**Betts Branch Calendar**

Onondaga County Public Library  February 2020
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**The library will be closed Monday, February 17, for Presidents’ Day.**

**Cabin Fever February 2020:**
A Community Quilt Show
Beginning February 4th Betts Branch Library will once again be covered in quilts! Quilts old and new, traditional and modern, will adorn our walls and windows to cozy things up for the long winter days. An Open House and Reception will be held on Thursday February 20th from 10am to 4pm with Quilting Demonstrations, Light Refreshments, and Short Films shown throughout the day.

**Tax Help**
AARP Tax Aide tax preparers are available Tuesday and Wednesday mornings starting February 4 -- by appointment only -- to help you prepare your 2019 Federal and NY state tax returns for free. Call Betts Branch Library 315-435-1940 to schedule your appointment. Make your tax appointment today!

**Programs For Children:**

**Sweet Reads: What’s Your Favorite Book?**
Saturday, February 1 - Sunday, February 16
Stop into Betts and share your favorite book on a paper heart! We will hang them up in the children’s area for the month of February.

**Maker Pop-Up: DIY Paper Quilts**
Saturday, February 1 – Saturday, February 29
Stop into Betts anytime in February to create your own small quilt out of scrapbook paper.

**Slime Party**
Saturday, February 22, at 2:30 p.m.
For all the slime lovers out there, join us for a slime party. Everyone will make their own base slime, then have the opportunity to add in all kinds of materials like fake snow, food coloring, hand lotion, and glitter.

**Programs For Adults:**

**Tech Talks: How to use Siri, Cortana, and Google Assistant**
Monday, February 3, at 3:00 p.m. and Wednesday, February 5, at 6:00 p.m.
Hey Google! Hey Siri! Hey Cortana! Come learn about digital assistants and what they can do for you (i.e. schedule appointments, search the internet, and play music, etc.) as well as the privacy/security implications involved. We will be working with assistants on Android and Apple smartphones, tablets, and computers so bring your own device along! *Similar content presented at both meetings.*

**Programs For Everyone:**

**Hooks & Needles**
Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday mornings – a time to chat, knit, crochet and share ideas in a casual and friendly environment. All are welcome!

**Knitting for Beginners with Maggie**
Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
Learn the basics of knitting: knit, purl, cast on, cast off, increase and decrease. Make a simple project, a scarf. Yarn will be provided. Please bring your own size 10 knitting needles.

**Betts Book Discussion**
Tuesday, February 25, at 10:00 a.m.
Northanger Abbey by: Jane Austen
During an eventful season at Bath, young, naïve Catherine Morland experiences the joys of fashionable society for the first time. She is delighted with her new acquaintances: flirtatious Isabella, who shares Catherine’s love of Gothic romance and horror, and sophisticated Henry and Eleanor Tilney, who invite her to their father’s mysterious house, Northanger Abbey.
**After-School Wednesdays**

Trading Card Game Day—for Tweens & Teens!
**Wednesday, February 5, at 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
Join the game pros from TCGplayer for their Safe Place to Game program: a community game event playing Magic: The Gathering, Pokémon, and YuGiOh! Beginners are encouraged to come and learn to play these fun trading card games that help build friendship and learning skills. We will have snacks and drinks! Ages 11 to 18.

Button Valentines
**Wednesday, February 12, at 2:30 p.m.**
Make the cutest, tiniest valentines for Valentine’s Day on a button! All supplies will be provided. Ages 11 to 18.

**Wednesday Matinee: Aladdin**
**Wednesday, February 19, at 2:30 p.m.**
Join us for movies and snacks! Feel free to bring a pillow, or blanket to get comfortable. We will be showing the new live-action Aladdin with closed captions. Run-time: 2 hours 8 minutes. MPAA Rating: PG. Common Sense Media recommends ages 8 and up. Call the library for details: 315-435-1940.

**OSMO iPad Tech Time**
**Wednesday, February 26, at 2:30 p.m.**
Join us for this popular maker kit program that has a variety of games for the iPad. Learn to code, practice drawing, strengthen logic, etc. For ages 10-16. Limited OSMO kits available. First-come, first served.

**Programs for Teens**

Follow the Teen Space on Insta and Twitter: @bettsteens

**Book-a-Librarian**

*By appointment*
For teens in need of assistance with searching and applying for jobs and internships, building a résumé and cover letter, writing college essays and filling out college applications, and accessing available online ACT/SAT resources. Please call 315-435-1940 to reserve an appointment.

**Blind Date with a Book**

**Throughout February**
Our popular Blind Date with a Book program is back! Just like a blind date, you can't be sure what you'll get with these specially-wrapped books that mask the cover and declare only a few basic details about the hidden contents. Check out one (or more!) of these books, take it home, and curl up in your favorite reading spot for an unforgettable night!

**Movie Monday: The Sun Is Also a Star**
**Monday, February 10, at 3:30 p.m.**

**Saturday Matinee: The Lion King**
**Saturday, February 15, at 2:30 p.m.**

**Movie Monday: Yesterday**
**Monday, February 24, at 3:30 p.m.**

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*Please advise the Onondaga County Public Library at least five days in advance should you need a sign or other language interpreter, an assistive listening system, or any other accommodation to facilitate your participation at an event.*

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