



OLEAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

October 2024 Newsletter

134 N. 2nd Street
Olean, NY 14760
(716) 372-0200
Oleanlibrary.org

Hours:
M-Th 9am-9pm
Fri 9am-6pm
Sat 10am-5pm

Curbside service available by appointment.



Comfort Cabinet—Thank You!

The Olean Public Library would like to thank the **Olean Charter for Compassion** and the **Cattaraugus County Health Dept.** for their generous donations to our Comfort Cabinet.

The Comfort Cabinet is hosted within the Olean Public Library and runs solely on donations. If you would like to contribute to this valuable community service, please contact Cherish Inman (cinman@oleanlibrary.org) for more information or to coordinate a drop-off.

13 NIGHTS OF HALLOWEEN

We're remixing a classic from the early 2000s.



So break out your high tops & call your friends because things are going to get a little spooky.

OCT 17TH- OCT 29TH

A MIX OF PRESENTATIONS, SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS, POP-UPS
& PROGRAMS FOR 13 DAYS STRAIGHT



Registering for Programs at the Library is as easy as 1, 2, **or** 3!

1). Call: 716.372.0200

2). Email:
programming@oleanlibrary.org

3). Stop in:
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Friends of the Olean Library present:

Poetry contest 2024



The Friends of the Olean Public Library are sponsoring a poetry contest for high school students to promote creativity and encourage a different way of thinking.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the winning poems in each grade from 9th through 12th. Poems may be on any topic but must be typed in a 12 point standard font such as Times New Roman. In the top left corner of the submitted poem, the author must include their full name, the school they attend, their current grade level, and their teacher's name along with the teacher's email address for contact. Poems may be submitted through the teachers or dropped off at the Olean Public Library marked for the attention of the Friends Poetry Contest on or before November 27th. Late entries can not be considered.

Poetry gives young writers a chance to express emotions. Poetry can be a friend, someone to talk to, a release of inner tensions. It helps us to understand ourselves. It promotes thinking in images and translating the visual and emotional into words as well as understanding metaphor.

Contact rugg3963@gmail.com for any questions.



Registration Required



Limited Registration



Zoom Option Available



Registration Requested 1

Children/Family Programs

Stories & More

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Wednesdays at 10:00am

Story time captures the imagination and attention of young ones to inspire a lifelong love of books and reading. Our story times include songs, rhymes, flannel boards, and instruments. Our programs are specially designed for birth through preschool. We incorporate early literacy tips and practices to promote reading readiness.

Stories & Stretches

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Thursdays at 11:00am

Children ages 2 to 5. A fun, movement-oriented program with stories, songs, stretches, and movement.

Investigation Stations

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Tuesdays at 6:30pm or
Wednesdays at 3:30pm

Kids ages 3 and up participate in directed group activities, including longer stories, music, and instruments, followed by exploration of creative art and STEM stations.

Reading Can Be Ruff Club

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Wednesdays at 3:30pm

Practice reading with our favorite therapy dogs. These guys are great listeners and never judge! They make reading fun. Bring a book or choose one here. Explore the Investigation Stations and enjoy some "pupcorn" while you wait.

Stories & More, Stories & Stretches, Investigation Stations, and Reading Can Be Ruff Club run from 10/14/24 through 11/15/2024. Registration begins 9/30/24 and can be completed online in addition to calling or stopping by.

We will be celebrating Halloween as part of our programs beginning Monday, Oct. 28th. Children may come in costume and we will have a "Halloween parade" through the building.

Creepy Crawly Halloween with REPCO Wildlife

Saturday October 26th at 12:00pm

Join REPCO Wildlife for a fun, Halloween themed, interactive event! Get a chance to see snakes, lizards, turtles, tarantulas, scorpions, and more. Learn all about these animals we associate with the creepy and unusual!

Jerry Schneider's Wonderful World of Bats

Tuesday October 29 at 4:00pm

Jerry Schneider has been bringing the Wonderful World of Bats to people since 2003. This program introduces audiences to local and tropical bats, the Vampire Bat, and many more of our only flying mammals. Through photos, slides and taped bat calls, the audience will move beyond old stereotypes to understand the vital roles of bats in our environment. After the presentation kids can make their own bat tee shirt! Bring a plain white tee shirt with you or purchase one for \$5.00



After School Programs (Ages 7-12)/(4-5:00pm)

Lego Club

Monday October 7th at 4:00pm

Let's create a haunted mansion!

Pokémon Club

Monday October 14th at 4:00pm

Trade cards or play Pokémon Go!

Scooby Doo

Monday October 21st at 4:00pm

Scooby Doo scavenger hunt and Halloween experiments.

Movie & Craft

Monday October 28th at 4:00pm

Making spooky crafts while watching Goosebumps.

Teen Programs (Ages 13-18)

OTAB Meeting (Conference Room)

Tuesday October 1st at 4:30pm

We'll be discussing our Halloween, November, and December 2024 programming plans, ways to volunteer and improve teen offerings at the Library. New members are welcome to attend, email programming@oleanlibrary.org for details.

Teen Gaming Club (Gallery)

Wednesday October 2nd; 4:30-5:45

We'll bring our Nintendo Switch and some games: you come prepared to play! Board games or card games more your style? Bring those, too—we'll have tables set up and ready.

Teen Jackbox Games (Gallery)

Friday October 4th; 3-4:30pm

We have every party pack available to play! Bring a device and your thinking caps to compete with other teens. The family filter is kept on throughout, and answers must remain library appropriate.

Swordfighting with Wayne Wellburn (Parking Lot)

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Monday October 14th; 5-8:30pm

Local montante instructor Wayne Wellburn will be teaching us the basics of this traditional Spanish swordfighting art. Though all safety equipment will be provided, if you have your own helmet (ex: football; fencing), please bring it to class. Also, wear closed toe shoes and dress ready to work out.

Team A, Teen DnD

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Wednesday October 16th; 6-8:30pm

The party has entered Thunder Caves, made allies, punished foes, and slowly drove their way through to their final battle. Will they be able to stop the cultists' plans for the Sword Coast and Leilon, or will they ultimately fall to the storms raging around them? *Email programming@oleanlibrary.org to join a campaign.*

Teen Programs (Ages 13-18)

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Friday October 18th
3-4:30pm

We have every party pack available to play! Bring a device and your thinking caps to compete with other teens. The family filter is kept on throughout, and answers must remain library appropriate.

Teen Anime Club (Gallery)

Wednesday October 23rd
4:30-5:45pm

Thanks to an Outreach program from Crunchyroll, we have access to literally hundreds of anime to watch in our club. Come enjoy some Japanese snacks and watch anime with other teen fans.

OTAB Halloween Party (Gallery)

Friday October 25th
3:30-5:30 pm

Join us as we celebrate the spookiest holiday with snacks, scary movies, and snacks like chips and candy! Dress in costume to be extra festive. Who knows? We may just have prizes for the best costumes!

Team B, Teen DnD

Wednesday October 30th
6-8:30pm

Arriving safely in Phandalin, the party is torn between chaos and benevolence. Should they ransack the town or save it from the potential cult activities hinted at within? And who is their new ally—and does he truly want the barbarian as his father-figure in his new, redeemed life?

Email programming@oleanlibrary.org to join a campaign.

Teen Room is open
weekdays 3-6pm

Adult Programs

Dungeons and Dragons (Gallery)

Tuesday October 1st
6-8:30pm

Interested in playing Dungeons and Dragons with other adults? Come join Cherish, our library's resident game master and try it out. Players of all experience levels welcome, and bringing a snack to share, though not required, is appreciated.

Scan the QR to create a character ahead of time!

Adult DnD Campaign



Join here!

Knit & Crochet Club (Gallery)

Saturday October 5th
11:30-12:30pm

Knitters, crocheters, and other fiber artists of all levels are welcome to attend. Bring your current craft (or one you need a bit of help with), and we'll provide the space and company of fellow crafters. Interested but don't have a project to start? We'll have some free patterns, yarn, and some basic crochet hooks and knitting needles available to take.

Cooking Club

Tuesday October 8th at
6:30pm

Bring a dish to share based on the chosen theme and we will enjoy each other's dishes and discuss our recipes, our favorite dishes, and cooking in general! This month's theme will be **Fall Harvest**. Come join us for an evening of food, fun, and friendly company!

Let's Connect with Psychic Mary Beth

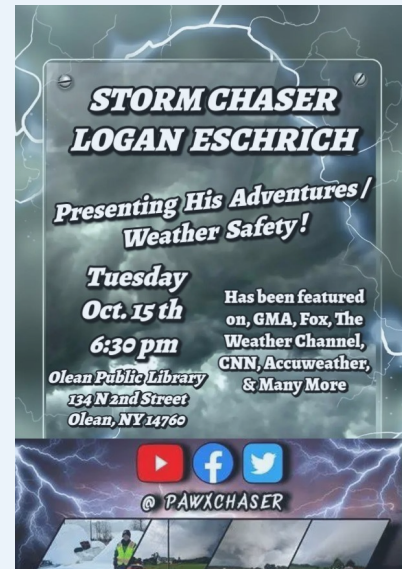
Thursday October 10th at 6:00pm

In this interactive presentation, we will discuss the topic of spiritual and psychic gifts. We will learn about developing your own psychic senses using simple terms and techniques! Come tap into your own gifts

Storm Chasing with Logan Eschrich

Tuesday October 15th at 6:30pm

Presenting his adventures with storms and weather safety, Logan Eschrich will be here providing us with all his storm chasing stories! Logan has been featured on GMA, Fox, the weather channel, CNN, AccuWeather, and many more!



Astrology Immersion Class with Sarah from Naturally Grounding

Monday October 21st at 6:30pm

What is the big deal about astrology? Join Sarah of Naturally Grounding to discuss the basics of astrology, how you may see it unfold around you and how to read your own birth chart! This is a great class for people coming to learn the basics of astrology and figure out how it all connects! Please come in a little early for your birth charts.

Adult Programs

Cornell Cooperative Extension Cattaraugus County

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Beets! A connection to our Cultural Roots of Eastern Europe

Tuesday October 22nd at 5:00pm

The recipe is Russian Vinaigrette (Beet winter salad)

The program will be a discussion of our 2024 demonstration garden, how to put together a recipe with a tasting.

Wildwood Sanitarium with Brooke Przystal (Wagatha)

Wednesday October 23rd at 7:00pm

The Wildwood Sanitarium has been known to have paranormal activity including shadow figures, orbs, electronic voice phenomenon, and people have reported being touched or pushed.

Come listen to owner of the Wildwood Sanitarium speak about her many experiences while owning the Wildwood Sanitarium! She has been featured on Paranormal Lockdown, and multiple episodes of Nick Groff's Death Walker!

Are you afraid of the dark? Telling Ghost Stories Featuring Guerrilla Theatre Project & Olean Community Humorists

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Monday October 28th at 6:30pm

Reading spooky stories or telling them from your own imagination. Come join a big group of friends, tell spooky stories and have fun with snacks provided!

Craft Programs

Book Pumpkin Craft

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Monday October 7th at 6pm

Come join us for a fun craft class where we upcycle old books into cute pumpkins for fall decor. Ages 16 & up.



Bob Ross Painting Class With DeDee Crouse

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Wednesday October 9th from 5-8pm

Come join Bob Ross Certified DeDee Crouse to create the Fall oil painting shown!



She has been a certified Bob Ross Painter since 2004. His successful technique inspired her to go to college and receive her BFA in 2014. She has enjoyed teaching throughout this time and sharing her love of art. Step by step she will help you create a masterpiece in a Bob Ross inspired teaching method.
Ages 18 & up.

Cookie Decorating with Angelica from ZETS Italian Ice

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Saturday October 19th

2-3:00pm

It's that time again to offer spooky Halloween cookies and Angelica is here to help you make the cutest spooky cookies ever! Registration is extremely limited with this program, but we will have one more chance to have her back this year!
Ages 18 & up.



LR = To allow access to as many interested patrons as possible, for these programs, patrons may sign up for one and go on the wait list for others.

Pop Up Craft: Toilet Paper Roll Pumpkins



Monday October 21st

11am-2:00pm & 4-7:00pm

(1 per person while supplies last.)

This month's arts and crafts programs are made possible by the Frances Bean O'Connell Arts Grant. If you are interested in donating to the Frances Bean O'Connell Art Program Fund, please contact Keely Doyle, Director of Philanthropic Services at the Erie Community Foundation at 814-454-0843, ext. 101, or by email at kdoyle@eriecommunityfoundation.org.

Tech Programs

Word Processing Basics

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Friday October 4th

12:30-1:30pm

Editing Text, formatting paragraphs, manipulating tables and columns, adding images, page numbers and headers.

Spreadsheet Basics

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Friday October 11th

12:30-1:30pm

Filling and editing cells, using basic formulas, and creating simple charts.



Slides Basics

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Friday October 18th

12:30-1:30pm

Types of slides, reordering slides, applying templates, adding images, and presentation design tips.

The Olean Public Library is accepting new and gently used costume donations for the Halloween Costume Swap or Not program (see page 5 for program details).

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Zoom Option Available

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Book Clubs



Brown Bag Book Club (Gallery)



Monday October 14th at 12:30pm

You bring the lunch, we supply the refreshments! Join us as we discuss *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt. Multiple copies of the book are available through the library system. Want to read ahead? For November, we'll be reading *The Air Raid* Book Club by Anne Lyons.



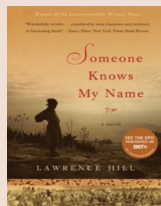
The Race Unity Circle of Olean Book Club @ the library:

Wednesday October 16th at 1:00pm

Free and open to the public. Multiple copies available via the library.

Book selection: *Someone Knows My Name* by Lawrence Hill

Kidnapped from Africa as a child, Aminata Diallo is enslaved in South Carolina but escapes during the chaos of the Revolutionary War. In Manhattan she becomes a scribe for the British, recording the names of blacks who have served the King and earned their freedom in Nova Scotia. But the hardship and prejudice of the new colony prompt her to follow her heart back to Africa, then on to London, where she bears witness to the injustices of slavery and its toll on her life and a whole people. It is a story that no listener, and no reader, will ever forget. Published in Canada as *The Book of Negroes* and the basis for the award-winning BET miniseries of the same name.



Outreach

Halloween Costume Swap or Not

Thursday October 17th

6-8:00pm

Bring the kiddos and a costume to swap (or not)! You do not need to bring a costume to participate! Find a new-to-you spooktacular costume! Swap a costume for a costume. Get a photo in your new costume. Get a free treat bag. Olean Public Library Art Gallery. No Registration necessary. Free. Many thanks to Winning Olean Back for sponsoring this event!

Starve a Vampire—Donate Blood!



Tuesday October 29th

1:30-6:30pm

Vampires aren't the only ones who want your blood this Halloween!

Sign-up now for the upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive @ the library Please schedule an appointment today by calling 1-800-Red-Cross, visit redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive or download the blood donor app. Type OPLibrary in the "Find a Drive" search bar.

Halloween Trunk or Treat

Thursday October 31st

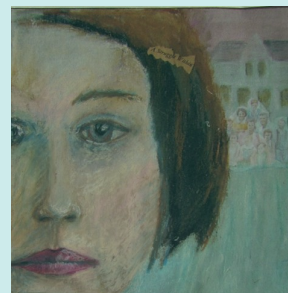
6-8:00pm

"Trunk-or-Treat" is a lot like Trick or Treat, only instead of kids going from house to house, we will close our parking lot which will be lined with decorated cars that the kids can go to for treats!



Gallery: October 2024

"PAINTING WITH PAPER—printmaking and collage converging" by Theresa Heinz



From her artist statement: "Collage, like our lives is multi-layered, with each layer or experience effecting the others. Currently, my work involves figures within specific settings. Some images are historic reflections of my family, others are more recent experiences around my environment. My goal is to position literal figures within a somewhat abstract, collaged background.

The collage work involves drawing, painting, found objects, words and imagery. Intrigued by translucency, layering media, and working on colored ground, I anticipate the viewer will be drawn in both figuratively and literally by virtue of the scale and content of the images and words.

Collage allows me to "paint with paper," while satisfying the desire to work in translucent layers, allowing images and words to peek through. It also creates a diverse surface on which to paint, full of unexpected and certainly unplanned texture. Three-dimensional pieces within the work are a tangible reflection of the collage images and drawings."



Tribute Gift Book Plates September 2024

Honor ✎ Memorialize ✎ Acknowledge

In Memory of: Molly Wagner
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In Memory of: Marylou Muir
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In Memory of: Barry K. Miller
In Memory of: Jerry Colf

Donation by: Michelle La Voie
Donation by: Earl & Michiko McElfresh
Donation by: Jerre & Jean Kilroy
Donation by: Linda Muir Finney
Donation by: Deanna & Timothy Massung
Donation by: Robert & Gail Muir
Donation by: Barbara Casey
Donation by: Margaret DiTanna

Library Programs—October 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 OTAB Meeting 4:30pm Adult DnD 6pm	2 Teen Gaming Club 4:30pm	3 JCC Workforce Development 11am-1pm	4 Jackbox Games 3pm Word Processing Basics 12:30pm	5 Knit & Crochet Club 11:30am
7 Lego Club 4pm LawNY 10am-1pm Book Pumpkin Craft 6pm	8 Cooking Club 6:30pm	9 Bob Ross Painting Class 5pm	10 Psychic Mary Beth 6pm	11 Spreadsheet Basics 12:30pm	12
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21 Scooby Doo After School Club 4pm LawNY 10am-1pm Pop Up Craft 11am-2pm & 4-7pm Astrology Immersion 6:30pm	22 Beets 5pm Investigation Stations 6:30pm	23 Stories & More 10am Investigation Stations 3:30pm Reading Can Be Ruff Club 3:30pm Teen Anime 4:30pm Wildwood Sanitarium 7pm	24 Stories & Stretches 11am Bonaventure Health Interns 3-5pm	25 OTAB Halloween Party 3:30pm	26 Creepy Crawly Halloween 12pm
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