December 2024 Jan. & Feb. 2025



Events at Twinsburg Public Library

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The Library will be closed on:

Tuesday, December 24 & Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas) Tuesday, December 31 & Wednesday, January 1 (New Year's) Monday, February 24 (Staff Training Day)

Adult Activities 330-425-4268 x2

* Registration is required.

Writers Group * zoom

Tuesdays, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, & Feb. 4, 6 - 7:30 pm

Gain access to a network of support for your writing in meetings where you can give and receive critiques on your projects.

Open Mic Nite *

Wednesdays, Dec. 4, Jan. 8, Feb. 5, 6:30 - 8 pm Join other music enthusiasts and perform your favorite songs or meet challenges

Hope & Healing Advocates

presented by the Library!

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2 - 4 pm Saturdays, Jan. 11 & Feb. 8, 3 - 5 pm Meet one-on-one with an advocate for help accessing a variety of services, including crisis support, emergency shelter options, and information about support groups.

SMART Recovery for Friends & Family Tuesdays, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Jan. 28, Feb. 11, & Feb. 25, 7 - 8 pm A support group for those wishing to help loved ones struggling with addiction.

Take It, Make It Adult Crafting Kits Available beginning the date listed. First come, first served while supplies last. One kit per person per craft.

Watercolor Geodes - Sunday, Dec. 15 Oil Pastels - Wednesday, Jan. 15 Origami - Saturday, Feb. 15

Needle Craft Night *

Mondays, Dec. 16, Jan. 27, & Feb. 17, 6:30 - 7:30 pm Bring your knitting, crochet, or embroidery and enjoy conversation with others!

Community Game Night *

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 5:30 - 7:45 pm Learn one of TPL's favorite games or bring your own to teach. Enjoy light refreshments.

Home Weatherization Assistance Program Wednesdays, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, & Feb. 19 Walk in anytime between 1 & 5 pm. Eligible Summit County homeowners can meet one-on-one with an HWAP rep for help with improving the energy efficiency of their homes and reducing energy costs.

Summit County Job & Family Services Assistance

Wednesdays, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, & Feb. 19 Walk in anytime between 1 & 5 pm. Meet one-on-one with a Case Manager to access a variety of resources, including healthcare coverage, SNAP assistance, and child care services.

50 Book Challenge Kick-off Party with Anastasia Hastings & Shelley Costa * Tuesday, Jan. 7, 6:30 - 7:30 pm Celebrate the end of another year of reading and the start of a brand new one with our 50 Book Challenge Kick-off Party! Anastasia Hastings is a national bestselling author who has penned over 65 different novels including her newest novel, Of Hoaxes and Homicide. Shelley Costa is the author of the mystery novels No Mistaking Death and The Damages as well as several short stories. Anastasia and Shelley will be selling and signing copies of their books after the event. This event is open to everyone. Light refreshments will be provided. Participants who completed their challenge of reading 50 books in 2024 will receive their completion prize.

Learn to Use Your Own Sewing Machine * Wednesday, Jan. 15, 6 - 7:30 pm Bring your machine, power cord, pedal, any supplies you have, and some scrap fabric.

Community Jigsaw Puzzle Afternoon * Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1 - 4 pm Puzzles and light refreshments provided. Earn a chance to win your own puzzle!

Chair Yoga with Cynthia Burr * Mondays, Jan. 27 - Feb. 17, 3 - 4 pm Registration opens on Monday, Jan. 13. Good for new students.

All Level Yoga with Cynthia Burr * Mondays, Jan. 27 - Feb. 17, 6 - 7 pm Registration opens on Monday, Jan. 13. Bring your own yoga mat.

Beginner Crochet *

Wednesday, Jan. 29, 6 - 7:30 pm Bring your own crochet hook and yarn or purchase these supplies at the beginning of class for \$5. Open to all ages 10 and over.

BLAX Museum:

A Tribute to Art and Excellence * Friday, Feb. 7, 6:30 - 8 pm **Celebrate Black History Month with Poet** Michelle R. Smith & Friends! Enjoy an electrifying annual arts showcase that features local performers celebrating notable Black figures in American history and culture through music, poetry, speeches, monologues, and more. Refreshments will be provided.

Total Lunar Eclipse *

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6:30 - 7:30 pm Northeast Ohio will be treated to a total lunar eclipse on the night of March 13 - 14. Carl Quatraro will explain what causes it, the difference between solar and lunar eclipses, and when it will be visible here.











Children & Family Activities

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Programs are for children in the age ranges or grades shown. An asterisk * indicates that registration is required. Complete program details may be found on the Library's online events calendar.

Family Movie Night at Home * Sunday, Dec. 1

Celebrate the start of winter with a Family Movie Night kit! Each pre-packed kit will feature a selection of picture books & DVDs rated G or PG to be borrowed and a bag of microwave popcorn to enjoy. Please indicate if you would like a Christmas-themed set, a winter-themed set, or a combination of both. Supplies are **Baby Explorers** * limited; please register in advance.

Story and a Craft *

Monday, Dec. 2, 6 - 6:30 pm Join us for a fun story and craft. Open to children birth to 5 years of age. Little ones may need grown-up help with the craft.

Pinewood Gardens Bookmobile Stop

Tuesdays, Dec. 3 - 17 & Jan. 7 - Feb. 25, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

The Bookmobile will be parked at Pinewood Gardens and open for all residents and community members every Tuesday from 3:30 - 4:30 pm. Services include materials for checkout, library card sign-ups and modification (bring an ID), tech help, and more!

Story Times

Family Story Time *

Mondays - Thursdays, Jan. 13 - Feb. 27, (times vary) For families of all ages.

Baby Story Time *

Mondays, Jan. 13 - Feb. 17, 11 - 11:20 am For those birth - 18 months and their parents/caregivers.

Toddler Story Time *

Wednesdays, Jan. 15 - Feb. 26, 11 - 11:20 am For those ages 19 - 35 months and their parents/caregivers.

You must register for each week of Story Time individually. Please only register for one class per week. Registration begins two weeks prior, in person or over the phone. Please let us know if you cannot make it to allow other friends to attend.

Story Time Café in Reminderville Fridays, Dec. 6 - 20 & Jan. 10 - Feb. 28, 10:30 - 11:30 am

Enjoy story time from 10:30 - 11 am followed by fun activities until 11:30 am. Tea and coffee are available for caregivers. See you at Heritage Hall, 3601 Glenwood Blvd. in Reminderville!

Fridays, Dec. 6 & Jan. 17, 11 - 11:30 am Get ready to discover the world around you by becoming a Baby Explorer! Stop by the Library to practice fine and gross motor skills, create art, and begin exploring your world! Birth - 23 months.

LEGO Club *

Monday, Dec. 9, 6 - 7 pm We'll provide the LEGOs. You bring the creativity! All ages.

Pokémon Trading Afternoon *

Friday, Dec. 13 & Monday, Feb. 17, 4 - 5 pm

Gather your Pokémon cards and get trading! This program is open to kids of all ages; however, caregivers should plan to supervise the trading process. We will provide the trading space and guidebooks about Pokémon cards but are unable to provide advice or guidance on potential trades. Kids must bring their own cards.

Paws to Read

Saturdays, Dec. 14, Jan. 11 & Feb. 8. 11 am - 12 pm

Read to a therapy dog! Sign in when you arrive for the program. Ages 4+.

Read To SomeBunny *

Saturday, Dec. 14, 11 am - 12 pm Practice your reading skills with therapy bunnies of Frisky Ferrets, Fuzzies, & Feathered Friends Rescue & Sanctuary! Kindergarten and up.

Cook from a Book: Holiday Gifts *

Sunday, Dec. 15, 3 - 3:30 pm We'll read Extra Yarn by Mac Barnett and make an edible gift. Note: Common allergens may be used. Ages 2 - 5.

Winter Reading Club *

Friday, Dec. 20 - Saturday, Feb. 1 Everyone is welcome to join the Club and "Investigate a Good Story"!

Scooby-Doo Movie & Craft Marathon

Friday, Dec. 20: 11 am - 5 pm Saturday, Dec. 21: 11 am - 5 pm Sunday, Dec. 22: 2 - 4 pm Monday, Dec. 23: 11 am - 7 pm Celebrate the beginning of Winter Reading Club with a Scooby-Doo Movie and Craft Marathon! Stop in during the dates and times listed above. All ages.

Winter Break Drop-In Craft & Puzzle Time

Thursday, Dec. 26: 11 am - 7 pm Friday, Dec. 27: 11 am - 5 pm Saturday, Dec. 28: 11 am - 5 pm Sunday, Dec. 29: 2 - 4 pm Monday, Dec. 30: 11 am - 7 pm Warm up with a drop-in craft and family puzzling! Join us any time during the dates and times listed above. All ages.

Mystery Book Box *

Thursday, Jan. 2 & Saturday, Feb. 1 For kids of all ages as well as their adults!

Chapter Book Story Time *

Thursday, Jan. 2, 6 - 6:30 pm Looking for a new book for your family to enjoy together? Relax here with a snack and the first chapter of The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin. Then, check out the book to finish at home! Kindergarten - Grade 6.

Story Lab: Vegetable Soup *

Saturday, Jan. 4, 3 - 3:30 pm We'll read Soup Day by Melissa Iwai and make vegetable soup. Note: Common allergens may be used. Ages 2 - 5.

Winter Reading Club Café *

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2 - 4 pm We are converting our story time rooms into a café and seating area with comfy chairs and lamps just for kids! Stop in anytime between 2 & 4 pm to enjoy warm beverages and bakery while catching up on your favorite chapter books. Quiet activities like mandala coloring pages and puzzles will also be available. Grades 1 - 6.

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Tween & Teen Activities

Programs are for students in the grades shown. An asterisk * indicates that registration is required. Complete program details may be found on the Library's online events calendar.

Decorate Teen Crossings *

Monday, Dec. 2, 3:30 - 4:30 pm We need help decorating the Teen Crossings area! Are you feeling crafty and up to the challenge? Grades 4 - 12.

Nintendo Switch Day

Oculus VR Day

Tuesdays, Dec. 3 - 17, Jan. 14 - Feb. 25, 2:30 - 5 pm Play Nintendo Switch games with friends!

Grades 7 - 12.

Wednesdays, Dec. 4 - 18, Jan. 15 - Feb. 26, 2:30 - 5 pm

Play around in virtual reality with one of our Oculus VR Systems. Grades 7 - 12.

Dungeons & Dragons

Thursdays, Dec. 5 - 19, Jan. 9 - Feb. 27, 2:30 - 5 pm New AND experienced players are welcome. Grades 7 - 12.

Holiday Wreath Making *

Thursday, Dec. 5, 6 - 6:30 pm Use all different kinds of materials to make your own wreath. Grades 4 - 6.

Comic Book Workshop by Do Art Productions *

Friday, Dec. 6, 3:30 - 5:30 pm Explore the different languages of comics — from the eyes, to body posture, to the actual language within speech bubbles. Come prepared to take part in a dynamic pose drawing exercise, too! After seeing how easy cartooning and creative expression can be, we'll design a comic together out of the characters developed in the first half of the session! Grades 7 - 12.

Teen Holiday Matinee *

Monday, Dec. 9, 3:30 - 5:30 pm Stop in after school to watch Home Alone. Snacks will be provided. Grades 7 - 12.

Decorate Your Sunglasses *

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 6 - 6:30 pm Make your own sunglasses one-of-a-kind! Grades 4 - 6.

Hot Cocoa and Painting *

Friday, Dec. 13, 3:30 - 4:30 pm Get crafty with painting while enjoying some hot cocoa on us! Grades 7 - 12.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting *

Monday, Dec. 16, Thursday, Jan. 16, & Thursday, Feb. 13, 6:30 - 7:30 pm Enjoy pizza and pop while brainstorming new program ideas. Grades 7 - 12.

Secret Spy Messages *

Thursday, Dec. 19, 6:30 - 7 pm Make your own secret message decoder! Grades 4 - 6.

Winter Scene Contest *

Registration opens Friday, Dec. 6. Submissions due Friday, Dec. 20. Make a wintery diorama in a box to help decorate Teen Crossings! Boxes must be no wider than 12"h x 18"w x 12"d. Shoe boxes are perfect! Decorate with paint, markers, mini-figures, or glued-on stuff.... Up for grabs are some Target gift cards! Guidelines will be provided when you register. Grades 4 - 12.

Ugly Sweater Contest *

Friday, Dec. 20, 3:30 - 4:30 pm Grades 7 - 12.

Teen Writing Club *

Fridays, Dec. 27, Friday, Jan. 24, & Friday, Feb. 28, 3:30 - 5 pm Join this once-a-month gathering for fun writing projects! Grades 7 - 12.

Winter Reading Club Mystery *

Monday, Jan. 6, 3:30 - 5 pm Celebrate the start of WRC by watching the 1st episode of One of Us Is Lying! Snacks will be provided. Grades 7 - 12.

DIY Puzzles *

Thursday, Jan. 9, 6 - 6:30 pm Decorate blank puzzles! Grades 4 - 6.

Teen Art Club *

Fridays, Jan. 10 & Feb. 7, 3 - 5:30 pm Use our art supplies or bring your own. Grades 7 - 12.

Speed Puzzle Contest *

Monday, Jan. 13, 3:30 - 4:30 pm Gather some friends to see if your group is the fastest. Grades 4 - 12.

New Year, New Journal *

Friday, Jan. 17, 3:30 - 4:30 pm Decorate and organize your own journal! Grades 7 - 12.

Teen Taste Test: Rice Krispie Treats * Saturday, Jan. 18, 3:30 - 5 pm

Please inform staff if you have an allergy. There will be products with peanuts. Grades 6 - 10.

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College Prep for Grades 9 - 12 Online with The Princeton Review

SAT Strategy Session * Monday, Dec. 2, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

ACT Virtual Practice Test * Saturday, Dec. 7, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

ACT Strategy Session * Monday, Dec. 9, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Free AP Chemistry **Practice Test Online *** Saturday, Dec. 14, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

Free AP European History Practice Test Online * Saturday, Dec. 14, 2:30 - 5:30 pm

Free AP Biology Practice Test Online * Saturday, Dec. 21, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

Free AP English Literature Practice Test Online * Saturday, Dec. 21, 2:30 - 5:30 pm

ACT Virtual Practice Test * Saturday, Jan. 11, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

ACT Strategy Session * Monday, Jan. 13, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

SAT, ACT, or Both? * Monday, Jan. 27, 6:30 - 7:30 pm Hear the truths and misconceptions. similarities and differences, and the strategies that improve scores on both.

SAT Virtual Practice Test * Saturday, Feb. 8, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

SAT Strategy Session * Monday, Feb. 10, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Finding Your Dream Colleges * Monday, Feb. 17, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

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Children & Family Activities cont.

Music Makers *

Mondays, Jan. 6 - Jan. 27, 2 - 2:30 pm A four-week inclusive, early childhood program led by Sarah Chappell, MT-BC (Board Certified Music Therapist), from a local music therapy company - The Groovy Garfoose LLC. Each class is designed to encourage exploration, learning & growth for children of all abilities. Ages 3 - 5.

Story and a Craft *

Wednesdays, Jan. 8 & Feb. 5, 6 - 6:30 pm Join us for a fun story and craft. Open to children birth to 5 years of age. Little ones may need grown-up help with the craft.

Boundless Bookworms: A Homeschool Book Club *

Fridays, Jan. 10 & Feb. 14, 2 - 3 pm Join us for an hour of fun and learning! Pick up a copy of this month's selected book at the Children's Desk two weeks prior to the program. Read independently or as a family. Then, join us for a discussion and activities that go along with the book. For school-aged children.

LEGO Club *

Mondays, Jan. 13 & Feb. 10, 6 - 7 pm We'll provide the LEGOs. You bring the creativity! All ages.

Board Game Club *

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 5:30 - 6:30 pm Play board games with your peers! We'll have strategy games of various skill level, including games with no reading required to play. Kindergarten - Grade 6.

Friendship Bracelets *

Monday, Jan. 20, 6 - 7 pm
The perfect day to gather together in friendship and make bracelets and pins!
Ask a friend to register, too! We will provide all of the supplies you will need.
Grades 2 - 6.

Story Lab: Make Your Own Valentines * Saturday, Feb. 1, 3 - 3:30 pm Learn about cooking, science, and art

Learn about cooking, science, and art with our favorite stories! We'll read Groundhug Day by Anne Marie Pace and make our own valentines. Ages 2 - 5.

African American Read-In *

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2 - 4 pm
Everyone is invited to join the
Twinsburg Public Library and members
of our community in celebrating the
amazing literary works of African
American authors. There will be guest
readers sharing their favorite stories to
be enjoyed by everyone. Pre-K and up.

Valentine's Toddler Bubble Dance Party *

Friday, Feb. 7, 10:30 - 11 am
Join us for a morning of bubble poppin' and busting dance moves with a Valentine's Day twist! We'll have the bubble machines going and the music jamming to get your toddler movin' and groovin'. Ages 1 - 3.

My First Valentine's Day *

Thursday, Feb. 13, 6 - 6:30 pm
Friday, Feb. 14, 11 - 11:30 am
Celebrate baby's first (or second)
Valentine's Day with a keepsake craft!
For babies birth - 23 months old. Please register for either the Thursday evening or Friday morning session.

Maple Sugaring at Liberty Park *

Saturday, Feb. 22, 2 - 3 pm
Meet us at Liberty Park Nature Center
where a Summit Metro Parks naturalist
will share how they collect sugar maple
sap and boil it down to make maple
syrup! Make sure to dress for the weather.
All ages.

Tween & Teen Activities cont.

Treasure Map Making *

Thursday, Jan. 23, 6 - 6:30 pm Create your own mystery! Grades 4 - 6.

Dice Boxes *

Friday, Jan. 31, 3:30 - 4:30 pm Are you a gamer? Stop in and make your very own dice box. Grades 7 - 12.

Scratch Off Bookmarks *

Thursday, Feb. 6, 6 - 6:30 pm Create your own bookmark decoration with these scratch-offs! Grades 4 - 6.

Pusheen Clay Day *

Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6 - 6:30 pm Celebrate this cartoon cat's birthday with Air Dry clay fun! Grades 4 - 6.

Valentine's Day Matinee *

Friday, Feb. 14, 3:30 - 5 pm Watch 10 Things I Hate About You while enjoying some snacks. Grades 7 - 12.

Heartstopper Trivia *

Friday, Feb. 21, 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Test your knowledge about this teen hit graphic novel series! Grades 7 - 12.

Paint with Q-Tip Brushes *

Saturday, Feb. 22, 3:30 - 4:30 pm Grades 7 - 12.

LEGO Wind Racers *

Thursday, Feb. 27, 6 - 6:30 pm Create a fast car out of LEGOs that uses wind power. Grades 4 - 6.

Coffee for a Cause *

Saturday, March 8, 6:45 pm
Save the date for the annual fundraiser in which students in grades 7 - 12 perform poetry, drama, comedy, or music acts in front of a live audience. The event benefits Akron Children's Hospital's Burn Unit and Aluminum Cans for Burned Children (ACBC).