ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult Coloring—Outside the Box, Inside the Lines—is an adult coloring group that will meet bi-weekly on Thursdays. Color your way to calm. All supplies provided. We will meet Thursdays, December 5 & 19 from 6:30-7:30.

Book Clubs—Franklin Public Library hosts two different book clubs a month, join one, or join both! Read what you want, come when you can! The book lists are available at the circulation desk or on our website http://www.franklinlibrary.org/blog/services/bookclubs/.

- The Bookmarkers Book Club meets Tuesday, December 10 from 12-1:15 pm. This month’s discussion is about A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens.
- The Thursday Evening Book Club will meet Thursday, December 19 from 6:45-8 pm. This month’s discussion is about The Perfect Match by Jodi Picoult.

CareerLink Workshops--All workshops are free and open to everyone!

- Resume Clinic: Thursday, December 19, 2:30-4:30 pm. Bring a copy of your Resume and receive feedback from CareerLink staff.

Friends of the Library—will be holding their monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 10 from 6:30-8 pm. All current members of the FOL are invited, so is anyone from the community who is interested in becoming a member. This is an amazing core group that plan, organize, and fundraise all year long to help support the Franklin Public Library!

Make and Munch Mob--is a NEW adult crafting group that will meet once a month on Wednesdays from 10 am- 3 pm at the Franklin Public Library. Bring a craft you are working on and a dish to share for a potluck lunch. Meet other crafters from the community, expand your crafting knowledge, or teach a new skill! The group will meet Wednesdays, December 18.

Talking about Herbs—bring your lunch and your questions to this group of folks who are interested in learning and sharing knowledge about herbs and their use in cooking and wellness. This program is free and is open to new members, no registration is necessary. Talking about Herbs meets on Thursday, December 26, from 12 -1 pm.
Adult Education Classes (GED) meets **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5:30-7:30.** All classes are provided at no cost to students. For more information or to register call **1-800-461-6711.**

**TEEN PROGRAMS**

**Have you got gaming moves?** We’ve got Nintendo Switch and Wii, and we want YOU to show off your skills with the controller and challenge your friends to a game in the library. Who knows, you might make new friends, too! Available during library hours, please stop at the circulation desk for games and access to equipment.

**T.I.T.A.N.** (Teens Into Taking Action Now)—a teen group that games (Switch & Wii), plays board games, does puzzles, and offers homework help. T.I.T.A.N. will meet on **Wednesdays, December 4, 11, & 18 from 3-6 pm** in the new teen space funded by the Keystone Smiles Grant.

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**Teen Book Club—*The Princess Bride*** is a 1973 fantasy romance novel by American writer William Goldman. The book combines elements of comedy, adventure, fantasy, romantic love, romance, and fairy tale. It is presented as an abridgment (or “the good parts version”) of a longer work by S. Morgenstern, and Goldman’s “commentary” asides are constant throughout. **Books are now available for checkout at the Circulation Desk,** we will meet on **Wednesday, December 11 from 6:30-7:30 pm** to discuss the book.

**Catch Phrase**—Play the Grab It, Guess It, Pass It Game! The Catch Phrase game is an electronic game with 5,000 words and phrases that’s fun and challenging for family and friends to play. Try to get teammates to guess the word or phrase that appears on the screen by describing it any way possible—but do it fast! We will meet on **Wednesday, December 4, 6-7:30 pm; Saturday, December 14, 2-4 pm; and Wednesday, December 18, 6-7:30 pm.**

**Evening Movie**—*The Princess Bride* (1987) American fantasy adventure comedy film adapted by William Goldman from his 1973 novel. While home sick in bed, a young boy’s grandfather reads him the story of a farm boy-turned-pirate who encounters numerous obstacles, enemies and allies in his quest to be reunited with his true love. The movie will be played on **Tuesday, December 17, beginning at 5:00 pm** and is open to everyone!

**CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS**

**Wiggly Worms Storytime**—for children **birth to age 3** with a caregiver. This program features short picture books, songs, and nursery rhymes. This group will meet on **Tuesdays, December 3 & 10 from 10:30-11:00 am.** Please call or register at the Circulation Desk.
Busy Bees Storytime—for children ages 4-7 with a caregiver. This program includes stories, songs, crafts, preschool and kindergarten readiness. This group will meet on Tuesdays, December 3 & 10 from 11:15-12 pm. Please call or register at the Circulation Desk.

SNAP (Special Needs and Autism-Friendly Program) Storytime—this storytime is designed for children ages 5 and up with autism spectrum disorders, sensory integration issues, and other developmental disabilities. If your child has difficulty sitting through one of our other storytimes, this program of stories, songs, and activities might be just what you are looking for! SNAP Storytime will meet monthly on the 2nd Monday of every month from 4:00-4:30 pm. Mark your calendars for December 9.

Playgroup—is open for age’s birth to age 8. This is a great chance for both children and parents to make new friends! Come meet, play, and connect! We will meet in the Junior Room on Tuesday, December 17 from 10:30-12:30.

Nailed It—a new afterschool club for grades 3-6, where participants will discover the fun of actively building something out of solid wood with their own two hands! The club will meet the 3rd Monday each month from 3:30-4:45 pm. Mark your calendars for Monday, December 16. There is no special knowledge or skills required. Please call or register at the Circulation Desk.

Lego Club—Come enjoy LEGOS and friends at the library! Lego play promotes logical problem solving and scientific reasoning. Adult caretakers are asked to stay in the room during this hour-long drop in program. No registration is required. Lego Club will meet the 4th Monday of each month from 3:30-4:30 pm. Mark your calendars for Monday, December 23.

Crafting with Ms. Terrie—a crafting class just for tweens (ages 7-12)! Join Ms. Terrie on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30-7 pm. to learn different crafting skills. The class will meet Wednesday, December 18, 5:30-7:00 pm. Samples of the upcoming projects can be found on the tweens page at franklinlibrary.org and in the display case at the library. Please call or register at the Circulation Desk, due to the interest the limit will be 15 children per session. Please note we will be using paper/fabric scissors, acrylic paint, hot glue guns, hammer/nails, and needle/thread to complete projects. In January and February there won’t be any classes. Classes will resume in the spring of 2020, (March 18, April 15, and May 20).

SPECIAL EVENTS
Visit the Franklin Public Library Christmas Tree “Gnome for the Holidays” at the Barrow Civic Theatre, on display until January 1st!!

The Franklin Public Library is a collection site for TOYS FOR TOTS! Please bring unopened new toys and place in the box.
The Library Giving Tree! Not sure what to get for the holidays? *Please consider sponsoring a magazine subscription* in the name of a loved one. *Or* one of the other library wants listed on the back of the ornaments.

❄️ HOUR OF CODE ❄️

Tues., Dec. 10--6:30-7:30--Ages 6-10 yrs.  
Wed., Dec. 11--6:30-7:30--Ages 11-17 yrs.  
Thurs., Dec. 12--6:30-7:30--Ages 18+ over  

Instructor: Laura R. Jones  
Public Computers will be RESERVED for this event. NOT available for public use.  
Reservations needed to attend. Limited library computers, but can bring your own laptop to use.

Fall Raffle—Win a *Fire HD8 tablet*.  
Tickets $5 each, must be 18 or older, now available at the Front Desk. Drawing will be held December 14, 2019. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Library and benefits the library*

The Friends of the Franklin Public Library wish to send a THANK YOU to all our Cookie Walk bakers! All the yummy treats were sold that day!

Magnetic Bookmarks are available for purchase in a variety of designs & colors, 2 sizes, at $1.00 and $2.00 each.

Looking Ahead

Friends of the Library—
* BUNCO games for 2020 held on Thursday, January 9 & February 13, 2020. Signups will start January 2 for this easy dice game & lunch.

* March Soup Sale in 2020--Starts March 1. Prepaid orders will be accepted till Pick-up day—Saturday, March 14, 2020.

Open to the Public

Franklin Advisory Board Meeting will be held at the Franklin Public Library on **Tuesday, December 3**

ORLA Board Meeting will be held at the Oil City Public Library on **December 18 from 3:30-4:30 pm**. This meeting is also open to the public.

Closings

In observance of the coming holidays, the Franklin Public Library will be CLOSED on Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25. The library will be CLOSING EARLY at 5 pm on Tuesday, December 31. The library will be CLOSED on Wednesday, January 1st.

ORLA Mission and Vision

Mission Statement—"ORLA is dedicated to enriching the lives of our community, encouraging lifelong learning and providing access to information and resources."

Vision—"ORLA nurtures a diverse, educated and inclusive community in all of Venango County."