Maid
For
More

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

“More than just a report. Land captures the sheer terror that comes with raising kids, the exhausting experience of retaining any semblance of control and good self-worth in the role.”
—Toni Morrison

HARD WORK, LOW PAY, AND A MOTHER’S WILL TO SURVIVE

maid

stephanie land

FOREWORD BY BARBARA EHRENREICH

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Author! Author!

As schools get busy again, we love seeing kids launch into new learning adventures. It was a joy to witness everyone from toddlers to grandparents participating in our Summer Break learning and reading challenges, and winning some very cool prizes. We’re excited to keep the momentum going into the fall, with events for all ages, including storytimes, DiNovember, Native American and Hispanic Heritage Months, book clubs, and aspiring author workshops.

Book lovers will flip more than pages over the best-selling authors gracing our line-up in the ninth season of the Dr. Audrey Lavin Speaking of Books Author Series. This fall, we’re pleased to welcome Stephanie Land, whose acclaimed, personal story, *Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother’s Will to Survive*, formed the basis for the highly popular Netflix series, *Maid*. Then there’s Sandra Brown, whose 70 bestsellers, such as *Overkill* and *Blind Tiger*, have made her a household name. Read all about them on pages 12 and 13.

Literacy is at the heart of everything we do at the Library – and I encourage adults with kids at home to check out the article, *Teach Reading on the Run!*, opposite this letter. You help kids develop literacy skills, even as you run errands. Try these practical tips and see how simple and fun it can be to get kids on the road to reading – a critical gift that keeps on giving, until one day you’re an adult who can’t wait to meet much-loved authors, Stephanie Land and Sandra Brown, and have your books signed at the Canton Palace Theatre! I can’t wait to see you there!

Mary Ellen Icaza
CEO/Executive Director

Tune Up for a Good Time!
Kids love stories enhanced by Canton Symphony Orchestra musicians.

- Tue Oct 10  11:30 am–12:30 pm
  DeHoff Memorial
- Wed Oct 11  10–11 am
  East Canton
- Tue Oct 17  11:30 am–12:30 pm
  Jackson Community
- Mon Oct 16  11:30 am–12:30 pm
  Lake Community
- Tue Oct 10  10–11 am
  Madge Youtz

- Thu Oct 12  10–11 am
  Main Library
- Wed Oct 11  11:30 am–12:30 pm
  North Branch
- Mon Oct 16  10–11 am
  Perry Sippo
- Tue Oct 17  10–11 am
  Plain Community
- Thu Oct 12  11:30 am–12:30 pm
  Sandy Valley

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Teach Reading on the Run!

Did you know that from the earliest stages of life we’re developing reading skills? As little ones hear people talk, play, count cookies, and of course, read books together, their minds are making important connections. Kids need a strong reading foundation, especially before the age of eight, when it becomes a struggle to catch up. You can help the little ones you love by fitting in simple tips on the run.

► Here’s Your Sign – to Read!
At the grocery store, on a walk, or on the bus, words are all around you. Point to signs and read them out loud, so kids match the word with the sound and object.

► Talking
Talk to kids often, asking open-ended questions, so that they answer beyond “yes” or “no,” responding to you in phrases and sentences. Don’t be afraid to use complex words to build vocabulary. Just put them in context. For example, if a six-year-old says, “That’s a big truck.” You reply, “Yes. That’s a humongous truck.”

► Rhyming & Singing
Singing is important because it slows down words so kids can hear letter sounds and syllables. Rhyming builds awareness of words that sound the same, providing clues to sound out words in a story. Plus, when you recite a rhyme with hand-gestures, like “Itsy, Bitsy, Spider,” kids learn the meaning of a word in a new way.

When you sing, “Down came the rain and washed the spider out...” with the gesture of moving your hands down, they learn the definition visually. It sounds simple, but that’s the beauty of it. These tips fit into your life easily and don’t require anything extra, so you can try them on the fly.

► Visit the Library for More!
Find more advice during Library storytimes. While you’re there, ask staff for our literacy cards. It’s worth your while to sow the seeds of reading – the most important predictor of school success.

There are no storytimes the week of Oct 9, 16, and Nov 20. Listen at the Library will take place instead of all storytimes Oct 10–17 (see page 2).

Storytime + more!

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PUPs AND PAGES

Kids FURther their reading skills with fun, tail-wagging encouragement. Register them to read to therapy dogs and watch confidence soar.

Reserve your spot!

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East Canton
Sat Sep 30 | 3:30–4:30 pm
Mon Oct 16 | 6–7 pm
Mon Nov 13 | 6–7 pm

Jackson Community
Wed Nov 15 | 5–6 pm

Main Library
Tue Sep 5, Oct 3, Nov 7 | 5–6 pm
HISPANIC HERITAGE
Book Clubs for Adults
Find more book clubs at StarkLibrary.org

Lake Community
Mystery
Tue Sep 5 | 2–3 pm
The Inheritance of Orquídea Divina by Zoraida Córdova

Madge Youtz
Thu Sep 28 | 2–3 pm
Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton

Main Library
Saturday Sizzlers
Sat Sep 16 | 2–3 pm
Children of the Land by Marcelo Hernandez Castillo

Read Around the World
Tue Oct 3 | 6–7 pm
How to Order the Universe by María José Ferrada

North Branch
Banned Books
Mon Sep 25 | 11 am–12 pm
How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents by Julia Alvarez

HISPANIC HERITAGE
Celebrate Our Community!
From mid-September to mid-October, we celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month, and shortly afterwards, it’s Día de los Muertos, an occasion to honor deceased ancestors.

DEHOFF MEMORIAL
Family Movie Night
Tue Sep 19 | 5–7 pm
Join us for a fun, interactive family screening of the movie Coco.

LOTTERIA MEXICAN BINGO
Tue Sep 26 | 5–7 pm
Love playing Bingo? Try your hand at Lotería, a game of chance. Learn about the game’s history and its place in Mexican culture!

EAST CANTON
Painting Rocks!
Tue Sep 19 | 3–4 pm
Learn about Mexican folk art and see its cultural influence as you create your own painted rock.

LAKE COMMUNITY
Salsa Anyone?
With Headwaters Homestead
Wed Sep 20 | 6:30–7:30 pm
Local homesteaders Todd and Christine will discuss the joys of homesteading in the 21st century. Come ready to sample a variety of salsas.

Make Flor Grande!
Sat Sep 23 | 10–11 am
Make Flor Grande (Big Flower) from tissue paper. This traditional folk art from Mexico is used as decoration for all kinds of celebrations.

Let’s Dance! Learn How to Salsa
Sponsored by Lake FOL
Sat Sep 23 | 2–3 pm
Rachel from R&J Ballroom will share some history of this energetic Latin dance and teach you some basic steps.

SANDY VALLEY
Mexican Tin Art
Mon Sep 25 | 6–8 pm
Discover this centuries-old folk art from Mexico, then create your own piece of embossed metal artwork!

Día de los Muertos Escape Room
Wed Oct 25 | 10 am–1:30 pm
Thu Oct 26 | 12–2 pm
Sat Oct 28 | 10 am–4 pm
Find the clues and solve the puzzles to escape from Día de los Muertos. Call the branch to schedule a time slot. Younger children must have adult supervision.

NORTH BRANCH
Frida Kahlo Self-Portraits
Thu Sep 21 | 3:30–4:30 pm
Learn how this incredible artist made her self-portraits come to life. Then paint your own self-portrait, complete with a tribute to Frida Kahlo.

Sugar Skulls
Tue Sep 26 | 6–7:30 pm
Learn about the traditional art of calaveras de azúcar, or sugar skulls, and the cultural history of their use. Then decorate your own! Registration required.

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MAIN LIBRARY
Painting a Masterpiece
Mon Sep 11 | 5:30–6:30 pm
Find inspiration while you learn about some famous Hispanic artists and their paintings! Paint a masterpiece while listening to Hispanic music.

Guatemalan Worry Dolls
Mon Sep 18 | 5:30–7 pm
Feeling troubled or anxious? Make a worry doll to take home. Guatemalan folklore claims that these dolls have the power to ease your mind.

Latin Dance with R&J Ballroom
Tue Sep 26 | 1–2 pm
Become immersed in the rhythms of Latin music and lose yourself in the moves. Join us for an exciting afternoon of Latin Dance! Be sure to wear clothes and shoes that you can move and groove in!

Día de los Muertos Celebration
Wed Nov 1 | 5–7 pm
Whether you come for the storytime, the cultural crafts, or to learn more about Día de los Muertos, there’ll be something for everyone to enjoy.

PERRY SIPPO
Trail Tales
Imagination Station
Sat Sep 9 | 2–3 pm
Join us for a day of building and pretend play inspired by Jaqueline Woodson’s The Year We Learned to Fly. We’ll meet at the library then read the book as we walk the trail.

PLAIN COMMUNITY
Hola Alebrije
Mon Oct 9 | 6–7:30 pm
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with the tale of Alebrijes and create your own colorful Mexican spirit guide!

SOUTH BRANCH
ENTRENA MENTAL
Wed Sep 27 | 12–1 pm
Learn about the benefits of mental training and how to apply these habits in everyday life.

NORTH BRANCH
Banned Books
Mon Sep 25 | 11 am–12 pm
How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents by Julia Alvarez

How To Order The Universe by Mario Jose Ferrada

MAKE YOUR OWN HISPANIC HERITAGE STORYTIME
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Native American Heritage

Each November, we explore Native American Heritage Month, honoring the unique culture and accomplishments of Native Americans.

**JACKSON COMMUNITY**

**Explore Native American Heritage with American Girl®**
Sat Nov 4 | 10:30 am–12 pm
Celebrate and learn about Native American history and make a craft. Feel free to bring your own doll! ☝️ ⭐️

**LAKE COMMUNITY**

**The True Story of Thanksgiving**
Presented by the McKinley Presidential Library & Museum
Wed Nov 8 | 2–3 pm
What was the first Thanksgiving REALLY like? Spoiler alert: it was nothing like you’ve been taught! Learn the story of Thanksgiving with Kim Kenney, Executive Director of the museum. ☝️ ☟️

**Try-It Tuesday**
**Macramé Feathers & Dreamcatchers**
Tue Nov 14 | 6–7:30 pm
Join us each month as we try a new craft. Supplies will be provided, but you can also bring your own. ☝️ ☟️

**NORTH BRANCH**

**The True Story of Thanksgiving**
Tue Nov 7 | 2–3 pm
See description above. ☝️ ☟️

**Asibikaashi and the Origin of Dream Catchers**
Tue Nov 14 | 6–7:30 pm
Learn about the origins of the asabikeshiinh, their history, and how they are created. Then create your own to take home! ☝️ ☟️

**Paper Tube Totem Poles**
Tue Nov 21 | 3:30–4:30 pm
Let’s learn about the significance of Totem Poles and create one of your very own! ☝️ ☟️

**PERRY SIPPO**

**Trail Tales**
**Arctic Animal Legends**
Sat Nov 4 | 2–3 pm
Follow the trail to the Library for crafts, facts, and folklore about the Arctic animals featured in this month’s story, Sweetest Kulu by Celina Kalluk. ☝️ ⭐️

**When Native Americans Called Stark County Home**
Presented by Historian Richard Haldi
Thu Nov 9 | 6–7:30 pm
Learn about the friendly relationship between Canton’s pioneers and the local Native Americans who held war dances at Meyers Lake and joined the early Cantonians for target games. ☝️ ☟️

**MAIN LIBRARY**

**Native American Code Talkers**
Thu Nov 9 | 11 am–12 pm
Join Dr. James Seelye from Kent State University as he explores the history of Native American Code Talkers and the role they played in the U.S. Armed Forces. ☝️ ☟️

**Corn Husk Dolls**
Mon Nov 20 | 5:30–6:30 pm
Learn about the Native American tradition of corn husk dolls and make one yourself as a gift, keepsake, toy, or autumn décor. ☝️ ☟️ ☟️

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- Geared to Adults

**NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE Book Clubs for Adults**
Watch your email for notable titles about these cultures, chosen by our librarians!

Find more book clubs at StarkLibrary.org

**Lake Community**

**Mystery**
Tue Nov 7 | 2–3 pm
Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann ☃️

**Booked on Tuesday**
Tue Nov 28 | 6–7 pm
Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann ☃️

**Madge Youtz**
Thu Nov 30 | 2–3 pm
There There by Tommy Orange

**Main Library**

**Read Around the World**
Tue Nov 7 | 6–7 pm
Woman of Light by Kali Fajardo-Anstine ☃️

**Saturday Sizzlers**
Sat Nov 18 | 2–3 pm
The Removed by Brandon Hobson ☃️

**North Branch**

**Beautiful Day**
Thu Nov 2 | 11 am–12 pm
All the Children Are Home by Patry Francis

**Banned Books**
Mon Nov 27 | 11 am–12 pm
An Indigenous Peoples’ History of the United States by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz

**Plain Community**

**Mystery**
Thu Nov 16 | 4–4:45 pm
Winter Counts by David Heska Wanbli Weiden
When a chill sets in the air, Stark Library heats up with the kickoff of the ninth season of our acclaimed Dr. Audrey Lavin Speaking of Books Author Series. You’ll fall for hugely successful authors whose writing enlightens, entertains, and inspires in the first part of our season. We’re excited to advance downtown Canton as a destination for authors to share their insights with an audience eager to listen, get their questions answered, and have treasured books signed. The events, held at the beautiful, historic Canton Palace Theatre, are free with your Library card.

Reserve your FREE seats for our fall authors at StarkLibrary.org/MeetAuthors

An Evening with Stephanie Land
Tue Oct 17 | 6:30–7:30 pm
Canton Palace Theatre

Stephanie Land relates a harrowing, personal account of her life as a single mom navigating the bureaucratic nightmare of living below the poverty line. *Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother’s Will to Survive* quickly became a *New York Times* bestseller. The Netflix series, *Maid*, based on the book, is one of the network’s most-watched limited series ever. Stephanie offers us perspective from the frontlines, sharing the culprits of her situation: domestic violence, unlivable minimum wages, and high housing costs.

In Canton, 35% of children under the age of 18 are living in poverty, according to the latest census data. We hope you’ll join us to learn about economic and social justice, with the unfortunate truth revealed in Stephanie’s writing – hard work doesn’t always pay off. Brought to you with the support of the Domestic Violence Project, Inc. and United Way of Greater Stark County.

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* Maid Book Club Discussion
  Thu Oct 5 | 6–7 pm
  Perry Sippo Branch
An Evening with Sandra Brown

Thu Nov 16 | 6:30–7:30 pm
Canton Palace Theatre

One of the best-known American mystery writers, with more than 70 New York Times bestsellers, Sandra Brown’s books thrill readers world-wide. Three television movies have been made from her novels and her work has been translated into 34 languages. Her latest release, *Out of Nowhere*, is a fast-paced, emotional thriller of a quest to find the perpetrator of a violent crime that forever changes the lives of a young mother and a high-rolling consultant.

Don’t miss your chance to hear about the fascinating way Sandra develops plots to keep readers on the edge of their seats!

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Meet Kate the Chemist

Tue Feb 13 | 6:30 pm
Canton Palace Theatre

Kate the Chemist (AKA Dr. Kate Biberdorf) thrills audiences with a very hands-on approach to science, which she uses in all her writing!

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**Writing Clubs**

**TEENS**
Main Library
Mon Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6 | 5:30–6:30 pm

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**ADULTS**
East Canton
Fri Sep 1, Oct 6, Nov 3 | 2:30–4 pm

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Jackson Community
Mon Sep 11, Oct 2, Nov 13 | 6–7:30 pm

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Perry Sippo
Mon Sep 18, Oct 2, Nov 6 | 2–4 pm

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Main Library
Wed Sep 20, Oct 18, Nov 15 | 6–7 pm

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Meet the Authors

Kent State University at Stark presents

Thi Bui
*With support from Stark Library*

Sep 28 | 7:30 pm
Kent State University at Stark Conference Center

Bui’s graphic novel, *The Best We Could Do*, explores the anguish of immigration with the personal story of a family’s daring escape after the fall of South Vietnam. Q & A and book signing will follow.

Irv Korman
Tue Sep 12 | 2–3 pm
Main Library
What’s it like to interview sensations like Tony Bennett, Peter Yarrow, and John Lithgow? Get the insider details from local author Irv Korman! Irv Korman is a writer, theatre critic, actor, clown, and magician.

David Lee Morgan Jr.
Thu Sep 21 | 6–7:30 pm
Perry Sippo Branch
Meet the author of a biography about Browns’ Hall-of-Famer, Marion Motley, as well as the first biography of LeBron James!

Kari Gunter-Seymour
Wed Oct 4 | 2–3 pm
Main Library
Join Ohio Poet Laureate, Kari Gunter-Seymour, as she discusses the importance of poetry.

Kim Kenney
Tue Oct 10 | 2–3 pm
Main Library
Meet Kim Kenney, author of *Exploring the American Presidency Through 50 Historic Treasures*.

**NaNoWriMo**
*November is NATIONAL NOVEL WRITING MONTH*

**ELEMENTARY**

Little Local Authors
Mon Nov 6 | 6–7 pm
Jackson Community Branch
Have you ever wanted to write your own book? We’ll help you brainstorm an idea, write a story, and illustrate your own book!

**ADULTS**

NaNoWriMo Sit-In
Wed Nov 15 | 2–4 pm
Perry Sippo Branch
Are you taking on the NaNoWriMo challenge? Stop by to discuss your project with other challengers! Bring your project to work on or pick up some helpful tips.

NaNoWriMo
The Final Countdown
Mon Nov 27 | 5–7:30 pm
Jackson Community Branch
It’s the final countdown to 50k! Drop in and we’ll provide instrumental music, coffee and tea, and writing exercises to combat writer’s block.
BOO-tiful EVENTS AHEAD!

DEHOFF MEMORIAL

Interactive Movie Night
_The Addams Family_ - PG 13
Tue Oct 24 | 6–8 pm
Dance, sing and laugh in the Halloween spirit with this fun, interactive movie. (13 or older or accompanied by a guardian.)

Ooey, Gooey, and Not So Spooky Halloween Slime
Wed Oct 25
3–3:45 pm and 4–4:45 pm
Dive into the secrets of slime-making. Unleash your creativity and craft some amazing Halloween slime!

JACKSON COMMUNITY

Unlocking the Secrets of the Cemetery
_Presented by the McKinley Presidential Library & Museum_
Thu Sep 14 | 3–4 pm
Learn how cemeteries speak through symbols on tombstones and how to decode their meaning.

The Witches Coven Murder Mystery
Sat Sep 30 | 2–4 pm
The coven meeting starts with disaster when one of the witches is found dead and a book is stolen. Can you solve the murder? Costumes optional.

Grossology
Wed Oct 18 | 5:30–6:30 pm
All the science your mom doesn’t want you to know – farts, boogers, animal poop, and more. Disgust and amaze those around you!

2nd Annual Spooktacular
Sat Oct 28 | 2–4 pm
Create a gingerbread haunted house, compete in a costume contest, play pumpkin bowling, and more.

Zombie Dolls
Mon Oct 16 | 5:30–7:30 pm
Have fun making Zombies out of under-loved dolls! Supplies will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own dolls as well.

Spooktacular Family Night
Tue Oct 31 | 5–7 pm
Join us for a not-so-spooky family night filled with games, haunted gingerbread houses, slime-making and a storytime!

LAKE COMMUNITY

Search for Ohio Bigfoot
_Sponsored by Lake Friends of the Library_
Tue Oct 3 | 6–7:30 pm
Join long-time investigator, Marc DeWerth, for a fascinating presentation on the most recent Bigfoot report in our area.

MADGE YOUTZ

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MAIN LIBRARY

Friendly Fears Series
_Snakes_
Tue Oct 10 | 5:30–6:30 pm
Stark Parks’ animal experts will guide this exciting journey, showing off the beauty and importance of these often misunderstood animals.

_Insects_
Mon Oct 16 | 6:30–7:30 pm
Explore the incredible diversity of insects and discover their essential role in our ecosystem with Dr. Matthew Lehnert.

_Akron Zoo_
Sat Oct 28 | 11:30 am–12:30 pm
We’re bringing the zoo to you. You’d be surprised how friendly some of the most-feared creatures actually are!

_Ohio’s Urban Legends_
Sat Oct 28 | 2–3 pm
Have you ever wondered why Ohio is such a haunted state? Learn the origins behind some of Ohio’s spookiest spots with the Ohio Researchers of Banded Spirits.

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MAIN LIBRARY

Dinosaurs @ Your Library
_Thu Nov 9 | 3–4 pm_
Celebrate DiNovember with some dino-mite crafts and RAWR-some games. Dinosaurs will rule the library!

Excavation Adventure
_Thu Nov 16 | 2–3 pm_
Have you ever wondered how paleontologists dig up dinosaurs? Learn all about the process of excavation, and then try some excavating of your own!

The Fossils of Ohio
_Presented by the Cleveland Museum of Natural History_
_Sat Nov 18 | 2–3 pm_
Ohio is full of fossils! Jeb Bugos from the museum will discuss Ohio’s rich fossil history and the kinds that can be found in our state.
**NORTH BRANCH**

**Spooky Resin Bookmarks**
Tue Oct 3 | 6–7 pm
Pumpkins and spiders and ghosts, oh my! Learn how to create your own Halloween-themed bookmark from resin. Registration is limited.

**Upcycled Skeleton Shirt**
Tue Oct 10 | 6–7 pm
Learn how a few precise cuts on a shirt create a spooky skeleton torso. Please bring a dark colored shirt to use.

**It’s Great to Create**
**Night Scene**
Sat Oct 21 | 9:30–10:30 am
Join us as we celebrate the fall season! We will start with reading a fall-themed story, then create our own fall scene.

**Twisted Toy Box**
Wed Oct 25 | 3:30–4:30 pm
Have you ever wanted to make your own creepy, crazy toy? Use your creativity to put together old toys and create something new and fun.

**Howl at the Moon**
Sat Oct 28 | 2–3 pm
Friends of the Pound will explain the operations of the Stark County Dog Pound – lost/found dogs, adoption and volunteer opportunities.

**PERRY SIPPO**

**FrankenFUN**
Tue Oct 10 | 6–7 pm
Create a monster mashup with old toys and don your mad scientist goggles in our slime lab.

**Trail Tales**
**BOO Bungalow Build-Off**
Sat Oct 14 | 2–3 pm
Construct a ghoulish bungalow, and our library specters will vote for their favorite haunting! Enjoy this month’s Trail Tale - The Little Ghost Who Lost Her Boo! by Elaine Bickell.

**An Evening with Edgar Allan Poe**
**Presented by Jim Knight**
Mon Oct 16 | 6–7:30 pm
Enjoy an eerie evening as the stories and poetry of legendary writer Edgar Allan Poe come to life.

**Is Bigfoot a Buckeye?**
Mon Oct 23 | 5–7 pm
From sighting reports to audio recordings, Ohio is indeed home to an upright walking creature known as Bigfoot. Marc DeWerth will present.

**PLAIN COMMUNITY**

**Superstitions**
**Presented by the McKinley Presidential Library & Museum**
Tue Oct 24 | 6–7 pm
Join Science Director Lynette Reiner as she presents a fun look at the superstitious beliefs and myths passed down generation to generation.

**Spooky Glow Monster Lab**
Sat Oct 28 | 10:30 am–12 pm
Enjoy this spooky season while bringing out your inner scientist! Join us for fun with black light crafts and STEM activities.

**SANDY VALLEY**

**Twisted Toybox**
Sat Oct 7 | 2–3 pm
Use old toys to make your own weird, wacky, wonderful creations. Toys will be provided, or you can also bring your own!

**DIY Zombie Dolls**
Sat Oct 14 | 1–3 pm
Plug into your “inner Frankenstein” and create a zombie doll. Dolls will then be displayed and voted on. Come prepared to possibly get messy.

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**Lake Community**

**Mystery Book Club**
Tue Oct 3 | 2–3 pm
We Have Always Lived in the Castle by Shirley Jackson

**Book Club Jr.**
Mon Oct 9 | 6:30–7:15 pm
Chocolate Fever by Robert Kimmel Smith

**North Branch**

**Banned Books**
Mon Oct 23 | 11 am–12 pm
Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark by Alvin Schwartz

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**EAST CANTON**

**Dino-Mania**
Mon Nov 27 | 6–7 pm
East Canton Branch
Celebrate DiNovember by making dinosaur fossils, creating a prehistoric scene, and erupting a slimy volcano!

**DINOVember Eruption**
Wed Nov 15 | 3:30–4:30 pm
North Branch
Let’s have some Dino-fun! Learn how to make Erupting Dinosaur Extinction Slime and dinosaur skeletons.

**DINO Dance Party**
Tue Nov 14 | 5–6:30 pm
Perry Sippo Branch
Get ready to do the DINOSAUR! Stomp on over to this dino-mite night. Sculpt a Megalodon tooth necklace, hatch a frozen egg, play The Floor is Lava, and stop by our photo booth!
Honoring Their Service
Join us in honoring everyone who has served our country this Veteran’s Day.

**TWEENS–ADULTS**

**Thank a Vet**
Sat Oct 7 | 2–4 pm
Madge Youtz Branch

Why do we celebrate Veteran’s Day? Learn about the history of this holiday, and then show the men and women who have served in the military our gratitude for their service, by making thank you cards.

**Service & Sacrifice**

**Honoring Our Veterans**
Fri Nov 10 | 10–11 am
DeHoff Memorial Branch

Join us for a heartfelt Veterans’ Day Ceremony to honor our veterans. Let’s unite in gratitude and celebrate their unwavering dedication and service. All veterans welcome for this special tribute.

**Serving Those Who Served Our Country**
Fri Nov 17 | 2–3 pm
Main Library

Discover services and opportunities that aim to enrich the lives of those who have defended our nation! Veterans, family members, and friends are invited to show support by attending this panel event.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Meet Author Irv Korman
Tue Sep 12 | 2–3 pm
Main Library
What’s it like to interview sensations like Tony Bennett, Peter Yarrow, and John Lithgow? Get the insider details from local author Irv Korman!  

HEALTH

Generation RX
Presented by The Ohio State University Extension
Tue Sep 5 | 6–7 pm
Plain Community Branch
Learn about safe medication practices and the risks of medication misuse. Made available by The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy and Cardinal Health Foundation.  

Retirement: Making Your Money Last
Tue Sep 19 | 6–7:30 pm
Lake Community Branch
Nate Hershman from Edward Jones will discuss developing an investment strategy, working longer, spending less, delaying social security and planning for expenses.  

Standing Guard: Protect What You’ve Worked For
Presented by Kenneth Griffin from Edward Jones
Thu Sep 28 | 2–3:30 pm
Jackson Community Branch
Learn asset protection strategies for pre- and post-retirement income, longevity impact, withdrawal plans, rising costs, insurance, and healthcare expenses.  

Social Security 101
Presented by the Social Security Administration
Tue Oct 17 | 6–7:30 pm
Sandy Valley Branch
Learn about the eligibility and entitlement factors for retirement, disability and Medicare.  

SAFETY

Neighborhood Watch and Home Safety
Thu Sep 7 | 2–3 pm
North Branch
Learn ways to protect yourself, home, and neighborhood with Jim Knight, Certified Crime Prevention Specialist.  

Identity Theft Is Not a Joke!
Mon Sep 25 | 4–5 pm
East Canton Branch
Join the Better Business Bureau to learn about scammers, how they work, and what you can do to avoid scamming and identity theft.  

Outsmarting the Scammers
Tue Nov 21 | 2–3 pm
Madge Youtz Branch
Kenneth Griffin from Edward Jones will present information on how to protect yourself and outsmart those scammers.  

TECHNOLOGY

iPad Basics
Wed Sep 6 | 10–11:30 am
Main Library  

Computer Basics I & II
Two-Part Series
Mon Nov 6, 13 | 2–3:30 pm
North Branch  

FOR Older Adults  
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Soothe Your Soul
Enjoy the Canton Symphony Orchestra ensemble – Sundays with the Symphony.

Perry Sippo Branch
Sun Oct 15 | 2–2:45 pm
North Branch
Sun Oct 15 | 3:30–4:15 pm
The branches of majestic trees sway in the gentle breeze as ducks glide past lily pads in tranquil water just beyond green grass. Birdsong fills the air, accompanied by the gentle clicking of a keyboard. Welcome to Luke Neff’s “office” on the outside deck of the Perry Sippo Branch, located within Sippo Lake Park. The professional illustrator finds peace and productivity working with his laptop on a table shaded by a large green umbrella. He parks ten minutes away so that he can walk on a nature trail to get here to design, research, and use other services.

“I just recently got a Library card – and I love it. I’ll use the Library’s printer to see how a design might look. Then, when I’m finished, I go to the Wildlife Conservation Center and visit the animals. I make a whole day out of it.”

“I stopped my car the other day for a beaver crossing the road. We see deer all the time, and turtles sun themselves in the parking lot,” says Branch Manager Luellen Wilson. “We partner with Stark Parks on all kinds of programs.”

One of those is Trail Tales. Families walk from page to page reading to the story’s end at the Library. Along the way, kids learn new words and cool nature facts, combined with activities like jumping, skipping, and taking giant steps! Today two families bookend the experience with the techy fun of Librarian Claire Cross’ Homeschool Hangout program.

5½-year-old Madlyn shrieks with joy as her tiny robot turns in one direction and then another, according to the color sequence she plots with help from Miss Claire. Her mom, a web designer, smiles broadly at her daughter’s excitement. They’ll definitely be taking home some of the Library’s coding books.

“I bring her to Library programs all the time to be exposed to new things and to be with other kids,” says mom, Haley Lohrenz. “We love it.”

The friendliness extends to the Hooks and Needles Club. The crafters enjoy creating together, sometimes for special projects, like crocheting scarves for cancer patients. It’s especially fun when longtime Library Specialist, Vickie Colangelo, starts spinning yarns.
“Vickie always makes us laugh,” says Brenda, working on a scarf.

Vickie smiles, “Within a couple of hours, the five of us have solved all the problems of the world. It’s just a great place to be.”

We can’t say difficulties disappear at the Perry Sippo Branch, but they do seem a lot lighter! Stop by to enjoy books, programs, computers, and more, surrounded by human warmth and peaceful nature. You can say Vickie sent you! 

New Expanded Hours
Starting September 10

Jackson Community
7487 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon

Lake Community
565 Market Ave. SW, Uniontown

Main Library
715 Market Ave. N, Canton

Mon–Thu .......... 9 am–8 pm
Fri–Sat .......... 9 am–5 pm

DeHoff Memorial
216 Hartford Ave. SE, Canton

East Canton
224 N Wood St., East Canton

Madge Youtz
2921 Mahoning Rd. NE, Canton

Plain Community
1803 Schneider St. NE, Canton

Sandy Valley
9754 Cleveland Ave. SE, Magnolia

Mon–Tue .......... 9 am–8 pm
Wed–Thu .......... 9 am–6 pm
Fri–Sat .......... 9 am–5 pm

North Branch
189 25th St. NW, Canton

Perry Sippo
5710 12th St. NW, Canton

Mon–Thu .......... 9 am–8 pm
Fri–Sat .......... 9 am–5 pm
Sun ......................... 1–5 pm

Friends of the Library Book Sales

FOL Garage
(North of Main Library)

Mon–Thu .......... 9 am–8 pm
Fri–Sat .......... 9 am–5 pm
Sun ......................... 1–5 pm

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Carriage Hill .......... 9–9:45 am
Woodlawn Village .... 10–10:45 am
Village Tower ...... 11 am–12:15 pm
Skyline ................. 2–2:45 pm
Wilmot .................. 2:30–3:30 pm
Beach City ............. 4:30–6 pm

TUESDAYS
Pleasant View ...... 10:45–11:30 am
Southgate .............. 4:30–6 pm

WEDNESDAYS
Waynesburg ........ 4:30–5:30 pm

THURSDAYS
Bender Woods ...... 12:30–1:15 pm
Mayfield Manor .... 1:45–2:30 pm

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Sat Sep 2, Oct 7 (Bag Day), Nov 4 (Box Day)
9 am–3 pm
Wed Sep 13, Oct 11, Nov 8
1:30–4:30 pm

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