February Events at USCL

Children and Youth

Story Time with Miss Jill

Tiny Tots (birth-3 yrs.): Mondays at 10 a.m., Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays at

11a.m.

Preschool: Mondays at 11:00 a.m.

STEAMpunks (students in grades 6-12)

Monday, February 3 at 6:00 p.m.

Music Is...

Tuesdays, February 4, 11,18, and 25 4:00-4:30 p.m. For all ages.

LEGO Night for all ages

Tuesdays, February 4, 11, 18, and 25 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Once A Week Geek

Wednesdays, February 5, 12, 19, and 26 3:00-4:30 p.m. For students in grades 4-12.

That Thursday Thing

Thursdays, February 6, 13, 20, and 27 3:00-4:00 p.m. For students in grades K-12.

Kids Can Cook (students in grades K-5)

Thursday, February 27 3:00-4:00 p.m. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Sign up is required for this program. Sign up begins February 10.

Adult Programs

Ohio's Romantic Tragedies

Monday February 3 at 6 p.m. This program is for middle school to adults.

Creative Pastimes

Tuesdays, February 4 and 18 10:00 a.m.

Crafternoon

Wednesday, February 5th 1:00 p.m.

BookTalk

Thursday, February 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Library Board Meeting

Thursday, February 13 at 12:00 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

Common Readers

Tuesday, February 18 6:30 p.m.

Patti's Plates

Thursday, February 20 6:00 p.m. Sign up is required for this program. Sign up begins February 1.

What's Cookin': World Cuisine

Monday, February 24 6:00 p.m.

We will be closed on Presidents' Day February 17th



Library News

February 2020

Upper Sandusky Community Library

Monday-Thursday 9:00-8:30 Friday 9:00-6:00 Saturday 9:00-1:00

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Patti's Plates...and hockey pucks?

What do you imagine when you combine thrift store glass, chicken fencing stakes, and hockey pucks? If you are Patti Davidson, USCL's Deputy Fiscal Officer and Upper Sandusky Schools bus driver, you imagine "Forever Flowers."

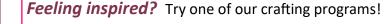
Patti was first inspired by glass artwork at craft shows and said to herself, "I can do this!" It took her more than a year of searching thrift stores, scouring yard sales, and exploring antique shops to collect unique glassware to make her inspiration come to life. "To begin with, it was trial and error." There were challenges with creating flowers made of various types of glass and porcelain such as how these pieces could be attached and displayed. Persistent in her passion, she began a creative journey that has birthed a work space full of glass possibilities and produced Forever Flowers. Patti says she and her daughters enjoy looking through the growing collection of materials and forming their own distinct interpretations of floral art.



Though often displayed outside as garden art elements, she has also gifted her pieces to family or friends in recovery. "They like them because these flowers never die." With such an exciting and varied medium, Patti says she can see herself

continuing to imagine and create Forever Flowers for a long time. Still wondering where the hockey pucks come in? Find out at our February feature adult program "Patti's Plates" as Patti teaches you to create your own work of art on February 20th at 6 p.m., here at the Library. All materials are provided but space is limited. Sign up begins on February 1st!





Creative Pastimes: Bring whatever you're working on and be encouraged by new friends (Tues. Feb. 4th and 18th @10 am) **Crafternoon:** Celebrate the season by making a Valentine's Wreath! (Wed. Feb. 5th @ 1p.m. Materials provided)

Recipe for a Valentine's Day In

Who doesn't love a night in with a good book and a baked goody? For your Valentine's Day treat, try this cookie from Tony Davidson, first place winner of the "What's Cookin'" cookie contest. Let your cookies cool and settle in with that book you've been meaning to finish or try this month's Common Readers selection, *The Pioneers*. Happy Valentine's Day!

Blueberry Cheesecake Cookies

Cookie cups:

1 cup + 2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour

1/4 tsp. baking soda

1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 cup unsalted butter room temperature

3/4 cup granulated sugar

1 large egg room temperature

1 tsp. vanilla extract

Blueberry Cheesecake Filling:

1/2 cup heavy whipping cream. cold

4 oz. cream cheese softened

1/4 cup granulated sugar

1/4 cup blueberry puree

(1/2 cup whole, fresh blueberries, pureed)

Cookie cups

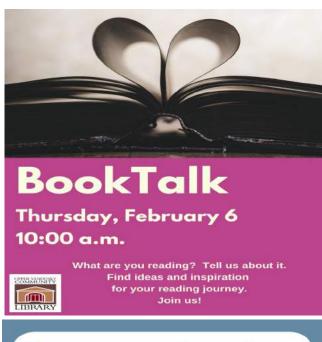
Preheat oven to 350. Spray a regular sized muffin tin with cooking spray. Whisk together flour, baking soda, and salt and set aside. Beat butter and sugar on med-high until pale and fluffy (approx. 2-3 mins.) Reduce speed and add egg and vanilla. Beat until combined. Add flour mixture and mix until just combined. Using a large cookie scoop (3 Tbsp.), scoop dough into

muffin tins and press down to flatten slightly. Bake for 10-12 min. or until lightly browned and mostly set.

Remove from oven and immediately use a small jar or container to press firmly down in the center to create a well. Cool in pans for 10 min., then place on a wire rack to cool completely.

Whip heavy cream until stiff peaks form (ideally with a cold whisk and in a cold bowl). In a separate bowl, beat cream cheese and sugar until smooth. Fold cream cheese mixture and blueberry puree into whipped cream. Pipe into cooled cookie cups. Refrigerate until set (approx. 2 hours). Serve cold and eat within 2-3 days or freeze for up to 4 weeks.





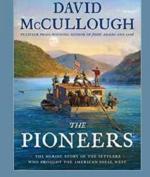
Common Readers

Book Discussion Group

Tuesday February 18th 6:30 pm

Join us for one, several, or all of the meetings.

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Discover an important and dramatic chapter in the American story—the settling of the Northwest Territory by dauntless pioneers who overcame incredible hardships to build a community on ideals that would come to define our country.

Congratulations Cookie Contest Winners!

1st place: Tony Davidson
2nd place: Lauren Copeland
3rd place: Krystal Nunelly



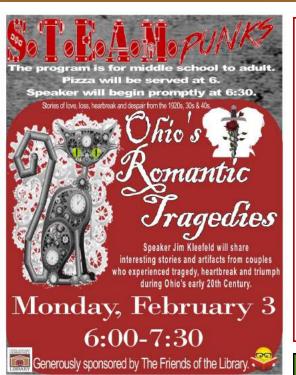
Try Something New!

If you enjoy cooking, trying new things, and meeting people, "What's Cookin" is for you. This group of casual cooking enthusiasts celebrates a different themed potluck meal each month. All service-ware and drinks are provided, you just bring a dish to share. After the meal, join in lively discussion about the month's theme and recipes. This group also offers opportunities to test your skills with occasional cooking competitions. There is something for everyone whether you love to cook or love to



Does your whole family love to be in the kitchen? Check out "Kids Can Cook!"

"People who love to eat are always the best people." Julia Child



Do you want more ways to spend time with your family?
Try one of these weekly programs!

What's a S.T.E.A.M.punk?

S.T.E.A.M. is an approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics to promote problem solving, and creative and analytical thinking. Lisa Andres, program leader, says "We try to find their inner inventor." From Rube Goldberg machines to banana pianos, Lisa inspires her punks to find inspiration in the world around them and to have fun doing it!

This month, the S.T.E.A.M.punks invite everyone to join them for an evening exploring the Arts with speaker Jim Kleefeld as he shares stories of "Ohio's Romantic Tragedies."





