



# Olean Public Library

## February 2022 Newsletter



The Library will be closed on Monday, February 21 for President's Day.

### Friends of the Library to Host Flash Book Sale in February

The Friends of the Library will be hosting another flash book sale until February 28! \$5 gets you a reusable bag and as many books as you can fit in there! Stop down to see the wide variety of items they have for sale.



### February in the Gallery: Black History Month by Della Moore

Della Moore, founder and director of the African-American Center for Cultural Development in Olean, has been collecting posters ever since she was a kid, mostly of her favorite movie stars. As she grew older, her taste concentrated on posters depicting Black presence in film, music, education, human rights, et cetera.



For this exhibit, she will mostly be focusing on Black presence in film and music. Della will showcase original theater display posters, as well as regular posters. Some of the movies may be familiar to our community, so make sure to stop by Della's reception on **February 23 at 6:30 p.m.** for a conversation about your memories of the posters!



#### Attention Book Club Organizers!

On April 9, 2022 Olean native **Susan Wiggs** will be in the area for a book talk. Make sure your book club picks a novel by Susan in the months preceding her visit!



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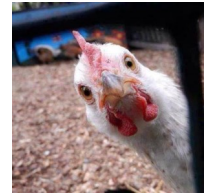
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# Celebrate Dr. Seuss With REAL Green Eggs at Chicken-Palooza !



Join us at the Olean Public Library on Saturday, February 19 at 11:30 a.m. as we welcome **Mike Morton from Sundance Kids Farms!** Mike will be joining us as we celebrate the life and work of Dr. Seuss.

Mike will be appearing with his famous chicken who lays green eggs, and there will also be a special guest appearance of Thing 1 and Thing 2!

Mike will read stories and teach us all we need to know about the amazing lives of chickens – from egg to bird. Get up close and personal with some funky fowl! Snacks and crafts will be available.



## Story Times and Big Kid Programs

**Block One:** January 24–February 24

**Block Two:** March 14–April 14

Register by emailing [komalley@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:komalley@oleanlibrary.org), visiting our website, or calling (716) 372-0200 ext. 2023. Due to ongoing COVID restrictions, **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** You **can** register for both blocks, or just one.

### Story Times

*There is nothing like story time to capture the imagination and attention of young ones as well as inspire a lifelong love of books and reading. Join us for our different story times complete with songs, rhymes, flannel boards and instruments.*

*Our programs are specially designed for **babies and toddlers from birth through preschool.** We incorporate early literacy tips and practices to promote reading readiness.*

### Stories and More: Wednesdays at 10:00 am

Program for children **ages 1 to 3.** With an adult, children listen to stories; learn songs, rhymes and fingerplays; and participate in group play and creative art projects.

### Stories and Stretches: Thursdays at 11:00 am

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



### Big Kid Programs

*These are programs for **bigger kids preschool and up.** The fun doesn't stop when a child enters school! It's only just beginning. There is often a steady decline in parents reading to their child as a child gets older. The benefits of being read to are countless. These programs include great read aloud books as well as music, STEM and creative activities.*

### Investigation Stations: Tuesdays at 6:30 pm and Wednesdays at 3:30 pm

**Kids 3 and up** participate in directed group activities, including longer stories, music and instruments followed by art and assisted exploration of the stations.

### Reading Can Be Ruff Book Club: Tuesdays at 6:30 pm and Wednesdays at 3:30 pm

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.



#### Parent-Child Take-Home Craft: Leprechaun in a Jar

**Kits available at the Information Desk on Tuesday, February 22**

Enjoy this craft together with your child, using our printed instructions as well as our video instructions available on Facebook and YouTube.

## Kids After-School Programs (ages 7-12)

Join us every WEDNESDAY at 3:30 pm in the Gallery for a fun program!

**Feb. 2: LEGO Club!** We bring the LEGOs, you bring the creativity! Come ready to build!



**Feb. 9: Movie Night!** This month, we will be watching **Encanto!** We'll have the subtitles on so you can sing along! Popcorn will be available.

**Feb. 16: LEGO Club Round Two!** You asked for more LEGOs, and we are delivering! Stop in for LEGOs again and show off your skills!



**Feb. 23: Crafternoon!** Bring your creativity as we craft something together. This month, we will be creating something Saint Patrick's Day-themed!

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## Teen Programs (ages 13–18)

*Our teen room is open every Monday through Thursday from 3 to 6 pm.*



**Dungeons & Dragons | Thursday, February 3 | 6:00 pm over Zoom**

Current campaign is full, but you can email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) to sign up for another.

**Teen Craft | Friday, February 4 | 4:00 pm in the Gallery**

Join us as we fold book pages to create beautiful works of art! Everything will be provided for this challenging yet fun craft. You're welcome to bring your own book if you'd like. Snacks will be provided!



**Rainbow Alliance | Thursday, February 10 | 6:00-7:30 pm in the Gallery with ZOOM option**

This club is for any teens who identify as LGBTQIA+ or allies. We complete activities, eat snacks, and just chat about our experiences. Email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) for the meeting link if you'd like to participate virtually.

**Anime Club | Thursday, February 24 | 6:00 pm over Zoom**

Join us on Zoom for a Teen Anime Jeopardy game! Bring your thinking and competition caps! Winners get a small prize and the chance to hand-pick the anime we'll watch at March's meeting.



**Library Hide & Seek! | Friday, February 25 | 6:00–8:00 pm**

Yes, this event takes place **after the library closes!** Bring your darkest clothes to hide from your friends! We will definitely have dinner available for you. We'll be discussing a teen advisory board as well during dinner.

**YA Book Club | Monday, February 28 | 6:30 pm in the Conference Room**

We will be discussing whatever book you've read most recently. Or come in and talk about your favorite book! Bring a notebook for recommendations. Snacks, as always, will be available.

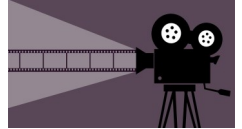




## Adult Programs

**New York History Film Series | Thursday, February 3 | 7:00 pm in the Gallery**

*In Search of White Crows: The Strange and Tragic Story of the Fox Sisters, and The Murder of William Lyman.*

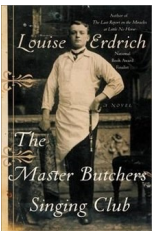


**Painting with Shelby Valentine's Day Craft | Monday, February 7 | 6:00 pm in the Gallery**

Shelby is a local artist who will be guiding you step-by-step through this crafting process! Everything will be included **except scissors!** You'll leave the library with a gorgeous work of Valentine's Day-themed art you can call your own. Registration required; limit of 15 participants. Participants must bring their own scissors.

**Take-Home Craft: Valentine's Gnome | Kits available at Information Desk on Monday, February 7**

There will be printed instructions to take home, and video instruction via Facebook to create these cute little Valentine's Day gnomes! Anyone who needs extra support for this craft can visit the Information Desk Tuesday through Thursday 5 to 9 pm or email us at [reference@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:reference@oleanlibrary.org).



**Foodie Book Club | Wednesday, February 9 | 5:30 pm in the Gallery**

Those with a love for food, cooking and tradition — join us for our new foodie themed book club! We will be discussing *The Master Butcher's Singing Club* by Louise Erdrich. Multiple copies are available through our catalog. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.

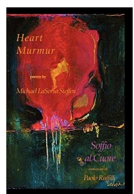
**Foodie Book Club Presents: The Master Butcher film series | February 11, 18, 25 and March 4 | 4 pm in the Gallery**

Join us throughout the month of February to view *The Master Butcher*, a four-part series based on Louise Erdrich's bestselling novel *The Master Butcher's Singing Club*.



**Adult trivia | Tuesday, February 22 | 7:00 pm in the Gallery**

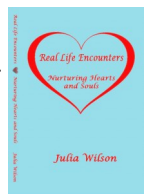
Must be 18+ to play, unless accompanied by an adult. Join us for three rounds of trivia, plus a bonus question. Winner receives a prize! No registration needed. Snacks available!



**Author Visit: Michael Steffen & Julia Wilson | February 24 | 6:00 pm in the Gallery**

This will be a joint reading and signing by Buffalo-based poet Michael Steffen and Salamanca-based author Julia Wilson. Come to hear them read some excerpts and ask questions!

Their books will be available for purchase at the event.



**Take-Home Craft: March Centerpieces | Kits available at Information Desk on Monday, February 28**

There will be printed instructions to take home, and video instruction via Facebook to create these pretty centerpieces! Anyone who needs extra support can visit the Information Desk Tuesday through Thursday 5 to 9 pm or email us at [reference@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:reference@oleanlibrary.org).



*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](mailto:kdoyle@eriecommunityfoundation.org).*

**To reserve a spot in any of our craft classes, please call 372-0200 or email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org).**

## Community Events and Outreach

### Beginning American Sign Language Class

This month's American Sign Language class sold out fast! Watch for another class to be offered later in the year.



**Olean Area Crochet, Knitting & Crafting Group on February 10 at 7 p.m.** New members always welcome. Bring your current project to work on and socialize. We continue to crochet and knit newborn caps for the maternity department at Olean General Hospital. Free. All ages welcome.

### OPEN ENROLLMENT 2022

Healthcare navigator available to answer health insurance questions, help people enroll in the NYS of Health Marketplace, assist with Medicaid. (Also Elder Care Law assistance available.) Phone assistance: 716-373-4701 ext. 2015



**In library 10am – 1pm on the following days: 02/07, 02/15, 02/22, 02/28**



### English as a Second Language Tutoring Available

For tutoring please contact: Erica at 716-375-2890 ext.5604

### ESL Conversation group: February 10 and February 24 from 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm

An informal group to help one another gain confidence and improve English language skills by practicing listening, vocabulary, natural expressions, and pronunciation. No registration; just show up ready to practice and have fun with other learners of English as a Second Language! Community members are asked to refer folks that may benefit. Thank you.

## Tribute Gift Book Plates January 2022

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<b>In Memory of:</b> Francis Wiley	<b>Donation by:</b> Jim & Mary Wiley
<b>In Memory of:</b> Victor & Jacquelyn Stebbins	<b>Donation by:</b> Nickey Nichoson
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