



# EVENTS

**June-August 2018**

*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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## MAIN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

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

**BUSINESS & GOVERNMENT**  
330-643-9020

**Anne Trubek & Jason Segedy –**  
***Voices from the Rust Belt***

**Tuesday, June 5, 6-8 pm, Meeting Room 2** Essays in *Voices from the Rust Belt* address segregated schools, rural childhoods, opiate addiction, and job loss. They reflect upon happy childhoods and hidden oases of natural beauty. But mainly they are stories drawn from uniquely personal experiences. Meet editor Anne Trubek, founder of Belt Publishing and Belt Magazine, and writer/contributor Jason Segedy. Book signing will follow. At the event, books will be available for purchase from the Friends of Main Library.

**Modernize Your Resume**  
**Workshop**

**Wednesday, June 27, 5:30-6:30 pm Meeting Room 1.** Rapid changes in technology have dramatically changed the way employers find candidates, and in turn, job seekers must now adapt their resume style to fit into this process. In this session, learn the trends in creating a modern resume that will get you past the applicant tracking systems and noticed by hiring managers. Attendees are encouraged to bring their laptops and resumes. Instructor will be available at the conclusion to give brief content review sessions to individuals. Please register with the Business &

Government Division at 330-643-9020.

### **Reentry in Motion Series**

Designed to provide assistance, educate, and inform, the Reentry in Motion Series showcases reentry and criminal justice related legislation, speakers, and documentary films. Reentry resources are included at every program.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Staying Out of Prison**

**Tuesday, June 5, 11 am-12 pm, Room 1** This reentry program highlights the film *Parole: Getting Out and Staying Out*, which follows paroled prisoners as they re-enter civilian life and face challenges both large and small. The individuals suddenly encounter critical decisions and dilemmas, choices that could put them back behind bars. An eye-opening look at the typical parolee's struggle to find work, stay away from drugs and former friends, and maintain a positive attitude about the future. Reentry handouts provided.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Success Following Release**

**Tuesday, June 26, 11 am-12 pm, Room 1** Focusing on the key issues affecting success following release, in the film *Preparing for Success*, viewers watch returning citizens discuss their real feelings about their past, present, and future. Reentry material included.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Making Changes**

**Saturday, July 14, 3-4 pm, Room 1** *Release and Beyond: Lifestyle Changes*, is a film which reveals what returning citizens should expect on the day of release and the actions they can take to increase their chances of making a successful transition. Encourages individuals to evaluate their behavior and persevere in spite of rejections. Reentry information available.

**Reentry in Motion: Triggers**  
**Tuesday, July 17, 11 am-12 pm, Room 1** This program

showcases the video *Release and Beyond: Relapse Triggers*, which takes returning citizens, step-by-step, through the transition process—from incarceration to community reintegration. The film includes candid interviews, with professionals and returning people, on what to expect as released individuals transition to the free world. *Release and Beyond* also highlights the actions the formerly incarcerated must take to prevent relapse. Reentry resources included.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Have You Been Convicted of a Felony?**

**Saturday, August 4, 3-4 pm, Room 1** What should you say when an employer asks, "Have you been convicted of a felony? If yes, explain." In this Reentry in Motion program, the film *Tough Question, Straight Answers: Disclosing Your Criminal Record to an Employer*, will explain how to discuss one's record honestly. The film includes returning citizens, employers, and others who discuss their views, and reveal what does and doesn't work. Reentry information provided.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Why hope?**

**Tuesday, August 14, 11 am-12 pm, Room 1** How can inmates and returning citizens keep hope alive when they seem to face a hopeless situation? Offenders' reaction to the correctional experience typically include terror, isolation, alienation, hostility, acute depression, emotional instability, anger, rage, and the ultimate soul-killer, hopelessness. The hard-hitting program, *Why Bother? Finding the Will to Go On*, helps returning individuals constructively answer the question, "Why bother? Why try? Why hope? Why change? Its message is very clear: Life is worth living when you have hopes and dreams to pursue. Includes reentry resources.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Resumes and Cover Letters for Returning Citizens**

**Saturday, August 25, 3-4 pm, Room 1** Returning citizens in search

of good jobs need to develop impressive resumes, cover letters, and portfolios that are sensitive to the do's and don'ts of presenting prison experience. Focusing on the returning citizen experience, the film *Resumes, Cover Letters, and Portfolios for Ex-Offenders*, explains the "must-haves" and explores the "how-tos" of key job search tools. The film will also examine different types of resumes and letters that best portray skills, qualifications, and experience. Reentry handouts available.

#### **Reentry in Motion: Violence** **Tuesday, August 28, 11 am-12:30 pm**

Examining reentry and the issue of male violence as it relates to the male role belief system, the film *Manhood and Violence: Fatal Peril*, focuses on nine men who have either re-offended or violated the terms and conditions of their probation or parole. The men have all been court-mandated to participate in an intensive four-month violence prevention project where the re-arrest rate for violent offenses by the program's participants dropped by 80 percent! Reentry information included.

**CHILDREN'S LIBRARY**  
330-643-9050

**Geekfest 2018 Mini-Comicon and Mind, Body & Sole Kick Off**

**Saturday, June 2, 12-4 pm** Cosplay contests, featured speakers, and fun. Also, register for the summer reading program. All ages invited.

**School Age Programs**  
**Mind, Body & Sole Weekly Programs**

**Wednesdays, June 6-July 25, 2 pm** Closed on July 4th. Groups of ten or more, please call ahead to register.

**June 6:** Outback Ray-Learn about cool animals

**June 13:** Bubble Lady-The wonderful world of bubbles

**June 20:** Magician Rick Smith, Jr.-Cutting edge, breathtaking magic

**June 27:** Elec Simon-Join us for a stomping, drumming good time!

**July 11:** David Anthony-Don't miss

this unique magic show

**July 18:** Steel Drum Band-Enjoy the cool sounds of the Steel Drum

**July 25:** Join us for a special Musical Summer Reading Party

#### **Minecraft Club**

**Tuesdays, June 26, July 24, August 7, 2-3:30 pm** Grades 3 and up, join us to mine and craft on our multi-player server. Space is limited; registration requested.

#### **Makey Makey Workshop**

**Saturday, June 30, 2 pm** Grades 3 and up can join us and play around with our Makey Makey circuit kits, and discover all of the things it can do. Space is limited; registration requested.

#### **Family Programs**

##### **Builders' Club**

**Saturdays, June 23, August 25, 2 pm** Build and create with a variety of building materials including Lego's and CitiBlocs.

##### **Campfire Outdoor Story Time** **Second Tuesday night of each month, June 12, July 10, August 14, 6:30 pm**

Enjoy a special family story time in the library amphitheater on Main St. with stories, songs, a craft, and a snack. Bring a blanket or towel to sit on. Program will be held in the Children's Program Room in cases of inclement weather.

##### **Drive-In Car Rally**

**Saturday, July 28, 2 pm** Families can join us at the library to create their very own cardboard box cars, then enjoy some short movies! Snacks will be provided.

##### **Summer Movies**

**Thursdays, June 7-August 16, 1:30 pm** Chill in our Auditorium and enjoy these movies! Groups welcome.

**June 7:** Sing!-Rated PG, 105 min.

**June 14:** Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Long Haul-Rated PG, 91 min.

**June 21:** Beauty and the Beast-Rated G, 85 min.

**June 28:** Coco-Rated PG, 105 min.

**July 5:** Lion King-Rated G, 88 min.

**July 12:** Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory -Rated G, 100 min.

**July 19:** Incredibles-Rated PG, 115 min.

**July 26:** Mulan- Rated G, 100 min.

**August 2:** Despicable Me 3-Rated PG, 90 min.

**August 9:** Aladdin-Rated G, 91 min.

**August 16:** Lego Batman-Rated PG, 104 min.

#### **Early Childhood Programs**

##### **Music and Movement Mondays** **Mondays, June 4-July 23, 10:30 am**

Put on your dancing shoes and get ready to shake your sillies out! For children ages 2 to 5 years and their caregiver.

##### **A Time to Play**

**Second Tuesday of each month, 10:30-11:30 am** Children learn through play, and we like to play in the Children's Library! This summer we will celebrate how "Libraries Rock!" Hands-on, age-appropriate, creative play, STEAM experiences and materials will be available for young children and their families. Explore, make friends, share stories, create and play with us.

**June 12:** We Will Rock You! "Rock out" and learn through music this month. Participate in music and movement activities from Bach to Rock.

**July 10:** Rock On! Preschoolers love collecting rocks and learning about them. This month we will combine science, math, literacy and art as we explore and study rocks, and tell stone stories.

**August 14:** School of Rock: Get ready for school and learning success at this month's playtime. We'll focus on readiness skills such as rhyming, pre-math games, and social development strategies.

##### **Baby Time**

**Every Wednesday, 10:30 am** A 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.  
**July 11 and July 18:** Join us for a special guest, Miss Marissa from Music Together.

##### **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.

**June 2:** Geek Out on Stories as part of Geekfest

**June 16:** Story Time Rocks! Join us for stories about rocks.

**July 7:** Books with a Beat-These rhyming books will put a beat in your feet and a "ta-tum" in your drum.

**July 21:** Beach Party! Dip your toes

in the sand or ride the tide at our totally gnarly beach party.

**August 4:** Hervé Tullet Art Workshop

**August 18:** I Scream for Ice Cream! - Join us for stories and songs about our favorite frozen treats, then make some homemade ice cream in a bag.

##### **Paws for Reading**

**Second Saturday of each month, June 9, July 14, August 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.

##### **Yoga Play**

**Mondays in August, 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.

##### **CULTURE & AV**

**330-643-9015**

##### **Thursday Movies@Main**

All Thursday evening movies are free and open to the public shown in the Main Library auditorium at 6 or 6:30 pm. Weekly through the summer. Call Culture & AV division at 330-643-9015 for times and titles.

##### **First Wednesday Book Group**

**Wednesdays, June 6, July 11, 6:30-8 pm** Meeting Room 1 doors open at 6 pm. For more information on our lively group or the next title email [cadv@akronlibrary.org](mailto: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.

##### **Yarn Lovers @ The Library**

**Third Wednesdays, June 20, July 18, 12-2 pm** In the Stray Dog Café. Drop by for the two hours or anytime in between. Bring your own lunch or purchase at the Café. You're welcome to bring a current project. Knitting and crochet assistance available when possible.

##### **Poetry Hour**

**Saturday, August 11, 3-4 pm** Door opens at 2 pm. Meeting Room 1. Calling local poets! You are invited to read your original poems. Poetry lovers are welcome to listen to our local poets. Coffee and cookies provided. Adults ages 18 and over. Poems read at Poetry Hour should not be overtly explicit in language or subject matter. Registration requested: email [cadv@akronlibrary.org](mailto: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**

Please contact Science & Technology to reserve your spot in these programs.

##### **Introduction to Intellectual Property**

**Tuesdays, June 12, August 7, 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, June 16, August 11, 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 Office website. Class will meet in Meeting Room 1 on the High Street Level.

##### **Science Café-Eastern Bluebirds in Summit County**

**Saturday, June 23, 10:30-11:30 am** Marcy Grande of the Ohio Bluebird Society leads our Science Café discussion about the Eastern Bluebirds, their nesting habits and the importance of reporting these findings to the Ohio Bluebird Society. This program will meet in the Science & Technology Division on the Main Street level.

##### **Ask a Patent Attorney**

**Monday, August 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 in advance. Contact the Science & Technology Division beginning July

7 to make an appointment. No need to register for these programs:

**Lunchtime Bird Watching**  
**Every Thursday, 12:15-12:25 pm**  
Join us as we do our weekly count of bird species found in Downtown Akron. The group meets in the Library Park on the corner of Main and Mill Streets.

**Tai Chi with Nancy Gardner**  
**Wednesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 12:15-1 pm**  
Relax and re-energize your work day with outdoor Tai Chi, in the Library Park at the corner of Main & Mill Streets (rain location, Meeting Room 2 AB across from the Auditorium). Wear exercise shoes and comfortable clothing, and bring a water bottle.

**Akron Inventors Club**  
**Second Thursday of every month, June 14, July 12, August 9, 6-7:30 pm**  
Inventors and entrepreneurs, the Akron Inventors Club is free and open to all with an interest in invention and innovation. Monthly meetings feature a variety of speakers and informational programs as well as a chance to network with like-minded innovators. The club meets in Meeting Room 2AB on the High Street Level.

**Urban Homesteading, a Modern Approach**  
**Friday, August 3, 4-7 pm**  
Main Library's Atrium will become an exposition of homestead skills and off-grid living by people practicing these in our community. Learn about urban farming, food preservation, composting, bee keeping, quilting, hydroponics, chicken farming, spinning, and so much more. Have a homesteading skill you want to share? Contact Science & Technology by July 3 to learn how you can take part.

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**  
**330-643-9030**  
**Using Ancestry in Your Genealogy Research**  
**Saturday, June 9, 10:30 am-12:30 pm**  
With over 10,000 databases and billions of images, Ancestry is the premier online genealogy resource—and it's available to you for free within any ASCPL location. 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. Registration requested.

**Online Resources for Genealogy and Local History with Carla Cegielski**  
**Saturday, June 23, 10:30 am-1 pm**  
Learn about using two unique and underutilized genealogy databases, Digital Ohio and Internet Archive. Carla will demonstrate how to access these amazing records and repositories and the genealogical treasures they hold. The program is free and open to the public and will be in Meeting Room 2AB. To register or for more information, contact the Special Collections Division at 330-643-9030 or email [speccollections@akronlibrary.org](mailto:speccollections@akronlibrary.org).

**DNA and Genetic Genealogy Featuring CeCe Moore**  
**Saturday, July 28, 9:30 am-4 pm**  
CeCe Moore is an independent professional genetic genealogist and media consultant who is considered an innovator in the use of DNA for genealogy and unknown parentage research. The program is free and open to the public and will be in the Main Library Auditorium. To register or for more information, contact the Special Collections Division at 330-643-9030 or email [speccollections@akronlibrary.org](mailto:speccollections@akronlibrary.org).

**Getting Started in African American Genealogy**  
**Saturday, August 4, 10:30 am-12:30 pm**  
Do you want to trace your African American family tree? Not sure how or where to begin? The Special Collections Division presents a two-hour session for genealogy beginners who have a specific interest in African American ancestral research. This class meets in Meeting Room 2AB. 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, heat press, 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](mailto: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.

**Geekfest 2018**  
**Saturday, June 2, 12-4 pm**  
Can't make it to San Diego Comic-Con? Join us at our free mini-Comicon dressed as your favorite character. We'll have cosplayers, cosplay contests, featured speakers, droids, fun activities, and much more!

**Album Pixel Art**  
**Tuesday, June 12, 3 pm**  
Create a pixelated version of your favorite album cover using Perler beads! Feel free to bring an image of your favorite album, or browse our CD collection to find inspiration.

**\*I Love the '70s**  
**Tuesday, June 19, 3 pm**  
Make a pet rock, a lava lamp, a record album bowl and enjoy some fondue as we pay tribute to the funkadelic '70s. Groovy!

**\*Anime Afternoon**  
**Tuesday, June 26, 3 pm**  
Join us at the library and share your love of anime and manga! Watch anime while we make a craft and eat Japanese snacks.

**\*Cake, Rattle, and Roll**  
**Tuesday, July 10, 3 pm**  
Join us to make mug cakes and flex your music trivia knowledge! Build your own mug cake with fun mix-ins, then decorate to your heart's content with frosting, sprinkles, and more! While our cakes bake, we'll play Name That Tune and quiz you with music themed trivia.

**\*Rockin' Art**  
**Tuesday, July 17, 3 pm**  
Stop by and make a cool sheet music candle holder and paint some rocks to decorate your room or share with a friend or two. Registration is appreciated.

**\*Lyric Art**  
**Tuesday, July 24, 3 pm**  
Create unique artwork using your favorite song lyrics. Registration is appreciated.

## 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**  
**June 19** *The Immortalists* by Chloe Benjamin  
**July 17** *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng  
**August 21** *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles

**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.  
**June 11** *The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu* by Joshua Hammer  
**July 9** *Wangs vs. the World* by Jade Chang  
**August 13** *Everyone Brave is Forgiven* by Chris Cleave

**Ellet Needle Crafters**  
**First and third Monday of the month, June 4, 18, July 2, 16, August 6, 20, 3:30-5 pm**  
Do you like to share techniques, ideas and suggestions? All levels of expertise and all ages welcome.

**Cool Summer Concerts**  
**Saturdays, 1 pm**  
Spread out on the front lawn and enjoy free concerts from some of the best local bands around! If weather is unfavorable, concert will be moved inside.  
**June 9** David Loy and the Ramrods  
**June 23** Librarians With Hickeys  
**July 14** Celtic Rush

**Early Bird Movie Matinee**  
**Thursday, June 14, July 12, August 9, 10:15 am**  
Enjoy a fun family-friendly movie on the big screen!

**Kathy Kilpatrick – Memory Fitness Matters**  
**Wednesday, June 13, 1:30 pm**  
Spend a lot of time looking for misplaced items or trying to recall a person's name? Forgot why you went into a room or have trouble thinking of a specific word? Give



your brain a workout! Learn new strategies for building more effective memory and keeping your train of thought in this inspirational and informative program.

### **Enchanted Art – Alphonse Mucha with Felicia Z. Stadelman**

**Tuesday, July 17, 5 pm** Le Style Mucha, as it's known, epitomizes the Art Nouveau Movement, and yet Mucha's name is barely known. His unforgettable images of enchanted women, streaming hair, and flowing fabrics were the result of his interpretation of art as a "mysterious and irresistible force propelling me through life" compelling his vision that "the universe is benevolent, happiness is within our reach if only we know how to grasp it." Learn about the life of Alphonse Mucha and recreate artwork in his style. Please register for this program starting June 25 as space and supplies are limited.

### **Computer Training**

**Mondays, 1:30 pm** Please note: programs in this series are demonstrations and not hands-on computer classes. No registration required.

### **July 16: Cord Cutting: Or How to Turn Your "Dumb" TV Into a Smart TV**

Cord cutting refers to canceling traditional cable subscriptions and opting for streaming options instead. Learn about what those streaming options are and how to cut the cord.

### **July 23: Transfer Digital Photos**

Do you have digital photos stored on your camera, phone, flash drive or disc? Learn how to easily transfer those images to your computer so you can begin organizing, editing, printing and sharing.

### **Memory Cafe: An Early Stage Dementia Program**

**Wednesdays, July 25, August 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. Meaningful social and educational activities promote social interaction, companionship, and learning. 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.

### **Coloring Anytime!**

Stop the world and embrace your inner child! Studies show coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and help promote overall wellness. Stop in any time and color! New coloring pages will be set out each month for you to color at your leisure.

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

### **Creating Delicious Dog Treats**

**Thursday, June 7, 6:30 pm** For the love of pooches! Join in on the fun as we make simple and yummy dog treats for that special pooch in your life. You can take them home for your own pooch or give them to your local dog shelter to share with pooches looking for a forever home. We'll take care of all the supplies needed to make the treats, just bring yourself and your friends! Please stop by the library or call 330-666-4888 to register. Please register.

### **Eyes on the Skies**

**Thursday, June 14, 6:30 pm** John Shulan from the Summit County Astronomy Club gives a presentation on basic astronomy and discusses the new Fairlawn Rotary Observatory located in the Bath Nature Preserve. Learn about the wonders of our universe and the brand new five-telescope observatory right here in Akron!

### **Invest in Your Child's Future**

**Thursday, June 21, 6:30 pm** College graduates earn 68% more than high school graduates, while experiencing lower unemployment. This program will compare the different ways to pay for college that could save you money. Learn about 529, Coverdale and UTMA Plans, tax-deferred growth, estate planning, tax-free withdrawals, gifting, and account owner control.

### **How to Spot and Stop a Scam**

**Thursday, June 28, 6:30 pm** Daisha Dancy of the Summit County Office of Consumer Affairs talks about the various types of financial scams that people, especially seniors, often fall victim to. She will provide information on how to avoid these scams, knowledge on what the scammers can and can't say, and how to identify a scam.

### **Hiking the Buckeye Trail**

**Thursday, July 12, 6 pm** Chuck and Beth Hewett discuss their

book *Wandering Ohio: A Buckeye Trail Thru-Hike*. Their 76-day, 1400-mile trek included canals, Native American ceremonial grounds, museums, and interesting Bed and Breakfasts. The book will be available for purchase and a book signing will follow the presentation.

### **Apple Phone/Tablet – Demo**

**Thursday, July 19, 6 pm** Get a front row seat for a tour of the Apple operating system. Learn about Settings, App Store, the camera, and more. Bring some questions of your own, too.

### **Android Phone/Tablet – Demo**

**Thursday, July 26, 6 pm** Get a front row seat for a tour of the Android operating system. Learn about Settings, Play Store, the camera, and more. Bring some questions of your own, too.

### **Arabic Culinary Demonstration**

**Thursday, August 2, 6 pm** Arabic cultural expert Alia Almashni presents an interactive program on healthy Middle Eastern snacks and demonstrates how to prepare a delicious recipe from scratch. Attendees will be able to participate in the making of a classic Middle Eastern dish such as hummus or baba ganoush and sample the results.

### **Irving Berlin and the Great American Songbook**

**Thursday, August 9, 6:30 pm** Local expert Gene Kiefer delivers a multimedia presentation on American composer and lyricist Irving Berlin. Widely considered one of the greatest songwriters in American history, Irving Berlin created music that forms a large part of the Great American songbook.

### **Ready to Retire**

**Thursday, August 23, 6:30 pm** Whether you're retiring now or a few years down the road, make sure you're on track to live the retirement of your dreams. No matter where you are in your retirement planning, armed with this simple yet powerful information, you can learn how to avoid the mistakes made by so many others. Learn about Social Security planning, when to draw down, traditional IRAs vs. Roth IRAs, federal and state retirement vs. Social Security, and 401K planning.

### **The World Within: C. G. Jung in His Own Words – A Documentary Film**

**Saturday, August 25, 1:30 pm**

The Swiss Psychiatrist, scholar, and founder of Analytical Psychology, Carl Jung, spent a lifetime exploring the profound truths contained in dreams and other expressions emanating from the "world within" all of us. Join Jungian trained writer and musician David Palomo, MA, and local Jungian Psychotherapist, John Troyer, MA, as they host a showing of the film with discussion following, to learn about the remarkable discoveries made by this seminal figure in the study of the human psyche.

### **Adult Coloring**

**Thursdays, June 21, July 19, August 16, 1 pm** Take a break from your busy day and visit the library to relax and de-stress. Coloring pages, colored pencils, and refreshments will be provided. These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Fairlawn-Bath Branch Library.

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

**June 11:** *Flight of the Sparrow* by Amy Belding Brown

**July 9:** *The Ship of Brides* by JoJo Moyes

**August 13:** *The Ringmaster's Wife* by Kristy Cambron

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

### **Computer Training**

**Monday, July 9, 10:30 am-12 pm** MS Word 1

**Wednesday, July 11, 6-7:30 pm** MS Word 2

**Thursday, July 12, 10:30 am-12 pm** MS Word 3

**Friday, July 13, 2-3:30 pm** MS Word 4

### **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.

**June** *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty

**July** *Petty: The Biography* by Warren Zanes

**August** *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn

### **Inspiration Book Club @ Firestone Park Community Center**

**Wednesday evenings, June**

**6, August 1, 7 pm** Join friends

and neighbors at the Firestone Park Community Center for a monthly book club open to all in Firestone Park and surrounding neighborhoods. This book club

reads a variety of genres, fiction and non-fiction, and will meet the first Wednesday of every month. Newcomers are always welcome.

### **Needle Crafting**

**Second and fourth Monday evenings, June 11, 25, July 9, 23, August 13, 27, 6 pm** Enjoy discussion and share knit and crochet projects.

### **Coloring Club**

**Thursday afternoons, June 7, July 12, August 16, 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. This program is great for any skill level.

### **Painting Classes @ Firestone Park Community Center**

**Wednesday afternoons, June 13, July 11, 1 pm** Create your own beautiful, summer paintings with friends at the Firestone Park Community Center. All supplies are included! Space is limited, please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

### **Sedona Bracelets**

**Tuesday, June 5, 6 pm** Let Jennie Thewlis, owner of Beadini Boutique, teach you how to create a Sedona Bracelet in this fun and easy jewelry making class. No tools needed and many color options are available. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

### **Rock Star Drawing Lesson**

**Tuesday, June 26, 6 pm** Join local artist Joel Jagger as he teaches a practical class where you will learn how to draw with pencil and paper. Compete a drawing of a famous rock star using concepts such as line, shape, light, and negative space. All supplies are provided. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

### **Musical Bingo**

**Thursday, July 19, 2 pm** A fun new twist on the classic game, Musical Bingo uses popular bands and musicians in place of numbers. Join us for a fun night of music and prizes! Please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

### **Zumba Class**

**Tuesday, July 31, 6 pm** Join Coral Abel from Dance Abel Studios for an exciting Zumba class! Zumba is a great way to lose weight, improve coordination, gain self-esteem, and

feel happy. Beginners are welcome. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-724-2126.

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

#### **Read It**

#### **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.

**June** *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance

**July** *The Woman Upstairs* by Claire Messud

**August** *The Orphan's Tale* by Pam Jenoff

#### **Create It**

#### **Color It So**

**First Tuesday of each month, June 5, July 3, August 7, 12:30 pm**

Join the craze that has grown-ups acting like kids again. Spend a relaxing time coloring with us. We'll provide coloring sheets designed specifically for adults, plus colored pencils, markers and crayons. Blank paper will be available to those who like to craft their own drawings. Large groups, please call ahead with number of attendees, so we can ensure seating accommodations.

#### **Alcohol Ink Sampler**

**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 pm** Join Amy and Kassy and learn how to make your own alcohol ink abstract art piece. Class size is limited to 20 adult/teen (16 & over) participants. Please register.

#### **DIY Summer Sign**

**Monday, July 9, 6 pm** Paint your very own faux wood summer sign! Perfect for your wall or porch. Join Kimmy Henderson of Makikisart as she guides you to create your own work of art. You get to choose the design, colors and words to make your sign original. Class size is limited to 15 adult participants. Registration begins Monday, June 11.

#### **Art on the "Rocks"**

**Thursday, August 23, 12:30-2 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. Registration begins Thursday, July 26.

#### **Enjoy It**

#### **Movie Matinee Mondays**

**Mondays, 1 pm** All ages welcome.

Groups, please register in advance for each movie due to limited seating.

#### **Wonder (PG) (113 minutes) - June 11**

A 10-year-old boy with a facial deformity attends school for the first time when he begins the fifth grade. With the support of his parents, he learns how to make friends and adjust to his new environment.

#### **Coco (PG) (109 minutes) - June 25**

A boy journeys into the Land of the Dead to seek forgiveness from his ancestors and lift a curse.

#### **Rock Dog (PG) (90 minutes) - July 9**

A Tibetan mastiff living in a remote mountain community dreams of being a rock star. But when he heads to the big city to seek his fortune, his unprotected flock of sheep are preyed upon by a hungry wolf.

#### **The Lego Ninjago Movie (PG) (90 minutes) - July 23**

High school students moonlight as ninjas, and fight to defend their island of Ninjago.

#### **Puzzle Pizzazz Time**

#### **Second Thursday of each month, June 14, July 12, August 9, 12:30-2 pm**

Do you like solving puzzles? If you like word searches, dot-to-dots, 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. Large groups, please call ahead with number of attendees, so we can ensure seating accommodations.

#### **Rockin' the Stacks**

#### **Friday, June 15, 6:30-8:30 pm**

Join us for a semi-unplugged show featuring "STR Trio." This group of musicians play a broad range of styles including: Collective Soul, Foo Fighters, Journey, Night Ranger, Bryan Adams, Bon Jovi, Pink Floyd, Matchbox 20, Van Morrison, Poison, Train, Foreigner, Live, Jimmy Buffet, Black Crowes, and many more. Refreshments, including mocktails, will be provided courtesy of the Friends of the Goodyear Branch Library. No tickets or reservations are required for this adult after-hours Library event. Just come on in and enjoy our rockin' show.

#### **Back to School Ice Cream Social**

**Saturday, August 18, 1-3 pm** Let's all scream for ice cream! Join us for an end-of-the-summer, back-to-school party. We will have toppings

available for you to customize your icy treat and fun games to play.

#### **Learn It**

#### **Streaming TV: Or How to Turn Your "Dumb" TV into a Smart TV Monday, June 11, 6-7:30 pm**

Cord cutting refers to canceling traditional cable subscriptions and opting for streaming options instead. Learn about what those streaming options are and how to cut the cord. This is a demonstration style class. Please register in advance.

#### **Hollywood Legend Jack Nicholson**

**Monday, June 18, 6:30 pm** Ohio author Scott Edwards will speak about his book, *Quintessential Jack: The Art of Jack Nicholson on Screen*. Drawing on years of research and dozens of interviews with his associates, this critical study examines each of Nicholson's film roles, as well as his screenwriting and directorial efforts. A Q&A with the author will follow the program. Edwards will also have books to sell and sign after the program. Refreshments will be served courtesy of the Friends of the Goodyear Branch Library. Please register in advance.

#### **Living Mindfully: An Introduction to Meditation and Mindfulness**

**Monday, June 25, 6:30 pm** In a world that can feel increasingly chaotic and divisive, meditation provides a path home to your true peaceful and compassionate self. This presentation includes an introduction to the concepts and practices related to meditation and mindfulness, a discussion of the benefits of developing a personal practice, and a brief guided meditation to introduce participants to the experience of meditating. Please register in advance.

#### **Discover Your Family History @ the Library**

**Fourth Wednesday of each month, 2-3:30 pm** Each session is limited to 15 participants, so please register in advance for each class. (As we will be using electronic resources, basic computer skills are recommended.) **June 27** - Getting Started in Family History - Join the Special Collections Division for an introduction to genealogy for new family historians. This class includes an overview of genealogical sources available at the library, suggestions for getting started, and tips for organizing your research.

**July 25** - Using Historical Newspapers in Your Genealogy Research - Historical newspapers should be a "primary" source for all genealogists. 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 class will take a look at accessing newspaper content through a variety of resources.

**August 22** - Using Ancestry in Your Genealogy Research - With over 10,000 databases and billions of images, Ancestry is the premier online genealogy resource-and it's available to you for free within any ASCPL location. This class will introduce you to the many features of Ancestry Library Edition and show you how to do efficient and effective searches.

#### **Mobile Maker from the TechZone@Main**

**Monday, July 2, 6-7:30 pm** Learn about the many new and exciting gadgets available in the TechZone@Main Library - 3D Printer, Recording Studios, Button Maker, Embroidery Machine, Heat Press, Laser Engraver, and Vinyl Printer just to name a few. Join one of our Technology Trainers as they explain the different types of equipment available for use and share examples of what these machines can do. TechZone is a perfect place to create unique birthday and graduation gifts! All attendees can make a free button to take home. A family-friendly event! Please register in advance beginning, Monday, June 4.

#### **What's Cookin' - Cool Treats to Beat the Heat**

**Tuesday, July 31, 6 pm** Join Tonya and Nathan and sample some dessert dips, no-bake cookies, and smoothies. These recipes are sure to keep you cool this summer. Class size is limited to 25 adult/teen (16 & over) participants. Registration begins Tuesday, July 3.

#### **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, August 27, 6-7:30 pm** - Microsoft Excel, Part 1  
**Tuesday, August 28, 6-7:30 pm** - Microsoft Excel, Part 2  
**Wednesday, August 29, 6-7:30 pm** - Microsoft Excel, Part 3

**Tuesday, September 4, 6-7:30 pm** - Microsoft Excel, Part 4

**Wednesday, September 5, 6-7:30 pm** - Microsoft Excel, Part 5

**Thursday, September 6, 6-7:30 pm** - Microsoft Excel, Part 6

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

#### **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.

#### **Transfer Photos**

**Monday, June 4, 2 pm** Do you have digital photos stored on your camera, phone, flash drive or disc? Bring a flash drive and learn how to easily transfer those images to your computer so you can begin organizing, editing, printing and sharing.

#### **Photo Editing Tools**

**Tuesday, June 5, 2 pm** There are some excellent photo editing tools out there. Watch a demonstration of some free photo editing recommendations and try some editing yourself.

#### **Shutterfly**

**Thursday, June 7, 2 pm** Take a tour of Shutterfly and learn how to upload photos, and create photo books, personalized photo cards & stationery.

#### **Open Lab Workshop**

**Friday, June 8, 2 pm** Join us with your questions and practice what you have learned in our computer classes! Open lab time is an opportunity to work on computers in the lab with an instructor present to answer any questions you might have.

#### **Crafting with Technology Series**

**Monday, June 11, 2 pm & Thursday, June 14, 2 pm** Join members of the Library's Electronic Services Division as they present two programs teaching users the ins and outs of Pinterest. Participants will design their own crafts in the first session, and make them come to life in the second, using the Silhouette or button maker machines from the Main Library's TECHZONE@MAIN.

#### **Create your Own Dragonfly Cards**

**June 4 - June 9** This is a do-it-yourself craft. We provide the materials, you glue and create at home!

#### **George Custer and the Battle of the Little Bighorn**

**Monday, June 25, 6 pm** On the one hundred forty-second anniversary of the Battle of the Little Bighorn, Cass Kuhl--American Civil War enthusiast--will discuss not just George Custer, but the other prominent individuals involved in this tragic event.

#### **An Evening with Sports Columnist Terry Pluto**

**Monday, July 9, 6:30 pm** Join Terry Pluto, author and sports columnist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer, in a discussion that will cover all Cleveland sports.

#### **Introduction to Creative Lettering with Larry Gabler**

**Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 pm** For Teens and Adults. Learn techniques that you will use to create your own custom design bookmark. Please register in advance.

#### **Ohio First Ladies**

**Monday, July 23, 6:30 pm** The State of Ohio is home to seven First Ladies who have made significant contributions to society and the making of a President. Florence Kling Harding will share interesting and some little-known facts about the ladies who lived in the White House. Meet Florence and learn about these ladies whose husbands were elected as President of the United States. Sharon Rae Snowden, Presenter, Women in History

#### **Adult Craft - Coastal Ornament**

**Thursday, July 26, 6:30 pm** The beach in a glass. This craft is the perfect way to get your beach fix and create a new decoration for your home. Registration will begin on Thursday, July 12.

#### **Introduction to Exercise**

**Monday, August 6, 2 pm** Presented by Lisa J. Kelleman-McClain, CPT, of Build A Body Personal Training. Ms. Kelleman-McClain will introduce us to some beginning exercise movements and how to do them safely. Registration will begin on Monday, July 16.

#### **Ohio Canal History in Summit County**

**Monday, August 27, 6:30 pm** Join historian Ronald Reid as we travel back in time to when there were over 150 canal boats in use per day. Learn how the canalways shaped the history of Ohio and the important role they played in our area; view route maps and photographs of what life was like

and enjoy a few old canal era songs. Find out how you can experience life on a canal boat first hand by riding the St. Helena III in Canal Fulton.

#### **Cookbook Club**

**Wednesdays, June 13, July 11, August 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**

**June 12:** *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce

**July 10:** Reread and share your favorite book

**August 14:** *Napoleon's Last Island* by Thomas Keneally

##### **Evening Book Discussion**

##### **Wednesdays, 6 pm**

**June 20:** *Do Not Become Alarmed* by Maile Meloy

**July 18:** *Goodbye, Vitamin* by Rachel Khong

**August 15:** *Hello, Sunshine* by Laura Dave

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

##### **Tuesdays, 6:30 pm**

**June 19:** *In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote

**July 17:** *The Good Earth* by Pearl S. Buck

**August 21:** *The Yellow Wallpaper* by Charlotte Perkins Gilman

#### **HIGHLAND SQUARE - 330-376-2927**

**807 W. Market St., Akron, 44303**  
Please register by calling 330-376-2927 or stopping in to visit us at the Highland Square Branch Library.

#### **How to Grow Terrific Tomatoes**

##### **Tuesday, June 12, 6:30-7:30 pm**

Learn about tomatoes, including the right varieties for your garden, how to correctly plant your tomatoes, suggestions on staking your plants, some ideas on starting your plants from seed, how to avoid insect damage, and ways to protect your tomatoes against disease. Find out about the history of the tomato, how to get the most out of your garden, and saving your tomato seeds for the next growing season. This program is presented by Summit County Master Gardener



Lee Paulson.

### **Nature Yoga & Art**

**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30-7:30 pm**

Join Lisa Meranti of OneTreeLove to explore your artistic nature. This class will provide a window into the world of nature art; mandala creation; and connecting to nature through yoga movement, music, and meditation. Elements from nature will be provided, but you are welcome to bring a small item with you.

### **Mindfulness Meditation for Your Health**

**Wednesday, July 18, 6:30-7:30 pm**

Meditation with Andy Davis, professional clinical counselor. This workshop is an introduction to mindfulness meditation and its current implications for health, stress, and brain function.

### **All Hands on Deck: Lifesaving Lessons—Hands-Only CPR Training**

**Thursday, July 19, 6:30 pm**

Almost 610,000 people are killed every year by heart attacks. Be prepared and learn how to help someone who may be experiencing cardiac arrest at this hands-only CPR training class. Adults and youth over 10 years old may attend. This workshop is presented by the Summit County Go Red For Women-Passion Committee and supported by the American Heart Association.

### **Sedona Bracelet Class**

**Saturday, July 21, 1:30-3:30 pm**

Make a Sedona bracelet, which is easy to create and fun to wear. This technique requires no tools, and many colors will be available to choose from. All materials are provided, along with a handout. Please register by calling or stopping in to visit us.

### **Using Historical Newspapers in Your Genealogy Research**

**Tuesday, July 24, 6-7:30 pm**

Historical newspapers should be a "primary" source for all genealogists. 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 class will take a look at accessing newspaper content through a variety of resources, and is presented by the Special Collections Department of the Akron Summit County Public Library.

### **Beginning Beekeeping Essentials for the First Year**

**Tuesday, July 31, 6-7:30 pm**

Have you considered having a beehive & wondered what is involved? Gaughan Bee Dancin' will present information about local ordinances, beehive placement, installing a package of bees, feeding & conducting hive inspections. A beehive & tools used to care for the bees will be demonstrated. There will be 15 minutes for a question and answer period after the presentation for anyone interested.

### **The Wonderful World of Ohio Owls**

**Tuesday, August 14, 6:30-7:30 pm**

This program presents information about species descriptions, natural history, behavior and research on Ohio owl species. Tips are given on how to hopefully search for and find owls in and around where you live. This program is presented by Judy Semroc, a conservation specialist with the Cleveland Museum of Natural History.

### **Relieve Stress with Adult Coloring**

**Wednesday, August 15, 11 am-12 pm**

Listen to relaxing music and color with friends, family, or our community. All supplies are provided.

### **Getting Started in Family History**

**Tuesday, August 21, 6-7:30 pm**

Join the Special Collections Division of the Akron-Summit County Public Library for an introduction to genealogy for new family historians. This class includes an overview of genealogical sources available at the library, suggestions for getting started, and tips for organizing your research.

### **Honeybee Decline and the Movement to Save Them**

**Tuesday, August 28, 6-7 pm**

Have you ever wondered why the honeybees are dying? Do you contemplate the importance of the honeybees to our eco system and food supply? Are you curious about what you can do to help save the honeybees? Join Kris and Evona with Gaughan Bee Dancin' to learn the answer to these important questions.

### **Computer Training**

No registration is required. 15 tickets will be distributed thirty minutes prior to class start.

**Tuesday, July 17, 2-3:30 pm** Basic Computer Skills

**Wednesday, July 18, 2-3:30 pm**

Windows 10

**Thursday, July 19, 2-3:30 pm**

File Management

**Friday, July 20, 2-3:30 pm**

Typing

**Tuesday, July 24, 2-3:30 pm**

PowerPoint 1

**Wednesday, July 25, 10:30-12 pm**

PowerPoint 2

**Thursday, July 26, 2-3:30 pm**

PowerPoint 3

**Friday, July 27, 2-3:30 pm**

MS Publisher

### **Book Discussion Group**

**Thursdays, 6:45-7:45 pm**

Meetings are usually the fourth Thursday of every month, at 6:45 pm. New members are always welcome.

**June 28** *Orphan's Tale* by Pam Jenoff

**July 26** *Eligible* by Curtis Sittenfeld

**August 23** *Women in the Castle* by Jessica Shattuck

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**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 are included with each book.

**June 11** *Legacy* by Danielle Steel

**July 9** *Lost Crown* by Sarah Miller

**August 13** *Reconstructing Amelia* by Kimberly McCreight

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### **Kenmore Craft Club**

**Mondays, June 18, July 23, 6 pm**

Join us to make an easy and fun craft.

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### **Sea Shell Wind Chimes**

**Saturday, June 23, 1 pm**

Join Bea Richardson to make a beautiful wind chime from sea shells. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 to register. Registration begins Friday, June 1.

### **Summer Stone Bracelet**

**Saturday, July 28, 1 pm**

Join Bea Richardson to create a lovely stone bracelet. Space is limited, so please call 330-745-6126 to register. Registration begins Monday, July 2.

**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. Discuss important heartfelt issues with your peers.

### **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.

### **Movie Mania in June**

**Wednesdays in June, 6 pm** Join us at the library, eat popcorn and enjoy a movie.

**June 6** Justice League Starring Ben Affleck

**June 13** Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle Starring Kevin Hart and Jack Black

**June 20** Black Panther Starring Chadwick Boseman

### **Beginners Knitting with Linda**

**Saturdays, June 23, 30, 2 pm**

If you've always wanted to learn or need to brush up on knitting, you don't want to miss this program. Linda Curry has taught classes at craft stores and at libraries. She will teach the basics steps to knitting in two instructional classes. Please call the branch to register.

### **Creative Painting with Tissue Paper**

**Saturday, July 7, 2 pm**

There is no paint involved in this craft. Using bleeding tissue paper, you will create a piece of art to hang on your wall. All supplies are provided by the library. Please call the branch to register.

### **Cardboard Tube DIY Craft**

**Wednesday, July 11, 6 pm**

This is not the craft from elementary school. Using cardboard tubes, you will make an elegant piece of art that you will be proud of. The piece could be framed or used as a free-style wall hanging. See what treasure you will create. Please call the branch to register.

### **Author Visit and Book Signing Spend an Afternoon with Author Carmen Williams**

**Saturday, July 14, 2 pm**

If you want to start the summer off right you must join us for a special visit with Carmen Williams, author of *Fit Over It: Discovering Ways to Live and Maintain a Healthy Lifestyle*. Ms. Williams will help you discover ways to live and maintain a healthy lifestyle. You'll learn how to broaden your awareness to become

successful. Ms. Williams provides strategies to help you win the battle. She'll explain ways for you to envision purpose and clarity to your life. Please call the branch to register.

**Chair Yoga with Nancy Hayes**  
**Wednesday, August 1, 6:30 pm**  
Chair Yoga is a gentle yoga class that is perfect for those who are unable to get up and down off the floor comfortably. Yoga postures will be done seated in a chair or standing, using the chair to help with support and balance. As a result, with the help of a chair anyone can practice yoga with the same benefits of increased circulation, balance, flexibility, mobility and strength. People of every age, ability, strength, or experience level are welcome to try this Chair Yoga session. Please call the branch to register.

**Racing Through the Holy-Land: 9000 Years in Nine Days**  
**Saturday, August 4, 2 pm** If you are curious about modern-day Israel and its Biblical history, please join us for this exciting program. Karen Eckert will share her experience when she traveled to Israel. She discusses the country's history, archaeology and modern-day facts as it relates to a Biblical context. Visit another country while visiting your library. Please call the branch to register.

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

**The Mystery Experience**  
**Thursday, June 14, 6 pm** We've received a mysterious package in the mail with a compelling mystery inside. Using objects, clues, puzzles and the power of observation we must make sense of what is in front of us. Put your detective skills to the test as we may find additional clues using websites to research character profiles, locations and much more. Part story, part game, all interactive- join us for a night of fun! Refreshments will be provided. Please call to register.

**Rock & Roll Bingo**  
**Thursday, June 21, 6 pm** Unleash your inner rock star and join us for a fun night of music and prizes. Rock & Roll Bingo is similar to a standard game, but instead of numbers on the board, the spots will be filled with the names of classic Rock favorites. Sing along, enjoy some light refreshments and hopefully take home a prize.

**Cutting the Cord: Or How to Turn your Dumb TV into a Smart TV**  
**Wednesday, July 18, 6 pm**  
Cord cutting refers to canceling traditional cable subscriptions and opting for streaming options instead. Learn about what those streaming options are and how to cut the cord.

**Glass Mosaic Coaster**  
**Thursday, August 9, 6 pm** Leona Bowser of GlassbyLeona will teach you how to create a colorful mosaic coaster. Participants will create a coaster from stained glass pieces using their own simple design or one provided by Leona. Please call to register for this program.

**End of Summer Concert with Sherilyn Leas**  
**Thursday, August 23, 6 pm** Spend an evening in our Reading Garden enjoying some classical music with our own Sherilyn Leas. Unwind while you have some refreshments during this relaxing musical experience. In case of rain, the concert will be indoors.

**Cookbook Club**  
**Thursdays, June 28, July 26, August 30, 6 pm** Do you love browsing through cookbooks and trying new recipes or cooking techniques? Join fellow foodies for our Cookbook Club. You don't have to be a gourmet chef to participate. 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. A selection of cookbooks will be available for members to borrow. Browse our collection, try out some of the recipes, and join the group to discuss your successes and mishaps. Snacks will be served at this program. Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.

**June 28: Better Homes and Gardens New Cookbook**  
**July 26: Joy of Cooking** by Irma S. Rombauer  
**August 30: Ohio Bicentennial Collectors Cookbook** by Sue Ann Fouché

**Investment Perspectives**  
**Tuesday, July 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 to register.

**Reader's Choice Book Discussion**  
**Wednesdays, 6:30 pm**  
**June 6:** *Young Jane Young* by Gabrielle Zevin  
**July 11:** *The Women in the Castle* by Jessica Shattuck  
**August 1:** *The American Spirit* by David McCullough

**Past Times Book Club**  
**Wednesdays, 2 pm**  
**July 18:** *These Shallow Graves* by Jennifer Donnelly

**Warm Up Akron**  
**Tuesdays, June 12, 26, July 10, 24, August 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. To date, this chapter has supplied over 8,000 afghans.

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

**Adult Speaker and Demonstration Programs**

**Workshops & Programs**  
Registration is suggested for the following programs:  
**Surf's Up - Beach Music of the 60s**  
**Thursday, June 7, 7 pm** Bill Brauning presents a special summer multimedia program highlighting the instrumental surf music of the 1960's, plus the vocal music of the Beach Boys, Jan & Dean, and many others.

**Living Mindfully: An Introduction to Meditation and Mindfulness**  
**Wednesday, June 20, 6:30 pm** In a world that can feel increasingly chaotic and divisive, meditation provides a path home to your true peaceful and compassionate self. This presentation includes an introduction to the concepts and practices related to meditation and mindfulness, a discussion of the benefits of developing a personal practice, and a brief guided meditation to introduce participants to the experience of meditating.

**"I'll Take Game Shows for \$500"**  
**Thursday, June 21, 7 pm** David Harding discusses the long and fascinating history of television game shows, highlighting the interesting hosts and the many types of games broadcast over the years.

**Raptors Up Close**  
**Saturday, July 14, 2:30 pm** Join the Ohio Bird Sanctuary for an educational, up close, live bird of

prey presentation! All ages welcome. Registration is suggested.

**Couponing 101**  
**Wednesday, July 18, 6 pm** Join couponing expert and blogger, Rachel Krych, as she presents Couponing 101. This fun and interactive class is great for beginners as well as those who have been couponing for a few years. This class covers many different topics such as where to get coupons, how to organize them, where and how to stack coupons, and how to save money at stores such as Giant Eagle.

**Shopping at the Stores (Couponing Pt. 2)**  
**Wednesday, July 25, 6 pm** Dive into the world of coupons! During this class, blogger, Rachel Krych, dives deeper into the world of couponing. She'll share tips on how to maximize your savings at specific stores as well as how to use money saving apps. Taking the first class, Couponing 101, is recommended but not mandatory.

**Quintessential Jack: The Art of Jack Nicholson**  
**Thursday, July 26, 7 pm** Author Scott Edwards discusses his recent book, a film viewers' guide chronicling the career of three-time Academy Award-winning actor Jack Nicholson.

**Author Andi Lawrencovna**  
**Thursday, August 2, 7 pm** This local author will discuss her recent "Charming" fantasy fiction series plus writing and the publishing experience.

**Vintage Cleveland**  
**Thursday, August 9, 7 pm** This presentation offers a tour of the city in days of yore, covering such prominent Cleveland landmarks as Public Square, the waterfront, Euclid Avenue, the Detroit-Superior Bridge subway, area amusement parks, and historic food markets.

**Adult Participation Programs**  
Registration is suggested for the following programs (unless noted):  
**Book Discussions**  
No registration necessary.  
**Monday, June 11, 2 pm** Monday Casual Reads. Celebrate our 12th year of fun light reads. "Reader's Choice" – Read a book of your choice and share the highlights with the group.  
**Thursday, June 14, 2 pm** DREAMLAND, by Sam Quinones.



**Wednesday, June 27, 7 pm**

Mystery Book Discussion Group. *SCORCHED EGGS*, by Laura Childs.

**Monday, July 9, 2 pm** Monday Casual Reads. *THE CURIOUS CHARMS OF ARTHUR PEPPER*, by Phaedra Patrick.

**Thursday, July 12, 2 pm**

*SWAMPLANDIA*, by Karen Russell.

**Wednesday, July 25, 7 pm** Mystery Book Discussion Group. *SLEEP LIKE A BABY*, by Charlaune Harris.

**Thursday, August 9, 2 pm** *SNOW FLOWER AND THE SECRET FAN*, by Lisa See.

**Monday, August 13, 2 pm** Monday Casual Reads. *QUENTINS*, by Maeve Binchy.

**Wednesday, August 22, 7 pm**

Mystery Book Discussion Group. "Reader's Choice" of a Keith McCafferty mystery.

**Crafters' Corner****Saturdays, June 2, July 7, August 4, 10 am-4 pm**

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

**Wellness Yoga: Yoga Off the Mat****Tuesdays, June 5, 19; July 10, 24; August 21, 28, 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.

**Stitch Clique****Tuesdays, June 12, July 10, August 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, June 13, July 11, August 8, 6:30 pm**

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

**Writers Guild of Nordonia Hills****Wednesdays, June 20, July 18, August 15, 6:30 pm**

Writers wanted! 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.

**Nordonia Hills Game Time****Saturdays, June 23, July 21, August 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.

**DIY: Marbled Paper****Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 pm**

Make beautiful marbled paper to use in card making, wrapping paper, and other crafts. Registration is suggested, as this class is limited to fifteen participants.

**Adult Coloring Night****Tuesdays, June 26, July 31, August 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.

**DIY: Puzzle Piece Coasters****Wednesday, August 1, 6:30 pm**

Make coasters for the home that are decorated with puzzle pieces for a truly unique look. Registration is suggested, as this class is limited to fifteen participants.

**NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423**

**183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310**

**North Hill Needles Crafters****Mondays, June 4-August 27, 10:15 am**

If you love to knit, crochet, and help others, this is the group for you. Everything this group makes is donated to helping agencies in our community. Are you new to crafting? We will be glad to get you started. If you have supplies or yarn to donate, we will put them to good use!

**Mind, Body & Sole Ice Cream Social****Wednesday, June 6, 6-7 pm**

Why should the kids have all the fun? Join us as we welcome summer with ice cream sundaes courtesy of the North Hill Friends of the Library and a visit from Webster from the Akron Rubber Ducks. While you are here,

take a moment to register for our Mind, Body & Sole reading program.

**Evening Book Discussion**

**Mondays, 6:30 pm** Books will be available to check out at our service desk one month prior to the discussion. New members are always welcome!

**June 4** *The Nest* by Cynthia D'Apris Sweeney

**July 2, 5:30 pm** Pizza and Movie Night – We will enjoy some pizza and watch a movie based on a book we have read. Space is limited so please call the branch to register for this program beginning Tuesday, June 5.

**August 6** *His for Hawk* by Helen Macdonald

**The Beatles in Cleveland****presented by Dave Schwensen****Monday, June 11, 6:30 pm**

Relive the excitement of Beatlemania as John, Paul, George and Ringo visit Cleveland for two of the wildest, out of control concerts in Beatles – and rock 'n' roll – history. Author Dave Schwensen will take you behind the scenes and on stage with The Fab Four through insider stories, rare concert films, never-before published photos and memorabilia. The evening's highlights will include films of The Beatles riotous concerts at Cleveland Public Auditorium in 1964 and Municipal Stadium in 1966. A splendid time is guaranteed for all!

**Streaming TV: Or How to Turn your "Dumb" TV into a Smart TV presented by Brett Neff****Monday, June 18, 6:30 pm**

Cord cutting refers to canceling traditional cable subscriptions and opting for streaming options instead. Learn about what those streaming options are and how to cut the cord. Note: This is a demonstration and not a hands-on computer class.

**Under the Radar presented by Ray Carmen****Monday, June 25, 6:30 pm**

Music enthusiast Ray Carmen presents Under the Radar, an hour-long program featuring music and videos by artists who refuse to swim in the mainstream!

**Transferring Photos presented by Brett Neff****Monday, July 9, 6:30 pm**

Do you have digital photos stored on your camera, phone, flash drive or disc? Learn how to easily transfer those images to your computer so you can

begin organizing, editing, printing and sharing.

**Gentle Yoga with Nia****Mondays, July 23, August 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 nature sounds and music. Please bring a yoga mat or a beach towel and a water bottle. New members are always welcome!

**Introduction to Meditation****Mondays, July 16, 30, August 6, 20, 6:30 pm**

Too much stress in life? Want to spend a little quality time with yourself? Or just want to learn how meditation can work for you? This 4-week "Introduction to Meditation" course offers an opportunity to practice and discuss several popular forms of meditation. We begin with a basic breathing meditation and add other practices each week. No previous meditation experience is necessary and all practices are offered in a non-religious manner – all faith traditions (or none at all) are welcome. The sessions will be led by members of the Center for Health, Happiness, and Chan, a local non-religious, non-profit organization.

**Computer Training**

**6-7:30 pm** All classes are free and hands-on. Classes are limited to 15 participants. We recommend that you arrive at least one-half hour before classes are scheduled to begin to obtain a ticket.

**Monday, July 30** MS Word, part 1

**Tuesday, July 31** MS Word, part 2

**Wednesday, August 1** MS Word, part 3

**Thursday, August 2** MS Word, part 4

**NORTHWEST AKRON – 330-836-1081**

**1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313**

**Introduction to Islam: A Woman's Perspective****Tuesday, June 12, 6 pm**

Toqa Hassan, researcher of Hijab and its influences on Muslim women, will be speaking about the basic tenets of Islam, the Islamic dress code, and the meaning of Hijab from a woman's perspective. Toqa is the Youth Director at Akron Masjid, a local mosque that serves the diverse and growing community of Muslims and Non-Muslims in and around Akron.

**Author Visit: Chuck and Beth Hewett**

**Tuesday, July 10, 6 pm** Authors of *Wandering Ohio: A Buckeye Trail Thru-Hike* share their experiences of their 76-day adventure hiking the 1,444-mile trail that offers a variety of natural wonders right here in Ohio.

**1920s Murder Mystery Dinner Wednesday, July 25, 6 pm** Have you always dreamed of being a detective? Are you fascinated with the Roarin' Twenties? Join us to solve a mysterious murder while enjoying dinner with friends and family in this multi-generational teen/adult program.

**Book Buzz Discussion Group Third Tuesday, 6 pm** at Nervous Dog Coffee Bar. This discussion group for all ages meets monthly to discuss nonfiction titles over drinks crafted by the baristas at Nervous Dog Coffee Bar. Copies of each title will be available at the Northwest Akron Branch Library a 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.

**June 19** *Dust Bowl Girls: The Inspiring Story of the Team that Barnstormed Its Way to Basketball Glory* by Lydia Reeder

**July 17** *The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore

**August 21** *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann

**Mystery Book Discussion Group Third Wednesdays, 1 pm**

**June 20** *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann

**July 18** *The Blessing Way* by Tony Hillerman

**August 15** *The Fix* by David Baldacci

**Computer Training**

**Monday, August 6, 6 pm** Excel 1  
**Tuesday, August 7, 10:30 am** Excel 2

**Wednesday, August 8, 10:30 am** Excel 3

**Thursday, August 9, 6 pm** Excel 1-3  
Practical Application

**Monday, August 13, 10:30 am** Excel 4

**Tuesday, August 14, 10:30 am** Excel 5

**Wednesday, August 15, 6 pm** Excel 6

**Thursday, August 16, 6 pm** Excel 4-6  
Practical Application

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

**Book Discussion**

**First Wednesday of each month**

Join us for good books, conversation and light refreshments.

**June 6, 11-12 am:** *The Giver* by Lois Lowry

**July 11, 1-3 pm:** Movie showing of *The Giver*

**August 1, 1-2 pm:** *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

**Coloring Fun**

**Wednesdays, June 20, July 25, August 15, 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.

**Easy Earrings with Jennie Thewlis**

**Monday, June 18, 2-4 pm** Join Jennie Thewlis of Beadini Boutique Design, as she teaches you how to use wire and pliers to make earrings. Each attendee will make two pairs to take home. Space is limited. Please register beginning June 4.

**The Buckeye Trail**

**Monday, June 25, 6-7:30 pm** Authors and avid hikers Chuck and Beth Hewett will be sharing their fascinating 1400-mile, 76-day hike of the Buckeye Trail, the longest loop trail in the nation. Their presentation will cover Ohio History, canals, Indian ceremonial grounds, museums, interesting B&Bs and all the wonderful people they met along the way. Copies of their book, *Wandering Ohio: A Buckeye Trail Thru-Hike*, will be available for purchase and signing.

**Beautiful Ohio: A Musical Adventure**

**Thursday, June 28, 6:30-7:30 pm** Mary Lou Jubin, an accomplished hammered dulcimer player and photographer, will share a musical adventure through Ohio. Open your heart, ears, and eyes to the beauty of Ohio as you enjoy the delightful sounds of the hammered dulcimer, along with stories and photos of our state, at this free concert.

**Fun with the Pre-Fab Four: Micky, Mike, Peter and Davy of The Monkees**

**Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 pm** Spend an hour with music enthusiast

Ray Carmen as he presents rarely seen videos and plays little-known songs from everyone's favorite manufactured pop band that went on to become a genuine recording and performing entity.

**Norton Bicentennial Parade**

**Monday, July 23, 6 pm** Norton is celebrating its Bicentennial all year, with a whole week of special events planned for July 22-28. Make sure to attend the big parade on Monday, and look for the Library's Bluebird Bookmobile. Hope to see you there!

**Seed Sharing**

**Thursday, August 2, 6 pm** Michele McNeal will be here discussing seed sharing and its benefits. Take advantage of this unique presentation and get ready, as the Akron-Summit County Public Library's seed sharing library will be visiting the Norton Branch in August and September!

**Streaming TV: Or How to Turn your "Dumb" TV into a Smart TV Thursday, August 9, 2 pm**

Cord cutting refers to canceling traditional cable subscriptions and opting for streaming options instead. Learn about what those streaming options are and how to cut the cord.

**End of Summer Concert and Games with 7 Mile Isle**

**Monday, August 13, 6:30 pm** Celebrate the end of summer with 7 Mile Isle steel drum duo. While enjoying the calypso and soca sounds of Trinidad and Tobago, join us for outdoor games and light refreshments (in case of rain we will meet in the community room). Fun for the whole family!

**Safety Awareness Tips**

**Tuesday, August 28, 6:30 pm** Chief Prosecutor Joe Fantozzi from the Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh's Office will give an overview on crime in our county and how to protect yourself from becoming a victim of crime. He will cover scams and other crimes along with tips on staying safe.

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

**Painting Rocks!**

**Monday, June 18, 6 pm** Make a painted rock to beautify your garden or your home. Rock painting is fun and easy and adds a beautiful element but requires little or no maintenance. Please register in

advance by calling or by stopping at the branch.

**Remembering 1968 When Akron's History of Race Relations Went into the Streets. The Wooster Avenue Disturbances**

**Tuesday, July 17, 6 pm** This lecture features Board Chair of the Summit County Historical Society, Dave Lieberth as he talks about the race riot in 1968. We invite you to stay for discussion afterward and to share your memories of this symbolic event that happened 50 years ago in our community.

**A History of R&B: Parts I @I Fridays, July 20, August 3, 2 pm**

Join Bill Brauning, local Pop Culture lecturer, as he presents a history of R&B in two parts:

**Part I-July 20:** The Unsung Heroes of R&B, going back into the 1940's with early R&B performers like Bessie Smith, Roy Brown, Etta James, Big Momma Thornton and many others.

**Part 2-August 3:** R&B performers of the 1950's and 60s. This will cover artists from Doo Wop, Funk, Soul, and Motown like Chuck Berry, Little Richard, Supremes, James Brown and more.

**Computer Training**

These free, hands-on classes are available on a first come, first served basis and are limited to 15 participants. We recommend arriving at least 15 minutes early to get an entry ticket.

**Monday, August 20, 10:30 am** MS Word 1

**Tuesday, August 21, 10:30 am** MS Word 2

**Wednesday, August 22, 6 pm** MS Word 3

**Thursday, August 23, 6 pm** MS Word 4

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

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

**Fridays, June 1, July 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](http://www.summitmemory.org). Please register in advance for an appointment time.

**Craft Sampler**

**Wednesdays, June 6, July 11, August 8, 1 pm** We've got a little

bit of this and a little bit of that... 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.

**Puzzled at the Library**  
**Thursdays, June 7, July 5, August 2, 6-7:30 pm** Tired of completing the same jigsaw puzzle over and over again? Join us each month as we work together to complete new challenging puzzles with friends.

**Saturday Morning Craft Club**  
**Saturdays, 10:30 am**  
**June 9: Painted Mini Canvas Banners**  
Decorate 2 small banners to display on your front door or mailbox celebrating the arrival of summer. Class size is limited. Please register in advance. Ages 16 and up preferred.

**July 21: 3D Butterfly**  
Create butterflies by folding and embellishing decorative paper and gluing it to a small canvas creating a 3D piece of art. Class size is limited. Please register in advance beginning June 30. Ages 16 and up preferred.

**August 25: Painted Rock Cactus Garden**  
Paint various sizes of flat rocks to look like cacti. Place them in a small terra-cotta pot with gravel and voila – you have your own Cactus garden to display. Class size is limited. Please register in advance beginning August 4. Ages 16 and up preferred.

**A Different Kind of Book Club**  
**Mondays, June 11, July 9, August 13, 1:30 pm** Have you read a good book and want to tell others about it? Are you looking for your next book to read and would like a recommendation from others? 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!

**How to Make Your Phone Your Travel Agent**  
**Monday, June 18, 6:30 pm**  
Whether you are traveling across the globe or exploring your own city, you can utilize digital apps to make your trip more convenient, informational and fun! 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. Presented by Brian Burch and Jane Scott.

**The Beatles in Cleveland: The Notorious 1964 & 1966 Concerts**  
**Tuesday, June 26, 6 pm** Relive the excitement of Beatlemania! Author Dave Schwensen will take you behind the scenes and on stage with The Fab Four through insider stories, rare concert films, never-before published photos and memorabilia. Highlights include films of The Beatles riotous concerts at Cleveland Public Hall and Municipal Stadium. Books will be available for purchase and author signing.

**Mystery Book Discussion**  
**Thursdays, 6:30 pm**  
**June 28** What did you read this month? It's a mystery! Share your new 2018 "grab bag" titles with the group.

**July 26** Psychiatrists are supposed to help patients, but what happens when their patients commit murder? Are the Psychiatrists to blame? Read one, read all, your choice. *A Deadly Affection* by Cuyler Overholt; *Dirty Secrets Club* by Meg Gardiner; *Night Bird* by Brian Freeman  
**August 23** Magic shows always give the illusion of danger, but when real murder ensues is it a trick gone wrong or a deliberate death? Read one, read all, your choice. *Club Deception* by Sarah Skilton; *Illusionist's Apprentice* by Kristy Cambron; *Zig Zag Girl* by Elly Griffiths

**Books You Might Have Missed**  
**2017**  
**Thursday, July 12, 6:30 pm** Sit back with a beverage and a treat while we tell you about 60+ titles, both fiction and nonfiction (*don't worry – we give you a book list so you can mark the ones that sound interesting*). Take an intriguing look at the year past, and find some new titles you may love! Presented by Patrick Manning.

**The Lost City Mystery Experience**  
**Saturday, July 21, 1-4 pm** We've received a mysterious package in the mail with a compelling Mayan mystery inside. Using objects, clues, puzzles and the power of observation we must make sense

of what is in front of us. Working in teams, put your deduction skills to the test. Part story, part game, all interactive-join us for an afternoon of fun! Bring a snack to share if you wish. Recommended for ages 16 and up.

**Pirates: Fact or Fantasy?**  
**Tuesday, July 31, 6 pm** Captain Blade and the Pirates of the Rusty Cutlass lead us on a high-sea adventure discussing pirate facts, lore and legend while showcasing unique pirate treasures. Presented in full costume and character, you won't want to miss this one-of-a-kind entertaining history lesson! Appropriate for ages 12 and up.

**Move It or Lose It**  
**Fridays, 2 pm** Presented by Lisa Kelleman-McClain, Build A Body Personal Training. Participants should wear comfortable clothing (sweatpants, t-shirts, tennis shoes) and bring a towel and water bottle. Class size is limited. Please register in advance beginning July 13.  
**August 3** Mature Muscles Strength and Balance  
**August 10** Mature Muscles Yoga  
**August 17** Mature Muscles Strength and Balance  
**August 24** Mature Muscles Yoga  
**August 31** Mature Muscles Strength and Balance

**Heirloom Seeds? Yes, Please!**  
The mini-sized **Seed Sharing Library to Go** will be available at Portage Lakes Branch from approximately mid-August through the end of September or until seed packets run out. Stop in to see what you can plant this fall!

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

**Speakers/Presenters**  
**Meditation with Simone**  
**Saturday, June 16, 2 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. Instructor: Simone Richardson, Librarian, Business & Government Division.

**Yoga Classes**  
Join us for low impact yoga classes to soothe your mind, body and soul. Presented by Nirvana Yoga of Richfield  
**Tuesday, June 19, 6:30 pm** Mindful Movement

**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 pm**  
Meditation in Movement

**Crafting with Technology Series**  
**Wednesday, June 20 and Thursday, June 21, 6 pm** Join members of the Library's Electronic Services Division as they present two programs teaching users the ins and outs of Pinterest. Participants will design their own crafts in the first session, and make them come to life in the second, using the Curio, Silhouette, and button maker machines from the Main Library's TECHZONE@MAIN. There is limited space for these programs. Please register at the front desk.

**Exploring Color: Painting with Gouache**  
**Saturday, July 7, 2 pm** Learn about color mixing by attempting to replicate modern masterpieces using the opaque watercolor medium gouache, a favorite among artists and designers for its boldness and brightness. Paint and supplies will be provided. Instructor: Christina Turner, Richfield Branch Library. There is limited space for this programs. Please register at the front desk.

**Participation Programs**  
**Book Discussion**  
**First Wednesday, 2 pm** Join our group for a lively discussion of these titles. Extra copies of the book will be available at the front desk the last week of the previous month.  
**June 6:** *A Farwell to Arms* by Ernest Hemingway  
**July 3:** *At the Edge of the Orchard* by Tracy Chevalier (Note this discussion is on a Tuesday.)  
**August 1:** *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

**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. Extra copies of the book will be available at the front desk the last week of the previous month.  
**June:** *Odd Child Out* by Gilly Macmillan  
**April:** *The Secrets of Wishtide* by Kate Saunders  
**May:** *Home* by Harlan Coben

**Friday Classic Movie Matinee**  
**Second Friday, 3 pm**  
**June 8:** Bringing Up Baby with Cary Grant and Katherine Hepburn  
**July 13:** Key Largo with Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall



**August 10:** My Fair Lady with Audrey Hepburn and Rex Harrison

**SPRINGFIELD-LAKEMORE – 330-643-4770**

**1500 Canton Rd., Akron, 44312**  
**Reading Rocks! Mind, Body & Sole Kick-off!**

**Saturday, June 2, 2-4 pm** Register for the Library's summer reading program – Mind, Body & Sole and help us make Reading Rocks! Paint a rock with a book theme and hide it in the community for someone else to find. If you find a rock, post it to Instagram using the hashtag #slocks and see where your rock travels.

**Mind, Body & Sole - Take a Hike Monday, June 4-Saturday, July 28** Summer reading is here! Explore the connections between movement, nature, and literature with a Hiking Pack! Hiking Packs will be available for daily checkout from June 4 through July 28. The packs include a map of the local trails, a field guide to one of the following: Ohio trees and flowers, Ohio birds, or Ohio Wildlife, a Ziploc bag for your found treasures, a composition book, colored pencils, and crayons to document your adventure. Get some of those movement requirements in and grab a pack and go! Hikers are encouraged to use the journal to document their adventures and express their creativity. You can leave your journal writings/drawings to inspire others, or take the pages with you. Packs and the materials inside are to be returned to the library on the same day so others can check them out. Share your adventures by posting pictures to Instagram using the hashtag #slhikes.

**Needle Arts for All Second and fourth Tuesday of each month, June 12, 26, July 10, 24, August 14, 28, 3:30-5 pm** Do you love to knit, crochet, or enjoy other needle arts? Then this group is for you! Bring your work in progress and desire to share your knowledge with others. Curious Newbies are welcome as well! See what others are making and get help starting a project. Stash donations always welcome and put to good use.

**Color Me Happy Thursdays, June 21, July 26, August 23, 1 pm** Anyone can color! Adult coloring is all the rage and it's a great, fun way to combat stress, promote mindfulness and

express your creativity. Join us to experience this relaxing pastime. Coloring pages, colored pencils and refreshments provided.

**Book Discussion Club First Wednesday of the Month, 1:30 pm** Books are available in advance at the Circulation desk.  
**June 6** *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh  
**August 1** *Fates and Furies* by Lauren Groff

**Art @ the Speed of Life Second Thursday of the month, June 14, July 12, 6 pm** Too busy to do art? Let us plan the project and you can come and enjoy. Join us for a variety of art and craft activities. We will explore the entire spectrum of activities from paper arts to fine arts and everything in between. Class size is limited. Ages 16 and up preferred. Registration requested.

**Genealogy Getting Started in Family History Tuesday, June 5, 1-2:30 pm** Join the Special Collections Division for an introduction to genealogy for new family historians. This class includes an overview of genealogical sources available at the library, suggestions for getting started, and tips for organizing your research. Registration requested.

**Identifying Your Family Photographs Thursday, July 19, 6-7:30 pm** A picture may be worth a thousand words, but unlocking the stories of unidentified photographs requires some sleuthing. Learn to read clues, such as the type of photograph, clothing and hairstyles, and even whether or not subjects are smiling, to reveal the stories behind every photograph. Also learn how databases and local history resources can be used to identify your family photographs. Registration requested.

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

**Computer Mini-Clinics Tuesday evenings, June 12, July 10, August 14, 5 pm** Join us and we'll help you with your computer questions. Registration requested.

**Beginner's Guitar Lesson Tuesday, June 19, 6 pm** Interested in learning to play the guitar? Looking for tips, or even just a place to practice? We'll be learning strumming, chords, and basic

fingerstyle skills that every acoustic guitarist needs to have. Feel free to bring your own acoustic guitar. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-633-4345.

**Music Bingo Tuesday, July 17, 6 pm** Music Bingo is similar to a standard game, but instead of numbers on the board, the spots will be filled with the names of popular bands/musicians. Join us for a fun night of music and prizes! Please register for this program by calling us at 330-633-4345.

**Streaming TV: Or How to Turn your "Dumb" TV into a Smart TV Monday, July 30, 6 pm** Cord cutting refers to canceling traditional cable subscriptions and opting for streaming options instead. Learn about what those streaming options are and how to cut the cord. Note: This is a demonstration and not a hands-on computer class.

**Book Discussions Mondays, 2 pm**  
**June 11** *His for Hawk* by Helen Macdonald  
**July 9** *A Long Way Home* by Saroo Brierley  
**August 13** *The German Girl* by Armando Lucas Correa

**Knit & Crochet Club Thursdays, June 7, July 5, August 2, 3 pm** Do you love to knit or crochet? Want to learn? Join us for the sharing of ideas and instruction. Basic supplies provided to get you started.

## TEEN BRANCH PROGRAMS

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

**Grades 6-12 Thursdays, 1 pm**  
**June 7: Mosaic Art with Leona from Don Drumm Studios**-Teen favorite Leona is back for her ninth summer to teach a glass on glass mosaic piece with a beach theme, shells included! Registration requested beginning June 1. Limit of 20 participants.

**June 14: Name That Tune**-Can you identify the songs in this fast-paced trivia game?

**June 21: Iron Chef**- Sandwich Edition-How creative can you get with the variety of sandwich-building food provided? Our hungry judges will determine who will wear the winner's chef hat this summer!

**June 28: Vision Boards**-Focus on your goals as you create a visual aid to guide and encourage yourself as you pursue your dreams.

**July 5: Dance Dance Dance**-Spend the afternoon dancing along to your favorite dance games, including Just Dance, Dance Central, Dance Paradise, and Michael Jackson Experience on our gaming systems.  
**July 12: Painting with Connie**-Join Connie from Art Break Experience as you paint a masterpiece on canvas with high quality acrylic paint and brushes. Friendly step-by-step instruction and opportunities to give the painting your own creative flair. Registration requested beginning July 1. Limit of 25 participants.

**July 19: Musical Freeze Tag**-Outside, weather permitting.

**VolunTEEN Monday, July 30, 10 am** Have fun and earn service hours for school helping with our summer reading program carnival. Certificates will be awarded at the end of the program. Registration requested beginning June 1.

**FAIRLAWN-BATH – 330-666-4888 3101 Smith Rd., Akron, 44333** Grades 4-12. Please call 330-666-4888 or stop by the library to register.

**Beach Glass Mosaics with Leona Thursday, June 7, 1 pm** You'll create a summer-inspired mosaic using glass, shells, driftwood, and beach glass with instructor Leona Bowser of Don Drumm Studios and Gallery. See examples of her work on Facebook at Glass by Leona. Join the fun and creativity! Space is limited.

**Speed Dating with a Book Thursday, June 14, 1 pm** Do you need to get to know a book before reading it? How about "double dating" a book with a friend and sharing all the exciting parts? Would you like a blind date with a surprise book? Find your next book crush here! Light refreshments and book prizes provided.

**In the Park: Plein Air Painting Saturday, June 16, 3-5 pm** Artist Josh Koppen will lead this special landscape painting class for adults and teens. Josh studied painting in college at the Cleveland Institute of Art. He is an avid gardener who has returned to painting en plein air (painting outdoors) to combine his love of nature and art. All skill

levels welcome. We will use acrylic paints and discuss the basics of the painting process, observation, color, and composition. Bath Nature Preserve will serve as our inspiration. Meet at the Martin Field Station within Bath Nature Preserve at 4240 Ira Rd. Space is limited.

**Teen Advisory Board Meetings**  
**Mondays, June 18, July 16, August 20, 5 pm** Grades 6-12. Help plan Fairlawn-Bath Branch Library Teen programs and help design the Teen Area. Whether you want to work on cool projects or just need volunteer hours for school, the Teen Advisory Board is the place to be. It looks great on a resume, too.

**Motors, Motion, and Movement with K'Nex: A Maker Space Program with Sylvan**  
**Thursday, June 28, 1-3:30 pm** In this exciting Maker Space event participants will work in teams to complete an engineering design challenge using K'Nex. We will also skype with an engineer during the program!

**Digital Studio**  
**Thursday, July 12, 1-3 pm** Make a music video or create epic "vacation" pictures when we transform our meeting room into your studio. We will have iPads with iMovie and Green Screen from Do Ink apps. Experiment. Create. Enjoy. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Fairlawn-Bath Branch Library.

**FIRESTONE PARK – 330-724-2126**  
**1486 Aster Ave., Akron, 44301**  
Grades 4 and up.

**Cupcake Wars**  
**Wednesday, June 13, 2 pm**  
Frosting, sprinkles and treats provided for this yummy competition!

**Apptastic Music**  
**Thursday, June 28, 2 pm** Explore different apps to make music.

**Water Sports**  
**Wednesday, July 11, 2 pm** It's July, it's hot - time for water balloons and bucket brigades!

**DIY Phone Speakers**  
**Wednesday, July 18, 2 pm** Bring your own phone and we will make speakers you can take home.

**Wii Just Dance**  
**Wednesday, July 25, 2 pm** Follow the dance moves of some of your favorite artists.

**Forever Young: Adult and Teen Book Discussion**  
**Tuesday, August 14, 2 pm** *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas. Books will be available at the branch mid-July.

**GOODYEAR – 330-784-7522**  
**60 Goodyear Blvd., Akron, 44305**  
**Teen/Tween Advisory Board**  
**Third Tuesday of each month,**  
**June 19, July 17, August 21, 4:30-6 pm** Join our advisory board just for teens and tweens, ages 9-18. We will meet to brainstorm ideas and/or decorate the Teen/Tween Space. Make your voice heard! Refreshments will be served.

**Tween Scene**  
**Second Thursday of each month,**  
**3 pm** For ages 9-13. Registration is requested for each date. Refreshments will be served.

**Luau - June 14**  
A Luau is a Hawaiian party or feast. Join us as we celebrate the end of the school year with a library luau. We will listen to Hawaiian music, play limbo, hula hoop and taste tropical jelly beans. We will even have a display of books for you to choose from to kick off your summer reading adventure!

**Sheet Music Doodles - July 12**  
View examples of beautiful sheet music art by Alexei Lyapunov and Lena Ehrlich, then create your own sheet music masterpiece using water colors, drawing pencils and pens.

**Library Mini Golf - August 9**  
Library spaces can also be used as interesting golf courses. Join us as we play a round of mini golf in a tucked-away corner in the library.

**YA Café**  
**Fourth Tuesday of each month**  
For ages 14-18. Registration is requested for each date. Refreshments will be served.

**Escape from The Library - June 26, 3 pm**

Up for a challenge? Join your friends, grab your magnifying glass, put on your deerstalker, and try your hand at detective work. Hear the story, look for clues, and solve the puzzle before time runs out. But you'd better hurry...the clock is ticking.

**World Music Watch - July 24, 3 pm**  
We will be sampling music from different genres and regions through video streaming. Listen and you may discover new favorites. Limited to 15 participants.

**Goodyear's Mini Robo-Customs - August 28, 4 pm**  
Join Dan & Nate and customize your

own miniature robot. Miniature robot figures, markers and paint will be provided.

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

**Teen Art Studio with Marla Knapic-Derga**  
**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 pm**  
Supplies and instruction provided. Space is limited; please register beginning Monday, June 11.

**Introduction to Creative Lettering with Larry Gabler**  
**Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 pm** For teens and adults. Learn techniques that you will use to create your own custom design bookmark. Please register beginning Monday, June 25.

**Creature Creator Robotics with Snapology**  
**Tuesday, July 24, 6:30 pm** An interactive introduction to building robots. Space is limited; please register beginning Monday, July 9.

**Teen Writers Club**  
**Tuesdays, June 5, July 3, August 7, 6:30 pm** We eat junk food and talk writing. No stress, just support and sharing the writing experience.

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

**Tuesdays, 6:30 pm**  
**June 19** *In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote  
**July 17** *The Good Earth* by Pearl S. Buck  
**August 21** *The Yellow Wallpaper* by Charlotte Perkins Gilman

**Cookbook Club**  
**Wednesdays, June 13, July 11, August 8, 6:30 pm** For teens and adults. 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.

**HIGHLAND SQUARE –**  
**330-376-2927**  
**807 W. Market St., Akron, 44303**

**Cork Planters**  
**Friday, June 15, 2-3 pm** These tiny planters can live up any odd place a magnet can hold them.

**Leather Bracelets**  
**Friday, July 20, 2-3 pm** Use basic leather tools and stamps to create your own folksy leather bracelet.

**Make Your Own Musical Instruments**  
**Saturday, August 18** Enjoy the neighborhood sights and sounds during the annual Porch Rok'r festival. You can join in by playing your very own musical instrument created at the library.

**KENMORE – 330-745-6126**  
**969 Kenmore Blvd., Akron, 44314**  
**Tuesdays, 2 pm**

**Make-It-Take-It Snack**  
**June 5** Get out of the heat and make a snack to eat here or take with you! Snack will be announced the day of the program.

**Family Movie (TBA)**  
**June 12, July 10** Relax with a movie, popcorn and drinks. Bring the whole family and enjoy an afternoon at the library!

**Wings and Things Art and Selfies**  
**June 19** We will be working together to create 2 massive wings to take fun selfies with our friends! Help create this display that will hang up in the library! Bring your phone!

**Family Games**  
**June 26, July 24** There is something for everyone at Family Games! We have board and card games. Also, toys for the tots. Or, feel free to bring in any of your family's favorites!

**Flip-Flop Art**  
**July 3** Do you have a pair of flip flops that need to be jazzed up? Bring your own flip-flops and decorate them with our provided embellishments!

**Egg Drop Challenge**  
**July 17** How creative are you? Create a contraption to save a raw egg from certain destruction! Supplies and eggs provided! Prizes will be awarded to the person whose egg survives the best!

**MAPLE VALLEY – 330-864-5721**  
**1187 Copley Rd., Akron, 44320**  
**Tuesdays, 2 pm**

**Guitar Pick Jewelry**  
**June 12** Make a cool necklace or bracelet using guitar picks.

**Karaoke and Board Games**  
**June 19** Sing your favorite songs and/or play music-themed board games!

**Musical Instruments**  
**June 26** We're getting the band back together! Make awesome

musical instruments out of standard materials. Registration is requested.

### Music Bingo

**July 3** See how much you know about early rock and roll, rap and current music as well. You may win a prize! Snacks and beverages provided.

### Musical Movie Week

Watch your favorite musicals on the big screen and sing along! Popcorn and punch provided.

**Monday, July 23, 2 pm:** Grease (PG-13)(110 min)

**Tuesday, July 24, 2 pm:** West Side Story (PG-13)(136 min)

**Wednesday, July 25, 2 pm:** Annie (PG)(127 min)

**Friday, July 27, 2 pm:** The Wiz (G)(134 min)

**Saturday, July 28, 2 pm:** Hairspray (PG)(117 min)

### Drop in Fun-Music Mania

**July 16-July 21** Stop by the front desk for various music-themed crafts, games, and contests!

### MOGADORE – 330-628-9228

144 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, 44260

Ages 8-18

#### MakerSpace Part 1: Tech Toy Box

**Thursday, June 21, 2 pm** Ever played a keyboard made of bananas? Program squishy circuits? Have robots battle each other? Teach Ozobots to run through Mazes? Try all these and more at our Tech Toy Box!

#### MakerSpace Part 2: Demolish Old Tech

**Thursday, July 19, 2 pm** Ever wonder what's inside the tech that powers your life? Take apart monitors, speakers, hard drives, keyboards and more, and reassemble it into a work of art. All supplies provided.

### NORDONIA HILLS – 330-467-8595

9458 Olde Eight Rd., Northfield, 44067

#### Teen Mini Makerspace

**Thursdays, June 7-July 26, 2 pm** For students going into grade 5 and up.

**June 7** We are using wool to create a felted emoji keyring.

**June 14** Create a sandpaper printing.

**June 21** Adam Pate associate will demonstrate and teach us how to do caricatures.

**June 28** 6th Annual Paper Airplane Races! Race your designs against

other worthy opponents.

**July 5** Create a beach chair to hold your phone.

**July 12** We're constructing a duct tape pencil case.

**July 19** Duct tape is the medium again. Make a geometric planter.

**July 26** How good is your memory? Play book cover memory.

### Cookies and Conversation

**The second Wednesday of each month, June 13, July 11, August 8, 3:30 pm** Meet to talk about what's going on in your life, school, town or the world. We'll discuss philosophy, current events or whatever is on the groups mind. Don't forget we'll have cookies! All ages welcome.

### Teens Do Something

**Mondays, June 11, 25, July 9, 23, August 9, 2-3 pm** This is a new way for kids going into 5th through 12th grades to volunteer. We will meet to do a different type of project. Some of the things we're going to be doing are make busy bags for Akron Children's Hospital, cards for shut-ins and jobs around the library. Any questions please ask Miss Sue.

### NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423

183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310

#### Ice Cream Social

**Wednesday, June 6, 6 pm** All ages. Our Friends of the North Hill Branch Library will treat everyone to ice cream sundaes. Stop in to visit with Webster, the Rubber Duck's mascot, and take advantage of a fun photo op! Plan to register for the Mind, Body & Sole summer reading program. Boys and girls can get into the habit of reading every day. Keep them reading all summer!

### Spring Mist Farms Petting Zoo

**Thursday, June 14, 2-4 pm** Spring Mist Farms will bring traditional farm animals to the library for all to see. Pet a cow, a sheep, a goat, and even some chickens and geese. All animals will be in the Reading Garden behind the library, weather permitting. All ages welcome.

### Create Your Own Button

**Thursday, June 21, 2 pm** Join us as we create our very own and unique buttons. Design your own or use a premade design. Supplies provided. For kids entering grades 4-12.

### Cupcake Wars

**Thursday, June 28, 2 pm** Test your culinary decorating skills and wow the judges as you

decorate a cupcake. Supplies provided. Registration is requested for this event and is limited to 12. Registration begins June 6. For kids entering grades 4-12.

### Art Unscrewed

**Thursday, July 5, 2 pm** Follow along as you are guided through painting a scene on canvas while sipping on pop! Snacks will be provided. Wear clothing that you don't mind getting paint on. Registration is requested for this event and is limited to 15. Registration begins June 6. For kids entering grades 4-12.

### Virtual Escape Room

**Thursday, July 12, 2 pm** With the use of an iPad, work as a group to escape various rooms and their challenges. For kids entering grades 4-12.

### Jammin' Jumpers

**Thursday, July 26, 2 pm** This group of talented jump ropers will give you a demonstration followed by a group workshop to help you improve your jump roping skills. Geared for school aged kids.

### Water Balloon Extravaganza

**Thursday, July 19, 2 pm** Cool off as we close out the summer by playing with water balloons. Practice your aim with water balloon target practice, test your baseball skills as we play water balloon baseball, and see if you can avoid getting wet! Games will be played in the Reading Garden behind the library. For kids entering grades 4-12.

### NORTHWEST AKRON –

330-836-1081

1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313

#### Teen Volunteer Orientation

**Friday, June 8, 4 pm** Ages 13-17. Looking for a fun volunteer opportunity for the summer? Join us as a Mind, Body & Sole summer reading volunteer. Attendance is mandatory if you wish to be considered a volunteer at Northwest Akron Branch Library this summer. Pick up an application at the desk or call Teen Librarian Kelly Chaplin at 330-643-4703 for more information.

### Teen Trivia: Music

**Thursday, June 14, 2 pm** 7th-12th graders. If you're a music buff, come to the library for our first teen trivia. Questions will be from various genres of music.

### Painting with Music

**Thursday, July 12, 2 pm** 7th-12th graders. There are many ways to express yourself, through music, through art. Why not combine the two? The library is hosting a painting with music event. Listen to a variety of musical genres and paint what you feel.

### After Hours: Stranger Things

**Friday, July 20, 6:30-8 pm** 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. After the library closes, teens will partake in many 80s themed activities. Permission slips signed by parents and registration are required. Activities include a waffle decorating competition, a Demogorgon survival game, and more.

### 1920s Murder Mystery Dinner

**Wednesday, July 25, 6 pm** For ages 13 and up. Have you always dreamed of being a detective? Are you fascinated with the Roarin' Twenties? Join us to solve a most mysterious murder while enjoying dinner with friends and family in this multi-generational teen/adult program.

### NORTON – 330-825-7800

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

#### Libraries Rock Tuesdays 2 pm

**June 5** Homemade Pop Rocks- Help us recreate a candy favorite as we make our own fizzy, crackling, sweet pop rocks treat.

**June 12** Love those Lyrics- Escape Room- Can you make it out in time? You will have a limited amount of time to solve a series of riddles, decipher the clues, and find the key to escape! Do you have the brainpower and the skills needed to win?

**June 19** Hardcore Rock Star Jewelry- Create an awesome guitar pick necklace or keychain.

**June 26** Making Music- Join local artist Sarah Gott to create a Musical Wall for our Reading Garden. Using recycled materials, various art techniques and supplies, together we can make our Library sing.

**July 10** Giant Game Day- Join us for some BIG fun and play giant Jenga, oversized UNO, colossal checkers, ginormous Yahtzee, and croquet kickball.

**July 17** Rock It- Be a rockstar! Decorate sunglasses, fashion a mosaic picture frame from old cd's, make rockstar buttons, and enjoy rockstar treats.



**July 24, 2-5 pm** Guitar Lesson- Bring your guitar and join us for an introduction to guitar class with local musician Larry Burns. Must be 12 or older to participate. Please register for this program starting July 10 as space is limited.

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

**Tuesdays, 2 pm**  
**Rockin' Teen Jewelry**

**June 19** Make a guitar pick and then turn it into a cool piece of jewelry! Teens can take turns playing Guitar Hero once they are properly accessorized. Please register in advance by calling or by stopping at the branch. This program is intended for teens ages 12-18.

**Summer Reading Teen Book Discussion**

**July 3** Not sure what books to read this summer? Need suggestions for your summer reading assignments? Join us to learn about some of our favorite books for middle and high school students and to discuss your favorite books with others.

**Back to School Bash**

**August 21** Celebrate the start of a new school year by decorating school supplies and enjoying a snack. Please register in advance by calling or by stopping at the branch. This program is intended for teens and tweens ages 10-18.

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

**Totally Teen Tuesdays @ 2 pm**

For grades 5 and up. Please register in advance. Snacks may be served at programs. Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.

**June 5 Design a Guitar Contest:**

Rock and Roll the Teen Area with your designer Music Guitars. Customize a guitar cut-out using the creative materials and art supplies provided. We will display your guitars in the Teen area allowing library patrons to vote for their favorite. A winner will be selected at the end of summer by popular patron vote.

**June 12 Montage of Art Projects:**

Rock out some cool craft creations as we piece together a mosaic poster to display in the library! Create a one-of-a kind rock star button, a guitar pick necklace or a vinyl record work of art!

**June 19 Joy of Painting with Miss**

**Kelly and Bob Ross:** Listening only to one of Bob Ross's JOY OF PAINTING videos, paint a happy little landscape. All supplies are provided but space is limited.

**June 26 Tie Dye 101:** Transform a white t-shirt, socks or bandana into new summer digs! Learn how to tie dye and have a blast! Bring your own washed shirt, socks, or a bandana you wish to dye. Wear old clothes and come ready to create!

**July 10 Name that Tune:** Snacks, music and prizes, oh my! Test your musical knowledge, fill a bingo card and win a prize! We'll have a rock 'n good time!

**July 17 Yoga with Colleen Hohl:** Wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat or towel as we chill and learn a few new Yoga Poses.

**July 24 Summer Party!** Enjoy a slice of pizza while playing Wii Games or sing Karaoke as we come to the end of our reading program.

**VolunTeen Times**

Looking for community service hours for school, church or Scouts? The library needs your help on the following days to assist with summer reading activities. Assignments will vary and may include stuffing bags for outreach events, cleaning library materials or helping set up and take down for programs. Contact Miss Kelly at 330-644-7050 or [portagelakes@akronlibrary.org](mailto:portagelakes@akronlibrary.org) to sign up to volunteer.

**Thursday, June 7, 10:30 am-12:30 pm**

**Monday, June 11, 6:30 pm-7:30 pm**

**Saturday, July 7, 10:30 am-12 pm**

**Wednesday, July 25, 10:30 am-1:30 pm**

**Community Events**

**Buckeye Martinfest at North Reservoir**

**Saturday, June 30, 2-4 pm** Stop by our table for crafts and giveaways as we celebrate Portage Lakes being the Purple Martin Capital of Ohio! We love participating in this annual event sponsored by the Portage Lakes Purple Martin Association.

**Portage Lakes Kiwanis Pirate Days**  
**Portage Lakes State Park**

**Saturday, July 14, 11 am-3pm** Visit our table and say "Ahooy Matey" to our friendly library pirates! Participate in a pirate craft and see what other treasures we may have.

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

**VolunTEEN Training**

Students ages 11-18 interested in volunteering at the library this summer must attend one of the ½ hour training sessions. Please call to register for a session: 330-659-4343.

**Saturday, June 2, 2 pm**

**Monday, June 4, 11 am or 2 pm**

**Tuesday, June 5, 7 pm**

**Wednesday, June 6, 12 pm**

**Wednesday, June 13, 12 pm**

**Summer Reading Kick-Off**

**Wednesday, June 6, 1 pm** Meet us in the garden for Mind, Body and Sole registration and a refreshing root beer float. Great Grins Photo Booth is back! Plan to hang out and be a kid again with Legos. Bricks 4 Kidz will be here from 1-2:30 with their Lego Fun camp.

**Watercolor Bookmarks and Edible Book Make and Take**

**Wednesday, June 20, 2 pm** Kick off your summer reading with supplies and fortification. Weather permitting, we will be outside.

**MineCraft Mondays**

**Mondays, June 4, 25, July 2, 23, 2 pm** Join us to mine and craft on our multi-player server! No account is necessary. Creepers welcome.

**Craft Series**

**Pop-tart or Donut Travel Pillow Make and Take**

**Saturday, June 2, 11 am** Ready yourself to travel comfy this summer. These yummy looking pillows are drool worthy. Please register as supplies are limited by calling.

**Make and Take Potter Potions**

**Saturday, July 21, 2 pm** Happy Birthday Harry! Select and make 2 potions. Choices are: Felix Feticus, Wolfsbane, Skela-Gro, Polyjuice and Veritaserum. Potter wear welcome.

**Introduction to RPG (Role Playing Games)**

**Saturday, June 30, 12- 4 pm** Are you ready to test your imagination and enter magical worlds filled with adventure? If so, two experienced table-top role playing game masters will be on hand to lead us into 2 worlds (games). No experience is necessary. Novice and experts are welcome. Ages 10 and up. Snacks provided.

**SPRINGFIELD-LAKEMORE – 330-643-4770**

**1500 Canton Rd., Akron, 44312**

**Upcycled T-Shirts**

**Saturday, June 9, 11 am** Turn

your old t-shirts into bracelets, bags, scarves, hairbands, or no-sew pillows. We'll use tie-dye, fabric paint, Sharpies and a lot of slicing and dicing to give your t-shirts a new look. Some t-shirts will be provided for those without.

**PVC Stomp Rockets and Marshmallow Launchers**

**Saturday, July 7, 11 am** Ready, aim, build. We will use PVC pipe to construct our own stomp rockets and marshmallow launchers. We'll compete to see whose marshmallows and rockets travel the fastest and go the farthest, and prizes will be awarded!

**Outdoor Lawn Games**

**Saturday, July 21, 11 am** Meet us at the Lakemore Recreation Park on Lakeside Drive for giant lawn games like frisbee tic-tac-toe, giant Twister and kerplunk.

**TALLMADGE – 330-633-4345**

**90 Community Rd., Tallmadge, 44278**

**Vinyl Revival**

**Tuesday evenings, June 12, 26, July 10, 24, August 14, 28, 6 pm**

Today's digital world has all of us searching for more. This could be the club for you. 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.

**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.  
**June-***The Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Stephen Chbosky  
**July-** *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolken  
**August-***Holes* by Louis Sacher

**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.

**June-**Don't be afraid of this phobia quiz unless you're a testophobic.  
**July-**Pokémon...gotta catchem all...but can you identify these Pokémon by just their eyes?

**August**—It is almost time to go back to school...so in preparation we have put together a 3rd grade science test, do you think you can pass?

### **Escape from the Library Second Edition**

**Tuesday, June 5, 6 pm** Are you someone who enjoys a challenge? Join your friends and try your hand at our escape room. Hear the story, look for clues, and solve the puzzle. Can you make it out? Time will tell. Call to reserve your spot 330-633-4345.

### **Pickle ball**

**Tuesday, July 10, 3 pm** What is Pickle Ball? Pickle Ball is a racquet sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis. If you like Ping Pong, or you enjoy Tennis, you will enjoy Pickle Ball. Please register for this program by calling us at 330-633-4345.

### **WIFFLE Ball Weekday**

**Tuesday, August 28, 3 pm** Tired of hearing how bored the people under your roof are? "Everybody gets one chance to do something great. Most people never take the chance, either because they're too scared, or they don't recognize it when it spits on their shoes. Remember kid, there's heroes and there's legends. Heroes get remembered but legends never die." This event is co-sponsored by The WIFFLE Ball, Inc. Call to register 330-633-4345.

## **CHILDREN'S BRANCH PROGRAMS**

**ELLET – 330-784-2019**

**2470 E. Market St., Akron, 44312**

### **Baby Story Play Group**

**Tuesdays, June 12-July 24, 10:05 am** Ages 6-24 months and their caregiver. Rhymes, music, books, and bounces followed by group playtime.

### **Toddler Story Play Group**

**Tuesdays, June 12-July 24, 11 am** Ages 2-3 years and their caregiver. Stories, songs, and rhymes followed by crafts and group playtime.

### **Preschool Story Play Group**

**Wednesday, June 13-July 25, 10:30 am** No program July 4. Ages 2-6 years. Stories, music, and puppets followed by crafts and group playtime.

### **School Age Programs**

#### **Rockin' Book Club**

**Fridays, June 22-July 27, 12:30-1:30 pm** Grades K-3. Join us as we stop that summer slide by reading a book together each week. Have fun with games and crafts related to each book, too.

#### **Family Fun**

**Mondays, June 11-July 30, 11 am** For all ages.

**June 11:** Outback Ray and his amazing animals.

**June 18:** Sogbety Diomande: Through drumming and dancing children will experience the rhythms, and songs of West Africa

**June 25:** Mr. Molecule's science experiments will have your kids erupting with laughter and exploding with curiosity.

**July 2:** David Anthony: Award winning magic packed with laughter and audience participation.

**July 9:** The Great Kaplan: Illusion, music, juggling and comedy collide in this vaudevillesque spectacle.

**July 16:** Elec Simon: Enjoy drumming in an all new way with this artist seen in the stage show Stomp and at Cavs games!

**July 23:** Jungle Bob with MORE amazing animals.

**July 30:** Carnival with games, crafts, a fun photo op, and a sweet treat.

#### **Paws for Reading**

**Saturdays June 30, July 28, August 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.

#### **Find our special musician hiding in the library!**

Each week, from June –August, if you find our musical guest, you will get a small prize.

#### **Watch our garden grow!**

Feel free to help in our community garden any time you are at the library! You can water the plants, measure the growth, touch the herbs and harvest the vegetables. Can you spot the fairies?

### **FAIRLAWN-BATH – 330-666-4888**

**3101 Smith Rd., Akron, 44333**

#### **Tiny Tales Baby Time**

**Mondays, July 2-30, 10:15 am** Registration begins Monday, June 18. 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, July 2-30, 11:30 am** Registration begins Monday, June 18. 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.

#### **Preschool Story Time**

**Wednesdays, July 11-25, 1 pm** Registration begins Monday, June 18. Children age 3-5 with an adult caregiver are welcome to join Miss Pam for stories, songs, rhymes, crafts and more!

#### **Evening Story Time**

**Wednesdays, July 11-July 25, 6 pm** Registration begins Monday, June 18. Children age 0-5 with an adult caregiver are welcome to join Miss Pam for stories, songs, rhymes and more!

#### **Music Together Summit**

**Tuesday, August 28, 10 and 11 am** Children ages 0-5 with their caregiver are invited to join David Palomo from Music Together Summit for dancing, singing and musical fun!

#### **Movies on the Moon**

**Wednesday, August 1, 1 pm** Registration begins Monday, June 18. Blast off into outer space! Children ages 3-8 with an adult caregiver will have a chance to create a cardboard rocket ship and watch a family friendly movie. Register to guarantee a rocket ship!

#### **NatureConnect Discovery Center**

During the months of June-August, stop by our Discovery Center in the children's section for self-guided, hands-on activities where children can explore and learn.

#### **School Age Programs**

##### **Lego Open Build**

**Saturdays, June 9, August 11, 10:30-11:30 am** Bring your imagination and engineering skill. We will provide the Legos. For children kindergarten-4th grade.

#### **Paws for Reading**

**Saturdays, June 2, 16, July 7, July 21, August 4, 18, 10:30-11:30 am** Children of all ages can practice their literacy skills by reading aloud to our doggie pals. This is a great way for children to build their reading fluency and read-aloud confidence. Children not yet reading are welcome to come. The doggie's human pal will read to the child.

#### **Kids Create**

**Saturdays, June 23, July 28, August 25** Make it take it crafts the fourth Saturday each month. Pick up a craft all day while supplies last.

#### **Family Programs**

**Tuesdays**—Space is limited. Pick up a free ticket up to 30 minutes before each performance.

**June 5, 1 pm**—Join us for our annual MBS Kick-off extravaganza. We will get our minds and bodies moving while we enjoy fun outdoor games and activities.

**June 12, 1 pm**—Outback Ray brings his exciting and engaging animal show back to our branch.

**June 19, 1 pm**—Sogbety Diomande transports us to West Africa with a high energy performance of rhythms, dances, and songs.

**June 26, 1 pm**—Jason Alan Magic will tickle your funny bone with his hilarious and engaging magic show.

**July 3, 1 pm**—One T Entertainment Slip on your dancing shoes as we will get down and boogie at the library!

**July 10, 11 am or 2 pm**—Rick Smith Jr., popular magician, world record holder, and illusionist will knock everyone's socks off with his exciting show! This program is sponsored by the Friends of Fairlawn-Bath Library.

**July 17, 1 pm**—Crooked River Comedy join us for some hands on and kid focused comedic improv with this local premier group.

**July 24, 1 pm**—Mr. Molecule's Bing, Bang, Boom Science Show will help us end a summer of library fun with his exciting and zany show.

### **FIRESTONE PARK – 330-724-2126**

**1486 Aster Ave., Akron, 44301**

#### **Mind, Body and Sole Summer**

##### **Reading Kickoff Party**

**Monday, June 11, 1 pm** Join us for an ice cream social, register for our summer reading program, and meet Webster, the Rubber Ducks mascot!

#### **Story Time**

**Wednesdays, June 6-July 18, 11 am** Join us for stories, music, movement and fun! After each

session, we will head outside to visit our library garden. Best for ages 2-5 with a favorite adult. All ages welcome.

### Summer Fun Days

**Mondays, 1 pm** Grades K-5.

Registration requested.

**June 18** Fun in the garden... help water and tend the library garden and plant a lovely plant to take home with you.

**June 25** Create cool decorations to brighten up your yard, front porch or garden.

**July 2** Build it! Join us for building fun with Legos, Citiblocks and more.

**July 9** Design a mini terrarium to take home.

**July 16** Join us for a summer movie matinee. Watch Coco (PG) on our big screen and munch on snacks.

### Terrific Tuesdays

**June 12** Dr. U R Awesome presents fun with science, **1 pm**

**June 19** Outback Ray brings his hands-on educational animal show.

Two shows, **11 am OR 1 pm**

**June 26** Magician David Anthony, **1 pm**

**July 10** Glow Dance Party with One T Entertainment, **1 pm**

**July 17** The Bubble Lady makes bubbles of all shapes and sizes, **1 pm**

**July 24** Bricks 4 Kidz Lego building fun for everyone, **1 pm**

### PAWS for Reading

**Saturdays, June 23, July 7, August 11, 12 pm** Practice your reading

skills by reading aloud to our doggie pal. Bring a book from home or read one of ours. Not reading yet? Our dog's human pal will read to you. Children of all ages are welcome.

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

#### Movie Matinee Mondays

**Mondays, 1 pm** All ages welcome. Groups, please register in advance for each movie due to limited seating.

**Wonder** (PG) (113 minutes) - **June 11**

A 10-year-old boy with a facial deformity attends school for the first time when he begins the fifth grade. With the support of his parents, he learns how to make friends and adjust to his new environment.

**Coco** (PG) (109 minutes) - **June 25**  
A boy journeys into the Land of the Dead to seek forgiveness from his ancestors and lift a curse.

**Rock Dog** (PG) (90 minutes) - **July 9**  
A Tibetan mastiff living in a remote

mountain community dreams of being a rock star. But when he heads to the big city to seek his fortune, his unprotected flock of sheep are preyed upon by a hungry wolf.

**The Lego Ninjago Movie** (PG) (90 minutes) - **July 23**

High school students moonlight as ninjas, and fight to defend their island of Ninjago.

### Back to School Ice Cream Social Saturday, August 18, 1-3 pm

Let's all scream for ice cream! Join us for an end-of-the-summer, back-to-school party. We will have toppings available for you to customize your icy treat and fun games to play.

### Family Programs

#### Stories and Play

**Thursdays, June 7-July 26, 10:15 am** Enjoy stories, movement, and

song. Story time is early learning fun for young children to help develop the skills to succeed in school. Stay and play afterwards with toys and a chance for parents to chat. Play helps young children learn skills needed for reading and writing.

### Paws for Reading

**Mondays, June 11, July 9, August 13, 4 pm** Practice your reading skills

by reading aloud to our doggie pals. Bring a book from home or read one of ours! Not reading yet? Our dogs' human pals will read to you. This is a great way for children to practice their literacy skills and gain more confidence in reading aloud. Children of all ages are welcome.

### Family Shows

**Tuesdays, 1 pm** We have performers to amaze and entertain you this summer. Enjoy the shows and check out some books! Large groups please schedule ahead with the children's librarian to make a reservation for all shows due to limited space.

### Bubble Lady - June 12

See bubbles that multiply, do acrobatic feats, square bubbles, and you won't believe your eyes when you see a person inside a bubble!

**Elec Simon and Friends - June 19**  
Enjoy a drumming performance with some audience participation.

**One T Entertainment - June 26**  
Glow-in-the-Dark Disco Dance Party! Bring your dancing shoes and get ready to cut loose, and dance to the music.

### World of Difference - July 3

Enjoy theatrical storytelling with Lindsay Bonilla as she uses the interactive performance of stories

to inspire the imagination, spark creativity and promote the love for learning.

### Matt Jergens - July 10

This comedy juggler will have you laughing and cheering as he uses a variety of props to defy gravity in a way never before seen!

### Outback Ray - July 17

Exciting, fun, and educational! Outback Ray brings exotic animals for us to see and learn about.

### Jason Alan - July 24

Be amazed at this high energy magic show featuring eye-popping tricks and audience interaction.

### Family Programs

Registration appreciated.

### Hot Wheels Derby

**Wednesday, June 13, 6 pm** Start your engines and race your cars on our derby track to see who is the fastest. Bring a car of your own or use one of ours.

### Rock and Roll Story Time

**Wednesdays, June 20, 6 pm** Enjoy this active program of stories, songs, music, and movement as we shake, rattle, and roll. Children will create their own rhythm instruments to take home.

### Let's Make Music

**Wednesday, July 11, 6 pm**

Participate in a story with musical sound effects, experiment with some home-made musical instruments and create one of your own to take home.

### Silly Dancing Story Time

**Wednesday, July 18, 6 pm** Dance and move through this fast-paced story time. Children will create their own dancing ribbon wand to take home.

### On Your Own

Do 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.

**Musical Instruments Search - June 4** Look around the children's area to find the musical instruments.

### Dendrochronology - June 18

Observe the tree cut-outs on the NatureConnect table and count the rings to guess how old each tree was.

### Rockin' Alphabet Search - July 2

Search around the children's area to find each letter and rockin' word.

### Growing Grass - July 16

Watch the grass growing on the NatureConnect table. How tall will it grow?

### GREEN- 330-896-9074

4046 Massillon Rd., Uniontown, 44685

### Summer Special Event Series for All Ages

**Wednesdays, 11 am AND 1 pm**

(Choose the time that is best for your family)

**June 13** Science with Dr. U.R.

Awesome

**June 20** Outback Ray and his animals

**June 27** Comedy Juggler

Matt Jergens

**July 11** Magician and Illusionist

Rick Smith Jr.

**July 18** Sogbety Diomande and his African drums

**July 25** The Bubble Lady

### Family Programs

#### Family Story Time

**Thursdays, July 12-26, August 2, 10:30 am** For all ages. Children

will enjoy stories, songs, rhythm & movement activities, and crafts. Weather permitting, we may go into the Reading Garden; please dress accordingly.

### Pokemon Club

**Mondays, June 11, July 16,**

**August 20, 6:30 pm** Calling all Pokemon enthusiasts ages 6 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

### Stories at the Park: Baby & Me Mondays in June at Hereford

**Park, 10:30 am** For babies and their grown-ups. Join Miss KT at Hereford Park for an outdoor story time that will include simple songs, exercises, and a book to help give your child the tools needed to learn to read and better understand the world. Miss KT will leave the library at 10:10 am to walk the mile to the park. You may walk with her or meet at the park. If the weather does not permit outdoor play, story time will be held at the library. \*There are no public restrooms at Hereford Park.

### Baby & Me

**Mondays, August 6, 13, 20, 11 am**

For babies and their grown-ups. You are your child's first teacher. 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 in June and August, 10:30 am** For children and their grown-ups. You are your child's first teacher. Discover songs, books and movement activities with your young learner that will help her to learn to read and better understand her world. Best of all, these experiences will bring fun and joy into your child's day!

### Annual Ice Cream Social

**Tuesday, June 5, 2-3 pm** Kick-start your summer with free ice cream and sundae toppings (provided by the Friends of the Highland Square Branch Library) outside in the square. While you visit the library, you'll also have a chance to register for the summer reading program. You don't want to miss this fun event!

### Marvelous Mondays!

**Mondays, 2 pm** Children of All Ages

**June 11** Outback Ray's Amazing Animal Show is fun, exciting and educational. This hands-on show is extremely entertaining for kids of all ages. Outback Ray will bring 10-15 captive-born, exotic animals. The animals are trained and handled daily to ensure the safety of the audience and the animals.

**June 18** See the Bubble Lady and bubbles beyond your imagination. You will not believe your eyes when you see a person inside a bubble!

**June 25** Bricks 4 Kidz offers Lego-brick building activities designed by engineers and architects.

**July 2** Music and storytelling combine as storyteller Lindsay Bonilla teams up with Amy Glick, a violinist with the Akron Symphony Orchestra, to bring to life her humorous tale of Peter, a prince who dreams of being a frog. Audience members of all ages will laugh along as Peter stops at nothing to realize his dream.

**July 9** Great Kaplan presents illusion, music, juggling and deadpan comedy in this Vaudeville-esque spectacle.

**July 16** Artsparks presents High Five Fitness, a dance class in which participants explore the five pillars of good fitness. Two professional dance teachers and a live musician work at a brisk pace to demonstrate that fitness can be healthful and joyful. Students learn the basic compositional elements of

choreography and music and master them while learning how dance can be both a vehicle for artistic expression and wellness.

**July 23** Ankle Bitters 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.

### Cooking Caravan: Chef Battle

**Wednesday, July 25, 2 pm** Cooking Caravan comes to our library for a Chef Battle! Two children will be selected as chefs, and the audience will watch them create a dish with surprise ingredients, including a special NatureConnect ingredient grown at the Library. The audience will sample and decide who won the chef battle.

### KENMORE – 330-745-6126

**969 Kenmore Blvd., Akron, 44314**  
**Tuesdays, 2 pm**

### Make-It-Take-It Snack

**June 5** Get out of the heat and make a snack to eat here or take with you! Snack will be announced the day of the program.

### Family Movie (TBA)

**June 12, July 10** Relax with a movie, popcorn and drinks. Bring the whole family and enjoy an afternoon at the library!

### Wings and Things Art and Selfies

**June 19** We will be working together to create 2 massive wings to take fun selfies with our friends! Help create this display that will hang up in the library! Bring your phone!

### Family Games

**June 26, July 24** There is something for everyone at Family Games! We have board and card games. Also, toys for the tots. Or, feel free to bring in any of your family's favorites!

### Flip-Flop Art

**July 3** Do you have a pair of flip flops that need to be jazzed up? Bring your own flip-flops and decorate them with our provided embellishments!

### Egg Drop Challenge

**July 17** How creative are you? Create a contraption to save a raw egg from certain destruction! Supplies and eggs provided! Prizes

will be awarded to the person whose egg survives the best!

### Performers at Kenmore Branch

**Thursdays, 1 pm**

### Outback Ray

**June 7** Enjoy an hour of animal fun!

### Sogbety Diomande

**June 14** Listen to the magic of the drums as Sogbety Diomande entertains us.

### Realm of the Reptile

**June 21** Get out of the summer heat and learn about our scaly friends!

### Bubble Lady

**June 28** The Bubble Lady is back! She will be showing us all sorts of fascinating things that can be done with bubbles! You might even be able to step inside a large bubble!

### Crooked River Comedy

**July 5** Enjoy an afternoon of comedy fun and cool off!

### Rick Smith Jr.

**July 12** Rick Smith Jr is back to show us magic and card throwing!

### Movie for Everyone!

**July 19, 26** Cool off in the community room and watch a movie and eat popcorn! Movie will be announced at beginning of week on our front whiteboard.

### MAPLE VALLEY – 330-864-5721

**1187 Copley Rd., Akron, 44320**

### Family Programs

#### Thrilling Thursdays

**Join us every Thursday, 1:30 pm**

For all ages; children under the age of 5 should be accompanied by a caregiver.

**June 7:** Popcorn Pop-in Party with the Illusion Factory

Join us for some delicious popcorn, an exciting show, and a craft or two as we kick off the Summer Reading Program! We will also have a visit from our special friend Webster, so be sure to bring a camera.

**June 14:** The Bubble Lady and the Wonderful World of Bubbles

**June 21:** African Drummer Sogbety Diomande

**June 28:** Outback Ray's Amazing Animal Show

**July 5:** Dance Party with a DJ from One T Entertainment

**July 12:** Rockin' Robots

**July 19:** Magician Rick Smith, Jr

**July 26:** Illusionist David Anthony

### Family Movie Monday

**Every third Monday of the month, 6 pm** Join us for a family friendly movie, popcorn, and drinks!

**June 18:** Paddington 2 (PG)

**July 16:** Peter Rabbit (PG)

**August 20:** Sherlock Gnomes (PG)

### PAWS for Reading

**Saturdays, June 23, July 7, August 11, 2 pm**

Practice your reading skills by reading aloud to our doggie pal, Kivrin. Bring a book from home or read one of ours! Not reading yet? Our dogs' human pal will read to you. This is a great way for children to practice their literacy skills and gain more confidence in reading aloud. Children of all ages are welcome.

### Children's Programs

#### Pitter Patter Playgroup

**Wednesdays in July, 11:30 am**

Ages 5 and under. Bring your little ones to enjoy our puzzles, games, and toys! Both children and caregivers can join in the fun!

#### School-Age Programs

##### LEGO-licious Mondays

**June 11, July 9, August 13, 2 pm**

Grades K-6. Love Legos? So do we! Join us for an afternoon of fun, creativity, and building!

#### Back to School Breakfast

**Thursday, August 16, 11:30 am**

Grades K-6. Summer was fun, but school is great! It's a back to school breakfast, so don't be late!

Stop in to celebrate the exciting start to a new school year with Ms. Erica and Ms. Megan! We will have a special breakfast treat provided by Sylvan Learning Center, and other games, crafts, and activities to get you ready for a wonderful year of learning. Registration is requested.

#### Nature Connect

##### Nature to Go: Garden in a Glove

**June 11-June 16** Stop at the desk to get everything you need for creating a Garden in a Glove. Using the provided supplies and instructions you will be able to start your very own vegetable garden. Be sure to examine the seeds before planting, you never know what you might find!

### MOGADORE – 330-628-9228

**144 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, 44260**

#### Library Babies and Tots

**Thursdays, June 14-August 16, 10:30 am**

There will not be a program on July 19. Ages birth - 3 ½. Join Miss Kim for songs, stories and group playtime with our library friends.

## MOGADORE, continued

### Story Time Programs

**Tuesdays, June 12-August 14, 10:30 am** There will not be a program on July 24. Ages 3 and up. Join Miss Kim for stories, songs, games and crafts.

### Family Programs

#### Fun Club

**Wednesdays, 11:30 am and 2 pm** Make Wednesdays your Family Fun days! Join us for some summer fun and entertainment. Performances are at 11:30 am and 2 pm unless specified.

**June 13** Ice Cream Social-Special Time 12:30-2 pm: Calling all ages! Find out why Libraries Rock and start off your summer right by visiting the Mogadore Branch Library. Register for Mind, Body and Sole, our summer reading program. Socialize with friends, neighbors, and library lovers while enjoying some ice cream. We will also have a special visit from Splat the Cat!

**June 20** The Bubble Lady

**July 4** Library Closed

**July 11** Mr. Molecule's Bing Bang Boom Science Show

**July 18** Outback Ray and his amazing animals

**July 25** Black Light Dance Party with One T Entertainment

### Special Program: Touch-A-Truck

**Monday, June 25, 12:30-2 pm**

Bring the entire family to the Library anytime between 12:30-2 pm.

Special guests from our community will display their trucks in the Mogadore High School parking lot. Explore a bookmobile, fire truck, school bus, and other vehicles while learning how they are used in our community. Rain or shine, come to the library, check out some books, and touch-a-truck! A big thank you to the Library's Mobile Services Department, Mogadore Junior High/High School, the Village of Mogadore, Mogadore Fire and Police, Two Men and a Truck Moving Company, and Summa Health Systems for providing vehicles and their time.

### NatureConnect: Northeast Ohio Rocks!

All summer in the Children's Area. Decorate your own rock and then take it with you. Hide the rock anywhere you like, as part of our summer theme, "Libraries Rock." For more information, check out Northeast Ohio Rocks on Facebook.

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

### NatureConnect

Explore what's going on in our NatureConnect area this summer.

### Monthly Challenges

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

**June**-Music Code Maker

**July**-Strings Dot-to-Dot

**August**- Paper Music Video

### Family Time

#### Family Night

**One Monday a month, 6:30 pm**

Families of all ages. Create some great crafts.

**June 11** Join Miss Sue and create a floating ball.

**July 23** We're going to make a cloud id picture frame.

**August 13** Make a glow in the dark moon mobile.

### 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.

**June 18** Bouncing ball painting

**July 16** Bubble wrap stomp painting

**August 20** Blow Dart Painting

### Science Saturday

**Saturday, July 14, 2:30 pm**

Raptors Up Close-Join the Ohio Bird Sanctuary for an educational, up close, live bird of prey presentation! All ages welcome. Registration is suggested.

### Build it

**Friday, July 20, 4 pm** Whether you build by yourself or with a friend, use your imagination to build something with blocks or Legos.

### 5 Star Meals

**Saturday, August 11, 11 am** Fun interactive program for children and parents to get lunch, snack, and breakfast ideas just in time for school. Learn how kids can earn passport stickers and receive a special Star Power award. This program is presented by Heinars.

### Story Times

#### Baby Time

**Thursdays, June 14-July 12, 10:15 am**

For children 24 months and under with a parent or caregiver. Our programs feature bounces, songs, and stories.

### Story Time

**Thursdays, June 14-July 12, 11:30 am** For children 2-5 years old, with two-year-olds accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Short stories, rhymes and more!

### Parachute Play

**Thursday, August 9, 11 am** Toddler parachute play is for ages 2-5. We will use music and movement to play with the parachute.

### Yoga for Kids

**Thursdays, June 7, July 19, August 16, 11 am** Ages 2-7. Registration is appreciated. Join Nirvana Yoga for some yoga fun.

### School Age Programs

#### School Age Fun

**Tuesdays, 2 pm** For students in Kindergarten-5th grade.

**June 12** Cartoonist Jeff Nicholas will share his drawing talents and show us how he draws some of his cartoons.

**June 19** Lindsay Bonilla – Interactive storyteller from World of Difference will share some wonderful stories.

**June 26** Outback Ray will bring some of his amazing animal friends.

**July 3** Bingo

**July 10** Experience the magic of David Anthony.

**July 17** Be entertained by juggler, Matt Jergens.

**July 24** Enjoy music by a D.J. from One T Entertainment.

### Lunch Bunch

**Tuesdays, June 26-July 31, 12-1:30 pm** Students going into Kindergarten through fourth grades are invited to join Miss Sue for a story and a craft. Bring your lunch and your listening ears. Dessert and beverages will be provided. Please register as there is a limited number of spaces.

### NORTH HILL – 330-535-9423

**183 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310**

### Libeary Traveling Bears

These cuddly, stuffed bears like to travel and make new friends. Plan to take one along on your family vacation this summer. Children (or adults) are expected to read to the bear every day, and write in their journals. To borrow a bear, stop at the library, pick out a bear, have an adult sign it out, tell us when the bear will return. Have fun with our traveling bears!

### Preschool Playgroup

**Tuesdays, 11:30 am-12:30 pm**

Our little ones need time to play and visit with other children. Play with blocks, balls, tools, dolls, and puzzles enhances their problem solving skills and encourages their imaginations. The adults also get a chance to visit with one another and make new friends.

### Ice Cream Social

**Wednesday, June 6, 6 pm** All ages. Our Friends of the North Hill Branch Library will treat everyone to ice cream sundaes. Stop in to visit with Webster, the Rubber Duck's mascot, and take advantage of a fun photo op! Plan to register for the Mind, Body & Sole summer reading program. Boys and girls can get into the habit of reading every day. Keep them reading all summer!

### Paws for Reading

**Tuesdays, June 12, 26, July 10, 24, August 14, 11:30 am** Practice your reading skills by reading aloud to Rocky, our special doggie visitor. Bring a book from home, or read one of ours! Not reading yet? Our dog's owner will read with you!

### Preschool Story Time

**Tuesdays, June 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 10:30 am** Adult caregivers are welcome and expected to join in the fun. We'll read books, play music, hear flannel board stories, learn rhymes, experiment with puppets and finger plays, and play with toys as we make new friends and make something to take home.

### Special Preschool Events

**Tuesdays, 10:30 am**

**July 10** Race your fastest car in the Hot Wheels Derby. This event is for anyone younger than six.

**July 17** Learn about animals with our special guests from the Akron Zoo.

### School Age Programs

**Wednesdays, 2 pm** These programs are designed to entertain children and parents. Each event will last about forty-five minutes to an hour.

**June 13** Spectacular drumming with Elec Simon

**June 20** Intriguing animals from the Realm of the Reptile

**June 27** New ways to use bubbles with the Bubble Lady

**July 11** Annual Hot Wheels Derby! Bring your fastest car!

**July 18** Enjoy juggling 101 with Matt Jergens

**July 25** A comedian stuck in a magician's shoes – Michael Mage

**NORTHWEST AKRON –  
330-836-1081**

**1720 Shatto Ave., Akron, 44313**  
Please call 330-836-1081 to register for these programs.

**Preschool Story Time**

**Thursdays, June 7-28, July 12-26,  
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.

**Boogie Woogie Books**

**Wednesdays, June 13, July 11,  
10:30 am** Ages 5 and under with a caregiver. Shake, jiggle, and jive in this fun musical program!

**Bubbles, Bubbles Everywhere**

**Tuesday, June 12, 10:30 am** Birth through age 3 with a caregiver. Join us for a fun day full of bubbles! With silly music, a bubble machine and gigantic bubble wands, you won't want to miss this!

**We All Scream for Ice Cream!**

**Tuesday, June 26, 1 pm** Ages 5 and under with a caregiver. I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! Books, music, movement, and of course, ice cream for everyone! Registration requested.

**School-Age Programs**

Please call 330-836-1081 to register for these programs. Patrons with food allergy questions should contact the branch.

**PAWS for Reading**

**Saturdays, June 16, July 21,  
August 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.

**Disney Day**

**Monday, June 18, 2 pm** 4th-6th graders. Celebrate all things Disney by making crafts, answering trivia, and participating in a Disney lip-sync battle.

**Painting with Music**

**Monday, July 9, 2 pm** 4th-6th graders. There are many ways to express yourself, through music, through art. Why not combine the two? The library is hosting a painting with music event. Listen to a variety of musical genres and paint what you feel.

**Kindergarten Readiness Day**

**Thursday, August 2, 6:30 pm** Kindergarteners. Kindergarten is right around the corner! Are you

ready? Join us for stories, games, resources for parents, and important information to help your child be ready for school.

**Family Programs**

Please call 330-836-1081 to register for these programs. All ages are welcome.

**Summer Reading Kick-Off Party**

**Wednesday, June 6, 2 pm** Get into the summer spirit by registering for Mind, Body & Sole at our annual kick-off event. Ice cream sundaes included!

**Mind, Body & Sole Summer Performers**

**Wednesdays, 2 pm**

**June 13:** Comedy Juggler Matt Jergens

**June 20:** Origami Storyteller Christine Kallevig

**June 27:** The Magic of David Anthony

**July 11:** Outback Ray

**July 18:** Bubble Lady

**July 25:** Sogbety Diomande

**Campfire Story Time**

**Second Mondays, June 11, July 9, 6:30 pm** Families, join us outside for a special story time with stories, songs, and activities. No registration is necessary. Please bring a blanket or towel to sit on.

**Sensory Story Time on the Road**

**Saturday, June 16, 8-11 am** Visit our table at the Autism Society of Greater Akron's Akron Autism 5K Run and Walk at Lock 3 and engage in some sensory elements incorporated in our monthly Sensory Story Time held at Northwest Akron Branch.

**LEGO Club**

**Third Mondays, June 18, July 16, 6:30 pm** Drop in on the third Monday of each month to build and show off your creations! LEGOs will be provided.

**Paint the Walk**

**Tuesday, June 19, 1 pm** In collaboration with the Northwest Family Recreation Center, we will beautify our landscape by painting the walkways in front of our building. Bring the whole family for this fun and creative activity!

**Music Petting Zoo**

**Saturday, June 23, 2 pm** The library will be crawling with music instruments in this "petting zoo." Try a variety of instruments, including piano, guitar, and drums, among many others.

**Interactive Musical Monday**

**Mondays, June 25, July 30, 2 pm** Enjoy the magic of musicals by not only watching the movies Greatest Showman and Aladdin but interacting using props and prompts. Popcorn will be provided and singing along is encouraged.

**Vegetable Rock Band**

**Tuesday, July 10, 1 pm** Music like you've never seen before! See a delicious demonstration of instruments made from vegetables and other interesting material. Registration requested.

**Family Movie Afternoon**

**Tuesday, July 17, 2 pm** Enjoy popcorn and a movie. A short dance demonstration will be followed by the movie Leap!

**Sensory Story Time**

**Third Saturdays, July 21, August 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.

**Northwest Akron Branch Library and Recreation Center Anniversary Concert & Ice Cream Social**

**Tuesday, August 7, 6-9 pm** Join us for our annual celebration at the Northwest Akron Recreation Center with the AKRON BIG BAND for the 15th anniversary of our building. This is also the National Night Out Against Crime and will include activities supporting that initiative in collaboration with the City of Akron.

**NatureConnect**

**Anytime Program: Libraries Rock! Scavenger Hunt**  
**June-August** We welcome seekers of all ages to scour our garden for painted rocks.

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

**Melody Makers**

**Thursdays, June 7, 14, 21, 28,  
10:30-11:15 am** For ages 2-6. Stories, music making and dance offs!

**Family Frolics**

**Wednesdays, 2 pm**  
**June 6** Bubble Lady – "Ooo and Aah" as fan favorite Bubble Lady makes small, medium, and large bubbles dance through the air.

**June 13** Realm of the Reptile – Undulating Wonders! Meet reptiles up close with science educator, Marisa Dubina, who will share what makes them special.

**June 20** David Anthony – Magic and creative juggling tricks perfect for the little ones in your family.

**June 27\*** Sam Sapp – Songs and Tails from the Woods. Learn new songs and sing out loud!

\*National Sunglasses Day – Show us your sunglasses for a chance in today's special prize drawing.

**July 4** Happy Independence Day. No program today.

**July 11** Take Me Out to the Yard Games – The Norton Branch Library field will be the place. Musical Bingo in case of rain.

**July 18** Magician Rick Smith Jr. – Interactive and entertaining magic and illusion show.

**July 25\*\*** Chef Battle – Cheer on budding chefs in this fun, interactive cooking show brought to you by Cooking Caravan of Columbus, Ohio. \*\*Please note: This program starts at 12 pm. Come early for a good seat.

**Open Call for Math Fun**

Pick up Bedtime Math's Summer of Numbers Constellation Sheet from the Norton Library and solve a daily fun math problem available on [bedtimemath.org](http://bedtimemath.org). Show us your star chart for a prize and a certificate at the end of the summer.

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

**Wednesday Summer Reading Performers**

**1 pm** Groups over 8 please call to reserve space. Our meeting room has occupancy limitations and we do not want you to be disappointed if it is filled.

**June 13** Outback Ray-Touch and experience some exotic animals while learning about these amazing creatures.

**June 20** Sogbety Diomande- Experience West Africa through rhythms, dances and song.

**June 27** Storigami with Christine Kallevig-Each fold of the giant paper represents an aspect of a story. By story's end, a surprise origami figure is made. Language plus art equals great fun.

**July 11** Bubble Lady-The magic of bubbles. They multiply, do acrobatics, and you may find yourself inside a giant bubble.

**July 18** Bricks4Kidz-Lego, duplos,



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perler beads, STEM activities. Choose from a room full of activities. **July 25** Mr. Molecule's Bing, Bang, Boom Science Show-Have fun and learn about the magic of science.

**Preschool Fun Story time**  
**Thursdays, June 14-July 26, 10:15 am** For ages 3-5 with a caretaker. Each week we will share stories, song, movement and a special activity in an hour of fun.

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

**Thrilling Thursdays**  
**June 7-July 26, 11 am** Join us for eight weeks of family fun programs!  
**June 7 Mind, Body & Sole Kickoff!** Register for our Summer Reading Program, enjoy a frozen treat, and enjoy a visit with **Fran Kitchen** and her rescued animals.

**June 14 Outback Ray** is back and bringing some amazing animal friends!

**June 21 David Anthony** returns to amaze and mystify you with his magic tricks.

**June 28 One T Entertainment** will rock us into the summer season. Bring your dancing shoes!

**July 5 Lindsay Bonilla:** A storyteller who makes you a part of the story!

**July 12 Sing a Song Sing-Along** with **Sam Sapp** from Sammytunes.

**July 19 Mr. Molecule's BIG, BANG, BOOM! Science Show:** A Zany, high-energy show that makes science fun!

**July 26 Smart Moves:** Creative moving and playing to shake those wiggles out!

**Puzzled at the Library**  
**Thursdays, June 7, July 5, August 2, 6-7:30 pm** Tired of completing the same jigsaw puzzle over and over again? Put your skills to the test and team up with a partner or work with a group to see who can complete a new puzzle the fastest. Bring a challenging puzzle to trade with another team.

**Preschool Playroom**  
**Mondays, June 11, July 9, August 13, 11 am** Play with your child and help your little one discover a whole new world through play! We provide a variety of activities and toys for preschoolers to explore while making new friends. Ages 1-4 recommended, with a caregiver.

**Family Story Times**  
**Tuesdays, June 12-June 26; July 10-July 24, 11 am** Join us for a family-friendly story time with stories, songs, finger plays, art and lots of fun! All ages welcome.

**Doughnuts for Dudes!**  
**Saturday, June 16, 10:30 am** Calling all gentlemen both young and old! Celebrate Father's Day in a special way by decorating a doughnut and crafting a picture frame with that special person in your life. Bring your cameras to get your picture with our **special guest Webster from the Akron Rubber Ducks!** Please register in advance. All ages welcome.

**NatureConnect Create!**  
**Wednesdays, June 20, July 18, August 15, 11 am** Join us Wednesday mornings to spend some time outside, listen to a story, discover what is blooming in our reading garden and create a family friendly craft.

**Bricks 4 Kidz**  
**Thursday, July 19, 6-7:30 pm** Join us for some building fun with our friends from Bricks 4 Kidz! Build, play and explore with Legos and other fun activities.

**Christmas in July Open House**  
**Wednesday, July 25, 11am-1 pm** Christmas may be 5 months away, but we've got plenty of Christmas Crafts, Holiday Games and Cookies to decorate! Too hot outside? Join us and chill with fun selfie props. All ages welcome.

**Family STEAM**  
**Saturday, August 11, 1 pm** Let out some steam as we explore a Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math! Silly sciences experiments and hands on activities will entertain all ages.

**RICHFIELD – 330-659-4343**  
**3761 S. Grant St., Richfield, 44286**  
**Mind, Body and Sole Kicks Off with Root Beer Floats and Music in the Garden**  
**Wednesday, June 6, 1-3 pm** Join us in the garden for Mind, Body and Sole registration and enjoy a refreshing root beer float. Great Grins Photo booth will be here! Paint creative rocks that can be hidden and tracked though a new child-friendly app called Rock Paint. Hang out and have fun with Legos. Bricks 4 Kidz will be here from 1-2:30 pm with their Lego Fun camp.

**Family Story Time**  
**Tuesdays, June 12- July 31, 10:30-11:30 am** Ages 6 months-6 years. Children bring your favorite caregiver and join us for stories, music, rhymes, gardening, and more. No registration required. We'll have a variety of outdoor activities during story time so please lather up with sun screen and be ready to get dirty, messy and potentially wet.

**Family Story Hour Picnic**  
**Tuesday July 31,** immediately following Story Hour. Consider staying after story hour for a picnic. Please bring your own sandwiches and a picnic blanket. We will provide Lemonade, fruit, and munchies. This is a fun and relaxing way to wrap up a summer of fun. In the event of rain, we will enjoy an indoor picnic instead.

**Momtography: Photography Lesson Series**  
**Thursdays, June 14, 28, July 12, 10:30 am** Meet with other parents and caregivers while learning how to creatively capture those priceless summer shots of your kids. Lessons taught by a local photographer of Pixure This! Photo Studio. Please register for the sessions you wish to attend. Bring your own camera/device to these hands-on classes. Children welcome. Play Space will be set up to entertain.

**Session 1:** Basic Techniques: How to photograph your toddler; natural posing tips; common photography tips and tricks. Open forum Q & A.  
**Session 2:** Lighting, Filters & Apps: How to choose the proper lighting, perspective and arrangement for less candid images with multiple children. We will touch on using in-app filters and share our favorite photo apps. Instructor will be working one on one. Please bring a blanket.

**Session 3:** Advanced Photography: How to capture spur-of-the-moment shots while on the move, or when it's best to grab the camera and have patience. Professional tips on cropping, arranging an album or scrapbook, framing, and hanging. Touch upon advanced editing tools of the trade such as Photoshop and Adobe Lightroom. Please bring a blanket.

**Enchanted Story Land Forest**  
**Tuesday, August 7, 10:30 am** Become part of the story and join in an interactive scavenger hunt. The Carter-Pedigo Trail will transform into an Enchanted Story Land

Forest. The trail will be packed with our favorite characters and villains from classic children's fairy tales and nursery rhymes such as: The Big Bad Wolf, a giant, a troll, and a runaway cookie. These are a few of the adventures that will take place on the trail. Note: the trail is not very stroller friendly, sandals not recommended. Dress for the weather, and sunscreen and bug spray recommended. The trail head is located on the east side of the library parking lot. Scavenger Hunt trinkets will be available for the first 125 children to participate. Rain Date: Tuesday, August 14, 10:30 am

**Paint and Play in the Garden**  
**Thursdays, June 14, July 26, August 16, 10:30-11:30 am** Enjoy a morning of messy fun. At each session we will explore different techniques for painting. We will paint with different tools, hands, fingers, and feet too. Dress to get messy. Weather permitting, our paint activities will take place out in the garden. Fun for all ages.

**Snack and Play in the Garden**  
**Thursdays, June 7, 21, July 5, 19, August 9, 10:30-11:30 am** Enjoy a relaxing morning playing in the garden. Snacks will be provided. Fun for all ages.

**Summer Exercise Course**  
**Mondays, June 11- July 30, 12-2 pm** Stay fit this summer with our fun on your own garden exercise program. We will set up different exercise activities out in our reading garden. Fun for the whole family. Can't make it on Monday's? No problem. Ask at the desk and we will be happy to set it up for you.

**Chalk on the Wild Side**  
**Monday, June 18, 2-4 pm** Join us for an afternoon of messy fun. We will make our own sidewalk chalk and paint. We will also have fun chalking our library sidewalks with colorful art work.

**Performer Line Up Family Fun for All Ages**  
**Wednesdays, 2-3 pm**  
**June 13**-Cartooning with Jeff Nicholas.  
**June 20**-Drumming with Elec Simon.  
**June 27**-Outback Ray and his wild friends will visit with us.  
**July 11**-Rock out with the Rocking Robots.  
**July 18**-Be amazed with the magic of David Anthony.

**July 25**-Enjoy the music of Sam Sapp.

### Thursday Matinees

**1-3 pm** Kick back and relax with our family friendly movies while enjoying popcorn and juice.  
**June 14**-Tad the Lost Explorer and the Secret of King Midas  
**July 5**-Wonder  
**July 26**-The BFG  
**August 2**-Dog Who Saved Summer

### 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. This is a great way for your child to build reading fluency and read-aloud confidence.

**Yoga with Nirvana Yoga Studio**  
**Mondays, July 30, August 6,**  
**10:30- 11:30 am**

**Yoga with Yoga Squirrel**  
**Mondays, June 25, July 2, July 9,**  
**1 pm** For ages 4 and up, join us for an hour of yoga fun, followed by a healthy snack. If you have a yoga mat or beach towel, please bring it. We'll have a small supply of yoga mats available, too. Parents are welcome to participate in our yoga practice too.

### Garden Picking

**Tuesday, August 14, 10:30-11:30 am** Pick veggies our Story Hour Gardeners have grown.

### Carter-Pedigo Trail Programs

Celebrating 5 years of StoryWalk® On the Carter-Pedigo Trail. Winner of the 2014 Greater Cleveland Trails and Greenways, Best Trail Program Award. In celebration, library staff and community have voted for their favorite titles from years past. Each month will feature a winning title on the Trail. There is also a chance to read and win, with a Raffle! To play, pick up a Trail Hiking form. Hiking forms are available at the Library, the Richfield Recreation Center, and in a box at the trail head. See form for further details. All participants will receive a prize for celebrating 5 years of StoryWalk® with us at the end of the year.

**June** *Paul Revere's Ride* by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow  
**July** *The Camping Trip That Changed America* by Barb Rosenstock  
**August** *Harry the Dirty Dog* by Gene Zion

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with

the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.

### Community Day

**Sunday, August 12, 11 am-6 pm** Find us under the big tent at Community Day with our "Fish-N-Wish".

**SPRINGFIELD-LAKEMORE –**  
**330-643-4770**  
**1500 Canton Rd., Akron, 44312**

### Story Time

**Tuesdays, June 5-July 31, 10:30 am** Ages birth to five with a caregiver. A happy blend of stories, rhymes, songs, and play for you and your child to enjoy together. Lots of music and movement included. All are welcome and celebrated.

### Family Programs

**Reading Rocks! Mind, Body & Sole Kick-off!**

**Saturday, June 2, 2-4 pm** Register for the Library's summer reading program – Mind, Body & Sole and help us make Reading Rocks! Paint a rock with a book theme and hide it in the community for someone else to find. If you find a rock, post it to Instagram using the hashtag #slrocks and see where your rock travels.

**Mind, Body & Sole - Take a Hike!**  
**Monday, June 4-Saturday, July 28**

Summer reading is here! Explore the connections between movement, nature, and literature with a Hiking Pack! Hiking Packs will be available for daily checkout from June 4 through July 28. The packs include a map of the local trails, a field guide to one of the following: Ohio trees and flowers, Ohio birds, or Ohio Wildlife, a Ziploc bag for your found treasures, a composition book, colored pencils, and crayons to document your adventure. Get some of those movement requirements in and grab a pack and go! Hikers are encouraged to use the journal to document their adventures and express their creativity. You can leave your journal writings/drawings to inspire others, or take the pages with you. Packs and the materials inside are to be returned to the library on the same day so others can check them out. Share your adventures by posting pictures to Instagram using the hashtag #slhikes.

### Special Events

The following special events will be held at the Springfield Township Lakefront Park Pavilion on Thursdays.

**June 14, 11 am** Rick Smith Jr., the magician and world record holder will perform an entertaining magic show for all ages.

**June 28, 11 am** Party Couture, your whole family will get up and move with this DJ and dance party.

**July 12, 11 am** Elec Simon, catch the beat and drum along with this nationally recognized percussionist.

**July 26, 1 pm** Outback Ray, amazing, exotic animals for your family to see and learn all about.

### PAWS for Reading

**Third Saturday of each month, June 16, July 21, August 18, 11 am** Share a book with a certified therapy dog, practice your reading skills and make new friends, too!

### Builder's Club

**Wednesdays, June 20, July 18, 3 pm** We provide blocks, Legos, and other building supplies, you bring your imagination.

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

### Story Time Play Group

**Mondays, June 11-July 9,**  
**10:30 am** For children ages 2-6 years. Join Miss Jill for books, flannel boards, stories, rhymes, and songs. Sometimes when weather permits, we will be going outside for a StoryWalk® and also to work in the library garden. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library. Each session will conclude with a group playtime.

### Baby Beats

**Mondays, July 23-August 20, 11 am** Baby Beats is a fun, interactive music program for baby and caregiver. There are numerous benefits to introducing babies to rhymes, rhythm and music. Music helps a child develop cognitive skills, promote language development as well as assist in improving large motor skills. During the program a variety of music and rhymes will be shared including traditional children's songs from all cultures and classical music. Each session will be followed by group playtime.

**Meet and Greet with Webster the Rubber Ducks Mascot**

**Tuesday, June 12, 11:30 am** Join us for a Meet and Greet with Webster, the official Akron Rubber Ducks Mascot. Light refreshments will be served.

### Family Fun

**Thursdays, 1 pm**

**June 7:** Realm of the Reptile-Interact with this hands-on presentation.

**June 14:** David Anthony-Xtreme Magic Show.

**June 21:** Bubble Lady-Bubbles beyond your imagination.

**June 28:** Bricks for Kids-Learn with LEGO.

**July 5:** Elec Simon-The rhythm never stops.

**July 12:** Outback Ray-Meet the animals.

**July 19:** Crooked River Comedy-Enjoy this improv comedy group.

**July 26:** Sam Sapp -Songs and "Tails" from the Woods.

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALES

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

**Book Sale**-Saturday, July 14,  
10 am-3 pm

**Book Sale**-Saturday, August 18,  
10 am-3 pm

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

**Friends Preview**-Saturday, June 2,  
8:30-10 am

**Book Sale**- Saturday, June 2,  
10 am-3 pm

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

**Book Sale**- Saturday, June 2,  
10 am-3 pm

**Book Sale**- Saturday, August 11,  
10 am-3 pm

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

**Friends Preview**-Friday, June 1,  
12-1 pm

**Book Sale**- Friday, June 1, 1-5 pm

**Book Sale**-Saturday, June 2,  
10 am-3 pm

### LIBRARY SHOP AT MAIN

Monday-Thursday: 12-6 pm

Friday & Saturday: 12-4 pm

Sunday: 1-4 pm

Programs are subject to change.

