

## Kids Can Cook

This month, Miss Jill shares how to make the perfect comfort food for a cold winter day: macaroni and cheese!

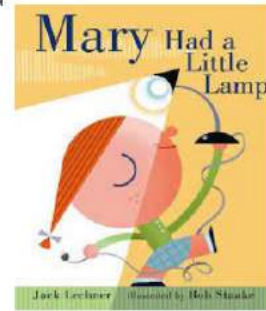
If your children in grades K-5 enjoy cooking, they'll love learning how to make this popular dish and how to add to it to create new and delicious meals.

This event runs from 3:00-4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 20th, and has limited seating so be sure to call or stop at the front desk to reserve your child's spot. Registration for this popular after-school program begins January 10th.



## Coded Storywalk®

Pick up a Coded Tales sheet at the front desk to begin this month's Coded Storywalk and read about Mary and her little lamp that she takes everywhere. One day Mary heads off to summer camp without her bendy-necked lamp and discovers that life without a lamp isn't so bad! As you walk from business to business reading pages of this month's book, be sure to write down the code letter written beside the book pages at each stop. When you finish the story, you will have spelled out a special message that you can bring back to the library's front desk to receive a prize!



### Tiny Tots Storytime (ages 0-3):

Monday 10:00 a.m.  
Tuesday 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday 11:00 a.m.



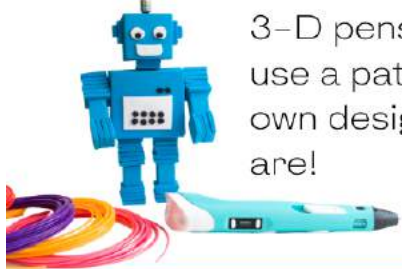
### Preschool Storytime (ages 3-6):

Monday 11:00 a.m.

There will be no Storytimes on Monday, January 17th

## STEAMPUNKS 3-D

The STEAMPUNKS, USCL's youth program for grades 6-12 centered around exploring science and the arts, will be meeting on January 3rd at 5:30 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room. Miss Lisa, youth services specialist, will demonstrate how to make snowflake creations using 3-D pens. They'll be able to use a pattern or create their own design as unique as they are!



## LEGOs® are Back!

LEGO® night is returning starting January 4th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the children's department. Bring your family out for fun challenges like building a spaceship for National Science Fiction Day or a super secure pen for escaping dinosaurs! It's the perfect time to let your imagination run wild and spend an evening with your children and your community. See you there!



## In memory

Sarah Donaugh by the Retired Teachers' Red Hats

"The comfort of having a friend may be taken away, but not that of having had one."  
- Seneca

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Upper Sandusky Community Library



## January Events

- 1st: Closed
- 3rd: New Storywalk
- 3rd: STEAMPUNKS
- 6th: Book Talk
- 12th: How is your Health Dept. working for you?
- 13th: Craft Party
- 15th: Hollywood Can Be Murder
- 18th: Common Readers
- 19th: Taste of the Town
- 20th: Kids Can Cook
- 24th: Lunch Bunch
- 26th: Inglorious Bookworms
- 27th: Reel Trivia

We will be closed in observance of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Monday,  
January 17th

## There's Been a Murder!

USCL and the Star Theater are calling upon you to put your detective skills to work as they present "Hollywood Can Be Murder" on January 15th at 1 p.m. Be transported back to the golden age of Hollywood and to a glamorous premiere showing for a big-budget film. However, before the movie can be shown, murder is discovered and those most closely associated with the film are suspected.

This live murder mystery production will be held at the historic Star Theater and is offered at no cost, although donations will gladly be accepted and split between USCL and The Star. This presentation is recommended for adults and teens and are not recommended for pre-teens. Detecting is hungry work so snacks will be available for purchase at the Star Theater snack bar. Mask wearing for the audience is optional.

Can you unravel the many clues to discover who is guilty before all is revealed? Follow along and write down notes of all the clues you discover along the way. The theater lights will remain on for this production.



Are you a movie fan?  
Look inside for  
details about  
Reel Trivia  
Night!

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# Snow Better Time to Read!

## Winter Reading Program

Read for pleasure and prizes! Sign up and check out a book to get a chance to win a Snowflake SurPRIZE and an entry for the Winter Reading Grand Finale prize.

January 3rd-February 12th

## Inglorious Bookworms

Do you have a favorite reading genre but no one with whom to talk about it? Then make way for the Inglorious Bookworms Book Club where each month will feature a different genre that you can dive into or skip. This month, you'll dive into the romance genre with *Beach Read* by Emily Henry, which tells the tale of two broke authors with writer's block who need to write bestsellers before the end of the summer. The result? A bet to see who can get their book published first. The catch? They have to swap genres. So whether romance makes you swoon, science fiction gets you going where no one has gone before, or mysteries have you donning a deerstalker hat, this book club is designed for the readers to revel in their genre and become . . . an Inglorious Bookworm. **January 26th @6:30 p.m. in USCL's large meeting room.**



## Book Talk

Join the conversation with Krystal and other book lovers as they share their thoughts about what they are reading, their suggestions for new authors and genres, and reviews. Book Talk meets on **January 6th at 11:00 a.m. in the boardroom.**

## Common Readers

Be a part of the Common Readers Book Club as they discuss this month's feature book, the *No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith. If you've got a problem, and no one else can help you, then pay a visit to Precious Ramotswe, Botswana's only - and finest - female private detective. Her methods may not be conventional, but she's got warmth, wit, and canny intuition on her side. Precious will need all her skills as she takes a case that lands her in more than a little danger. Scott Moore will be leading the discussion on **January 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the large meeting room.**



# Taste of the Town

At this month Taste of the Town, Patti Davidson welcomes Elaine Boes from local barbeque restaurant and saloon, Cheers2U, on January 19th at 6:00 p.m. at USCL's large meeting room.

Get a front row seat as Elaine demonstrates how to make one of her favorite recipes from the restaurant and sample the dish for yourself.

Enjoy an evening with other foodies and discover your next culinary craving! This event does require registration. Sign up begins on January 10th. Bon appétit!



Did you get a new Kindle for Christmas and need help figuring out how to use it with your library card? USCL's Tech Connect is here to help!

Tech Connect is a new program where staff will be available to assist you with your technology questions every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. Be sure to come prepared with your device (phone, tablet, laptop, etc.), a charge cord, and your necessary usernames and passwords.

Appointments may also be scheduled if a question needs to be further researched or if you cannot attend the designated Tech Connect hour.

We'll try our best to answer questions and help you learn about your new device or try to help you find someone who can!

## Reel Trivia Quiz Bowl

Do you love movies? Trivia? Then mark your calendar for the Reel Trivia Quizbowl on January 27th @ 6:30p.m. for an evening of sharing your untapped knowledge of movie quotes, characters, and more. There will be snacks for all and, for one lucky person, a prize and a pose with the Quizbowl's Ugly Trophy. So, do you feel lucky? Do ya...?



## How is your Health

### Department Working for You?

Join Wyandot County Public Health at 6 p.m. January 12 in the USCL large meeting room for a program that will educate attendees on all the ways the health department impacts the community. Learn about the programs available to the community through the health department, meet staff members from the nursing, environmental and administrative branches of the health department, and hear from a representative of the Wyandot County Health Board. *Unable to attend in person? Join by Zoom: <https://bit.ly/3edwrro>*

## Craft Party

If your idea of a perfect Winter's day is cuddling up with a book, a cup of your favorite hot beverage, and a snack then come to this month's Craft Party! At this no-cost event, you'll be making your very own dip-dyed mug using a water bath and nail polish. To complete your reading ensemble, Rachel will show you how to weave your very own mug rug using a cardboard loom. So, come craft in the New Year with snacks, crafts, and makers just like you on Thursday, January 13th @ 6:00 p.m. Sign-up begins January 3rd.



## Lunch Bunch

Join Cheryl on Monday, January 24th at noon for Lunch Bunch. Bring your favorite soup or salad dish and enjoy a meal with your friends...old and new. Everyone is welcome!

(Try this favorite from last month's meal!)



### Hearty Tuscan Soup

- 1 tsp olive oil
- 1 lb bulk mild or hot Italian sausage
- 1 med onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 5 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1 tsp salt
- 3 medium unpeeled russet potatoes, halved lengthwise and thinly sliced
- 2 cups packed torn stemmed kale leaves
- 1 cup half-and-half or whipping cream.



Heat oil in large sauce pan over medium-high heat. Add sausage; cook until it begins to brown, stirring to break up meat. Add onion and garlic; cook until onion is softened and sausage is browned, stirring occasionally. Stir in flour until blended. Add broth, salt and Italian seasoning; bring to a boil. Stir in potatoes and kale. Reduce heat to med-low; cook 15-20 minutes or until potatoes are fork tender. Reduce heat to low; stir in half-and-half. Cook about 5 minutes or until heated through. Enjoy!