



OLEAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

## June 2024 Newsletter



**Come One! Come All!**  
**Olean Public Library is having our Summer  
Kick Off Carnival !**

**Saturday, June 15th from 12:00—1:00**  
**Magic Show From 1:00—2:00**

**\*Games! \* Prizes!\***

**\*Face painting!\* Balloon Animals!\***

**\*Refreshments!\***

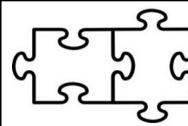
**\*Magic Show with the Jeffers at 1:00!\***

**\*Fun for all!\***

*Thank you*

The Olean Public Library board and staff wish to thank our supporters for coming out on May 7th to vote on our budget, which passed by **76 percent!**

We also want to congratulate the winner of the trustee election: Gretchen Copella was elected to a 5-year term.

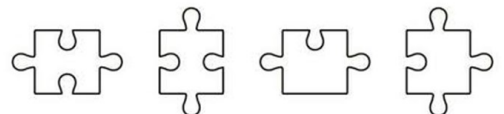


**Puzzle Race**  
**Saturday, June 8**  
**2:30—4:00 p.m.**



Calling all puzzle lovers!!! Come join us in our first ever puzzle race. Teams of 4 will compete in one of two puzzle races, we have beginner or advanced. You will have 90 minutes to compete. If you have a team with less than 4 players (1-3 players), have no worries, we will match you with other puzzle lovers.

Call to register or email [achaffee@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:achaffee@oleanlibrary.org)



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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

Sat: 10:00 am—5:00 pm

# Children/Family Programs



## BOOK YOUR SUMMER AT THE LIBRARY!

Registration for all children's programs and Summer Reading at the Olean Public Library begins **June 24th** during regular library hours.

Register for clubs and programs in person, online or by phone. These begin the week of July 8th.

**Registration is required for all programs except Special Events.**

Kids of all ages register for the **Adventure Begins at Your Library** summer reading program. Read on your own or with someone to earn Kid Cash and buy cool prizes.



**Check-ins begin July 8th. NO CHECK INS ON FRIDAYS.**



**The last day to check in and receive prizes is August 8th.**

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## Special Events!

**Sat. June 15th at 12:00**

Summer Kick-off Carnival and Magic Show



**Thurs. July 25th at 2:00**

Petting Zoo Adventure

**Thurs. June 27th at 1:30**

Freddy Frog's Foam Party



**Thurs. Aug. 1st at 2:00**

Didgeridoo Adventure Down Under

**Thurs. July 18th at 2:00**

Treasure Trove of Magic Show



**Fri. Aug. 9th at 2:00**

Honor Book Party with Super Amy!

# Children/Family Programs

## Adventure begins at the Library!

Registration begins **June 24th**. Programs and check ins begin the week of **July 8th**.  
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### Kids Adventure in the Library Club

**Tuesdays at 4:45**

Kids 6—12 Take a fun filled adventure while learning new things, making new friends and working together. Have fun and earn badges.



### Baby and Me

**Thursdays at 3:30**

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



### Stories and More

**Wednesdays at 10:00**

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



### Stories and Stretches

**Thursdays at 11:00**

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



### Investigation Stations

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

Children 5 and up participate in directed group activities, including stories, music, and games followed by art and assisted exploration of the stations.



### Waggy Tales Book Club

**Wednesdays at 3:30**

Sometimes reading can be ruff. 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.



# Children/Family Programs

## THURSDay, JUNE 27TH at 1:30

Celebrate the last days of school and the first days of summer with our  
**Freddy Foam Party!**

We will transform our outdoor area into mountains of safe, fluffy,  
allergen-free, hypo-allergenic, biodegradable foam!

Wear a suit, bring a towel and hop, sing and dance in our fabulous foamy  
fantasy land.



### Thursday June 20th at 6:00PM

## BOOK★READINGS

### Car Safety

Before driving, check around your parked car for children and designate a safe spot for them to wait. Always accompany young children when getting in and out of a vehicle, hold their hand while walking near moving vehicles, and be cautious in driveways, parking lots, and on sidewalks. When in the car, all children should be in an appropriate-sized car seat.



Learn about car seat safety from  
an Olean Police Officer and a  
certified car seat technician!



### Book of the Month!



### Last Safe Kids Book Reading!

A big thank you to all the families who participated in our book readings over the last six months! Your dedication to keeping your little ones safe from preventable injuries is truly commendable. For any further inquiries about Safe Kids, please contact Sydney at [safekids@sthcs.org](mailto:safekids@sthcs.org).



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

Last month 20 kids in 2 separate classes experienced the wonder of clay! **Tara Dedrick of Tshed Pottery in Allegany** taught the classes. The creativity was flowing as the kids held the clay in their bare hands, formed it into some amazing creations and prepared their works to be fired and returned to them.







This was a great program and 20 more kids are experiencing the excitement this month.

These cool creative programs are made possible by a grant from the **Francis Bean O'Connell Arts Grant** and we can't wait to do it again!





*After-School Programs (ages 7-12)  
Monday from 3:30-4:30 pm*

 <b>June 3rd: Lego Club</b> 	 <b>June 10th: NO club</b> 
<b>June 17th: Crafternoon</b>	 <b>June 24th: Pokémon Club</b> 

**Teen Programs (ages 13-18)**



**OTAB Meeting | Tuesday, June 4 | 4:30 in the Conference Room**

During this meeting, we'll be finalizing our plans for the 2024 Teen Summer Reading Program and brainstorming ideas for our Fall 2024 programs.



**Teen Gaming Club | Wednesday, June 5 | 4:30-5:45 in the Gallery**

Come play games with other gamers. We'll bring the library's Switch and games like *Super Smash Bros. Ultimate*, but you're welcome to bring your own systems and games, too. Board or card games more your style? Bring those instead!



**OTAB-Run Pride Club | Thursday, June 6 | 4:00-5:00 in the Gallery**

Anyone ages 13-18 is welcome to attend this teen-led Pride Club meeting created by our Olean Teen Advisory Board. This month, we'll make bracelets and enjoy snacks together



**Teen Jackbox Games | Fridays, June 7 and 21 | 3:30-4:30 in the Gallery**

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.



**Team A, Teen DnD | Wednesday, May 12 | 6:00-8:30 in the Gallery**

The lost patrol deep in the Mere of Dead Men have been found and saved, and our adventurers may have made new allies in the process. Will they and their large, beet-loving steed be able to escort them safely back and secure passage to Thunder Cliffs in time?

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**—email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) to join a campaign.



**Teen Anime Club | Wednesday, June 19 | 4:30-5:45 in the Gallery**

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.



**Teen Summer Reading Kickoff & Graduation Party | Wednesday, June 26  
| 3:00-5:00 in the Gallery**

Come enjoy pizza and wings with other teens as we get all the information on the 2024 Teen Summer Reading Program. Also, come celebrate our OPL teen graduates. We'll play game, do karaoke, and wish all our high school graduates well on their new adventures.



**Team B, Teen DnD | Wednesday, June 26 | 6:00-8:30 in the Gallery**

Their strange, collective nightmare ending, the party awakes back in Leilon, ready to continue the adventures that await them. Where else will their adventures take them?

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**Knit & Crochet Club**  
**Saturday, June 1**  
**11:30–12:30 p.m.**  
**in the Gallery**



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.

A Zoom option is available—email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) to request a meeting room link.

**Dan Jordan Photography**  
**Session #4**  
**Monday, June 3**  
**5:00 p.m. in the Gallery**

Take photography classes starting with basic camera knowledge moving into more advanced photography. This will be a 6 session course taught by Dan Jordan while including "practice what you know" programs where we will practice using our knowledge from the classes to put to practice between his classes! These classes are meant for every person from 'interested in learning', 'beginner photographer' to 'seasoned photographers'. If you have a DSLR camera, please bring it with you but it is not required to join.

**This session is for pre-registered patrons only.**

## Adult Programs

**Adult DnD**  
**Tuesday, June 11**  
**6–8:30 p.m. in the Gallery**



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.

**Photography Practice**  
**w/ OPL Staff**  
**Monday, June 10**  
**5:00–6:00 p.m. in the Parking Lot**



Practicing skills taught at the previous photography session. Practice will be moved to the Gallery if the weather is unfavorable.

**OPEN to everyone!**

## CRAFT CORNER



**Hanging Floral Decoration**  
**Monday, June 17**  
**6:30 p.m. in the Gallery**

Come make Beautiful hanging faux floral decorations with miss Amy to invite summer and warm weather into our homes!

**Registration is required.**



**Glitter Tumblers**  
**Monday, June 24**  
**6:00 p.m. in the Gallery**

Come enjoy this simple but charming and easy craft. Pressed floral arrangement on the front and gold speckled mod podge on the back.

**Registration is required.**



Patrons may only sign up for one "Craft Corner" program and be placed on the wait list for others. Patrons may only sign themselves and one other guest up during registration. If signed up for one of these programs and subsequently fail to show up without notice, a hold will be placed on the following month program registration.

**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). To register or to cancel a reservation please call 716.372.0200.**

*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).\*\**

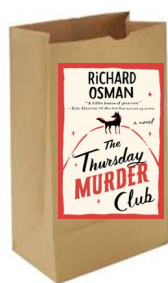
# Adult Book Clubs

## Brown Bag Book Club

Monday, June 10

12:30 p.m. in the Gallery

You bring the lunch, we supply the refreshments! Join us as we discuss *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman.



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A Zoom option is available—email [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) to request a meeting room link.

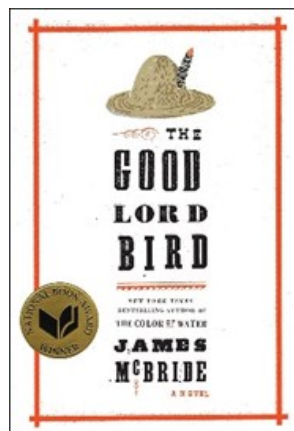
## The Race Unity Circle of Olean Book Club @ the library:

June 19th at 1pm

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

**Book selection:**

The Good Lord Bird: A Novel by James McBride

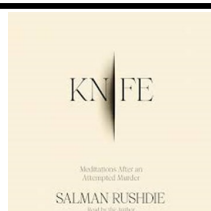


## Night Owl Book Club

Thursday, June 27

6:00 p.m. in the Gallery

Join us as we discuss *Knife: Meditations After an Attempted Murder* by Salman Rushdie. Coffee, tea, and light refreshments will be served.



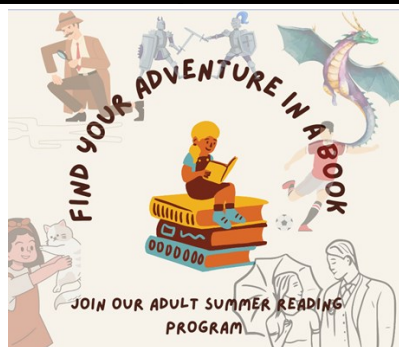
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From the bestselling author of *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store*, comes the story of a young boy born a slave who joins John Brown's antislavery crusade—and who must pass as a girl to survive. Henry Shackleford is a young slave living in the Kansas Territory in 1856—a battleground between anti- and pro-slavery forces—when legendary abolitionist John Brown arrives. When an argument between Brown and Henry's master turns violent, Henry is forced to leave town—along with Brown, who believes Henry to be a girl and his good luck charm. *The Good Lord Bird* is both a rousing adventure and a moving exploration of identity and survival.

## Adult Summer Reading Program

Registration begins June 24th.

Register in person at the Library or by calling (716) 372-0200.



Enter raffles for prizes by reading books!!



## Tribute Gift Book Plates May 2024

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# Community Events and Outreach



**Help save a life.**

Schedule your blood donation appointment today.



Sign-up now for the upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drive @ the library **June 28, 2024 from 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM.**

Please schedule an appointment today by calling 1-800-Red-Cross, visit [redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive](https://redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive) or download the blood donor app. Type OPLibrary in the "Find a Drive" search bar.



Find the library's table at CCPC's sixth Pride event - Pride in the Park! A fun time for all with music, entertainment, vendors (food, educational, LGBTQ+ owned businesses, artists, and allies), and so much more! This is a family-friendly event and everyone is welcome!

Where: War Vets Park, Olean, NY

When: Saturday, June 29, 2024; 12 noon - 4:00pm

Note: CCPC is paying the restroom-access fee required by the city for anyone who rents War Vets Park.

More info: [www.facebook.com/cattcopride](https://www.facebook.com/cattcopride)

During the Kids' Carnival visit with these local agencies.  
Saturday, June 15th from 12-1 pm  
(FREE ADMISSION)

## Move It! The Importance of Exercise for Kids

St. Bonaventure University students in the DePerro School of Health Professions will deliver Move IT! The Importance of Exercise for Children. Students will discuss why

being active is imperative for their bodies and minds. Tips will be provided for ways to include physical activity in their daily routines and how much time they should exercise each day. Children can engage in a game of movement dice for a prize.



Visit the Girl Scouts of Western New York's Carnival Game to find out more about becoming a Girl Scout! **Sign up to become a Girl Scout membership \$25/year.** Financial aid is available. Open to girls in grades K-12  
[gswny.org](https://gswny.org) / 1-888-837-6410



Be sure to utilize this valuable community resource:  
**Healthy Neighborhoods Program from the Cattaraugus County Health Department**

HOW SAFE IS YOUR HOME?

FREE confidential home safety visits for all Cattaraugus County residents! Home visits check for housing hazards related to: fire safety, lead, indoor air quality, asthma, falls/injuries and MORE! Call (716) 701-3420 for more information OR SCAN the QR code to fill out the online form and a staff member will contact you to schedule a home visit. **ALL HOMES IN CATTARAUGUS COUNTY ARE ELIGIBLE. NO INCOME REQUIREMENTS.**  
[www.cattco.org/healthy-neighborhoods](https://www.cattco.org/healthy-neighborhoods)





# Library Programs—June 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>                     Adult programs in black                      Teen programs in blue                      Children/family programs in red                      Community outreach programs in purple                 </div>					1 Knit & Crochet Club 11:30 am
3 Lego Club 3:30pm Dan Jordan Photography Session #4 5pm	4 OTAB Meeting 4:30pm	5 Gaming Club 4:30pm	6 OTAB Pride Club 4pm	7 Jackbox Games 3:30–4:30pm	8 Puzzle Race 2:30-4pm
10 Brown Bag Book Club 12:30pm Kids & Clay 3:30pm Kids & Clay 5:30pm Photography Practice Session 5pm	11 Adult DnD 6 pm  Olean Student Art Show Reception 5-6pm	12 Team A DnD 6–8:30pm	13	14	15 Carnival 12-1pm Magic Show 1-2pm Move It! St. Bonaventure 12- 1pm Girl Scouts of WNY 12-1PM
17 Crafternoon 3:30pm Hanging Floral Decoration 6:30pm	18	19 Anime Club 4:30pm Race Unity Book Club 1 pm	20 Staying Safe: Car Safety 6pm	21 Jackbox Games 3:30–4:30pm	22
24 Pokemon Club 3:30pm Glitter Tumblers 6pm  Summer Reading Registration Begins!	25	26 Teen Summer Reading Kickoff & Graduation Party 3-5pm Team B DnD 6–8:30pm	27 Freddy Frog's Foam Party 1:30 pm Night Owls Book Club 6 pm	28 Red Cross Blood Drive 11:30-4:30pm	29

## Gallery Exhibit: June 2024

### The Best of the Olean City School District Student Art Show



Visit the Olean Public Library's gallery in June to see some of the best art created by students enrolled in the Olean City School District. Artists are students at East View Elementary, Washington West Elementary, Olean Intermediate Middle School, or Olean High Schools. **An opening reception will be held in honor of our exhibiting students on June 11, 2024 from 5-6 pm.** Light refreshments and drinks like coffee and punch will be served.

Interested in showcasing your art in our gallery? Contact the library by phone or by emailing [programming@oleanlibrary.org](mailto:programming@oleanlibrary.org) to learn more. Please remember: artwork must be appropriate for a general library audience (i.e.: suitable if children see), and you must be able to fill the entire gallery with your pieces. Any 2D medium is welcome to submit!