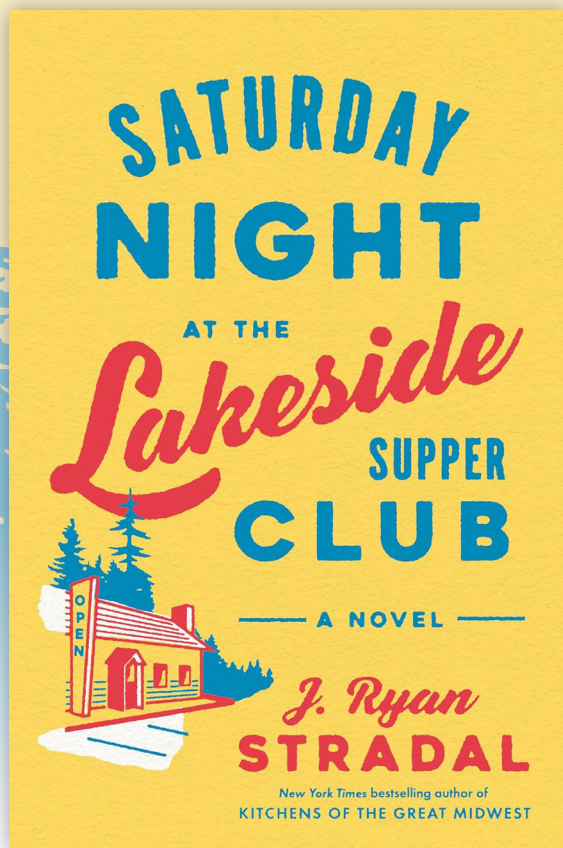


2025 SUMMIT COUNTY COMMUNITY READ



SEPTEMBER 1 - OCTOBER 31

Akron-Summit County Public Library

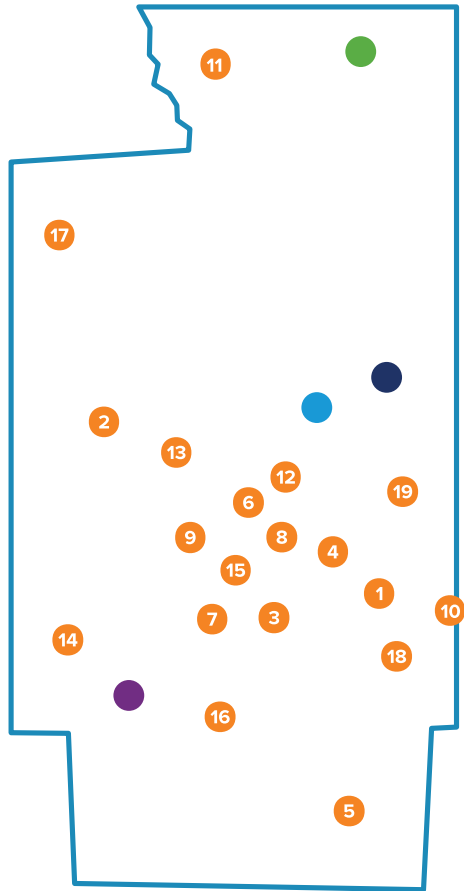
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- 8. Main Library
- 9. Maple Valley
- 10. Mogadore
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- 13. Northwest Akron
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- 17. Richfield
- 18. Springfield-Lakemore
- 19. Tallmadge

● **Barberton Public Library**

● **Cuyahoga Falls Library**

● **Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library**

● **Twinsburg Public Library**



*“In the aftermath of a devastating tragedy, a couple from two very different restaurant families in rustic Minnesota, Mariel Prager and her husband Ned, who’s having an identity crisis, lose almost everything they hold dear and unexpectedly find salvation in their failing business — Lakeside Supper Club.” - *NovelList Plus**

J. Ryan Stradal lives and works in Los Angeles County, California. His latest novel, “Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club,” published by Viking / Pamela Dorman Books in April 2023, is an instant national bestseller. It debuted at #11 on the national ABA Indiebound list, #7 on the Los Angeles Times list, and was the #1 selling hardcover fiction book among independent bookstores in the Midwest its first week of release. Roxane Gay has called it “a perfect book,” and it received glowing reviews from NPR, People, the Minneapolis Star Tribune, the St. Paul Pioneer Press, Minnesota Public Radio, TASTE Magazine, AARP Magazine, and Kirkus, where it earned a starred review. In September 2023, it was named a finalist for the Heartland Booksellers Award in Fiction.



This fall, the 2025 Summit County Community Read will delve into the ways food connects cultures and communities — through shared traditions, culinary creativity, and personal stories. Throughout September and October, Akron-Summit County Public Library, Barberton Public Library, Cuyahoga Falls Library, Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library, and Twinsburg Public Library will partner to host book discussions and unique programs and events inspired by the themes explored in the novel. Join our community in reading “Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club.”

Physical and digital copies of the book are available at all participating libraries.

“A proper supper club meal began with a free relish tray and basket of bread, followed by a round of brandy old-fashioneds, and then a lavish amount of hearty cuisine, with fish fry on Fridays, prime rib on Saturdays, and grasshoppers for dessert.”



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Join us for a discussion of “Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club”

by J. Ryan Stradal. Explore the themes of family traditions, restaurant life, and the charm of small-town Minnesota.



Wednesday, September 3

1 pm – Norton | 1:30 pm – Springfield-Lakemore

6 pm – Mogadore

Monday, September 8

12:30 pm - North Hill | 1 pm – Fairlawn-Bath | 2 pm – Tallmadge

Tuesday, September 9, 6 pm – Highland Square

Wednesday, September 10, 6:30 pm – Goodyear

Thursday, September 11, 5 pm – Richfield

Tuesday, September 16, 1:30 pm – Ellet

Wednesday, September 17, 6 pm – Green

Tuesday, September 23

6:30 pm – Nordonia Hills

7 pm – Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library

Wednesday, September 24, 6 pm – Main Library

Thursday, September 25,

5:30 pm – Cuyahoga Falls Library | 6:30 pm – Portage Lakes

Monday, September 29, 6:30 pm – Twinsburg Public Library

Wednesday, October 1, 6 pm – Barberton Public Library



FOOD PROGRAMS *Registration is required for all programs.*

Wednesday, September 3

6 pm – **Barberton Public Library:** The History of Barberton Chicken

Wednesday, September 10

6 pm – **Ellet:** Sourdough Baking for Beginners

6 pm – **Mogadore:**

Entertaining Through the Seasons – Fall Holidays

Thursday, September 11, 6 pm – Twinsburg Public Library:

Campfire Cooking with Summit Metro Parks

Liberty Park Nature Center: 9999 Liberty Rd., Twinsburg 44087

Saturday, September 13

1 pm – **Green:** Foods & Friends, Connecting Through Cooking

Monday, September 15

6 pm – **Northwest Akron:** Cooking Without a Recipe

6:30 pm – **Main Library:** Smart Spending, Practical Tips for
Everyday Savings – The Savvy Shopper's Guide to Food

Tuesday, September 16

6 pm – **Cuyahoga Falls Library:** Simple Snacks with the Charlie Cart

Wednesday, September 17

2 pm – **Tallmadge:** Norwegian Cooking Demo

3 pm – **Springfield-Lakemore:**

Zoom: Spice Up Your Life – Cooking with Apple Spice

6 pm – **Cuyahoga Falls Library:** Fall Recipe Exchange

Thursday, September 18

6 pm – **Odom Boulevard:** Savor the Harvest with SIPSAVORSOUL

Saturday, September 20

2 pm – **Main Library:** Main Event Many Voices: Sarah Lohman

Wednesday, September 24

6 pm – **Barberton Public Library:** Soup Made Simple

Monday, September 29

5:30 pm – **North Hill:** Ethiopian Coffee Ceremony with Bereka Coffee

6 pm – **Portage Lakes:** Fermentation – Making Sauerkraut

Tuesday, September 30

6 pm – **Kenmore:**

Food as Art, Braided Breads – Nordic Cinnamon and Cardamom

Tuesday, September 30

6:30 pm – **Nordonia Hills:**

Frangipane Tart Baking Demo with Annie's Signature Sweets

Wednesday, October 1

All Day – **Twinsburg Public Library:** Take It, Make It Spice Kits

6 pm – **Richfield:** Crockpot Meals

Thursday, October 2

6 pm – **Twinsburg Public Library:** Trivia Night - Cooking Edition

Saturday, October 4, 1 pm – Kenmore:

Food as Art, Braided Breads – Nordic Cinnamon and Cardamom

3 pm – **Barberton Public Library:** Book Lovers Tea Party

Tuesday, October 7

6:30 pm – **Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library:**

Food Craft, Edible Candy Mosaic

Thursday, October 9, 6 pm – Highland Square:

Zoom: Let's Grow Akron Seasonal Cooking Workshop

Friday, October 11

2 pm – **Fairlawn-Bath:** The Great Fairlawn-Bath Branch Bake Off

Tuesday, October 21

6 pm – **Barberton Public Library:** Boo it Yourself, Cookie Decorating

6 pm – **Cuyahoga Falls Library:** Simple Snacks with the Charlie Cart

Wednesday, October 22

2 pm – **Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library:**

Wednesday Movie Club, "Jiro Dreams of Sushi"

6 pm – **Cuyahoga Falls Library:** Pumpkin Spice Bake Off

6 pm – **Maple Valley:** Discover Wellness, Meet the Dietitian

6-8 pm – **Stow-Munroe Falls:** Color Me Calm, Harvest

Thursday, October 23

6 pm – **Firestone Park:** Macaron Class with Chef Seth

6 pm – **Goodyear:** Pie Decorating Workshop

Monday, October 27

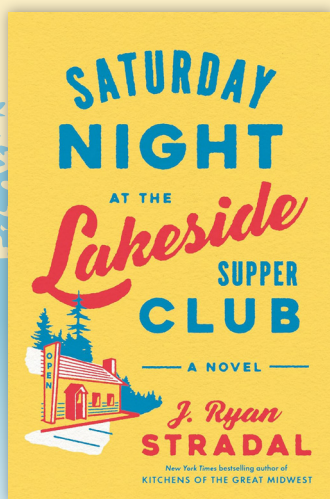
6 pm – **Norton:** Outdoor Travel Series, The Camino de Santiago

Wednesday, October 29

6:30 pm – **Main Library:** Dips and Sips



Full program info at
akronlibrary.org/cr25



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Barberton, OH 44203



2015 3rd St
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