



News Release

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To the Editor: These events and items of interest are scheduled for the public at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library for the week **November 14 - 20, 2016**. Please announce these events prior to the PROGRAM date. Thank you for your assistance. We appreciate the coverage.

Upcoming Events at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library

What's in the Local History Room? – November 14 at 2pm

Clifton Park, NY -- This introduction to the Local History Room will give you a look at our collections of books, scrapbooks, diaries, photos, oral history files, and records from former one-room schools. We'll also explain what you can find on our library website: <http://www.cphlibrary.org/historical/>. Space is limited; please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

Creating Characters to Craft Your Story – Mondays at 4:30pm, November 14 – December 12

Clifton Park, NY -- Having interesting and believable characters is the best way to create an exciting story. Join award-winning author Janine De Tillio Cammarata as she guides students in grades 3-5 in this five-part class to craft characters for short stories. Each class builds upon the previous, so commitment to all five classes is recommended. Registration required; please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

Grant Writing Workshop – November 15 at 6pm

Clifton Park, NY -- Professional author and grant writer Daniel Barrett will lead this two-hour workshop for prospective and experienced grant writers alike. Please register online or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

Author Event: Elizabeth Strout – November 16 at 7pm

Clifton Park, NY – Join us at the Gowana Middle School auditorium for an evening with Elizabeth Strout, author of the Pulitzer Prize winning novel *Olive Kitteridge*. Books may be purchased through the Open Door Bookstore at the event. Please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

Daytime Book Discussion Group – November 17 at 2pm

Clifton Park, NY – Bring a dessert to share as we talk about our favorite books of the year and select our reading list for 2017! Registration is requested.

MakerSTEM for Kids – November 17 at 4:15pm

Clifton Park, NY -- Experiment, build and create as you discover some basic science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) principles. This week's theme: *Construction Challenges*. For students in grades 3-5; registration required beginning November 10.

Scrabble & Chess Night – November 17 at 6:30pm

Clifton Park, NY -- Come out for an evening of word-building fun playing Scrabble® or a challenging game of chess with your friends and neighbors. Anyone age 17 and up is welcome to come. Registration is requested for this program and can be made online, in-person or by phoning the Library at 371-8622.

The Lost Mohawk Valley – November 18 at 10:30am

Clifton Park, NY -- Join author and newspaper columnist Bob Cudmore as he explores the history of the Mohawk Valley from generations ago. Hear stories about inventor William Yerdon, baseball player George Burns and the Tamarack Playhouse. Copies of Cudmore's book will be available for purchase. All are welcome to attend this *Friday Morning Free-For-All*; no registration required.

Scratch Camp for Beginners – November 18 at 4pm

Clifton Park, NY -- Scratch is a computer programming language that makes it easy to create your own interactive stories, animations, games, music, and art -- and share your creations on the web.

As young people create and share Scratch projects, they learn important mathematical and computational ideas, while also learning to think creatively, reason systematically, and work collaboratively. This class will motivate students for further learning through playful experimentation and project creation. For students in grades 3-5; please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

***Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library* MINI Used Book Sale – November 19 at 10am**

Clifton Park, NY – Just in time for holiday shopping! Help the *Friends of the Library* reduce inventory before their HUGE January sale. This one-day sale will take place on the first floor, from 10am to 4pm. Please call the Library at 371-8622 for more information.

Volunteer Fair – November 19 from 1 to 3pm

Clifton Park, NY – Are you a teen in need of community service hours? Newly retired or an empty nester? Just want to help? Come & learn about volunteer opportunities at non-profit agencies and organizations in our community. No registration required.

Wagging Their Tails for Tales: Reading Therapy Dogs– November 20 at 1pm

Clifton Park, NY -- Help your children gain more confidence in their reading abilities and improve their reading skills with this special therapy dog program in the Children's Library. Children build confidence from the experience and are encouraged to continue with their reading at home. For children entering grades 1-4. Limited 15-minute appointments are available by calling the Youth Services Department at 371-8622. Walk-ins welcome if time slots are available.

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