HAPPENINGS APR. 2023 at your Library Director and CEO





Library Giving Day: April 4

Consider supporting your favorite programs by donating to the library. For ways to give, visit our website or contact the Development Office at 330-740-6086.

Blood Drive by Mahoning Chapter of the American Red Cross

Austintown

10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat., Apr. 1

Poland

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fri., Apr. 7 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues., Apr. 18

The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give blood.







National Library Week is April 23-29

and this year's theme is "There's More to the Story." From picture books to large print to audiobooks, libraries are full of stories, but they offer so much more, too. At PLYMC, we provide access to the internet and technology, bring communities together through programs and offer support to job seekers and entrepreneurs. We also lend items such as iPads, ukuleles and educational kits. This National Library Week, we encourage you to visit any PLYMC branch and explore all we have to offer!

Celebration Days During National Library Week

Monday, April 24: State of America's Libraries Report released, including Top Ten Frequently Challenged Books of 2022.

Tuesday, April 25: National Library Workers Day

Wednesday, April 26: National Library Outreach Day (formerly National Bookmobile Day)

Thursday, April 27: Take Action for Libraries Day



April is National Poetry Month and we're inviting teens in grades 7-12 to enter our annual Blackout Poetry Contest!

It's easy: Take a page with words written on it like an old book, magazine, or newspaper. Grab a marker and cross out words you don't want, leaving the words you do, and soon you'll have created a poem. Supplies will be provided at stations located at each branch.

Turn in your poem at any Mahoning County library branch by the end of the month. Three winners will be chosen from entries. The winners will receive a cash prize and have their poem posted to our website. Good luck and have fun!

THE MAHONING VALLEY

Shop for freshly grown produce and other groceries.

SEBRING 12-2 PM | THURS., APR. 27



Registration is required for some programs and each attendee must be registered. For virtual programs on Zoom, register with an email address through the online events calendar.



Baby Story Time

Poland, 10 a.m. Wed., Apr. 5 Canfield, 10 a.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 20 Boardman, 10 a.m. Tues., Apr. 11, 25 Austintown, 11 a.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Gotta Move Story Time

Main Library, 11:30 a.m. Tues., Apr. 4, 11, 18, 25 Austintown, 11 a.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27 **Toddler Story Time**

Poland, 10 a.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27

Playtime at Your Library

Brownlee Woods, 11 a.m. Mon., Apr. 3 Struthers, 10 a.m. Fri., Apr. 7 Sebring, All Day, Fri., Apr. 14 Boardman, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 22

Yoga Story Time

Poland, 10 a.m. Fri., Apr. 14 "Sense" ational Play

Austintown, 11 a.m. Tues., Apr. 18

Play, Learn, and Grow Together

In partnership with Easterseals of Mahoning County, this group helps children develop skills to succeed in the classroom. For children 2.5 to 5 years old. Boardman, 2:30 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 27



Spring Break Planting for Kids

Tri-Lakes, 2 p.m. Fri., Apr. 7

Reading with Rhys

Springfield, 4 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13, 27

Read with Rennie

Canfield, 4:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 17

Read to Ellie

Poland, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 18

DIY Recycled Robots

Main Library, 5 p.m. Wed., Apr. 19

LEGO my Library

Austintown, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 19

Read with Lucy Lu!

Tri-Lakes, 4 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Plant Me Green

Main Library, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 29



KIDS & TWEEN

Watercolor for Kids

Austintown, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 15

Let's Celebrate the Earth

Springfield, 3:30 p.m. Fri., Apr. 21

Bloomin' Boots

Paint a ceramic boot and fill with faux flowers to create a fun spring decoration.

Austintown, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 22

Spring Painting Party

Struthers, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 22





TWEENS Grades 4-6

BeTween the Pages

We'll discuss the novel "Before the Ever After" by Jacqueline Woodson.

Canfield, 4:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 3

Tween Book Club

Call 330-744-8636 to register and reserve this month's book. Michael Kusalaba,

6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27

Tissue Paper Flower Bouquet Craft

Main Library, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 15

Beaded Animal Keychain

Main Library, 5 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20



TEENS&TWEEN

Improv Workshop

East, 1 p.m. Sat., Apr. 1

Art Café After School

Canfield, 3 p.m. Wed., Apr. 5

Fiero Coding Club

Main Library, 4 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27

After School Anime

Canfield, 3 p.m. Mon., Apr. 17

Success for Succulents

Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 24

Cosplay and Comics Club

Struthers, 6 p.m. Mon., Apr. 24

Sit Back and Craft

East, 4 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Chess Club

Main Library, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 26



Page Corner Bookmarks

Virtual Field Trip to Ford Theater: Investigate the Lincoln Assassination

Interact with historical characters, examine primary source images and hear witness statements.

Learn how to create your own hydroponic, self-watering system to grow salad greens and herbs.

Michael Kusalaba, 12 p.m. Sat., Apr. 15



Hopewell Theatre, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 4



After School Gaming

Boardman, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 5 Sebring, 3:30 p.m. Tues., Apr. 18

Teen Poetry Night

Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6



Teen Book Club

Theme: Sci-Fi

Springfield, 3:15 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Rainbow Room

Michael Kusalaba, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13

Apprentice's Inn

Boardman, 5:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 17 Anime & Manga Club

Austintown, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20 That 80's Escape Room

Main Library, 3:30 p.m. Fri., Apr. 28



Canfield, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 29





Makers Academy

Each month will feature a project using a different tool. Receive a punch card to keep track of your progress. Get 10 punches to complete the academy and earn a prize!

Makerspace at Michael Kusalaba

Featuring: Vinyl Printer

Design and print a holographic vinyl sticker.

DIY Space at Main Library

Featuring: Button Maker Learn how to create a button.

Projects can be completed by appointment during Library hours. To schedule, call 330-744-8636.

Participants must sign a waiver before using equipment. A parent or guardian must sign for those under 18. Participants under age 10 must be accompanied by a parent or quardian.

Sewing Machine Basics

Main Library, 3:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 3 Main Library, 1 p.m. Sat., Apr. 29



Easter Bunny Craft

Main Library, 6:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 3



Job Interview Etiquette

Main Library, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 4



Teen & Adult Beginner **Poetry Workshop with Lit Youngstown**

Boardman, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 4

Silent Book Club

Common Goods Studio. 4 p.m. Wed., Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26



Main Library, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 5 Main Library, 6 p.m. Mon., Apr. 24



Color Yourself Calm

Sebring, 11 a.m. Thurs., Apr. 6

Korean War: Records and Reflections

Boardman, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6



Austintown, 9 a.m. Mon., Apr. 10 - Sat., Apr. 15

Main Library, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 12

Michael Kusalaba, 4 p.m. Fri., Apr. 14

Mason Jar Hydroponic Gardening



Open Mic Night

DIY Fairy Garden Terrariums Struthers, 5 p.m. Mon., Apr. 10

DIY Rope Baskets

Sebring, 3:30 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Craft Corner

East, 4 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Adobe 101: Premiere

Video projects don't have to be daunting! Let's make Premiere approachable with a foundation of basics you can build on.

Main Library, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 12 Main Library, 11 a.m. Mon., Apr. 24

Crafty Creations: Wreath

Austintown, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13

Vietnam War: Records and Reflections Boardman, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 19

Poet Support Group

Share poems you are working on and get feedback Newport, 4 p.m. Wed., Apr 19

A Court of Color and Chat

Boardman, 5:30 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20

Learn to Play Ukulele

Poland, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 22, 29

Relaxing Watercolor

Main Library, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 26

Amateur Radio – Email Without Internet (Winlink & Other Digital Communications)

Learn how to send an email via RF without an Internet connection. In emergencies where shelters are set up, a Winlink station could allow the survivors to send emails. Austintown, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 29



Free Beginning English Language Classes

To register, contact Claudia at 330-743-5767 or Claudia@EnglishCenterYoungstown.com. In partnership with The English Center of Youngstown, a non-profit charitable organization serving the Mahoning Valley. Michael Kusalaba,

5:30-7:30 p.m. Every Wed., March 1 - May 31

Clases Gratis de Inglés para Principiantes

Para registrarte, llama 330-743-5767 con Claudia (Claudia@EnglishCenterYoungstown.com). Hablamos español. En participación con El Centro de Inglés de Youngstown, y organizaciones de caridad sin fines de lucro sirviendo El Valle de Mahoning.

Dónde: Biblioteca Michael Kusalaba (2815 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown, OH 44509)

Horario: 5:30 a 7:30 pm.

Cuando: Del primero de marzo al 31 de mayo

Lexiphiles Unite! Writers Guild

Main Library, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 1

Computer Basics Class

Main Library, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 1

AARP Tax Assistance

Tax preparation help for anyone with a special focus on taxpayers who are over 50 and have low to moderate income. Call 330-333-8108 to schedule.

Poland, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mon., Apr. 3, 10

Take a Walk @ the Library

Poland, 10 a.m. Mon., Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24

Sit & Stitch

Main Library, 11 a.m. Tues., Apr. 4, 18 Poland, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 13, 20, 27 Canfield, 10 a.m. Wed., Apr. 12, 26

Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance

Improve your strength, balance, and mobility with Mallory Wiand from Direction Home. Designed for older adults who: are at risk of falling and for people with balance disorders.

Poland, 11 a.m. Tues., Apr. 4, 11, 25

Poland, 11 a.m. Thurs., Apr. 6, 13, 20

Haiku Hangout

Let's kick off National Poetry Month by listening to smooth music and writing Haikus (short, yet sweet and underrated poems).

Newport, 4 p.m. Tues., Apr. 4

Brush Calligraphy Drills

Poland, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 5

Working with Apps

Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6

Sebring Book Club

Sebring, 6 p.m. Thursday Apr. 6

Library Anywhere Podcast

In this collection edition, Team Ashley will give you the scoop on new books and featured items at your Library!

New episode Airs Sun., Apr. 9

Mah-Jongg Monthly

Canfield, 1 p.m. Mon., Apr. 10

Crochet 101

Michael Kusalaba, 4:30 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Collaborating with Strangers (CoLAB) **Workshops: Jumpstarting Partnerships** and Creative Ideas

Learn facilitative processes for jumpstarting community partnerships, exposing resources and generating creative ideas for nonprofits.

Main Library 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Meditate with Missy

Poland, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Shelf Indulgence Book Club

PLYMC librarians discuss childhood favorite books.

Facebook, 7 p.m. Tues., Apr. 11

Tiger Card Club

Springfield, 10 a.m. Wed., Apr. 12

Ways to De-Stress

East, 11 a.m. Tues., Apr. 13

Food for Thought Book Discussion

Join Lit Youngstown readers to discuss the National Book Award winning novel "All That She Carried" by Tiya Miles.

Main Library, 5 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13

Adult Coloring

Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13

TBR Thursday Book Club

Work your way through your TBR ("to be read") pile of books. This month's book is "When Sparks Fly" by Helena Hunting.

Brownlee Woods, 6:30 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13

Spring Planting for Adults

Celebrate National Gardening Day by planting a spring plant.

Tri-Lakes, 2 p.m. Fri., Apr. 14

Internet Basics Class

Main Library, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 15

Stitches Sewing Club

Sebring, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 15

Mystery Mondays Book Club

This month's mystery is "Don't Let Go" by Harlan Coben.

Main Library, 11 a.m. Mon., Apr. 17

Introduction to Cricut Design Space

Main Library, 4 p.m. Mon., Apr. 17 Main Library, 11 a.m. Thurs., Apr. 27

I Read YA!

This month, choose your favorite YSU English Festival book to share with the group.

Austintown, 6 p.m. Mon., Apr. 17

Research Help for College Students

Working on a research paper? Schedule a 1-hour appointment with a librarian for assistance with choosing a topic, searching databases, evaluating sources and creating citations.

Main Library, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 18 Main Library, 10 a.m. Wed., Apr. 19 Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20 Main Library, 10 a.m. Fri., Apr. 21

Main Library, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 22

Chapter Chat Book Club

This month's book is "The School for Good Mothers" by Jessamine Chan.

Austintown, 6:30 p.m. Tues., Apr. 18

Pop-Up Card Workshop

Explore different pop-up techniques and employ them to add depth and motion to a design of your own! Main Library, 11 a.m. Wed., Apr. 19

Stranger Than Fiction Book Club

This month's book is "Catch Me If You Can" by Frank Abagnale. Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20

Senior Fun Day

Sebring Presbyterian Church, 10 a.m. Fri., Apr. 21

CraftvNoon

This month, create a mini aquarium nightlight. All supplies provided. Brownlee Woods, 2 p.m. Fri., April 21

DIY Citronella Luminary

Canfield, 2 p.m. Fri., Apr. 21

Anglophiles Unite!

Big Ben and Tower Bridge!

Main Library, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 22

Palm-Reading for Dummies

Austintown, 6 p.m. Mon., Apr. 24

Motown Music with Tyler Guerrieri

Canfield, 6 p.m. Mon., Apr. 24

Tech Tuesday

Every fourth Tuesday, enhance your tech knowledge. April's topic: Basic Computers.

Brownlee Woods, 10:30 a.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Book Tasting @ Westside Bowl

Westside Bowl, 5 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Off the Shelves Book Club

This month's book is Celeste Ng's "Our Missing Hearts." Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Mosses and Moss Gardening

Cyndi Fink discusses mosses and moss gardening.

Poland, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Excel 3

We'll cover inserting charts and graphs, sorting and continuing work with formulas.

Main Library, 6 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

All Booked Up Book Club

This month's book is "Her Hidden Genius" by Marie Benedict. Boardman, 6:30 p.m. Tues., Apr. 25

Microsoft Word Class 2

Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Wed., Apr. 26



Grief 101

Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 27

Microsoft Word 1

Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 27



The Western Reserve Amateur Radio Club will operate under Special Event Callsign K8L to celebrate National Library Week. Each contact will have the opportunity to request a Special Event QSL card for their collection.

Main Library, 12 p.m. Fri., Apr. 28

Eugene Bullard: Not Your Average 12-Year-Old

Learn about the first Black American to fly in combat, flying for France during World War I.

Main Library, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 29

Community Legal Aid Information Session

Michael Kusalaba, 1 p.m. Sat., Apr. 29

FAMILIES & ALL AGES

Indoor Easter Egg Hunt and Crafts Main Library, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 1



Sensory Story Time

Join us for books, songs and other fun activities. Designed for children ages 3-10 with autism or other sensory processing needs and their families (siblings welcome). Event in partnership with the Autism Society of Mahoning Valley.

Poland, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 1 Main Library, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 15

Family Story Time

Springfield, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 1 Boardman, 10 a.m. Tues., Apr. 4, 18 Canfield, 10 a.m. Tues., Apr. 11, 25

Easter Celebration Stations Boardman, 11 a.m. Sat., Apr. 1



Indoor Sensory-Friendly Easter Egg Hunt and Crafts

Main Library, 2 p.m. Sat., Apr. 1



Tiny Art Show: Open Studio Create a masterpiece for the Tiny Art Show! All supplies provided. Work at the Library or take your supplies home. Submissions due by April 22.

Michael Kusalaba, 9 a.m. Tues., Apr. 4, 18 Michael Kusalaba, 9 a.m. Wed., Apr. 12 Michael Kusalaba, 9 a.m. Fri., Apr. 21

ALL PLYMC BRANCHES: 330-744-8636

Main Library: 305 Wick Ave., Youngstown, OH 44503 Austintown: 600 S. Raccoon Rd., Austintown, OH 44515 Boardman: 7680 Glenwood Ave., Boardman, OH 44512 Brownlee Woods: 4010 Sheridan Rd., Youngstown, OH 44514 Campbell, inside CLWCC

(Community Literacy Workforce & Cultural Center): 436 Struthers Coitsville Rd., Lowellville, OH 44436 Canfield: 43 W Main St., Canfield, OH 44406 East: 430 Early Rd., Youngstown, OH 44505 **Greenford:** Temporarily Closed

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Voting will be Mon., Apr. 24 - Sat., Apr. 29 during Library hours. Prizes will be awarded for Preschool (ages 2-4), Kid (ages 5-8), Tween (ages 9-12), Teen (ages 13-18), and Adult (18+).

Family Fun Night

East, 5 p.m. Tues., Apr. 4

All Ages Story Time

Main Library, 2 p.m. Fri., Apr. 7, 21 Newport, 10:30 a.m. Mon., Apr. 24

Steel Valley Ukers Performance

Poland, 10 a.m. Sat., Apr. 15

ASL Club

Springfield, 6 p.m. Wed., Apr. 19

All Ages Story Time - All About Money Sebring, 3:30 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20

Movie Night

Sebring, 6 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 20



Registration is required for all Culinary Literacy programs

Culinary Foundations – All You Knead to Know About Bread

Main Library, 12 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 6 Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Wed., Apr. 12

Bread Club - Pizza Dough

Main Library, 12 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 13 Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Mon., Apr. 17

National Pecan Day -Pecan Crusted Chicken

Main Library, 1 p.m. Fri., Apr. 14

Earth Day - Buddha Bowls

ADULTS Join Mercy Health to learn how to make a roasted veggie buddha bowl with lemon herb sauce. Main Library, 1:30 p.m. Fri., Apr. 21

Stepping Out with Healthy Cooking

Build a better protein bar with Jessica Romeo, Community Health Educator at Mercy Health. Receive a baking pan to take home along with a container to store your creation.

Main Library, 1 p.m. Fri., Apr. 28

Bread Club - Cinnamon Rolls

Main Library, 12 p.m. Wed., May 3 Main Library, 12 p.m. Thurs., May 4 **ADULTS**

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Michael Kusalaba: 2815 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown, OH 44509

Newport: 3730 Market St., Youngstown, OH 44507

Poland: 311 S. Main St., Poland, OH 44514 Friends of PLYMC Bookstore: 330-757-2550

Sebring: 195 W. Ohio Ave., Sebring, OH 44672

Springfield: 10418 Main St., New Middletown, OH 44442

Struthers: 95 Poland Ave., Struthers, OH 44471 Tri-Lakes: 13820 Mahoning Ave., N. Jackson, OH 44451

Special Delivery: 330-792-3869 3730 Market St., Youngstown, OH 44507

> View full program descriptions and register online at LibraryVisit.org or by calling 330-744-8636

Culinary Foundations - Icing on the Cake

Main Library, 12 p.m. Tues., May 9 Main Library, 12 p.m. Wed., May 10

Seed to Table: Growing ADULTS & TEENS 14+ **Parsley for Delicious Chimichurri**

Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Tues., May 16 Main Library, 12 p.m. Wed., May 17

Stepping Out with Healthy Cooking - Salsa Main Library, 1 p.m. Fri., May 26

ADULTS

EAST COMMITTEE MEETING EAST, 4 P.M. MON., APR. 3

POLAND COMMITTEE MEETING POLAND, 9:30 A.M. WED., APR. 5

PUZZLE SWAP

BOARDMAN, 4 P.M. WED., APR. 5

BOARDMAN COMMITTEE MEETING & PRESENTATION

BOARDMAN, 10 A.M. MON., APR. 10

CANFIELD COMMITTEE MEETING CANFIELD, 1:30 P.M. WED., APR. 19

AUSTINTOWN COMMITTEE MEETING & PRESENTATION

AUSTINTOWN, 10 A.M. MON., APR. 24

CANFIELD COMMITTEE MAH-JONGG TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

For information, contact the Development Office at 330-740-6086. A LA CART CATERING, TUES., APR. 25

BOOK DONATION DROP OFFS

POLAND (FRIENDS BOOKSTORE): EVERY FRI. | 12-3 P.M. SEBRING: 2ND WED. OF THE MONTH | 4-5 P.M. BOARDMAN: 1ST SAT. OF THE MONTH | 10 A.M.-1 P.M. CANFIELD: 3RD SAT. OF THE MONTH | 10 A.M.-12 P.M. AUSTINTOWN: 2ND SAT. OF THE MONTH | 10 A.M.-12 P.M. MICHAEL KUSALABA: 2ND SAT. OF THE MONTH | 10 A.M.-12 P.M.

FOR MORE INFO ON THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETINGS & EVENTS PLEASE VISIT LIBRARYVISIT.ORG

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