



# August 2023 Newsletter



The Library is closed on Saturdays until after Labor Day.

## Summer Reading Coming to a Close at the Olean Public Library!

Be sure to stop by the Library before August 11th to return your reading logs! Everyone is eligible to win a prize, from children to adults!

Children are urged to spend their Kid Cash by August 10th, which is also the last day of check-ins. Make sure to check if you've read enough to get your very own Honor Book!

Teens can still receive their 10-hour prize if they bring their book logs in by August 11th. Each book after that will be an entry into the final raffle to win a gift card! We will also be hosting a wrap-up party on August 14th at 1 pm for teens to hang out and find out who the winners are.

Adults get a raffle ticket for each book they read. This year's prize is a Samsung Tablet with all the accessories!

We would like to thank everyone who participated in Summer Reading this year, as well as the Friends of the Library for helping us maintain such a great program. We've made it a great summer, ALL TOGETHER NOW!

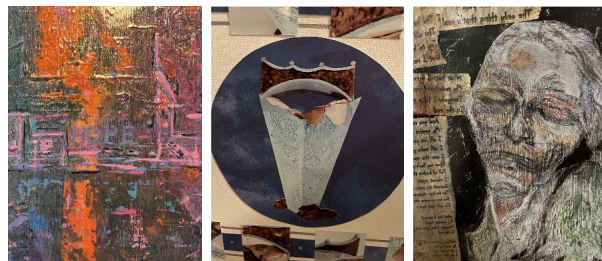


## Collaboration with ACWC in Art Gallery in August

**Rural Arts Roadshow: Art Influenced by Mental Health Challenges** opens in the Art Gallery on **Tuesday, August 8th** with an **interactive reception on August 25th at 4pm**.

"More Than Enough" was the theme of this year's Mental Health Awareness Month (May 2023), and the Arts Council for Wyoming County (ACWC) is pleased to showcase the interpretative work created specifically for the Rural Arts Roadshow by artists living in this region and beyond.

This project is intended to increase mental health awareness and discussion. A mental health facilitator will be present during the opening reception to facilitate a conversation about the topic and the association with the art pieces represented.



Great food, great wines and great company – that's what you can expect at this year's **Read Between the Wines**, presented by the Friends of the Olean Library! Mark your calendar for **September 8** and plan to join us from **7 to 9:30 pm** at the library. Tickets will go on sale mid-August.

Proceeds benefit the Friends' efforts to support the library.

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### HOURS: curbside service available by appt

M–Th: 9:00 am–9:00 pm      Fri 9:00 am–6:00 pm

## Children's Programs

### All Together Now ... It's Summer at the Library!

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE** to sign up and earn Kid Cash!

**Programs and check-ins END August 10th!**

**Registration is required for all programs except *most* special events.**

#### Kind Kids Club

**Mondays at 5:00 pm | July 10–August 7**

Kids ages 6 to 12 can celebrate kindness, unity, and working together by supporting their community and each other through arts, crafts, and other activities.



#### Baby & Me

**Thursdays at 3:00 pm | July 13–August 10**

Program for babies birth to age 2 and their caregivers featuring stories, songs, rhymes, and play interspersed with lots of cuddles.



#### Stories and More

**Wednesdays at 10:00 am | July 12–August 9**

Program for children ages 1 to 3 years. With an adult, children listen to stories, learn songs, rhymes, and finger plays, as well as participate in both group play and creative art projects.



#### Let's Move Together

**Thursdays at 11:00 am | July 13–August 10**

Children ages 2 to 6. A fun, movement-oriented program with stories, songs, stretches, and moving!



#### Investigation Stations

**Tuesdays at 6:30 pm | July 11–August 8 | OR Wednesdays at 3:30 pm | July 12–August 9**

Children ages 3 and up participate in directed group activities, including stories, music, and games followed by art and assisted exploration of the stations.



#### Waggy Tails Book Club

**Tuesdays at 6:30 pm | July 11–August 8 | OR Wednesdays at 3:30 pm | July 12–August 9**

Sometimes reading can be ruff, but reading out loud with a “Paws”itive friend can reduce stress and make practice fun! Choose a book to keep and come read with one of our therapy dogs. Explore the Investigation Stations and have some “pupcorn” while you wait!



## Special Events at the Library in August:

Thurs. Aug. 3rd at 2:00 pm: The ArtMobile!

### Create a Creature of Compassion

Participants will learn about the four qualities that help create a compassionate individual and develop their own feathery, fancy, furry, festive or fantastical friend to help remind themselves of the importance of acting with compassion.

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**



Thurs. Aug. 10th at 2:00 pm:

### Cris Johnson “Yes I Can” Magic Show!

The magic show, presented by professional magician Cris Johnson, will feature music, age-appropriate humor, fun magic, audience participation, and more.



## Kids were all fired up for the “Kids and Clay” pottery class!

4 separate classes were held in June and July to introduce kids to the concept of pottery.

Tara Dedrick of Tshed Pottery in Allegany, NY taught the classes. The creativity was flowing as the kids held the clay in their bare hands, formed it into these fabulous creations, glazed them and waited with excitement for the fired works to come back. This was a wonderful program and we can't wait to offer it again!

*This program was made possible by a grant from the Francis Bean O'Connell Fund.*





## After-School Programs (ages 7–12)

*Continuing throughout the summer reading program!*

<b>Week Three: Science that Serves</b> <b>Thursday, July 27th at 3:30:</b> Slime Class <b>Friday, July 28th at 4:</b> <i>Dinosaur 13</i> (2014)	<b>Week Four: Expand Your World</b> <b>Thursday, August 3rd at 3:30:</b> Geography Trivia Competition <b>Friday, August 4th at 4:</b> <i>Earth</i> (2007)	<b>Week Five: Working and Playing Together</b> <b>Thursday, August 10th at 3:30:</b> LEGO Club <b>Friday, August 11th at 4:</b> <i>The Spongebob Squarepants Movie</i> (2004)
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## Teen Programs (ages 13–18)

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

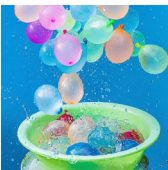


### Teen Gaming Club | Wednesday, August 2 | 4:30–6:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Bring your games and/or system to play with a friend, or use the library's gaming systems! Tabletop games more your jam? Bring those, too!

### Team A, Teen D&D | Wednesday, August 9 | 6:00–8:30 p.m. in the Gallery

With the House of Thalivar finally at rest, the party moves on to the Wayside Inn and the unnatural storm raging around it. Will they be able to help the fierce warrior battling the monsters within the storm, or will they too fall to the wrath of the elements?



### Summer Reading Wrap-Up Party | Monday, August 14 | 1:00 p.m. in the Gallery (OR outside if weather permits)

Summer Reading has come to a close! Join us as we celebrate the great times we had. We'll play outside with water toys if it's nice, and snacks will be served. We'll be announcing the winners of the SRP gift card prizes! Stay until 4 to watch *The Spongebob Squarepants Movie* with the kids.

### Summer Sun Wall Plaque Craft with Tara Dedrick | Tuesday, August 15 | 4:00–6:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Students will learn the process of creative art with clay. No experience necessary! Projects will be fired and then returned to the library for pickup. Registration is required for this class! Please sign up at the Circulation Desk.



### Teen Anime Club | Wednesday, August 16 | 4:30–6:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Got a favorite show you've been dying to catch up on? Are you itching for the chance to geek out over your favorite anime with others? Come watch anime with other cool teens and enjoy snacks on us.

### Team B, Teen D&D | Wednesday, August 23 | 6:00–8:30 p.m. in the Gallery

Our heroes continue to battle the suits of armor reigning terror from within the storm while their new ally tries desperately to aid them. Will they be able to drive off this threat? What terrors await them within the storm?



### Battle Royale: Team A vs. Team B | Wednesday, August 30 | 5:30–8:30 p.m.

By popular demand, it's a summer reading showdown between our two D&D groups! Team A and Team B will battle each other in the Terrible Terrain of Terror to see just which of the two groups can last the longest. Prizes will be awarded for the winning team, as well as the last player standing. *This event is limited to current and past members of either D&D*

*group; please email [cinman@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:cinman@oleanlibrary.org) for details and registration.*

## Summer Reading Program Weekly Teen/Young Adult Crafts!

Stop down Tuesdays from 12-3 starting July 11th through August 8th for a summer reading-themed craft!

**August 1: Expand Your World Letters to other Libraries!** Write a letter to a different library in the Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System and tell them what a great job they're doing!

**August 8: Working and Playing Together Kindness Rocks and Buttons!** We'll be using our wonderful painting skills to create some kindness rocks to leave around the library for people to admire. We also have the button-maker for use to make some lovely buttons!

## Adult Programs



### Peter Fletcher: Music of Four Centuries | Monday, August 7 | 7:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Peter is an American classical guitarist based in Detroit and New York City. He offers an audience-friendly solo recital including repertoire that runs the gamut from the Renaissance Period all the way through the 20th century. All ages are welcome to stop down to hear his beautiful playing!

### Night Owls Book Club | Tuesday, August 8 | 6:30 p.m. in the Gallery

Join us after work and before dinner—we always have refreshments. We will be discussing *True Biz* by Sara Novic. Multiple copies of the book are available through the library system. There is a Zoom option for anyone interested; email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) for the link.



### Adult D&D Session | Wednesday, August 9 | 5:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Local DM Brian will continue us on our current D&D campaign. Bring a snack and get ready to play!

### Plant Swap | Monday, August 14 | 5:00—7:00 p.m.

Bring in your propagations—be them small, medium, or large houseplants—to our houseplant swap! This is your chance to possibly get the plant you've been eyeing up. No registration required, but you *must* bring something to participate! Let's make our first ever Plant Swap great.



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### Darrell Epp Book Talk | Thursday, August 17 | 6:00 p.m. in the Gallery

"I enjoyed these poems immensely." - William Peter Blatty, author of *The Exorcist*

Darrell Epp's poetry has appeared in over 100 magazines on 6 continents. His fifth collection, *Permanent Smoke*, was published in 2022. It mixes surrealist jokes with urban reportage and says something important about the way we now live. In art, the specific is the door to the universal, and by closely documenting his own postindustrial neighborhood, Darrell has found a way to talk about the trends that impact us all. His Twitter handle is [@darrellep](https://twitter.com/darrellep).

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### Brown Bag Book Club | Monday, August 21 | 12:30 p.m. in the Gallery

You bring the lunch, we supply the refreshments! Join us as we discuss *Book Lovers* by Emily Henry. Multiple copies of the book are available through the library system. There is a Zoom option for anyone interested. Email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) for the link.

### Bob Ross-Style Painting Class | Monday, August 21 | 5:00 p.m. in the Gallery

DeDee is a certified Bob Ross-style painting instructor! She will be here to help us create our own versions of some Bob Ross-style paintings to hang in our houses. Registration is required for this craft.



### Adult Trivia Night | Tuesday, August 22 | 7:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Bring your friends and family to play. Anyone is welcome! We play three rounds and a bonus question. You can play by yourself or with a team. Winning team always gets a prize!

### SerenHippity Presents: Paint-A-Slate! | Thursday, August 24 | 6:30 p.m. in the Gallery

Registration is required for this craft. Max 15 people.



**PLEASE NOTE: Registration for any program begins the FIRST OF THE MONTH, or ONE WEEK BEFORE the date of the program, whichever comes first. The Olean Public Library reserves the right to refuse your sign-up for any reason, per our program registration policy. To see the policy, please email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@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 716-372-0200 or email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org).**

# Community Events and Outreach

## CCLS ROAD TRIP

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### How many libraries will you visit?

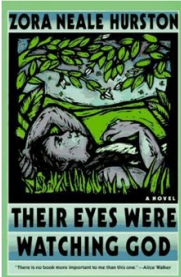
Plan your road trip between June 1st and August 31st and explore our 38 libraries! Pick up your map at any member library.



It's summer once again, and that means... **Road Trip!**

The Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System is once again sponsoring the Lovin' Our Libraries Road Trip. You can find all the info on their website and at each library. All the libraries have fun programs and events planned for the summer, and they can't wait to see you!

<https://www.cclsny.org/roadtrip/>



## The Race Unity Circle of Olean Book Club at the Library

August 16th at 1pm

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

**Book selection:** Their Eyes Were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston

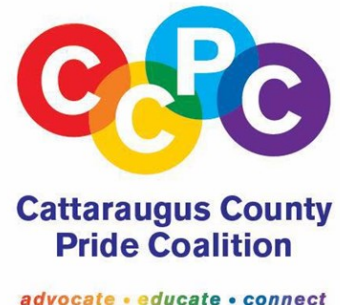
One of the most important and enduring books of the 20th century, *Their Eyes Were Watching God* brings to life a Southern love story with the wit and pathos found only in the writing of Zora Neale Hurston. Out of print for almost 30 years—due largely to initial audiences' rejection of its strong black female protagonist—Hurston's classic has, since its 1978 reissue, become perhaps the most widely read and highly acclaimed novel in the canon of African-American literature.

## Saturday, August 5 at 2pm: LGBTQ+ Ice Cream Social at Hi-Ho Drive In

This is a free event! Your only cost is buying your ice cream!

## Saturday, August 26 from 12–4pm: CCPC Pride 2023 QUEER ALL YEAR at War Vets Park

There will be vendors with fabulous swag and a host of information and support, Featuring a basket raffle, fun and games, and the opportunity to participate in a "Speed Friending" activity! Family-friendly, all-ages fun will be had with teen and adult games; a kids' play area hosted by Big Brother, Big Sister; and a PFLAG-sponsored parent gathering area nearby. Speakers will have music, and we'll cap it all off with a show featuring Veronyca's Showgirls. We are connecting with local artists, writers, businesses, and non-profit groups that would like to be a part. Reach out for more info: <https://www.facebook.com/cattcopride>



## Help Tables Available at the Library for All Your Needs:

LawNY Healthcare Navigator: Mondays 10 am–1 pm

Molina Healthcare: Thursdays 2–4 pm

- Help for individuals or families to get affordable or **free** health insurance through the NYS of Health. Every child is eligible for Child Health Plus.

Directions in Independent Living: August 3rd

1:30–3:30 pm

- DIL is a not-for-profit agency that serves individuals with cognitive, mental health, physical, visual, sensory, or multiple disabilities and their families.

SNAP Application Help: August 3rd and 17th

9 am–12 pm

Southern Tier Healthcare System: August 3rd

1:30–3:30 pm

- Receive info about Safe Kids Southern Tier NY coalition, Home Alone and Babysitter trainings, safe sleep practices, and injury prevention initiatives.

Girl Scouts of WNY: August 10th 1:30–3:30 pm

- Sign up to be a Girl Scout! Membership is \$25 per year. Financial aid is available. Girls grades K-12. Check [gswny.org](http://gswny.org) or call 1-888-837-6410.



# Library Programs—August 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> <b>Teen Craft: Letters to Other Libraries 12–3 pm</b> <b>Investigation Stations 6:30 pm</b> <b>Waggy Tails Book Club 6:30 pm</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Stories and More 10 am</b> <b>Investigation Stations 3:30 pm</b> <b>Waggy Tails Book Club 3:30 pm</b> <b>Teen Gaming Club 4:30 pm</b>	<b>3</b> <b>SNAP Help Table 9 am–12 pm</b> <b>Let's Move Together 11 am</b> <b>Directions in Independent Living table 1:30–3:30 pm</b> <b>Southern Tier Healthcare System Table 1:30–3:30 pm</b> <b>ArtMobile 2 pm</b> <b>Molina Healthcare table 2–4 pm</b> <b>Baby &amp; Me 3 pm</b> <b>Geography Trivia Competition 3:30 pm</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Earth 4 pm</b>	<b>5</b> <b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b>
<div>                     Adult programs in black                      Teen programs in blue                      Children/family programs in red                      Community outreach programs in purple                 </div>					
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<b>28</b> <b>LawNY Healthcare Navigator table 10 am–1 pm</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Battle Royale 5:30 pm</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Molina Healthcare table 2–4 pm</b>		

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