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Mission Statement

The Akron-Summit County Public Library provides resources for learning and leisure, information services, meeting spaces, and programs for all ages that support, improve, and enrich individual, family and community life.

Library Board of Trustees Meeting Dates

We welcome public attendance. Please call 330-643-9101 for more information and to verify locations and times prior to attending.

Thursday, March 26 - 4 pm
Main Library
60 S. High St., Akron 44326

Thursday, April 30 - 4 pm
Maple Valley Branch Library
1187 Copley Rd., Akron 44320

Thursday, May 28 - 4 pm
Portage Lakes Branch Library
4261 Manchester Rd., Akron 44319

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Shape Your Future with the 2020 U.S. Census

We are pleased to announce that we are partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to support the 2020 Census. As a partner, we will be working to make sure our community is accurately represented in the upcoming decennial count.

The census counts everyone in the United States. Census results are the basis for congressional representation and help determine how more than \$675 billion in federal funds is distributed each year to support vital programs in states and communities across the country. These funds shape local health care, housing, education, transportation, employment, and public policy.

April 1 is Census Day at all Akron-Summit County Public Library locations.

As the 2020 Census approaches, we will continue to share information about how you can make sure our community is fully represented. Visit 2020CENSUS.GOV anytime to get the latest information.

The Main Event Speaker Series Main Library Auditorium

Derf Backderf

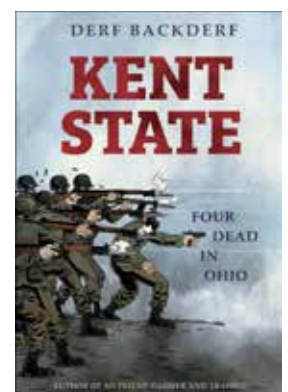
Graphic artist Derf presents his latest book

Kent State: Four Dead in Ohio

**Tuesday, April 7
7 – 9 pm**

Fifty years after the Kent State shootings, acclaimed graphic artist John "Derf" Backderf premieres for the Main Event Series his much-anticipated latest book - a deep look into the events of 1970 on the Kent State campus that shook the world. Years in the making and based upon interviews and rigorous reporting, NE Ohio native Derf (My Friend Dahmer) has created his masterpiece - a vivid and moving account of a local historical tragedy that still resonates.

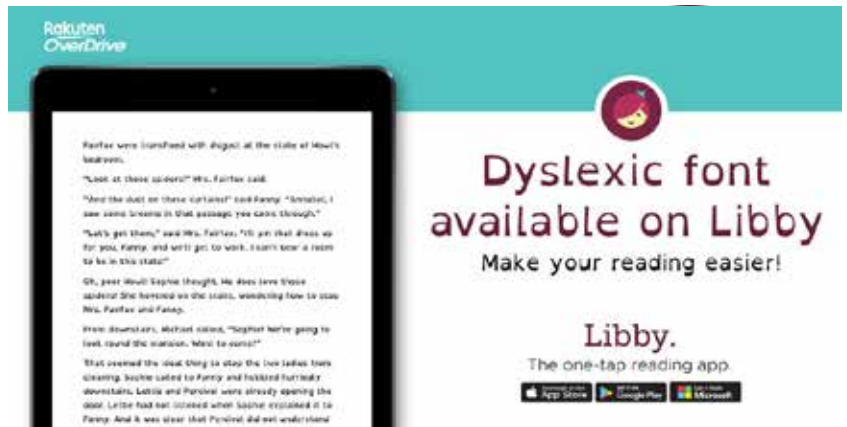
Doors open at 6:30 pm. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



Dyslexic font on Libby

Standard typefaces are often difficult to read for people with dyslexia as the letters are hard to differentiate and words tend to jumble together. Dyslexic fonts provide greater contrast in letters which solves this problem.

Your digital library website and your app (OverDrive and Libby) feature a dyslexic font option, making determining letters much easier so readers can focus on finding and enjoying their next great read.



1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Studies show that reading with young children is the single most important thing adults can do to get children ready for kindergarten. The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program is a fun way to develop early literacy skills, help your child develop the all-important love of reading, and create lasting memories.

Sign up today!

Stop by your favorite Akron-Summit County Public Library location to sign up.

Get a reading log and learn how to use your library card reading history.

If you can't visit the library, download a reading log or start keeping track of the books you read on a calendar, in a notebook, or whatever is easiest for you.

Visit the library after every 100 book milestone for a small prize to recognize your child's progress.



Any book you read to your child counts. That includes books in preschool, library story time, or that favorite you read repeatedly.

Look for some new books to try out! These fun beginning readers are just right for kids who are learning to read on their own. <https://assets.akronlibrary.org/new-and-notable/easy-reader-list>.

Also, search our catalog at akronlibrary.org.



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Library Closings

Sunday, April 12
– Easter Sunday
Monday, May 25
– Memorial Day

Branch Hours

Monday - Thursday:
10 am - 8 pm
Friday: 12 pm - 6 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday: CLOSED

Springfield-Lakemore Branch Hours:

Monday: 12 pm - 8 pm
Tuesday: 10 am - 8 pm
Wednesday: 12 pm - 6 pm
Thursday: 12 pm - 8 pm
Friday: 12 pm - 6 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday: CLOSED

Main Library Hours

Monday - Thursday:
10 am - 8 pm
Friday: 10 am - 6 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday: 1 pm - 5 pm

Drive-Up Window closes ten minutes before the building closes for the day.

Check if Appropriate:

- My name is misspelled
- My address is incorrect
- I received more than one copy
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