

HAPPENINGS

JAN. 2025

at your Library



Happy New Year from PLYMC!

As we turn the page to a new year, we want to thank you for your continued support and for making PLYMC a wonderful place to learn, grow and connect. In 2025, we're excited to continue offering new programs, materials and resources to our community. No matter where you are in your journey, we're here to support you every step of the way.

Thank you for making us a part of your story. Here's to a year filled with new knowledge, inspiring stories and countless possibilities. Happy New Year from all of us at The Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County!



Free Tax Prep for Qualifying Individuals

We are providing locations for free tax preparation and electronic filing through Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA). All volunteers have been trained and certified by the IRS.

Appointments required. Registration starts January 6. Call 330.540.1947 or 330.610.3805 or email vita@ccregional.org to schedule.

Tri-Lakes Branch
13820 Mahoning Ave North Jackson, OH 44451
February 10-April 7
Mondays & Wednesdays 10AM-1PM



Vote for your favorite Austintown Pizzeria!

Stop by the Austintown Branch to cast your vote! The top three selected will be featured during our Austintown Pizza Throwdown program on Sat., Feb. 8.

Austintown, Mon., Jan. 27 - Sat., Feb. 1

Blood Drive by Mahoning Chapter of the American Red Cross



Austintown, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat., Jan. 4

Boardman, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat., Jan. 4

Poland, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fri., Jan. 10

Poland, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues., Jan. 21

Austintown, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat., Jan. 25

Boardman, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon., Jan. 27



THE MAHONING VALLEY Mobile Market

Shop for freshly grown produce and other groceries.

Main Library, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 16

ALL BRANCHES HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

New Year's Day
Wed., Jan. 1

MLK Jr. Day
Mon., Jan. 20



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Mysteries and Mocktails Struthers, 2 p.m. Sat., Jan. 4	Holiday Decompress and Debrief Struthers, 4 p.m. Fri., Jan. 10	Meditate with Missy Poland, 6 p.m. Tues., Jan. 21
Let's Move! Poland, 10 a.m. Mon., Jan. 6	Henry Richards Civil War Soldier and Mrs. Penelope Richards Black War Nurse Main Library, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 11	Chapter Chat Book Club This month's book is "Frostbite" by Nicola Twilley. Austintown, 6:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 21
Mac Monday: Mac Basics Main Library, 10 a.m. Mon., Jan. 6	Amateur Radio Hobbies Canfield, 1 p.m. Sat., Jan. 11	Spice and Herb Club This month, we'll focus on paprika. Attendees will receive a small sample of the featured spice/herb along with a packet of recipes featuring the ingredient.
Spanish 102 Main Library, 10 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7	Cyber Saturday: Basic Computer Tri-Lakes, 3 p.m. Sat., Jan. 11	Grief 101 Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 23
Bingocize Poland, 10 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7, 14, 28 Poland, 10 a.m. Thurs., Jan. 9, 16, 30	"Cup of Joe and a Book" Book Club For our first meeting, we will discuss "The Magic of Lemon Drop Pie" by Rachel Linden. Hallowed Grounds Coffee Co., 9:30 a.m. Mon., Jan. 13	Computer Maintenance Basics Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 23
iPad Basics Austintown, 10:30 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7	NAMA-Stay for Chair Yoga! Poland, 11 a.m. Mon., Jan. 13, 27	Sit N' Knit: Finger Knitting Blanket Basics Learn how to start, attach a second skein and tie off the end of a blanket. Practice yarn will be provided.
Sit & Sketch Canfield, 11 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7, 21	Mah-Jongg Monthly Canfield, 1 p.m. Mon., Jan. 13	Lord of the Rings Trivia Noble Creature, 6 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 23
Beginning English Language Classes--Clases de Inglés para PRINCIPIANTES Main Library, 9:30 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 Main Library, 9:30 a.m. Thurs., Jan 9, 16, 23, 30 Michael Kusalaba, 5 p.m. Tues., Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 Michael Kusalaba, 5 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30	Manifesting New Year's Resolutions with Papercrafts! Struthers, 5 p.m. Mon., Jan. 13	Introduction to Digitization Main Library, 3 p.m. Fri., Jan. 24
Find Your Happy Place Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 7	Job Scams Austintown, 6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 13	Mock Interviewing Boardman, 2 p.m. Sat., Jan. 25
Sit & Stitch Poland, 6 p.m. Tues., Jan. 7 Boardman, 11 a.m. Wed., Jan. 8 Newport, 10 a.m. Mon., Jan. 13, 27 Canfield, 10 a.m. Wed., Jan. 15, 29	I Love a Mystery Book Club We will be discussing "And Then There Were None" by Agatha Christie. Boardman, 6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 13	Mystery Monday Book Club We will be reading "The Midnight Feast" by Lucy Foley. Main Library, 11 a.m. Mon., Jan. 27
Crafty Capers at Campbell: Button Art Campbell, 2 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8	Business: Start-Up Basics Main Library, 12 p.m. Tues., Jan. 14	Art Therapy: Sticker by Number Art Austintown, 6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 27
Community Nutrition Join us for a 9-week series of interactive food and nutrition education lessons provided by OSU Extension's EFNEP. For families with children (or individuals who are responsible for the care and feeding of children), caregivers, pregnant women, expectant fathers, and young adults (age 18-26 - who have yet to start a family). East, 3 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29	Card Club for Seniors Canfield, 1 p.m. Tues., Jan. 14	Monochrome Movie Monday Main Library, 6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 27
Vinyl Record Swap Poland, 5:30 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8	Health and Wellness Book Talk Boardman, 3 p.m. Tues., Jan. 14	I Read YA! Book Club This month's read is "Where the Library Hides" by Isabel Ibañez. Austintown, 6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 27
Adult Crafting 101: Snowflake Jars Springfield, 5:30 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8 Springfield, 10:30 a.m. Thurs., Jan. 9	Relaxing Watercolor Main Library, 6 p.m. Tues., Jan. 14	Business: Finance for Start-Ups Main Library, 12 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28
Science Fiction/Fantasy Book Club We will read "The Jinn-Bot of Shantiport" by Samit Basu. Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8	Cafecitos y Libros This month, we'll discuss "Oye" by Melissa Mogollon. Main Library, 6 p.m. Wed., Jan. 15	Mindful Painting Poland, 2 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28
Sit and Paint East, 3 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9	STEAM for Grown Ups; Ozobots! Boardman, 6 p.m. Wed., Jan. 15	Spill the Tea Book Club This month's read is "The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride. East, 4 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28
Portrait Photography Basics Austintown, 6 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9	True Crime & Tea Podcast Club This month, we'll be discussing "The Deck: Episode 1, Linda Smith (9 of Hearts, Idaho)." Campbell, 6 p.m. Wed., Jan. 15	Off the Shelves Book Club January's book is Abraham Verghese's "The Covenant of Water." Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28
Cybersecurity Basics Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9	Yoga for Building Body Literacy Poland, 3 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 16	All Booked Up Book Club Our pick is "The Cliffs" by J. Courtney Sullivan. Boardman, 6:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28
My 2025 Vision Board Boardman, 6 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9	Stranger than Fiction Book Club We will be reading "A Fever in the Heartland" by Timothy Egan. Canfield, 5:30 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 16	Book Box Hour Receive a book box filled with two hand-selected titles based on your favorite genre and even a surprise goodie.
Between the Bookends Book Club This month's book is "The Bookshop of Secrets" by Mollie Rushmeyer. Brownlee Woods, 6:30 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9	How to Create a Website Main Library, 6 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 16, 30	Resume Writing Michael Kusalaba, 6 p.m. Wed., Jan. 29
	CraftyNoon: Busted Canvas Brownlee Woods, 2 p.m. Fri., Jan. 17	
	Line Dance the Day Away! Newport, 2 p.m. Sat., Jan. 18	
	History of Broadcasting in the Mahoning Valley Learn about the history of radio and television broadcasting right here in the Mahoning Valley from Wes Boyd, former broadcast engineer, and will feature WKBN, WFMJ and WYTV. Main Library, 5 p.m. Tues., Jan. 21	
	Onyx Storm Release Party Newport, 6 p.m. Tues., Jan. 21	
	Drop-In Tech Help Boardman, 6 p.m. Tues., Jan. 21	



FAMILIES & ALL AGES

Lego My Library

Boardman, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 4
Newport, 2:30 p.m. Sat., Jan. 11
Tri-Lakes, 10 a.m. Thurs., Jan. 16
Struthers, 5 p.m. Mon., Jan. 27

Winter Movie Matinee

Main Library, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 4

Krafty Kids

Tri-Lakes, 2 p.m. Sat., Jan. 4

Family Story Time

Brownlee Woods, 11 a.m. Mon., Jan. 6, 13, 27
Boardman, 10 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28
Canfield, 10 a.m. Tues., Jan. 7, 21

Musical Monday Matinee

Struthers, 3:30 p.m. Mon., Jan. 6

Yoga Story Time

Newport, 6:30 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8

Coffee, Chat, & Play

Boardman, 11 a.m. Thurs., Jan. 9

Adaptive Story Time: Winter

Boardman, 3 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 9

Dog Man - Protect and Serve

Main Library, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 11

Library Kit Fair

Boardman, 1 p.m. Sat., Jan. 11

Beat the Winter Blahs!

Struthers, 2 p.m. Sat., Jan. 11

Sensory-Friendly Playtime Hour

Main Library, 10 a.m. Mon., Jan. 13

STEM Zipline Challenge

Main Library, 5 p.m. Mon., Jan. 13

Polly's Book Nook

Austintown, 6:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 14

ASL Club

Springfield, 6 p.m. Wed., Jan. 15

Hang with Bailey

Spend some time with a golden retriever to lift your spirits!
Boardman, 4 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 16

Hang with Polly

Spend some time with a goldendoodle!
Austintown, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 18

EcoTales: Environmental Education Day

Boardman, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 18

Family Story Time-Winnie the Pooh Day
Springfield, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 18

Winnie the Pooh Day

Main Library, 1:30 p.m. Sat., Jan. 18

Awaken the Adventure within Story Time

Trek Coffee House, 10 a.m. Sat., Jan. 25

Year of the Snake Lunar New Year Party

Campbell, 11 a.m. Sat., Jan. 25

Struthers Chess Club

Struthers, 1 p.m. Sat., Jan. 25

Winter Pizza & PJs Movie Night

Newport, 5:30 p.m. Wed., Jan. 29

Hooray for Hot Cocoa!

Main Library, 11 a.m. Fri., Jan. 31



CULINARY LITERACY

Registration is required for all Culinary Literacy programs

Cinnamon Rolls

Learn how to fill, shape, and cut homemade cinnamon rolls and prepare delicious icing.

Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 7

Main Library, 1 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8

ADULTS & TEENS 16+

Discovering Whole Grains - Freekeh

Join us to cook with freekeh, a nutritious roasted green wheat with a smoky flavor.

Main Library, 1 p.m. Fri., Jan. 10

Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 14

ADULTS & TEENS 16+

National Tea Month with Mercy Health

Participants will explore the nutritious contributions of tea (herbal, and caffeinated) and be provided with resources and a to-go cup for their tea blend.

Main Library, 1 p.m. Wed., Jan. 22

Main Library, 1 p.m. Fri., Jan. 24

ADULTS

Bread and Jam Jolly

This is an interactive demonstration with opportunities to learn how to read a recipe, measure ingredients, bread machine basics, simmering, knife skills, and toasting.

Newport, 11 a.m. Thurs., Jan. 23

Pizza Bowl: Scoring Big with Flavor

Learn to make homemade pizza dough from scratch. Take your dough home to create your personalized pizzas.

Main Library, 5:30 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28

Main Library, 1 p.m. Wed., Jan. 29

ADULTS & TEENS 16+

Winning Wing Sauces

Main Library, 1 p.m. Fri., Jan. 31

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January Events

East Committee Meeting

East, 4 p.m. Mon., Jan. 6

Puzzle Swap

Boardman, 4 p.m. Wed., Jan. 8

Canfield Committee Meeting

Canfield, 1:30 p.m. Wed., Jan. 15

Austintown Committee Meeting

Austintown, 10 a.m. Mon., Jan. 27

Book Donation Drop Offs

Poland (Friends Bookstore): Every Fri. | 12-3 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.

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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
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



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