

## CLAV is a Family Place Library™

Family Place builds on the knowledge that good health, early learning, parental involvement and supportive communities play a critical role in a young child's growth and development. The overall goal of Family Place Libraries is to develop and institutionalize a family friendly environment by transforming libraries into community centers for literacy, early childhood development, parent education and engagement, family support and community information. [More information HERE!](#)



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## Moving forward as a PA Forward® Gold Star Library!



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What does that mean? PA Forward® is a literacy initiative of the Pennsylvania Library Association. Its mission is to fuel success in our communities by promoting the types of knowledge essential to success: Basic Literacy, Information Literacy, Civic & Social Literacy, Health Literacy, and Financial Literacy. The "Gold Star" library designation the library has held since 2020 showcases CLAV as a high-quality learning provider, offering programming and services essential for early literacy and life-long learning alike.

### Look for the Literacy Logos!

You will notice the PA Forward® literacy logos on our flyers and hashtags on our Facebook posts. These designate those special programs with a focus on one of the five literacies. Want to know more? Ask a librarian or visit [www.PAForward.org](http://www.PAForward.org) for more information on this statewide library initiative!



Community Library  
of Allegheny Valley

# News

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1522 Broadview Blvd. Natrona Heights, PA

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# BOOFEST!



Saturday, October 23rd 6 - 8 pm

Visit the library for Frighteningly Fun, & Free Family Festivities!

Don't forget to wear your costume!

### Schedule of Events

6:00 - 8:00 pm

- Explore the library grounds to see our pumpkin patch
- Visit the community room to put together a creepy craft and grab a spooky snack.
- IF YOU DARE! Complete our outside scavenger hunt and get a Halloween surprise!

6:00 - 6:30 pm

- Paw Patrol is on a roll! See a Halloween Paw Patrol on the big screen in the library.

6:30 pm & 7:00 pm

- Join Ms. Judy for some silly spooky stories in the library.

7:15 pm

- TRICK OR TREAT PARADE! Meet by Ms. Judy in library.

6:45 pm & 7:30 pm

- Mrs. Wilson has a frighteningly good STEM demonstration outside.

After the Parade:

- Solve a Halloween mystery with Scooby-Doo on the big screen in the library.

More information online [HERE!](#)

## Children (Birth thru Kindergarten)

### Friday Stories with Miss Judy - Fridays at 10:00 am

Hey kids! Join us **in-person** with Miss Judy for a quick story. Miss Judy will sing songs, count, say the ABCs and share a fun story!

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### Baby Time with Miss Judy - Wednesdays at 9:30 am

Miss Judy will present Baby time **in-person!**

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### Save the Date: Thankful for Thanksgiving Songs on Zoom

Monday, November 22nd 6:30 pm



The Music, Bubble And Comedy Show: Thankful For Thanksgiving Songs engages children with comedy, singing, stories about family and friendship, turkeys, pumpkin pies and bubbles! The show is crafted to be inclusive for all children and a great time for parents and caregivers. Each song in the 30-minute show is accompanied by hands-on, visual and sensory experiences designed to help kids learn and have fun at the same time. Kids will gobble, wobble and bobble throughout the whole show!

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Registration is required. [Register HERE!](#)

## Kids/Teens (Kindergarten-12th Grade)

### Altered Books - Monday, October 18th 5:30 pm

Create a spook-tacular altered book for Halloween. All supplies provided. For teens ages 12+. Limited spaces.

Registration required. [Register here.](#)



### Needle & Thread Club

Sat, October 16th 12:30 pm

Join us for hands-on sewing, weaving and other textile based projects. This self-guided free program is for youth in 4th Grade & up. Basic materials provided.

Please register online [HERE!](#)

### Lego Challenges

Monday, October 25th 4:30 pm

Calling all LEGO Builders! This program offers challenge activities to spark your imagination and build critical thinking skills.

Registration required.

[Register here!](#)



Funding for these programs is provided by the Ira and Frances Wood Library Fund of The Pittsburgh Foundation.

Register online at [www.alleghenyvalleylibrary.org](http://www.alleghenyvalleylibrary.org) or by calling 724-226-3491

### Holiday Closings

- November 25th - 26th:  
[Library closed for Thanksgiving](#)
- December 24th - 25th:  
[Library closed for Christmas](#)
- January 1st, 2022:  
[Library closed for New Year's Day](#)

### Copying and Faxing is available at the library!

#### Copies

- .15¢ per page

#### Faxes

- Incoming: .50¢ per page
- Outgoing: \$1 per page



Please call the library at 724-226-3491 to set up arrangements to have documents copied or faxed.

Website: [www.alleghenyvalleylibrary.org](http://www.alleghenyvalleylibrary.org)  
Facebook: [@CommunityLibraryofAlleghenyValley](#)  
We're on [Instagram @clav\\_library](#)  
Want text updates? [Join our BAND!](#)

Support the library by purchasing a **Cash Calendar Lottery Raffle Ticket**. Tickets can be purchased for \$5 each online or at the library and will be available for each month of 2021. All cash winnings will be determined by the amount shown on the ticket. Each entry is two lottery numbers.

Winning numbers taken from the official PA Daily 'PICK 3" No. 7 PM drawing - 1st number drawn is official. Thanks for your support!

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CASH CALENDAR RAFFLE											
62 CHANCES TO WIN											
MONTH	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY					
JANUARY 2021	\$50	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$50					
	10	11	12	13	14	15					
	16	17	18	19	20	21					
	22	23	24	25	26	27					
	28	29	30	31							

FIND THESE RESOURCES AND MORE AT [eLibrary.einetwork.net](http://eLibrary.einetwork.net)



ALL FOR **FREE** WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD!

## Upcoming Events

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### Fall and Winter Gardening for Wildlife on Zoom

Wednesday, November 17th 5:30 pm

How can you sustain wildlife in your yard over winter? Birds, bugs and hibernating creatures all need your support in the harsh winter times. Learn tricks and tips to making sure your yard is a winter wonderland for native wildlife. This event will be streamed live on Zoom.

Registrations are required. [Register HERE!](#)



### My Mother the Astronaut

Friday, November 5th 1:00 pm

Save the date for meeting Aquarius' mom is an astronaut and today is "Take your child to work day".



Aquarius can't wait to go to NASA and find out what it's like to be in space! Registrations will soon be online [HERE!](#)

### WHO KNEW?

Tuesday, November 16th 6:00 pm

Save the Date for November's WHO KNEW?, which will be announced next month. Stay tuned!



### Save the Date!

#### How to Read Better for Adults

Wednesday, November 10

Have you been finding your reading skills are not what they used to be, or are lacking? Using advice from reading experts, we'll discover ways of improving reading comprehension and speed reading. This class is for adult learners. [Register HERE!](#)



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### Holiday Events

#### November 20th - Tarentum Holiday Parade

Look for the library on November 20th in the parade!

#### November - Name Our Elf on the Shelf Poll

Look for the library's poll to help name our Elf on the Shelf in November and then look in the library and on Facebook to see our Elf's adventures!

#### December - Holidays Around the World

#### December - Disguise a Gingerbread Man Family

## Kids/Teens (Kindergarten-12th Grade)

### Family Movie!



Wednesday,  
October 6th 6:00 pm

Join us at the library for a free movie night and your chance to win this musical movie hit! No registration needed.

[More info here.](#)

### Pirate School Virtual show!

Saturday, October 9th 11:00 am

Set sail with a madcap, swashbuckling comedy variety show for the whole family. Includes science craft "How does a cannon work?"

Welcome aboard!

**Register online.**

[Register here!](#)



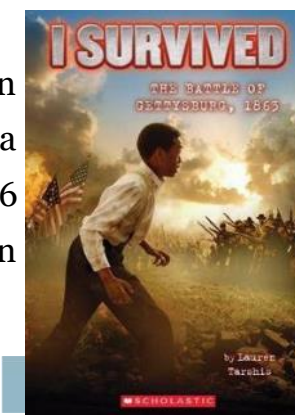
### I SURVIVED Book Club - Tuesday, October 12th, 5:00 pm

Join Mrs. Wilson with book discussion and trivia fun! This historical fiction series tells a terrifying and thrilling story from history, through the eyes of a kid who lived to tell the tale! This free program is for children in grades 3-6 (Words may include vivid details). One name will be drawn from those in attendance to win a free paperback copy of next month's book!

Registration required. [Register here!](#)

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### Magic Tree House

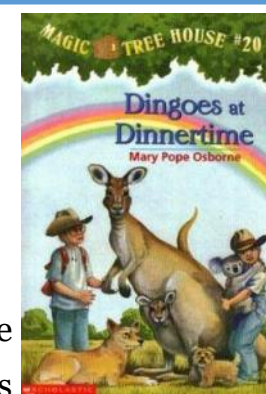
#### Adventures

Thursday,

October 21st

4:30 pm

Join Mrs. Wilson at the library as she reads



aloud from a selected Magic Tree House book that includes a hands-on book related activity/craft. The club will meet both on Zoom and in-person.

Registration needed.

Limited spaces. [Register here](#)

### Let's Draw Monsters Virtual

#### Cartooning Program

Wednesday, October 27th 6:30 pm

Award winning Cartoonist Rick Stromoski will show you how to draw CREATURES, GOBLINS and GHOSTS and ALL Things HALLOWEEN! This event will be both on zoom and in person. Suggested



for kids in Grades 2-7. Online registration required. Limited spaces in person.

[Register here](#)

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## Local History

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### Discovering Family Roots

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#### **"Sifting & Sorting:" Kinds of Hints Buried in Family Boxes & Chests**

**Friday, October 15th 1:00 pm (Live in person and on Zoom)**

Pamela Israel, a genealogist from "Unlock Your History," will return as the guest speaker for this Discovering Family Roots program. In this presentation, we will discover how to find genealogical information from family boxes and storage. There's always something new to learn for both the beginner or the advanced genealogy buff. *Limited seating in person. Registration is required.*



*All in-person attendees should wear masks. Register Here!*

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#### **Fire! Fire! Local Fire Companies**

**Tuesday, October 19th 6:00 pm (Live in person and on Zoom)**

Did you know Tarentum had a fire company as early as 1886? Learn about the history of the area's fire companies and how important volunteer fire departments are to our neighborhoods at the October local history WHO KNEW? program. *Limited seating in person. Registration is required. Register Here!*



## NEW Local History hours



12-6 Monday  
12-6 Tuesday  
12-6 Wednesday  
12-6 Thursday  
Closed Friday  
By appointment Saturday

\* Call the library at 724-226-3491 to make Saturday appointments.  
\* Questions or local history requests may be made during local history hours or anytime at [alvalley@einetwork.net](mailto:alvalley@einetwork.net).

**DID YOU KNOW?** Ancestry availability outside the library has been extended to library patrons through December 31, 2021! Whether you are just starting your family history or you are looking for new genealogy research, Ancestry is a great library resource. Access it for free here:

<https://elibrary.einetwork.net/ancestry-in-library>

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## Adults

### **Step-by-Step Painting Class: Aspen Sunset**

**Thursday, October 14th 6:00 pm**

Join us for a step-by-step painting class themed for the fall season! Canvas, paint, and brushes will be provided. There is a \$5 fee per project. When registering online, please see follow up e-mail for instructions on how to pay. There are limited quantities, so **please register to attend!**

[Register here!](#)

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### **Take and Make Craft!**

**Monday, October 18th**

The make and take crafts are back! This month's craft will be a cute copper scrubber pumpkin, which is simple and fun to make! Pick up the bag in the library lobby to make



at home. All supplies will be included in the bags. Limited quantities available.

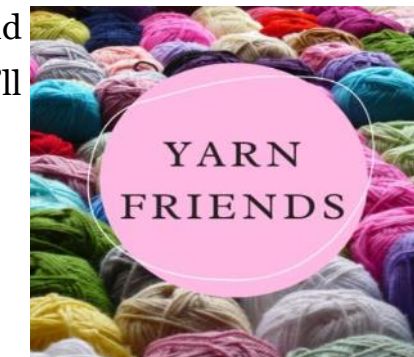
### **Yarn Friends**

**Monday, October 25th 5:30 pm**

Calling all yarn lovers! Bring your projects and come to the library to swap ideas, chat, and receive help and support from fellow yarn enthusiasts. No experience necessary. All ages are welcome – group members would be happy to help – we'll teach the basics!

[More info online here.](#)

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### **Computer Literacy: The Very Basics**

**Thursday, October 28th, 6:00 - 6:45 pm**

Have no idea about how to start using a computer? Sign up for our computer literacy class this month, which will cover the basics of computer use! Learn what the physical parts of a computer do, how to navigate your computer's files, finding keyboard shortcuts, using the mouse, using Zoom, browsing the internet, and more! **Registration is required. Register here!**



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### **Local Artists Wanted!**

Calling all local artists! Do you want the chance to have your work help the library? Contact the library for a chance to show off your art and talent at a future art show at the library. Message adult program specialist, John Kristine at [kristinej@einetwork.net](mailto:kristinej@einetwork.net) with examples of your work.

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