

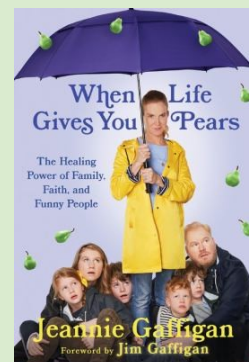
New Year, New You! New Nonfiction for a fresh new year.

You Are Worth It: Building a Life Worth Fighting For by Kyle Carpenter

Carpenter was a U.S. Marine stationed in Afghanistan in 2010 when he covered a live grenade with his body to shield a fellow soldier from the blast. Astonishingly, the 21-year-old hero survived the explosion but suffered multiple serious injuries. His memoir describes growing up, wartime experiences, treatment of his injuries, recovery, and lessons learned.

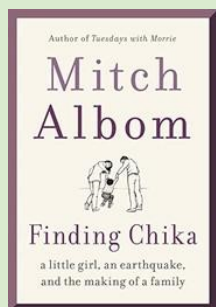
When Life Gives You Pears: The Healing Power of Family, Faith, and Funny People by Jeannie Gaffigan

A funny and heartfelt memoir from writer, director, wife, and mother Jeannie Gaffigan, as she reflects on the life-changing impact of battling a pear-sized brain tumor. Thankfully, Jeannie and her family were able to survive their time of crisis, and now she is sharing her deeply personal journey through this miraculous story, and how she ultimately learned, re-learned and re re-learned to be more present in life.



Finding Chika: A Little Girl, an Earthquake, and the Making of a Family by Mitch Albom

Albom's powerful second memoir (after *Tuesdays with Morrie*) is a tribute to Chika, an orphaned Haitian girl whom Albom and his wife cared for from age five to age seven, when she died from a brain tumor. Mitch speaks candidly about being too career-focused and putting off having kids until it was too late, and shares how Chika allowed him and his wife to experience the glory of parenthood decades into their marriage. Chika's story of hope, faith, and unconditional love is simultaneously uplifting and tragic.



WESTERN ALLEGHENY
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Tech Talk: Hoopla about Hoopla!

So what's all this Hoopla about?

Hoopla allows you to access music, audiobooks, eBooks, comics, movies, and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone—and even your TV! There's no waiting—all Hoopla items can be checked out immediately with no requests or wait lists, and never any late fees!

How do I sign up?

PC OR MAC: Go to HooplaDigital.com and search for your library to create an account. Start streaming immediately.

MOBILE DEVICE: Download "Hoopla Digital" from your device's App Store. Create an account with your library to access items for download and offline use.

What if I need some help?

See the "Hoopla Help" page for more information. You can also ask at the library front desk for assistance accessing this or any online resource, or request a one-on-one appointment with our tech services librarian!

Library News

WHAT'S INSIDE:

Winter Programs for All Ages
Special Events & Fundraisers
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LIBRARY HOURS:

The library opens at 10:00 a.m. on last Mondays
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.
Friday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Sundays (September—May): 1:00—5:00 p.m.

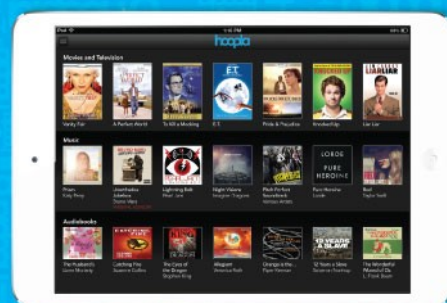
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News

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VITA Tax Service

2020 Tax Season

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) volunteers will once again be at the library to complete tax forms for senior citizens earning less than \$55,000 on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from February 03 to April 09, 2020. This service is free but by appointment only. NO walk-ins will be taken.

Appointments will be taken starting January 13, 2020. All interested residents should call the library at 724-695-8150 to schedule an appointment. Please call early to be assured of obtaining an appointment.

The Western Allegheny Community Library will have standard Federal forms and instructions available on or about January 31. Other Federal tax forms may be obtained from the IRS website (irs.gov) or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

State tax forms and PA property/rent rebate applications are no longer being distributed to libraries. They can be accessed online or by calling 717-787-8201 for tax forms. PA property/rent rebate booklets can be obtained by calling 1-888-222-9190.

VITA
Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

The Numbers are **IN!**

Last September, we asked you to help us make an impact with “**Love Your Library**” month—and you did! Check out the numbers below. All of Allegheny County libraries raised over a **million dollars** during September 2019, with WACL being one of **46** participating libraries!

We would like to acknowledge the wonderful support of the **Jack Buncher Foundation**, which provided the prorated match for LYL month. It is thanks to ongoing support by library lovers like YOU that we can continue to grow our programs and services in the West Allegheny community. **We couldn't do it without you!**

LOVE **YOUR** LIBRARY 
2019 Allegheny County Results by the Numbers

\$1,048,254³⁵

Amount raised in September

\$706,169²⁷

Qualifying dollars raised

\$156,943⁵⁹

Match from the Jack Buncher Foundation

21¢

Cent on a dollar
match amount

7,138

Number of
individual donors

1,319

Number of
new donors

46

Number of
participating
libraries

31

Number of
libraries that
increased revenue

30

Number of libraries
that increased
number of donors

30

Number of libraries
that increased number
of new donors

Library News

Have you heard the word?

We have a new Director!

The Western Allegheny Community Library Board of Trustees is pleased to announce that Amy McDonald has been appointed as our new Library Director, following in the footsteps of Amanda Kirby whose family recently moved to New York.

Amy has been with us as our Director of Development & Partnerships for almost three years, tirelessly working to spread the word about all the amazing things we do up here on the hill. She finished at the front of a very talented field of candidates and she should be very proud of her achievement. Congratulations Amy!

We appreciate the patience and support of our community as we carry out one of the most important tasks our Board will be called upon to complete. Next time you stop by the library, be sure to congratulate Amy for her new position!

Sincerely,

Tim O'Sullivan

Library Board President

Amy
McDonald
Library
Director



All About Amy

Amy is happily married and has three very energetic sons: Connor, Colby, and Caiden (we "C" where she was going with that!). Now, despite her being from New England and cheering on both the Patriots and the Red Sox, we do allow her out in public! You might see her at our We Be Book'n Book Club, an "Exciting Excursion," or some big library fundraiser, where her extraordinary people skills shine.

Save the date for W.A.F.E.L.'s semi-annual **Book Sale!**

Thursday—Saturday

May 14—16

\$5 per bag (or individually priced)

- ★ Fiction & Non-Fiction Books
- ★ Adult, Teen, and Children's Materials
- ★ Audio books on CD & Cassette
- ★ Movies on DVD, VHS, & Blu-ray
- ★ Music on CD & Cassette
- ★ Puzzles, Games, Magazines, & More!

Don't forget...the sale also includes raffle baskets and delicious baked goods!

Book Sale Hours:

Thursday, May 14, 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Friday, May 15, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 16, 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Sponsored by W. A. F. E. L. (Western Area Friends to Enhance the Library). Interested in helping out? We are looking for volunteers to help set up, take down, and assist with the book sale. W.A.F.E.L. accepts year-round donations of gently used books and other materials. Your donations are tax-deductible and always greatly appreciated! This book sale raises funds to support library programming and services. Many thanks to those who donate materials and time to make this effort possible.

Special Events

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, December 14

9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

This holiday season—give the gift of life! Vitalant is once again holding a Blood Drive at the library. Donations are greatly needed this holiday season. Appointments recommended; walk-ins welcome. Check online for details on donor eligibility & to sign up to participate in this worthy cause. All participating donors will receive a fleece neck warmer with the Pittsburgh Penguins/Vitalant logos on the day of donation!

CRUISE NIGHT

Tuesday, January 14

6:30—7:30 p.m.



Come join us as Rusty Pettit from Cruise Planners shares details of the upcoming **2020 "End of Summer West A Cruise"**! This five night package aboard Royal Caribbean's Independence of the Seas is designed specifically for West A friends and family. The unique itinerary travels to both of Royal Caribbean's private destinations, Perfect Day Coco Cay and Labadee! Come learn all about the many perks included in this package.

DINE TO DONATE

Thursday, February 20 @ Celebrations

Thursday, May 21 @ Celebrations

Enjoy an evening out and support your library—it's a win-win! A portion of sales will benefit your library. Check our website for specifics and look for more "dine to donate" dates to be announced!

CUT THE CABLE CORD

A Money Smart Week Program

Monday, April 6, 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Can you really live without cable? You can...and maybe you should! Come learn about entertainment alternatives to cable, including streaming services and on-demand viewing, and how they can save you thousands of dollars – not to mention hundreds of hours wasted watching commercials.

EXTREME E-COUPONING

A Money Smart Week Program

Tuesday, April 7

6:30—7:30 p.m.

Are you still clipping coupons to save money? Why not ditch the scissors and hit the apps instead! We'll overview this new wave in couponing using cash back services like Ibotta and Checkout 51, plus discuss paperless coupons in RetailMeNot and various store-specific savings and rewards programs.

INTRO TO BEEKEEPING

Saturday, April 18

12:00—1:30 p.m.

Spring is in the air & the bees are buzzing - it's the perfect time to learn an incredible new hobby! Our fun & informational session with local beekeeper, Hank "The Bee Guy" Brinzer, will cover the history of bees, how they help our environment, and how we can help both through beekeeping.

PITTSBURGH BOTANIC

GARDEN TOUR

Thursday, April 30

10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Meet us at the garden for a special tour of the Pittsburgh Botanic Garden! It's the perfect time to visit, when the flowers are in bloom, including (if the weather is right!) the prized dogwood trees. The tour is led by a knowledgeable guide and will last approx. 90 minutes, showcasing the Garden, its rich history, and exciting future. \$10 per person includes a day's admission and guided tour.

MOTHER'S DAY T-REX TEA PARTY FUNDRAISER

Sunday, May 3

2:00—3:30 p.m.

Celebrate mom or another special adult in your life by roaring into our T-Rex Tea Party. Fossilize this date on your calendar, and keep your eyes open for registration & more details to come!



LIBRARY GAMING PARTNERSHIP

GAME DAYS

Saturday, May 9 @ WACL

11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Gather your friends & family and join us for our special GAME DAYS! Bring games you own or try out our board, card, & RPG games. You can even take home the games you enjoy! For teens & adults.

AFTER HOURS GAME NIGHTS

Saturday, January 4 @ Cooper-Siegel

6:00—10:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 15 @ Bridgeville

6:00—10:00 p.m.

Monday, March 9 @ Upper St. Clair

7:00—9:00 p.m.

April TBA @ Whitehall

Gather your friends for our after-hours GAME NIGHTS! Bring games you own or try out our board games, RPGs, and card games. You can even borrow the games you enjoy! Note: Some events are BYOB for 21 & up; see library websites for details.

SPRING VENDOR & CRAFT SALE

Saturday, May 9

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Tax return burning a hole in your pocket? Need to get some Spring shopping done? Have upcoming graduations, or need a last minute gift for Mother's Day? Then you'll want to come to our Spring Vendor & Craft Sale and prepare to shop 'til you drop! Attention Vendors & Crafters: Sign up online to participate in our popular event. \$20 per table plus a raffle item. See our website for details!

Adult Programs

Please register online for all programs.

YARN WARRIORS

Last Saturdays

9:00—10:30 a.m.

January 25, February 29,

March 28, April 25, May 30

Bring your hooks, needles, and yarns and join us at the library for our new knitting & crocheting group! Swap patterns, share your latest projects, and enjoy the company of other crafty crafters. Beginners welcome, as an expert will be on hand to show you the ropes...or yarns, that is! We'll even have some extra supplies if you're just starting out. No need to register - just drop in (but don't drop any stitches)!

INSTANT POT 101

Tuesday, April 28

6:00—7:30 p.m.

Back by popular demand! The instant pot craze is in full swing...are you in? If you haven't yet tried it out, or aren't sure if you want to invest in one, come get the run-down with a self-proclaimed instant pot fanatic! We'll cover how to (and how NOT to) do the instant pot thing, share some tips and tricks, look at some basic tools of the trade, and best of all - we'll sample what we make! Plus, attendees get a chance to check out the 6-quart Instant Pot the library has in our Tech Takeout collection.

AIR FRYER 101

Tuesday, May 26

6:00—7:30 p.m.

It's faster - it's healthier - it's air frying! If you haven't yet tried it out, or aren't sure if you want to invest in one, come get the basics of air frying in this fun (and delicious) program! We'll cover the how-to's of air frying, share some tips and tricks, look at some basic tools of the trade, and best of all - we'll sample what we make! Plus, attendees get a chance to check out the brand-new "Instant Vortex" Air Fryer the library has in our Tech Takeout collection.

Computer Classes

TECH OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, January 18

11:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Did Santa bring you a new smartphone, tablet, laptop, or eReader for Christmas? Need a little help starting out or setting up your mobile device? Come the library, where staff will be on hand to lend their expertise about your new electronic devices and answer all your technology questions.

E-LIBRARY FREE-FOR-ALL

Tuesday, February 4

6:30—7:30 p.m.

Did you know the library offers over 80,000 eBooks for FREE download from anywhere with never any late fees? Not to mention over 150 free digital magazines, 20,000 downloadable audiobooks, and thousands of streaming movies, TV shows, and music albums - all accessible from the comfort of your own home. Bring in your eReader, laptop, or mobile device and learn how to access Overdrive, Hoopla, and Flipster—all completely FREE with your library card. It is true—the best things in life are free!

Need further help on a technology topic? Ask for an individual appointment!

ONLINE DATABASES FOR FUN & PROFIT

Tuesday, February 18

6:30—7:30 p.m.

What hairdryer should you buy? Where can you learn French in a hurry for your vacation? How do you tell between real news and fake news? Inquiring minds want to know - and your library has the answers! The newly redesigned eLibrary website has all you need for online research, from Consumer Reports to Mango Languages to Gale Online. Come learn about the plethora of helpful & free databases available from the library and how to access them at the library and on the go.

YOUR LIBRARY ON THE GO

Tuesday, March 17, 6:30—7:30 p.m.

Did We may not be open 24/7...but your online library is! The "WACL Mobile" app, available free for Android or iOS, is a one-stop-shopping spot for all the library has to offer. Check your online account, request an item, or download an eBook—on the go, anytime, anywhere. Bring in your smartphone or other device and we'll get you started—and you'll never be without your library again!

Book Clubs

BOOKWORMS

1st Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.

WACL's Monthly Adult Book Club. Join the Bookworms to discuss each month's title in a variety of genres of adult fiction.

ANIME & MANGA CLUB

4th Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.

Do you enjoy watching, sharing, & discussing a variety of anime and manga? Then this is the group for you! We will explore the art form, cultural context, history, & pop culture.

WE BE BOOK'N BOOK CLUB

3rd Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.

Each month, we'll reserve a copy of the book for you and reserve at table at a local restaurant. All you have to do is show up, enjoy the deliciousness, and share your thoughts on the book. Please RSVP by the evening before so we can make reservations. This is a 'Dutch Treat' event. Check our website for details on dates and book & restaurant selections.

- ★ December 19—Bear Town by Fredrik Backman @ Bravo
- ★ January 16—When All is Said by Anne Griffin @ Max & Erma's
- ★ February 20—Waiting for Tom Hanks by Kerry Winfrey @ Celebrations
- ★ March 19—Lost and Found by Brooke Davis @ Cadillac Ranch
- ★ April 16—The Golem and the Jinni by Helene Wecker @ Bahama Breeze
- ★ May 21—Where the Forest Meets the Stars by Glendy Vanderab @ Celebrations



Dear Library Friend:

Winter 2019

*“Western Allegheny Community Library is an important thread in the fabric of our community.”
- Robert (Findlay Township Resident)*

Western Allegheny Community Library is without a doubt an essential institution in the community and a personally important destination for many residents who live here. Last year the library offered over one thousand programs that were attended by nearly 20,500 children, families and seniors. Not only are our programs interactive and enjoyable but they are truly life-enhancing.

Let me tell you about Samantha. She is a first grader who disliked reading because she found it too challenging. However, because of her time with our visiting therapy dog Callie, Samantha has had the opportunity to slow down, take her time, and sound out words in a relaxing atmosphere. Her skills have truly begun to blossom and what is equally important is that she now enjoys reading!



Bill, a local senior, learned how to Skype during a Senior Tech Outreach Program and is now able to see and speak to his granddaughter while she is away at college. The look on his face was priceless when that first video call went through!

Samantha and Bill can't thank you—but we can! We are so grateful to have supporters like you making stories like these possible for residents.

Today we embark on our Year-End Campaign. Our goal is to continue providing quality programs and services for the residents of our community by raising \$6,000 by December 31—but we can't do it without help.

We're reaching out to you because you have demonstrated your commitment to the community and improving the lives of people like Samantha and Bill. Would you be willing to make a special year-end contribution to help even more people?

With your support we can impact our community in a lasting way. Please join us by making your gift on our online donation form or by sending a check in the enclosed envelope. You can impact the lives of hundreds of people with just one donation of \$25, \$50, or \$100.

Thank you for your continued support!

Best wishes,

Amy McDonald
Library Director

P.S. Find even more library stories or share your own story on our website at westernalleghenylibrary.org. You can learn even more about the amazing work your donations make possible by following us on Facebook and Instagram @waclibrary.

Children & Family

Please register online for all programs.

SILLY SATURDAY

Saturday, January 4

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Get silly and make wacky crafts at your local library! Create bookmarks, clothespin puppets, toilet paper tube friends, and even your very own postcards! Best for families with school age children, but all ages welcome. Please register online.

SNOWMAN MARSHMALLOW SHOOTERS

Sunday, January 12

2:00—3:00 p.m.

Bring the snowball battle inside with snowman marshmallow shooters! This drop-in program is best for families with school age children, but all ages welcome. Please register online.

WINNIE THE POOH HUNNY HUNT

Saturday, January 18

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Celebrate National Winnie the Pooh Day with a “hunny” hunt throughout the library. For families of all ages.

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

Saturday, February 1

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

We're having a stuffed animal sleepover, and you and your fuzzy friend are invited! We'll have a pajama storytime before wishing our stuffed friends a good night at the library. They'll stay with us, but don't worry—you'll get to see pictures of their night of mischief. Be sure to pick up your friend on Sunday from 1:00—5:00 p.m. Best for children ages 4—10. Please register online; limited space.

VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Sunday, February 9

2:00—3:00 p.m.

Love is in the air! Families can celebrate the holiday early with cute crafts, creative cards, and a sweet scavenger hunt. For families of all ages. Please register online.

Storytimes

Storytimes run January 2—April 30

Please check our online calendar for specific dates.

BABY RHYME TIME

Wednesdays

9:30—9:50 a.m.

Birth—18 months

Enjoy the company of other caregivers and babies while we bounce, clap, sing, and fly! Stay after for free play with simple toys perfect for the littlest of learners. Best for babies ages birth—18 months. No program on January 29.

LITTLES STORYTIME

Tuesdays, 10:30—11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays, 10:30—11:00 a.m.

18 months—5 years

Read, sing, and shake your sillies out, followed by free play in our children's play area. The same storytime will be presented both days. Best for ages 18 months—5 years. No program Jan. 29.



DR. SEUSS'S SEUSSICAL BIRTHDAY

Saturday, February 29

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

"If we didn't have birthdays, you wouldn't be you!" The man of laughs and Loraxes himself would be turning 116! We'll celebrate with crafts from your favorite Dr. Seuss stories, from Cat in the Hat paper hats to Truffula Tree pencils. For families of all ages. Please register online.

GLOW IN THE DARK PARTY

Sunday, March 8

2:00—3:00 p.m.

Daylight Saving Time may be starting, but we're going DARK. Party on with games and crafts that are so much more fun by the light of a glow stick. Best for families of all ages that aren't afraid of the dark. Please register online.

SENSE-A-STORYTIME

Mondays

10:30—11:00 a.m.

Explore a story by using your senses! We'll see, touch, smell, hear, and even taste to get a sense of the world from the comfort of our library. Continue the fun afterward in our children's play area. Best for ages 3-5.



PLAY K Mondays

1:00—2:00 p.m.

OR Thursdays

9:30—10:30 a.m.

Entering Kindergartners

This program is exclusively for children entering Kindergarten Fall 2020 and will give them a chance to play Kindergarten at the library before setting foot in a classroom. Together we'll work on listening, taking turns, and basic education concepts to get your child Kindergarten ready! Please register once online for the first day of the session.



WILD KRATTS DRIVE-IN

Saturday, March 28

11:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m.

ROAAAR! We've got some fun episodes of the Wild Kratts, and we know you'll want to see them! At our drive-in, you'll decorate your own cardboard car, then we'll sit back and enjoy the show with some snacks. Best for families with little Kratts ages 4—10, but all ages welcome. Please register online; limited space.

POWERED BY
Chick-fil-A Robinson

For special events sponsored through the WQED "Inquire Within" program, look for the "i" picture on this page!

Special Events

HANK THE BEE GUY

Saturday, April 4

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

What's the buzz?! Swarm in to talk with Hank the Bee Guy all about bees. Chat about queen bees and honey, explore a beehive box, and take a peek at our pollinator garden. Best for families with school age children, but all ages welcome. Please register online.

MONEY SMART WEEK WITH SESAME STREET:

For Me, For You, For Later

Saturday, April 11

11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Elmo wants you to know how to be money smart! Watch Elmo make choices with money, work to earn money, and learn about spending, sharing, and saving. Make your own "For Me, For You, For Later" jars to continue being money smart at home. Best for ages 3—6 with a caregiver. Please register online; limited space.

MOTHER'S DAY T-REX

TEA PARTY FUNDRAISER

Sunday, May 3, 2:00—3:30 p.m.

Celebrate mom or another special adult in your life by roaring into our T-Rex Tea Party. Fossilize this date on your calendar, and keep your eyes open for registration & more details to come!

School Age Programs

DANCE THE STORY:

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

With Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre

Sunday, February 16, 2:00—3:00 p.m.

Dance the Story is a fun, interactive program that mingles storytelling and movement. Children learn basic ballet positions and then journey into the story and characters of Beauty and the Beast through movement. For grades K—5. Please register online.

NO SCHOOL STEM DAYS

with Robert Morris University

Mondays, 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

January 20, February 17, April 13

Save your kids from boredom on their day off from school by bringing them to the library! Miss Sarah from Robert Morris University will share a story, then let kids loose with a hands-on activity encouraging exploration and confidence in a STEM-related field. For grades K—3. Please register online.

STEM DAY

with Robert Morris University

Saturday, March 14

11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Miss Sarah from Robert Morris University will share a story, then let kids loose with a hands-on activity encouraging exploration and confidence in a STEM related field. For grades K—3. Please register online.

EXPLORE MAGNETS

Sunday, April 26

2:00—3:00 p.m.

Discover the world of magnets with us! We're going to build our own DIY magnet wands, which we'll use to find out what everyday objects are and aren't magnetic, and create magnet sensory bottles, both of which you can keep to continue the exploring at home. Best for children ages 5-12 with a caregiver. Please register online;.

LEGO CLUB

Wednesdays, January 8—April 29

4:00—5:00 p.m.

Every build is awesome! Complete the weekly build challenge with friends or dare to go it alone. Best for school age children in grades K—5. (No program January 29).

PAWS FOR READING

Sundays, 1:30—3:30 p.m.

Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 22, April 19

Boost your reading skills with our furry friend, Ozzy! Ozzy is a trained therapy dog and an excellent listener. Best for school age children. Please register online for one half-hour time slot.

Teen & Middle Grade

SAT PREP WITH OMEGA LEARNING CENTER



Saturday, January 11

9:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

GET THE 'S.A.T. EDGE' with Omega Learning Center. Have your high school student take a FREE SAT Evaluation Test in a proctored, simulated environment. An Omega certified teacher will review your SAT Evaluation Test results and recommend a custom SAT Prep program. This is a no cost, no obligation opportunity!

MIDDLE GRADE MAKER LAB

Thursdays, January 2—April 30

5:00—6:00 p.m.

Make, create, build, and destroy a range of projects from old school perler beads to modern LEGO movie making. For middle graders in grades 4—7.

TEEN R.E.A.L. WRITER WORKSHOP:

Reading. Empowering. Achieving. Learning.

Wednesdays, March 11—April 29

5:00—6:30 p.m.

Calling all young writers! If you love creative writing, this workshop is for you. Come talk about all things writing—from outlining to starting your first draft to developing compelling characters. By the end of the workshop, you'll go home with a completed first chapter of your book and a finished outline of your story. Presented by a teen writer just like you for grades 6—8. Please register online; limited space.

ADULTING 101

Wednesdays, 6:00—7:00 p.m.

January 8, February 5, March 4, April 1

Adulthood doesn't come with instructions, but we'll help guide the way! From money management to mock interviews, hone your skills & take on the world with help from local community members and businesses. For teens in grades 6—12. Please register online.