

Library Events for All Ages



Teen Programs, continued

Book Speed Dating

February 17 Find your perfect literary match! Check out new teen books and enjoy snacks and beverages.

Saturday Programs

ACT Practice Test

February 7, 9:15 am
Want to get the best score on your ACT? Sylvan Learning Center is offering free practice exams to prepare you for the real test. Please plan on this program lasting at least three hours. Registration is requested at least a week before the test.



College Prep

January 17, 1-2 pm
Megan Vogias from Sylvan Learning Center will be here to discuss what you need to know about getting into college.

Super Bowl Party

January 24, 11 am-2:30 pm

Play Madden, eat pizza and other snacks, and get ready for the biggest football game of the year! Please register for this program.



Passive Programs

Holiday Fun

December 15-20 Get into the holiday spirit with contests, crafts, and the chance to win prizes this week!

February Fun

February 9-14
Complete contests, crafts, and win prizes to celebrate February holidays.



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Adult Programs

Book Discussions

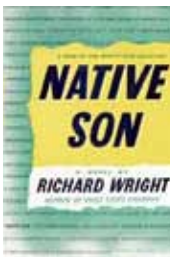
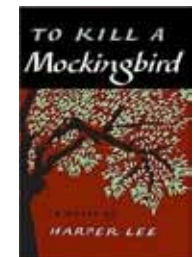
The Akron African United Front Book Discussion Group

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.



Classic Book Discussion
Every second Wednesday of the month, 1:30 pm
Whether you've read these books years ago or have just starting to read today, you will enjoy reading the classics. Contribute your thoughts to an energetic discussion. Learn interesting facts about the author and their literature. Call the branch to register today. Everyone is welcome.

January 14 The Color of Water: a Black Man's Tribute to his White Mother by James McBride
February 11 To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
March 11 The Native Son by Richard Wright



Black History Month Programs

The Wild Wild West: the African American Perspective

Saturday, February 7, 2 pm

Are you interested in the Wild Wild West? Historian, James Ewing, has been offering programs for over 35 years. Mr. Ewing will offer an engaging and eye-opening program about the African-Americans that lived during the Wild Wild West. He will share stories of infamous men such as Cherokee Bill and Isom Dart and explain how these individuals impacted this celebrated era of time.



A Twelve Year Ancestry Search and the Journey Continues

Saturday, February 21, 2 pm

For twelve years Mr. Hafford has been researching his family genealogy. Now, he's ready to share information about research databases and helpful techniques that will help you conduct your search. If you are new to genealogy or have been doing it for years, you will enjoy this program. John's goal is for you to start telling your story, hearing the voices of your ancestors and putting together the pieces of your family history.

Educational Programs

Computer Programs

Monday, December 29, 2 pm

Mouse Skills

Tuesday, December 30, 6 pm

Introduction to Computers

Friday, January 2, 2 pm Email Basics



GED Classes

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 am-12:30 pm

Project Learn offers Reading, Writing, Math,

GED and ESOL classes.

Additional Services:

GED Practice Test

Official GED Test

Transitions (Career/College Readiness

Workshop)

Distance Learning available 24 hours per day

One on one tutoring

Register on the 15th-of the month by calling

Project Learn at 330-434-9461.

Health Programs

We Wear the Mask

Saturday, January 10, 2 pm

Therapist Darlene Beecher will offer an enlightening program about the discovery of self. Using therapeutic art, Ms Beecher will have each person create their own unique face mask. After the masks are created a brief discussion will take place to express thoughts of what was experienced while under the mask. Ms. Beecher has offered this program in the past and has received insightful reviews about participants' experience. Note: Participants will be using petroleum jelly and Plaster of Paris on their faces to create their masks.

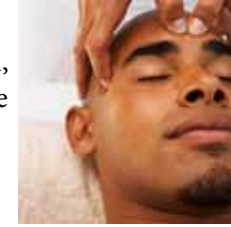
Relaxology and Bodywork

Saturday, January 17, 2 pm

Join Massage Therapist, Holly Randle, LMT, as she explains the health benefits of massage therapy.

At this informative program, Ms. Randle will demonstrate sample hand and chair massages. Ms. Randle has over 37 years of experience.

She specializes in geriatric and therapeutic massage therapy. She is also certified in reflexology.



Zumba with Aundrey

Saturdays, January 17, 31, February 7, 21, 10:30 am

Dance your way to fitness doing the Latin-inspired exercise, Zumba, with instructor Aundrey Sommerville.

Craft Programs

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



Teen Programs

Tuesdays, 3:30 pm

Iron Chef

December 9 Put your culinary skills to the test! Make a tasty creation using the secret ingredient and impress the judges. Please register for this program.

Movie Matinee

December 23 The Nightmare Before Christmas (PG)(76 min)



Sharpie Mug

January 6 Decorate a plain coffee mug with Sharpie markers. Beat the winter blues and fill it with your favorite hot beverage! Please register for this program.

Movie Matinee

January 27 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13)(101 min)

