



January-February 2018

Adult Services

Winter Programs

The Battle of the Bulge: The Forgotten Heroes

Saturday, January 6

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Montgomery Campus

Presented by Robert Mueller

Although the Battle of the Bulge was Western Europe's largest battle of the 2nd World War and eventually involved over one million combatants, German plans for turning the tide of war were defeated by small groups of American soldiers who were in the right place at the right time and frequently made the ultimate sacrifice. In This hour-long presentation, we revisit the places and remember the men who beat Hitler's last desperate gamble. **Registration is required.**

Romance Author Bingo

Tuesday, January 23

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Oswego Campus

**Presented by The Windy City Romance
Writers of America.**

Back by popular demand! Come and join the fun as we host Romance Author Bingo. You will meet the published authors of romance novels and take part in a fun activity. Prizes will be awarded to the lucky winners! **Registration is required.**

The Oswego Public Library District and The Paramount Theatre in Aurora Present:

A 2018 Community Read Project
From the Page to the Stage!

Beginning January 2nd

As part of programming for 2018, the Oswego Public Library District is planning a partnership with the Paramount Theatre (a non-profit) in Aurora. The program is titled **From the Page to the Stage**. The Paramount Theatre will present the musical *Cabaret* from February 7th through March 18th and our Community Read will be the original source material, **The Berlin Stories** by Christopher Isherwood. **The Berlin Stories** is a connected series of six short stories and highlights the lives of characters that would be at risk from Nazi intimidation. It is based on the author's own experiences in 1930's Germany during the time of the Weimar Republic. George Orwell described it as "brilliant sketches of a society in decay." It was also selected by Time Magazine as one of the 100 best English-language novels published since 1923.

The Oswego Library District will host a book discussion (TBA) and is planning a screening of the film *Cabaret*, starring Liza Minnelli (Also TBA).

We will also present three programs related to this era: *The Battle of the Bulge, The Forgotten Heroes*, on January 6th, *The Germans and Their Führer* on February 24th and *The Degenerate Art Exhibit and the Rescued Artists of World War II* on March 3rd.

Please contact Don Eckles in Adult Services for more information.



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All Ages Movie Poster Matching Activity

Saturday, February 10

Montgomery Campus, 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Visit the Montgomery Campus from 9:00 AM- 4:30 PM to view an exciting, vibrant display of full size movie posters for popular culture films. Furthermore, participate in a short, but fun matching activity. Match several descriptions correctly to movie posters displayed in the lobby of the library for a chance to be the LUCKY WINNER of a \$30.00 Visa Gift Card! And, there will be a 2nd Prize of a \$25.00 Gift Card awarded also. Six ADDITIONAL winners will receive a "Movie Theater Concession Voucher" (valued at \$10 and good for a free small popcorn and free small drink) at the local Kendall 11 GDX Theater. Limit one entry per participant. Entries are due promptly by 4:30 PM. Not only is the activity fun, but it will help younger kids learn to relate words to pictures. Parents/Guardians--You are welcome to and encouraged to work with your young children. **No registration required.**

Alexander Hamilton: As Told by His Wife, Eliza

Tuesday, February 13

Oswego Campus, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Presented by: Lynn Rymarz

Come hear the true story of one of the Founding Fathers of our nation, Alexander Hamilton. Hear it from his wife Eliza's point of view as she tells of his early beginnings in the West Indies and the road that took him to America. Find out the role he played in the new America. She will share the story of their love, their marriage and family, his betrayal and his death in a duel, and the courage and strength she needed to go on with her life after he died. You won't want to miss this interesting actress portrayal in light of the recent interest in Hamilton from the stage musical.

Registration is required.

The Germans and Their Führer: Insights Into a Mutual Obsession

Saturday, February 24 Montgomery Campus, 1:00 PM -2:00 PM

Presented by: Anette Isaacs

Addressing a huge and adoring audience at the Party Convention in Nuremberg in 1936, Adolf Hitler stated: *"That you have found me among so many millions is the miracle of our time! And the fact that I found you—that is Germany's good fortune!"* Join German Historian Anette Isaacs for an exploration of how this consummate symbiosis of *Volk and Führer* (People and Leader) came into existence and how it changed and evolved during the course –and especially- the demise of the *Third Reich*. **Registration is required.**

Monthly Programs

The 20s - 30s Club

Meets January 16 Throne of Games, February 20

Bad Art Night

Oswego Campus, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Come join others in their 20s-30s for board game nights, art sessions, nostalgic themes, fandom activities, life skills and more! The club meets the third Tuesday of every month. Fun and food guaranteed!

Registration preferred, but drop-ins are welcome.



34/30 Writers' Group

Meets the third Thursday of the month at the Montgomery Campus, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

January 18, February 15

All writers, whether beginner or pro, are invited to network and share their writings at our monthly meetings. The group is intended for adults and high school age students who write novels, short stories, poetry or nonfiction or enjoy writing exercises. **No registration required.**



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Monthly Programs Continued

Adult Coloring: Keep Calm and Color

Meets the last Tuesday of the month at the Oswego Campus, 6:30 PM - 8:15 PM

January 30, February 27

Take your mind off of the daily stresses of life and join us for a relaxing evening of good company, soothing music and a nice cup of coffee or tea. Coloring materials will be provided. People of all artistic skill levels are welcome.

Drop-ins are welcome, but registration is preferred. Registering helps us to be able to provide enough materials to accommodate all attendees.

Next Chapter Book Club



Meets every week on Friday at the Oswego Campus, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

*Adolescents and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities will read and discuss a book together. Join us and have fun reading, learning, and making friends. Anyone age 16 and over can participate, no matter the reading or ability level. Four to eight members and two volunteer club meeting facilitators will meet weekly for one hour to read and discuss a book of the group's choosing. To register or to find out more about the Next Chapter Book Club, please contact Christy Kepler at (630) 978-1276. **Registration is required.***

For programs that require registration, go online www.oswego.lib.il.us/eventcalendar.asp or call the Adult Services reference desk at (630) 978-1024.

Local Artist Spotlight

Artist Joanne Mengel will exhibit her work at the Montgomery Campus through January, 2018.

Originally an art teacher from Pennsylvania, Joanne Mengel earned certification as a reading specialist, then in elementary education, teaching fourth grade for over 17 years in Louisville, Kentucky, before retiring here in Montgomery to be near family. Ms. Mengel works in oils, watercolors, pastels and mixed media drawings; all the while endeavoring to see her subject matter and rendering style from fresh viewpoints.

Artist Submissions

Are you an artist who would like to exhibit your artwork at the Oswego Public Library District?

If so, please contact Laura in Adult Services at 630-978-1024 for more information. Priority will be given to Oswego and Montgomery-area residents. The Local Artist Spotlight is for display only. No sales may be allowed in the library.

OsweGrow Presents: SCORE Workshops

Oswego Campus, 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Are You a Business Owner/Entrepreneur?

Join OsweGrow, the small business partnership between the Village of Oswego and the Oswego Public Library District, for monthly morning workshops presented by SCORE. Workshops will focus on how to connect small business owners and entrepreneurs with the people and information they need to start, grow and maintain their businesses.

Tuesday, December 5: Pricing Strategies

Thursday, January 25: Cash Flow for Your Business

Thursday, February 22: Mastering the Entrepreneurial Mindset and Empowering Employees to Think Like an Entrepreneur

Genealogy Help Sessions

These consultations take place the 2nd Tuesday of the month and the 2nd Friday of the month at the Oswego Campus.

Tuesdays 9:00 AM - Noon

January 9, February 13

Fridays 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

January 12, February 9

Members of the Fox Valley Genealogical Society will assist patrons in researching their family history with the library's local history and genealogy collection.

No registration required.

Oswego Public Library District

Book Discussion Groups

Award Winners & Classics Book Discussion Group: *Discusses classic novels and award winners.*

Meets the first Thursday of the month at the Oswego Campus, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Contact group moderator Gloria in Adult Services for more information.

January 4

In the Unlikely Event

by Judy Blume

February 1

The Orphan Master's Son

by Adam Johnson

Thursday Afternoon Book Discussion Group: *Discusses adult fiction and nonfiction.*

Meets the second Thursday of the month at the Oswego Campus, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

Contact group moderator Laura in Adult Services for more information.

January 11

Everything I Never Told

You by Celeste Ng

February 8

Lilac Girls

by Martha Hall Kelly

Genre Book Club: *Explores and discusses a new genre every month.*

Meets the second Thursday of the month at the Montgomery Campus, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Contact group moderator Andrea in Adult Services for more information.

January 11

The Hobbit

by J.R.R. Tolkien

February 8

The Comet Seekers

by Helen Sedgwick

Mystery Book Club: *Discusses plots, settings, and characters of favorite mysteries.*

Meets the third Wednesday of the month at the Oswego Campus, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

Contact group moderator Camille in Adult Services for more information.

January 17

The Killing Floor

by Lee Child

February 21

Outfoxed

by David Rosenfelt



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Sunday	Noon - 4:00 PM

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