September 27-Flubber

October 11-Button Bowl

November 8-Nature collage

NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423

183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310

Preschool Playgroup

Every Tuesday, 11:30 am-12:30 pm Our little ones need time to play and visit with other children. Playing with blocks, balls, tools, dolls, and puzzles enhances their problem solving skills and encourages their imaginations. Stop in for the whole hour, or any part that fits into your schedule. Adults might also make new friends!

Baby/Toddler Story Time

Tuesdays, September 12-October 3, 10:30 am These programs are designed to help our youngest patrons get a good start on their way to becoming life-long learners. Adult caregivers and their little ones will read books, learn rhymes, sing, have fun together, and end with

bubbles!

Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays, October 17-December 5, 10:30 am Join us for books, flannel board stories, music, rhymes and more fun activities that will help these children get ready for school. Adult caregivers are welcome, and are expected to join in the fun.

Paws for Reading

Wednesdays, September 13, 27, October 11, 25, November 8, December 13, 3 pm When Rocky visits, children have an opportunity to practice their literacy skills by reading aloud with him.

NORTHWEST AKRON –

330-836-1081

1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313

Please call 330-836-1081 to register for these programs.

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, September 14-November 2, 10:30 am 2 to 5 year-olds with a caregiver. Action rhymes, music, books, and other activities chosen with you and your child in mind.

Mini Movers

Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 15, 10:30 am Ages 5 and under with a caregiver. Shake, jiggle, and jive in this fun musical program!

Art Explorers

Tuesdays, September 19, October 10, November 7, 10:30 am Ages 12 months to 4 years with a caregiver. Get messy and experiment with a variety of materials in this artsy story time!

School-Age Programs

Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.

Minecraft Club

Fridays, September 15, October 20, November 17, 3:30 pm Grades 3 and up, join us to mine and craft on our multi-player server! No account is necessary. Space is limited, registration requested.

PAWS for Reading

Thursdays, September 7, 21, October 5, 19, November 2, 16, 4 pm
Saturdays, September 16, October 21, November 18, 2 pm All grades welcome to practice reading skills and build reading confidence of beginning or struggling readers by reading to our Therapy Dogs International dog friends.

Stop-Motion Animation Workshop

Saturday, October 7, 2 pm Grades 3 and up, learn all about the basics of stop-motion animation and create a short video! Space is limited, registration requested.

Family Programs

Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.

Lego Club

Mondays, September 11, October 9, November 13, 6:30 pm Drop in on the second Monday of each month to build and show off your creations! LEGOs will be provided. No registration is necessary.

Ballet Excel

Saturday, September 30, 11 am Ballet Excel's ROAD® will provide an interactive story-time experience for children and families. Children will get to participate in specific sections and will watch the unique ways that movement can enhance a story-telling experience.

School's Out Movie

Wednesday, October 4, 2 pm Drop by on your day off from school and watch a movie with us! Snacks will be provided.

Pumpkin Painting

Monday, October 23, 6:30 pm We'll supply the pumpkins and other materials to create a festive decoration! All ages are welcome. Please register for this program.

Wonder Woman Day

Saturday, November 11, 11 am Join us dressed as your favorite superhero to celebrate Wonder Woman with crafts, snacks, games, and more! All ages welcome.

Sensory Story Time

Third Saturdays, September 16, October 21, November 18, 10:30 am & 11:30 am Join us for this adapted story time where children with varying learning styles and abilities learn together in a supportive environment with respect and appreciation for differences.

NatureConnect

Drop by the children's area each month for a new nature-based activity!

NORTON – 330-825-7800

3930 S. Cleve.-Mass. Rd., Norton, 44203

Play a While

Every Monday, 10:30-11:30 am For families with children ages five and younger. We provide the toys.

You enjoy watching your children play and make new friends.

Story Time

Thursdays, September 7-October 26, 10:30 am For ages 2-5. Celebrate the Fall season in the Library's NatureConnect garden with stories, music and active play. We will meet indoors on rainy days.

Baby Time

Thursdays, November 2, 9, 16, 30, 10:30 am For ages 6-24 months. Rock and stroll to Mother Goose rhymes, musical ditties and flannel board stories. Group play time to follow.

School Age Programs

After School NatureConnect Time Fourth Tuesdays, 4:15 pm Take a second look at the world around you through crafts and inquiry.

Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s club

Wednesdays, August 30-October 18, 4:15-5 pm Build stuff, run and jump, make music, make a mess... it's a totally new kind of math club. Open to children grades K-2. Registration for this eight-week session is requested due to supplies provided for the program.

Every Day Storytellers

Sit down at the Norton Writing Center to create a story. All supplies provided.

Paws for Reading

First and Third Wednesdays, 4 pm Third Saturdays, September 16, October 21, November 18, 10:30 am Children of all ages are welcome to drop in and practice their literacy skills by reading aloud to a certified therapy dogs.

Family Programs

LEGO Saturdays Third Saturdays, September 16, October 21, November 18, 2-3 pm Participate in fun, seasonally themed challenges.

September 16 Learn how to make a LEGO sundial.

October 21 Create a mini figure fantasy world inside a hollowed out pumpkin.

November 18 Explore multiple stations including motors and PERLER beading. Presented by Bricks 4 Kidz, Akron/Canton, OH

ODOM BLVD – 330-434-8726
600 Vernon Odom Blvd., Akron, OH 44307

School-Age Programs

Mondays Afterschool Join us at 3:30 pm for a different activity each week. Open to all

school aged.

September 11 Make a craft: a fan

September 18 Build a Watts tower with beads and pipe cleaners

September 25 Challenge: dominos
October 2 Make a snack: Kale chips and chia fresca (lemonade)

October 16 Make a craft: nature sun catcher

October 30 Make a craft: mummy tea lights

November 6 Make a snack: fruity energy bites

November 13 Challenge: Legos

November 20 Make a craft:

Thanksgiving napkin rings

November 27 Let's play: Minecraft

PORTAGE LAKES – 330-644-7050
4261 Manchester Rd., Akron, 44319

Family Programs

Craft Sampler

Wednesdays, September 6,

October 4, November 1, 1 pm Put your imagination to the test and see what take-home projects you can create with a wide variety of materials! Each month will feature a different theme to get you started. Please register in advance. All ages welcome.

Puzzled at the Library

Thursdays, September 7, October 5, November 2, 6-7:30 pm Join us once a month as we work together to complete new puzzles with friends.

Racing Back to School

Saturday, September 16, 2 pm Join us for an afternoon of fun races including Matchbox cars, relay races, duck races and much more. You may even win some prizes! All ages welcome.

Family Story Times

Tuesdays, October 3-24, 11 am Includes stories, songs, finger-plays, art and lots of fun each week! All ages are welcome.

Moana is Sailing to Portage Lakes

Saturday, October 7, 1 pm Our Fall Frolic includes a special meet & greet with Moana; don't forget to bring your camera for this special photo opportunity! Share Moana's love of nature with movie-inspired crafts and games. All ages welcome. Please register in advance. *Snacks will be served at this program.* *Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.*

Tails & Tales

Saturdays, October 7, November 11, 2 pm Practice with a furry friend! Our paw-some therapy dogs love to have stories read to them

and meet new friends. All ages welcome.

Build it Club

Thursdays, October 19, November 16, 6-7:30 pm Join us once a month for some building fun with our friends from Bricks 4 Kidz! Build, play and explore with Legos. All ages welcome.

Family STEAM Nights

Wednesdays, October 25, November 15, 6-7:30 pm Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math with fun games, easy experiments and activities for all ages.

Not-Too Spooky Halloween Story Time

Tuesday, October 31, 11 am Stories, songs, dancing, art and Halloween fun! Costumes are encouraged. All ages welcome.

Saturday Craft

Saturday, November 11, 1 pm Get a jump start on your holiday crafts with a variety of make & take activities. Preschool through grade 4 recommended.

NatureConnect

Explore and enjoy our NatureConnect area. Be a Nature Detective and use our binoculars and observation notebooks to sketch and record your discoveries. Participate in our monthly passive programs.

September: Story Stones:

Using the "story stones" on our NatureConnect table, write a nature story to take home or display on our nature window.

October: Pumpkin Patch: Design your own pumpkin or use the coloring sheet provided to help fill our window full of Pumpkins.

November: DIY2Go Pinecone Critters: Take home a craft bag to create a special pinecone critter. Send pictures of your creations to portagelakes@akronlibrary.org and we will display your masterpieces!

Toddler Programs

Preschool Playroom

Mondays, September 18, October 9, November 13, 11 am We provide a variety of activities and toys for preschoolers to explore and even create a little art. Intended for ages 1-4 with a caregiver.

Baby & Me Time

Tuesdays, November

14-December 5, 11 am Stories, songs and finger plays for those littlest learners! Recommended for babies and toddlers age 2 and under with a caregiver.

RICHFIELD – 330-659-4343
3761 S. Grant St., Richfield, 44286

Toddler Programs

Little Folks Story Time
Thursdays, September 21-October 26, 10:30-11:30 am
Thursdays, November 16-December 21, 10:30-11:30 am
Ages 6-35 months. Little folks, bring your favorite caregiver and join us for stories, rhymes, songs and more. No Story hour on Thursday November 23.

Preschool Programs

Preschool Story Time
Tuesdays, September 19-October 24, 10:30-11:30 am
Tuesdays, November 14-December 19, 10:30-11:30 am
Ages 3-6. Preschoolers bring your favorite caregiver and join us for stories, rhymes, songs and more.
Multigenerational Halloween Story Time

Tuesday, October 31, 9:30 am
Special Family Story Hour hosted by residents and staff of Regina Health Center located at 5232 Broadview Rd, Richfield Ohio. This event will have an abbreviated version of our typical library story hour, allowing plenty of time for activities with the residents. Children may wear costumes. For more information about Regina Health center check out their website <http://www.reginahealthcenter.org/>.

Play Date

Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 15, 10 am-12 pm
Drop in for some coffee and tea while the little ones play. Parents must supervise their children. Age appropriate toys and puzzles will be provided.

Home School Readers

Wednesdays, October 11, November 8, December 13, 1-3 pm
Join us for an afternoon of reading fun. This is a new program and will evolve to meet the needs of our homeschooling community.

Fall Hike

Saturday, September 23, 10:30 am
Meet at the trail head of the Carter-Pedigo Trail and enjoy a leisurely stroll through the trail as we read about the life of Johnny Appleseed. Afterward we will return to the library for apple snacks.

Paws for Reading

First and third Saturday of each month, 10:30-11:30 am
Children can practice their literacy skills by

reading aloud to our doggie pals Kodak, Rudy, and Yuki.

First Saturday Afternoon Flicks
Saturdays, 1-3 pm
Join us for an afternoon movie at the library. We'll provide popcorn and juice while you kick back and enjoy the flick.
October 7 Sing
December 2 Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Fall StoryWalk® Line-up on the Award Winning Carter-Pedigo Trail

September JOHNNY APPLESEED by Jodie Shepherd
October OLD DEVIL WIND by Bill Martin
November WILD TURKEYS by Meryl Magby
StoryWalk® is a unique literacy/fitness activity. As you walk along the trail you can read a story that has been posted along the way.

TALLMADGE – 330-633-4345
90 Community Rd., Tallmadge, 44278

School Age Programs

Tallmadge Tribe Book club
A book club for the busy family. No meetings, no deadlines, just good books! Pick up new selections each month. Discussion questions, read-alike lists and author information included with each book. Pick them up any time during the month listed.

September HARRY POTTER AND THE SORCERERS STONE by J.K. Rowling

October THE LIGHTNING THIEF by Rick Riordan

November THE GIVER by Lois Lowery

Test your Knowledge

For anyone who's ever pulled their hair out trying to figure out life's real questions. Stop by and try your hand at our monthly quiz game and try to win a prize.

September-Television Quiz

Stop by and take our TV quiz. Finally, a quiz you have been studying for your whole life. Finish and win a prize.

October-I Love the 90's...Cartoon Edition

A walk down memory lane, when times were so much simpler. Put that knowledge to good use, get a passing score if you can.

November-90-degree challenge

Forget the Kylie Lip, and Cinnamon Challenge. The 90 Degree challenge is where it's at. Stop by the library and see for yourself #TACHallenge

Family Story Time
Tuesdays, September 5-October 10, November 7-December 5, 11 am

Wednesdays, September 6-October 11, November 8-December 6, 11 am
Join us for stories, music, movement and fun! Each session will be followed by a play time or fun activity. Children of all ages are welcome to join us for this engaging *story time*.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALES

FAIRLAWN-BATH – 330-666-4888
3101 Smith Rd., Akron, 44333

Friends Preview –Friday, October 20, 3-5 pm

Friends Preview –Saturday, October 21, 9-10 am

Open Sale–Saturday, October 21, 10 am-3 pm

Bag Sale–Monday, October 23, 10 am-3 pm

FIRESTONE PARK – 330-724-2126
1486 Aster Ave., Akron, 44301

Friends Preview –Friday, September 15, 3:30-5:30 pm

Book Sale–Saturday, September 16, 10 am-3 pm

GOODYEAR – 330-784-7522
60 Goodyear Blvd., Akron, 44305

Friends Preview–Thursday, September 21, 6-8 pm

Book Sale–Friday, September 22, 12-6 pm

Bag Sale–Saturday, September 23, 10 am-3 pm

GREEN– 330-896-9074
4046 Massillon Rd., Uniontown, 44685

Book Sale–Saturday, October 28, 10 am-4 pm

HIGHLAND SQUARE – 330-376-2927

807 W. Market St., Akron, 44303
Friends Preview–Friday, October 6, 3-5 pm

Book Sale–Saturday, October 7, 10 am-3 pm

MAPLE VALLEY – 330-864-5721
1187 Copley Rd., Akron, 44320

Friends Preview–Saturday, October 14, 9-10 am

Book Sale– Saturday, October 14, 10 am-3 pm

MOGADORE – 330-628-9228
144 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, 44260

Friends Preview–Friday, October 6, 3:30-5:30 pm

Book Sale– Saturday, October 7, 10 am-2 pm

Book Sale Leftovers–Saturday, October 7, 2:30-4 pm

NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423
183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310

Friends Preview–Saturday, October 14, 8:30-10 am

Book Sale– Saturday, October 14, 10 am-3 pm

NORTHWEST AKRON –

330-836-1081
1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313

Friends Preview–Saturday, October 14, 9-10 am

Book Sale– Saturday, October 14, 10 am-3 pm

NORTON – 330-825-7800
3930 S. Cleve.-Mass. Rd., Norton, 44203

Friends Preview–Friday, October 13, 4:30-5:45 pm

Book Sale– Saturday, October 14, 10 am-2 pm

PORTAGE LAKES – 330-644-7050
4261 Manchester Rd., Akron, 44319

Friends Preview–Friday, October 13, 3-5 pm

Book Sale– Saturday, October 14, 10 am-3 pm

RICHFIELD – 330-659-4343
3761 S. Grant St., Richfield, 44286

Friends Preview–Friday, September 15, 12-1 pm

Book Sale– Friday, September 15, 1-5 pm

Book Sale– Saturday, September 16, 10 am-4 pm

TALLMADGE – 330-633-4345
90 Community Rd., Tallmadge, 44278

Friends Preview–Thursday, October 26, 4-8 pm

Book Sale–Friday, October 27, 10 am-5 pm

Bag Sale–Saturday, October 28, 9 am-3 pm

LIBRARY SHOP AT MAIN

Monday-Thursday: 10 am-6 pm
Friday & Saturday: 10 am-4 pm
Sunday: 1-4 pm

Programs are subject to change.

