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One Book One Community 2020 Book Choice *Orphan Train*, by Christina Baker Kline

Hours of Operation

Main Library

Mon.- Wed. 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Thurs.- Sat. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Closed Sundays

Rodman Library Branch

Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Fri. - Sat. 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Sunday: Open 1-5 p.m.

Oct. - April

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Rodman Library is on Search Ohio. It is a group of public libraries in the state of Ohio whose catalogs are all linked together to allow easy sharing of materials between members. This resource sharing allows you to get the materials you desire from the member libraries when our library does not have an available copy.



Area readers are invited to board next year's One Book One Community offering. *Orphan Train*, a novel by Christina Baker Kline, has been selected as the latest in a distinguished series that connects readers of all ages. Kline will speak on March 26 at Union Avenue United Methodist Church and will visit area schools on March 27.

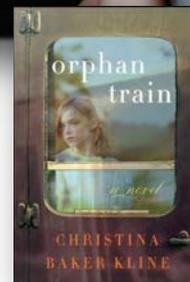
Kline's book tells a fictional story that takes place on the real-life "orphan trains" of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. These locomotives carried abandoned children from the East Coast to regular stops throughout America's heartland, where they would be adopted by families both cruel and kind. In the novel, an Irish immigrant, Vivian Daly, is a passenger aboard one of these trains. Her adoption experiences include long shifts in a sweatshop and mistreatment by an impoverished farm family. As an adult, Daly lives in Maine, where her past is uncovered by a contemporary teen, Molly Ayer, who is having her own challenges in the modern foster care system.

Kline's website notes that 3.5 million copies of *Orphan Train* are in print, and that the novel is an international bestseller published in 40 countries. It spent five weeks at the top of *The New York Times* bestseller list, and remained on the list for more than two years.

In the months leading up to Kline's Alliance appearance, the OBOC committee is planning several events, including presentations about railroads and genealogy. Additionally, residents will be invited to share their own intergenerational stories through StoryCorps, a national organization that works to preserve and share oral history. The community will have opportunities to record StoryCorps segments at Rodman Public Library from 6-8 p.m., on Jan. 21, Feb. 17 and March 16; and from 3-5 p.m., on Jan. 23, Feb. 19, and March 17.

The first scheduled community discussion prior to the author's appearance will be on **Wednesday, January 15, at 7 p.m., at the Alliance YWCA**. Patricia Lott, Recruitment Director at Pathway Caring for Children will speak about current practices with the foster care system in Ohio and the direction of foster care. She will be joined by Linda Morosko, Director of eStarkState, and Tiffany White, a licensed social worker with The Village Network.

Books will be available for purchase at Rodman Public Library and Rodman Branch Library and the University of Mount Union bookstore. Cost is \$10.00 each. For more information, visit One Book One Community Alliance Ohio on Facebook, @AllianceOBOC on Twitter, or rodmanlibrary.com. For more information about the OBOC upcoming events, please check our website at www.rodmanlibrary.com.





Regularly Scheduled Adult Monthly Programs

Evening Book Discussion Group Main Library

The group will meet the 2nd Monday in the Main Conference Room. This month's book is *Lake of the Ozarks: My Surreal Summers in a Vanishing America*, by William Geist. February's book is *Orphan Train*, by Christina Baker Kline.

Monday, Jan. 6, from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

KnitWits Knitting Circle

Meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays in Rodman Main Auditorium.

**Mondays, Jan. 13 & 27,
from 10:30 a.m. - Noon**

Writers' Alliance

A writers' group meets the 2nd Monday in Rodman Main Auditorium. Bring a few pages of a work in progress to read aloud.

Monday, Jan. 13, from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Branch Book Club

Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month. This month's book is *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*, by Kim Michele Richardson. February's book is *The Pioneers: The Heroic Story of the Settlers Who Brought the American Ideal West*, by David G. McCullough. Call the Library Branch at 330-821-1313.

Monday, Jan. 20, at 6:30 p.m.

Tabletop Strategy Game Night

If you enjoy games of strategy, join us in the RPL Auditorium to share your interest with other individuals of all ages. Each month a staff member will teach a new game—January features *Catan*. For more information, contact DJ Diganantonio at 330-821-2665, ext. 214.

Tuesday, Jan. 21, from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Caregiver Support Group

A monthly support group meets the last Thursday in the Children's Program Room—for caregivers of adults experiencing challenges such as Alzheimer's disease or dementia. For more information call 1-800-272-3900.

Thursday, Jan. 30, from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

For more program information visit our website at <https://www.rodmanlibrary.com/> click on "See Full Calendar" or call 330-821-2665, ext. 107.

HOLIDAY CLOSING

Rodman Main and Branch Libraries will close on Tues., Dec. 31, at 5:30 p.m., and remain closed on Wed., Jan. 1. Both libraries will reopen on Thurs., Jan. 2, at normal library hours.

WINTER COMPUTER CLASSES Begin at Library Computer Lab

Beginning in January 2020, Rodman Library will offer a series of computer classes which will run through March. Classes will be held on Jan. 7, 9, 14, 16, 21 & 23. Hands on classes are limited to nine (9) persons and a maximum of two (2) alternates. **All classes start at 10 a.m.**, and last about one hour. Registration is required. You may register in person, or call the Main Library at 330-821-2665, or sign up online at <http://rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup/> Calendar.

iPad/iPhone Basics: This class will introduce you to some basic features on your iPad/iPhone and some popular apps to get you started. Learn how to download apps, close apps, change settings, and more. Please be sure your device is charged and you know your passwords.

Class date is **Tuesday, Jan. 7**

Tech Time Thursday: Our Computer Lab will be open for any questions you may have about your computer or electronic devices. Problems with your iPhone? iPad app questions? Android

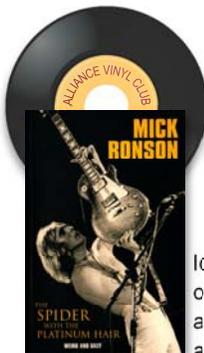
device concerns? We will be here to help you. Class dates are **Thursdays, Jan. 9, 16 & 23**

Computer 101: The focus will be on the basics of the computer and common desktop elements, information on the various search engines and how to search the Internet, plus how to create an email account, reading and sending emails, and attaching and opening attached files.

Class date is **Tuesday, Jan. 14**

Streaming Basics: Alternative ways to bring entertainment and news into your home TV by streaming with media devices, apps, and video game consoles will be discussed. Media devices include Amazon Fire 4K Ultra HD, Apple TV 4K, Google Chromecast Ultra, and Roku Streaming Stick. We will review what apps are available and look at some of the popular ones such as Hulu, Netflix, Crackle and Sling, and talk about using the video game consoles Xbox One and PlayStation as streaming devices.

Class date is **Tuesday, Jan. 21**



ALLIANCE VINYL CLUB Spins into RPL

Do you collect vinyl records and enjoy listening with others? Come and spin your favorite records, learn how to catalog a collection on an online database (Discogs) and share tips for caring for a vinyl collection. The

evening's guest speakers, are Eric Demattio (aka Weird) and Karen Laney (aka Gilly). They co-authored, under the pseudonym Weird and Gilly, the book *Mick Ronson: The Spider with the Platinum Hair*. As all melophiles know, Ronson was an english guitarist, songwriter, producer, arranger, and a session musician who recorded with Bowie (as one of the Spiders from Mars), Ian Hunter, and Morrissey. Demattio and Laney will give the audience a close-up look at Ronson as they discuss his music and talk about writing their book.

Due to time limitations, a few selections per person will be played. A turntable will be provided, but we ask that you handle your personal records and assume any liability for normal wear and scratches. No registration. For more information, call the Main Library at 330-821-2665 ext. 216.

**Monday, Jan. 27, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Rodman Main Auditorium**

Eat Wings. Raise Funds. BUFFALO WILD WINGS

Join us for a fundraiser to support the Friends of Rodman Public Library. Come in to Buffalo Wild Wings at 310 W. State St., Alliance, on **Monday, Jan. 20, from 11 a.m. to midnight**. Bring in the flyer (or ticket), show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 15% of the proceeds will be donated to the Friends of Rodman Public Library.

Stop in at Rodman Main or Branch Libraries to pick up a flyer for these fundraisers or go onto our facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/RodmanLibrary>.

AMERICAN RED CROSS Blood Drive at RPL

You may schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS or go to RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code: Rodman. Help save lives by giving blood **Monday, Jan. 29, Noon to 6:00 p.m.
Rodman Main Auditorium**

STAFF IN-SERVICE MEETING at Rodman Main & Branch Libraries

Rodman Main and Branch Libraries will be closed **Friday, Jan 31, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.** for a Staff In-Service Meeting. Both libraries will resume normal library hours beginning at 1:00 p.m.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Families are invited to see an animated movie, *The Addams Family*, in the Main Auditorium. When a



strange and unconventional family moves to the suburbs, a friendship is formed between their daughter and the daughter of a conventional local reality show that causes conflict between the families. No registration is needed. Rated PG. Call the Children's Department at 330-821-2665, ext. 223, for more information.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 6:00 p.m.



PENGUIN STORYTIME at Rodman Library Branch with Hot Pots

Children, ages 3-12, are invited

to Rodman Branch Library for a Penguin Storytime. A story will be read first at the library, then children and their guardian will proceed to Hot Pots to paint a cute penguin pottery figure. Snacks will be offered. The cost is \$10.00, payable to Hot Pots before the event. Registration is required for this event and can be made at <https://hotpotspottery.com/> or by phone at 330-823-3333.



Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25, at 11:00 a.m.

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER Hosted at the Branch Library

Children, ages 4-8, are invited to drop off their stuffed animals on **Friday, Jan. 24, between 3:30-5 p.m.**,

at Rodman Library Branch for a stuffed animal sleepover. A short storytime with a craft will begin at 4:30 p.m. After craft time, the children will say good night to their stuffed pets and go home. During the night, photo updates of the animals' activities will be posted on social media. On **Saturday morning, Jan. 25, at 9:15 a.m.**, children will return to the Branch Library, with an accompanying adult, for a breakfast of donuts and cocoa or Sunny D with their stuffed friends. This is a free event, but limited to the first 12 children. Registration is required. To register, please call the Branch Library at 330-821-1313.



TODDLER TUESDAY Hosted at the Branch Library

Children, ages up to three years old, are invited to Rodman Branch Library. A story will be read first at the library, then children and an accompanying adult will proceed to Hot Pots Pottery to paint a cute snowman dish perfect for cereal or snacks.



Chapter Chat Book Club — ages 8 to 12, Main Library

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month and includes a book discussion, games and activities. January's book is *The Mysterious Howling*, by Maryrose Wood. Registration is needed for a four-week checkout of a selected title one month in advance. Call 330-821-2665, ext. 223.

Wednesday, Jan. 8, at 4:15 p.m.

Wee Read — ages birth through 2 years Main Library

Introduce children to books, fingerplays and music using the six early learning skills.

Mondays, Jan. 13, 20 & 27, at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, Jan. 15, 22 & 29, at 10:30 a.m.

Family Fun Night at Rodman Library Children's Department

Each Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., parents or caregivers are invited to participate in an entertaining evening with their preschool and school-aged children in Rodman Main Children's Department. For children ages 3 to 5, Storytime will offer music, interaction and stories. During this same time, all schoolaged children will share in their own fun activities that are based on the S.T.E.A.M. program.

Tuesdays, Jan. 14, 21 & 28, at 4:15 p.m.

Storytime Main Library — ages 3 to 5

Encourage lifelong readers through stories, music, movement and activities. 45 minutes.

Thursdays, Jan. 23 & 30, at 10:30 a.m.

For more program information visit our website at <https://www.rodmanlibrary.com/> click on "See Full Calendar"

or call the Main Children's Department at 330-821-2665, ext. 223, or the Branch at 330-821-1313.

Fingerprints will make a snowflake blizzard on the outside of the bowl. Create a lasting artful memory of your time together. The cost is \$15.00, payable to Hot Pots before the event. **Registration is required** and can be made at <https://hotpotspottery.com/> or by phone at 330-823-3333

Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 10:30 a.m.

Vita Tax Clinic Income Tax Preparation for Community at Rodman Library

Below is the 2020 tax preparation schedule to date for the months January through April.

Wednesday:

01/29/2020 - 4-7 p.m.
02/12/2020 - 4-7 p.m.
02/26/2020 - 4-7 p.m.
03/11/2020 - 4-7 p.m.
03/25/2020 - 4-7 p.m.
04/08/2020 - 4-7 p.m.

Thursday:

01/30/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
02/13/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
02/27/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
03/12/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
03/26/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
04/09/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Saturday:

02/08/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
02/22/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
03/14/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.
04/04/2020 - 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

For more information on the VITA Program and the sites set up throughout Greater Stark County, **or to schedule an appointment, call 330-994-VITA (8482), Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., January 6 – April 9, 2019.**

TEENS! BUZZ

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Teen Movie Night — ages 13-18

See a free movie. *Men in Black: International*, on RPL's big screen in the Main Auditorium. An international agency that

has always guarded Earth from malevolent off-world aliens has discovered that a super weapon is hidden on Earth. Can they find it? Is there betrayal developing within the agency? Rated PG-13.

Tuesday, Jan. 7, from 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Teen Writing Club — ages 12-18

Meet with fellow teen writers twice a month to work on writing exercises and hone skills. Any teen can join. Share work with the group if desired. No registration is needed.

Wednesdays, Jan. 8 & 22, from 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Teen Video Gaming Days — ages 12-18

Join us on Thursday at RPL Main Auditorium to play video games on the Xbox One, Xbox 360 with Kinect, Play-station 3 & 4, Nintendo Wii, WiiU, and Nintendo Switch™.

Thursdays, Jan. 9 & 23, from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Teen Advisory Club — ages 12-18

Help us decide what kind of programs we will have for our teen patrons. We will meet on the 3rd Monday in the Main Auditorium.

Monday, Jan. 20, from 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Teen Anime Club — ages 12-18

Anime meets on the 5th Tuesday this month. Pick your favorite episodes to view on RPL's

big screen. Anime meets in the Main Auditorium. No registration is needed.

Tuesday, Jan. 28, from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

For more program information visit our website at <https://www.rodmanlibrary.com/> click on "See Full Calendar" or call 330-821-2665, ext. 214.

Teen Book Club — ages 13-18

Are you a teen who loves to read? Join us in the Conference Room for a book discussion and other bookish activities. Bring a favorite YA book or two to share and we will discuss what future books to read together. No registration is needed for the first meeting. For more information, call 330-821-2665 ext. 213.

Wednesday, Jan. 29, from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Do you have Nerf weapons not being used but don't want to just throw them away? Consider donating them. The Teen Department at the library is accepting gently used, working Nerf weapons for use at future Teen Nerf Challenges.



Teen After-Hours Nerf Challenge — ages 12-18

Teens are allowed to bring their Nerf weapons that follow the guidelines of the program. Guidelines include: Nerf weapons must be original colors (no paint or tape can obscure Nerf markings), the tips of the Nerf weapons cannot be tampered with in any manner, and all Nerf weapons will be tested before play. We reserve the right to ban any Nerf weapons deemed un-acceptable. There will be a limited number of Nerf weapons on hand to use as well. Limited to 30 participants.

Registration is required. To register call 330-821-2665, ext. 211, or go online at <http://rodmanlibrary.evanced.info/signup>.

Thursday, Jan. 16, from 5:15-7:00 p.m.

TEENS, AGES 12-18, LEARN TO PLAY

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS 101

▶ **Saturday, Jan. 11**
3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
Computer Lab

- ▶ Teens create their characters
- ▶ Gmail or Twitch account is needed to create a character

▶ **Saturday, Jan. 25**
Noon to 5:00 p.m.
Main Auditorium

- ▶ Teens participate in a campaign with their created character
- ▶ Attendance at both sessions encouraged

Register at the Information Desk or call 330-821-2665, ext. 211

**Limited to 12 Players
REGISTRATION NEEDED**



New participants receive a free set of dice