

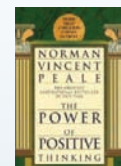


## Wednesdays, 2 pm

**December 8** HE SEES YOU WHEN YOU'RE SLEEPING  
by Mary Higgins Clark

**January 12** THE POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING  
by Norman Vincent Peale

**Saturday, February 12, 10:30 am**  
GETTING TO HAPPY by Terry McMillan



**Chocolate Program Thursday, February 10, 6:30 pm**  
If you love chocolate, don't miss this program. Chocolatier, Kim Lucak, will demonstrate how to make delicious homemade treats using Dove chocolate.

## Cinema Nights Thursdays at 6 pm

**December 30** The Christmas Story  
starring Peter Billingsley and Bob Clark

**January 27** Just Wright starring Queen Latifah and Common

## Craft Programs

The Maple Valley Needle Crafters meets every Thursday at 6 pm.

## Computer Programs

**Monday, January 31, 6 pm**

Introduction to Computers

**Tuesday, February 1, 10:30 am**

Internet Part 1

**Wednesday, February 2, 6 pm**

Exploring eBay Buying-Basics on Bidding

**Thursday, February 3, 10:30 am**

Beginning HTML, Part 1: The Basics

**Friday, February 4, 10:30 am**

Government & Legal Information



## Open Mike Night Thursdays at 6:30 pm January 6, 13 and February 3

Calling all writers and poets? Share your creativity. This is your opportunity to express yourself in front of a captive audience. Participants can bring their original work or read from poetry books provided by the library.

## Tax Help AARP Tax Assistance

**Every Wednesday from 1-4 pm, February 2-April 13.**

Please call the branch to schedule appointments. Appointments can be scheduled beginning Tuesday, January 18.

## Health Programs

### Book Discussion Wednesday, January 12, 2 pm


THE POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING by Norman Vincent Peale  
Read and see just how positive thinking can influence the way you live your life. Begin your year with good mental health.

### Zumba 101 Saturday, January 15, 10:30 am

Dance Instructor, Shananne Lewis, will give you a hands on class on the fun Latin inspired exercise Zumba.

### Budgeting for a Healthy Plate Wednesday, January 19, 2 pm

Candice Venev from the Food and Nutrition Education Program of the Ohio State University will show you ways of budgeting grocery bills in order to fill your plate with vegetables, healthy grains and proteins.



**Akron-Summit County  
Public Library**

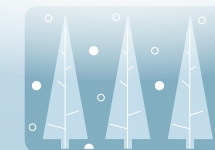
330-864-5721

Maple Valley Branch Library  
1187 Copley Road, Akron, Ohio 44320  
www.akronlibrary.org

*Interpretive services are available. Please inquire.*

# Winter Programs

Maple Valley  
Branch Library



## HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE Saturday,

December 11, 1-3 pm Come take a Picture with Santa

## PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Wednesdays, 11 am

December 1-15,

January 5-February 23

Stories, rhymes and music for young children. All preschool ages welcome



## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Monday Fun - 3:30-4:30 pm

**December 13** Cookie Club: Today we will read the Pearl and Wagner books by Kate McMullan

**January 10** win some prizes today playing Winter Bingo

**January 17** closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**January 24** Cookie Club: Poppy and Max books by Sally Grindley

**January 31** Make snowball soaps with a surprise inside

**February 7** Cookie Club: Fishy stories

**February 14** Snowman Party! Snowman games, crafts and food

**February 21** Cookie Club: Snake Stories

**February 28** Make some tiny dolls to fit in your pocket

*(Cookie Club is a book club for beginning readers grades K-3 that meets twice a month. Practice reading together, enjoy some fun games and activities, and eat cookies!)*

## Decorate for Santa!

Wednesday December 1, 3:30-5 pm

Santa is coming! He will be at Maple Valley Branch Library on December 11. Help prepare for his visit by making some crafts to decorate the library.

**Family Movie Night** *With popcorn and fruit drink!*

Thursdays - now a half hour earlier at 6 pm

**December 16** TOY STORY 3 (G)(86 minutes)

**January 20** DESPICABLE ME (PG)(95 minutes)

**February 17** ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS THE SQUEAKQUEL (PG)(89 minutes)



## PROGRAMS FOR 4TH & 5TH GRADERS

**Tuesdays at 3 pm** These programs are geared toward pre-teens, but all teens are welcome to come!! *Please Sign Up For These Programs.*

**Cupcakes December 7** Decorate tasty holiday treats!

**Fairy Tales December 28** Following a book discussion about The Sisters Grimm, you can do crafts and activities related to fairy tales. The book will be available at the library mid-November for check-out.

**Cartoon Drawing January 25**

Learn the basics on how to draw cartoons.



**The Write Stuff February 22** If you like to write, this is the place to be! The focus will be on writing poetry and short stories.

## TEEN PROGRAMS Tuesdays at 3:30 pm

**Chess Club Every Week** Grades 4-Adult

Checkmate! Want to compete against others players or just want to learn how to play? Then this is the place for you!

**Holiday Cards December 14**

Create amazing cards to give to friends and family for the holidays! PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS PROGRAM.

**The Karate Kid** (Rated PG) (140 min) **January 4**

Dre is forced to move to China with his mother for her new job. After getting bullied at his new school, he embraces martial arts, taught to him by a kung fu master. Starring Jackie Chan.

**Study Tips and Tricks January 11** Are homework and exams stressing you out? Sylvan Learning Center will teach you techniques to improve your study habits and test-taking skills. PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS PROGRAM.

**Diary of a Wimpy Kid** (Rated PG)(94 min) **February 1**

Greg Heffley recounts his hilarious adventures trying to survive middle school in his journal/diary. Based on the best-selling book.

**Valentine's Day Party February 8**

Cookies, book spine poetry (if you want to know what that is, come and find out!) and other activities will get you in the mood to celebrate Valentine's Day!! PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS PROGRAM.

## SATURDAY TEEN PROGRAMS

**Chess Club**

- 2 pm, December 18, January 8, February 5



**The Twilight Saga: Eclipse** (Rated PG-13)(124 min)

**December 18, 2 pm** As a string of mysterious killings grips Seattle, Bella, whose high school graduation is fast approaching, is forced to choose between vampire Edward and werewolf Jacob.

**Practice ACT or SAT exams**

Want to get the best score on your ACT or SAT? Sylvan Learning Center is offering free practice exams to prepare you for the real test. Please plan on this program lasting at least four hours, maybe longer. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AT LEAST A WEEK BEFORE EACH TEST.

**Jan 22**-SAT Testing-9:15 am **Feb 12**-ACT Testing-9:15 am

**Super Bowl Party February 5, 11 am**

Celebrate football's biggest game by playing Madden on the X-Box! Snacks and beverages provided. PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS PROGRAM.

## PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

**Black History Month** (all programs at 6:30 pm)

**Open Mike Night Thursday, February 3**

Come to this program and share your vision of what Black History Month means to you. Participants can share their original material or read from poetry books provided by the library.

**Heaven Sent Praise Dancers**

**Wednesday, February 16**

Bring your family and friends for an evening of inspiration. The Heaven Sent Praise Dancers from the House of Prayer for All People Church will perform their spectacular praise dances. Youth, ages 5-14, will pour their hearts and souls into this performance.

**Inspiration of Colors**

**Thursday, February 24 and March 3**

Welcome the drama team, Inspiration of Colors, to the Maple Valley Library. They will thrill you with their incredible talents. The team will perform speeches, poems and reenactments from some of our most memorable African-American leaders.