



# 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 of **July 18 – July 24, 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

### **Preschool Playgroup – July 18 at 10am**

**Clifton Park, NY**—Come and play at the Library! Parents and preschoolers ages 2-4 are invited to drop-in for this playtime program. There will be toys, books, puppets and puzzles! Siblings welcome.

### **Game Day – July 18 at 1pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** – Children ages 3-11 are welcome to STOP-IN for some good, old-fashioned fun -- board games, card games, building games and more! There will be an assortment over the course of the summer for all ages. Young children must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Your Digital Footprint – July 18 at 1pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Today privacy and security have taken on new meanings. We will explore our digital lives and our online presence, discuss privacy and security, as well as manage your computer settings and the settings of email and social media. Please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

### **Basic Guitar Workshop for Teens – July 18 at 6:30pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Learn the basics of playing guitar from members of local band, *Darling Valley*. The instructors will work with the group to review what beginners need to know and will help each participant develop their skills for the future. Participants must bring a guitar with them. For teens entering grades 9-12; registration required beginning July 11 at 9:30am.

### **Run & Read – July 18 at 6:30pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** – As part of our summer reading program, adults are invited to join us each week to discuss a book or two about running, then go for an easy run around the area. All reading levels and fitness levels invited! No registration required.

### **Library Board of Trustees Meeting – July 18 at 7:15pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- A meeting of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, July 18 at 7:15pm at the Library. The public is welcome to attend. Please call the Library at 371-8622 for more information.

### **Teddy Bear Picnic – July 19 at 12pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Bring your teddy bear and lunch and be prepared to play the wonderful games Teddy Bears play at their picnics. Hide and seek, chase, hopscotch, jump rope, and chalk drawing. We'll provide a special dessert treat. For children ages 2 and up and their families; registration begins July 12 at 9:30 am.

### **Coloring, Coffee and Conversation – July 19 at 7pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** – Recent research suggests that coloring is one of the best ways for adults to reduce stress and relax! We will have relaxing music, coloring sheets, coloring pencils, and hot drinks while we enjoy a peaceful hour of coloring. For ages 14 & up; registration is required. Please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

### **Story Corner – July 20 at 10:30am**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- The Library invites children ages 2-5, accompanied by an adult, to share stories, simple songs, and coloring with a librarian and teen volunteer. This is a drop-in program; no registration required.

### **Video Game Design and Coding: Create Your Own! – July 20 at 1pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- During this interactive two-hour program, design teams will create a game involving dance or sports moves, invent a controller using these moves with Makey Makey, and program the game using Scratch. For teens entering grades 5 to 12 in the Fall. Registration begins July 13 at 9:30am.

### **Wagging Their Tails for Tales: Reading Therapy Dogs – July 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.

### **Rousseau's Jungle – July 20 at 3pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** – Young artists will read a story about French painter Henri Rousseau, then create a masterpiece of their own inspired by his famous jungle scenes. We'll be using oil pastels and watercolors, so please wear something you don't mind getting messy! For children entering grades K-5; registration begins July 13 at 9:30am.

### **Find Your Fit: Meditation – July 20 at 7pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Learn about an entirely different type of fitness -- fitness of the mind. Led by Certified Stress Management Coach Michael Fuselli, this program will introduce participants to the practice of meditation. Learn a surprisingly simple, yet powerful practice that can help you reduce stress, recharge, improve overall physical health and become "blissed-out," all while sitting comfortably in a chair. Please register online, in-person or by calling the Library at 371-8622.

## **Polish Genealogy Workshop – July 21 at 10am OR 1pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Learn how to trace your Polish roots with professional genealogist Alan Horbal, who specializes in Polish genealogy. Please create accounts on the free sites [familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org) and [ellisland.org](http://ellisland.org) prior to attending the workshop. Registration is required; please register for ONE session only.

## **Songwriting with RiverJack Z – July 21**

### **Elementary Edition (Gr. 3-5) at 1pm; Teen Edition (Gr. 6-12) at 2:30pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Spend some time making music with RiverJack Z (Jack Zucchini of The Zucchini Brothers)! Compose and record a song based on the children's summer reading theme, *On Your Mark, Get Set...Read!* Young songwriters will be able to share this new piece of music with friends, family, and our Library. Registration for each session begins July 14 at 9:30am.

## **Scrabble and Chess Night – July 21 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.

## **World Language Story Time: Russian – July 22 at 10am**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Mrs. Marina will present stories and a few songs in Russian/English, plus a craft. No previous exposure to Russian is needed--come and enjoy! This is a drop-in program for children ages 3 and up accompanied by an adult.

## **Paint & Sip Lemonade – July 22 at 2pm**

**Clifton Park, NY** -- Paint on canvas while you sip on lemonade! Pick an image from an art book to recreate, or express yourself by painting anything that comes to mind. The choice is yours! For teens in grades 6-12; registration required and begins July 15 at 9:30am.

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