

Area Library Activity

THAMESFORD LIBRARY – for February

Oxford County Library is Fine Free!

We will not be charging fines on overdue materials as a one year trial in 2018.

Community Employment Services A consultant from Community Employment Services (CES) is available on Thur afternoons 1:30-4pm to help you find employment by preparing a resume, training opportunities & information you need to achieve your goals. CES wants to connect people looking for work with employers who are currently hiring. Call Stephanie 519-485-6088 to book an appt at Thamesford Library.

Youth Book Launch Team

We are looking for avid readers, ages 10-14, who would like to be involved in the publishing of a funny adventure book. You would have the opportunity to meet with local author Shawn Robinson once a week as a group, and give feedback – all before the public gets a chance to read it! Team members will receive a signed, pre-release copy & get involved in the book writing process & find out what it takes to publish a book. The team will also review the book & brainstorm ideas on how to promote the book to readers their age in Oxford County and around the world. Wed Feb 7-Mar 7, 4:30-5:15pm.

Tales for Tots

Winter Session Wed mornings until Mar 7, 10:30-11:15am. Fun featuring songs, rhymes, stories & more followed by freeplay. For ages 0-5 with a caregiver. Registration required.

Family Literacy Event

Join us Sat, Feb 17, 9:30am for a fun-filled family literacy event! Hear stories read by guest readers from the community, plus sing & move with Mother Goose. Light refreshments will be served. Free Family Event in the Thamesford Library Beaty Room.

Robotics Lab

Sat, Feb 24, drop in between 11am-1pm. Explore the world of robotics & learn the basics of coding at our drop - in robotics lab. Each month there will be a rotating selection of different robots & tech toys available. For ages 8-14.

Oxford County Library Tote Bags for sale. Come in & check out our assortment of tote bags. \$8 each. Stop by the Thamesford Library and get what you need to enjoy your leisure time. We have lots of cozy reads for all ages!

For more information about programs or to register, contact library staff at 519-2853219 or thamesfordlibrary@ocl.net.

THAMESFORD LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

We hope that everyone had a great New Years. Our **next meeting is Feb 6, 6:30pm** & we would like to ask anyone who would like to become part of our group to come out to this meeting.

We gather once a month in the Lions Den and our goal is to provide special programs to our community. The funds we make are used to provide items for our library. At this meeting we will be making plans for this year 2018.

Again we are presenting the opportunity for local writers who would like to submit their write-ups for the WRITE IN THAMESFORD BOOKLET and will be published in time for our used book sale held on Calithumpian weekend.

INGERSOLL LIBRARY events – February

Movies for Change An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power. Wed, Feb 7, 6-9pm. The sequel to Al Gore's Inconvenient Truth follows up on the perils of climate change & what can be done. Movies for Change is our thought provoking documentary series exploring relevant social issues. The film is followed by a discussion with an expert panel & the audience. We'd love it if you joined the conversation.

Friday Movie Matinees Adults only, free.

All movies start at 2pm, and are subject to availability)

Feb 2 Stranger

Feb 9 Blade Runner 2049

Feb 16 The Killing of a Sacred Deer

Feb 23 Only the Brave

Book Launch Mr. A J & the Machine, Sat, Feb 10, 11am-noon. Families are invited to hear local artist & author A.J. Nunns read from his book, Mr. A.J. & the "Machine"! Mr. A.J. is a very entertaining reader & creative inventor - there will be some exciting surprises in store! Signed copies of the book will also be available & Mr. A.J. will be happy to answer your questions about his book & his artwork

Tech Boot Camps Mon at 2 pm, for adults

Feb 5 Facebook- Getting Started

Feb 12 Facebook- Groups, Pages and more

Feb 26 Facebook- Chat and Messages

Family Literacy Event

Thur, Feb 8, 6:30-7:30pm. Join musician Paul Droog, Miss Gail & other special guests for an evening of musical literacy & fun. All ages welcome!

An Evening Book Tasting

We're sampling books! Join us for a bite! Tues, Feb 6, 6-7pm. Teens ages 11-18 are invited to sample a buffet of YA books & graphic novels. We'll get a taste of the 2018 White Pine nominated titles, and check out other buzz worthy books that will make you salivate. Discover new books & genres you've never tried before! Not much of a reader? We'll have something for every level & interest - and you might just end up leaving with some takeout.

Space is limited. Register by contacting Meagan, Teen Librarian, mberry@ocl.net.

Make Your Own Galaxy Jar!

Mon, Feb 12, 4:30pm. Teens 11-18. Do you want an easy, cute craft that will stand out in your room? Learn how to make this DIY galaxy in a jar! It is super easy & makes a great gift to any of your friends. This is a free event. No registration required. BYOMJ - Bring your own mason jar!

Mad Science

Fundamental Forces, Tues, Feb 27, 6:30-7:30pm, children ages 5-10. Register now for this fun, free program about magnets! Space is limited, so email gkavelman@ocl.net to sign up for your spot!

THORNDALE LIBRARY

Valentines for Grand People Feb 1-14 drop in & make a valentine to be delivered to a senior in the community. All materials provided.

Family Movie Night Fri, Feb 16, 6:30 pm. The movie this month will be Disney Meet the Robinsons. Free popcorn & bottled water provided by the Thorndale Optimist Club.

Family Day takes place Mon, Feb 19. While the branch will be closed you will find us in the Lions Den at the Community Centre from 1-4pm at the Thorndale Winter Carnival. Join us for stories & games to Power Off & Play. Get a free gift (while supplies last) and enter for a chance to win a Toys R Us gift card!

Hot Docs Tues, Feb 20, 6:30pm the Thorndale Library will be showing the National Film Board (NFB) documentary Birth or a Family. Three sisters & a brother, adopted as infants into separate families across North America, meet together for the first time in this deeply moving documentary by director Tasha Hubbard. Removed from their young Dene mother's care as part of Canada's infamous Sixties

Scoop, Betty Ann, Esther, Rosalie & Ben were 4 of the 20,000 Indigenous children taken from their families between 1955-1985, to be either adopted into white families or to live in foster care. A short discussion follows.

Wonderful Wednesdays Feb 21, program at 2:30pm will be a presenter from Fanshawe Pioneer Village who will be bringing a vintage suitcase with images & artifacts to take a trip back in time.

Other programs include

Chess Club 1st & 3rd Wed 6:30pm; Storytime every Fri 11am; Daytime Book Club 1st Wed, 2:30-3:30pm; Brush-Up! Art Club 2nd Wed, 2:30-4:30pm; Stitch 'n Chat 4th Wed, 7-8:30pm & Evening Book Club 4th Thur, 7-8pm. The Thorndale Library is open Tues, Wed & Thur 2-8:30pm, Fri 10am-4:30pm, Sat 10am-2pm. Closed Sun & Mon. For more information call 519-461-1150 or visit us at 21790 Fairview Rd. or our website www.library.middlesex.ca.