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OLMSTED FALLS BRANCH

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CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24TH THRU SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27TH FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY AND THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31ST AND FRIDAY, JANUARY 1ST FOR THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

KEY: ☑ = Registration ★ = Sponsored by the Friends of the Olmsted Falls Branch Library

ADULT PROGRAMS

From Refugee to Neighbor ☑

Through the showing of several, short documentary-style films, this presentation opens a community conversation about Cleveland's changing diversity in culture and population, thanks to the arrival of refugees to our community. Members of the Refugee Services Collaborative of Greater Cleveland will address myths about these newcomers and offer stories and data to spark added discussion about future opportunities for Cleveland.

Monday, December 7th / 7:00 p.m.

Thoughtful Thursdays ☑

12/10 Staying Active & Engaged to Keep a Mind Sharp: Cleveland Clinic and Fairview Hospital discuss the benefits that staying active has on maintaining your mental health; 1/14 Get Crafty: Create a wreath using old books; 2/11 Creating a Sense of Well-Being Through the Arts: Learn how inner feelings are expressed through art and music.

Thursdays, December 10th, January 14th,
February 11th / 2:00 p.m.

The Harvard Computers and the Women Who Mapped the Universe ☑

With the advent of photography in the late 19th century, astronomy moved from the telescope to the lab. Harvard Observatory director Edward Pickering hired women with degrees in physics to analyze the photographs from the observatory, resulting in several of the most significant discoveries in astronomy.

Tuesday, January 5th / 7:00 p.m.

Travel Affordably ☑

Joe Daugirdas shares how to travel affordably, including how to find inexpensive seven-day cruises. He'll share how to find the best deals on flights, rental cars, hotels, buses and trains. Learn how to get the best deals at your destination, including saving on restaurants, entertainment and recreation.

Monday, January 11th / 7:00 p.m.

Book Discussions

1/18 & 1/19 *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing by the Lusitania* by Erik Larson; 2/15 & 2/16 *Sutton* by J.R. Moehring

Mondays, January 18th, February 15th / 7:00 p.m.
Tuesdays, January 19th, February 16th / 3:00 p.m.

Classic Board Game Night

Join us for some classic board games. Bring your friends and family to the library. Let us do the setup and cleanup – you just come and enjoy!

Mondays, January 25th, February 22nd / 7:00 p.m.

A History of Valentines ☑

A representative of the Lorain County Historical Society will present the History of Valentines. Lovely antique valentines are displayed to help tell the history of this romantic tradition. ★

Monday, February 1st / 7:00 p.m.

Greeting Card Creation ☑

Write and design greeting cards using different techniques and equipment.

Tuesday, February 9th / 7:00 p.m.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Holiday Cookie War ☑

Grades 5 – 12

For glory and for fun, battle it out to see who can design the best cookies with frosting and toppings. ★

Wednesday, December 16th / 7:00 p.m.

Teen Advisory Group ☑

Grades 6 – 12

Help plan programs, do activities and more. Your input helps decide what we do!

Thursdays, December 17th, January 21st,
February 18th / 4:30 p.m.

Robotix Blox:

BonesBOT Day Challenge ☑

Grades 5 – 8

Help Amy and Dan Cahill start their search for the 39 Clues. Retrieve the almanac, save Saladin from the mansion fire and solve the skulls puzzle, along with other challenges.

Saturday, January 9th / 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

RoboVentures ☑

Grades 5 – 12

Join us monthly for mini-challenges and free play using LEGO® MINDSTORMS® robots!

Wednesdays, January 20th, February 17th / 7:00 p.m.

Video Game Creation: Hatchling Defender ☑

Grades 5 – 12

We'll build an example game together using GameMaker, free software you can keep exploring long after the class. Bring your flash drive to take your game with you.

Tuesday, February 23rd / 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

ABC Parent-Child Book Club ☑

Parents & their children in kindergarten

Share special time with your kindergartner in this book club presented in collaboration with the Olmsted Falls Early Childhood Center. We'll enjoy picture books and nonfiction books

Thursdays, December 3rd, January 7th, February 4th
7:00 p.m.

Whooo's Ready for School?

Kindergarten Readiness ☑

Ages 4 & 5 with a caregiver

Help your preschooler transition into their first year of school. Explore hands-on activity stations together.

Shapes – Learn while you play with shapes and patterns.

Thursday, December 10th / 7:00 p.m.

Off to Work – Explore having a job and choosing a career.

Thursday, January 28th / 7:00 p.m.

Making Choices – Build decision-making skills.

Thursday, February 25th / 7:00 p.m.

The Nutcracker Ballet! ☑

Ages 4 – 11

Enjoy segments of *The Nutcracker* ballet performed by the Cassara Dance & Theater Center, with stories in between dances! The dance troupe will also teach some basic ballet dance moves to attendees, and we'll have a ornament craft to make and take home! Caregivers of younger children are asked to stay with their children.

Saturday, December 12th / 2:00 p.m.

Baby & Toddler Storytime

Caregivers & their children ages birth – 35 months

Join us for rhymes, songs, fingerplays and books.

Tuesdays beginning January 5th / 10:00 a.m.

Preschool Storytime

Caregivers & their children ages 3 – 5 not in kindergarten

Join us for rhymes, songs, fingerplays and stories.

Wednesdays beginning January 6th / 10:00 a.m.

Jr. Discoverers!

Grades K – 3

Come explore and experiment! Every month will be a different adventure – stories, science experiments, art, music, building things and more. Signed release required.

Tuesdays, January 12th, February 9th / 4:00 p.m.

Minecraft Challenge! ☑

Ages 7 – 12

Compete in a *Minecraft* challenge or just get more practice among other fans. Prizes! ★

Monday, January 18th / 2:00 p.m.