Here are the upcoming events for the Plumsted Branch during the month of February.

#### Black History Month Scavenger Hunt, February 1 – 29

Drop-in Craft, Saturday, February 1, 2020 @ 10 am Children ages 2 and up and their caregivers can stop by for a craft.

LEGO ® Club, Monday, February 3, 2020 @ 6:30 pm Children ages 3 and up with their caregiver can come play with our LEGOS ®.

Toddler Storytime, Tuesdays, February 4, 11, 18, 2020 @ 10 am Toddlers ages 18 – 36 months and their caregivers.

Preschool Storytime, Tuesdays, February 4, 11, 18, 2020 @ 11:30 am Children ages 3 – 5 and their caregivers.

# AARP Free Income Tax Help, Wednesdays, February 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020 10 am – 3 pm

The AARP Tax Aide Program will electronically complete and file a federal and New Jersey tax return, free of charge, by IRS certified volunteers. While this program is available to all taxpayers, special emphasis is provided to those age 60 or over with low to moderate income. Veterans should also bring a copy of their DD214 with them to apply for the new NJ Veterans Exemption. Veterans can also apply ahead of time through the State of NJ to reduce refund processing time. Appointments are necessary. To register, please call the Plumsted Branch of the Ocean County Library at 609-758-7888.

### Book Discussion, Wednesday, February 5, 2020 @ 6 pm Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance

New members are welcome. Please pick up a copy at the circulation desk.

Teen Movie Night, Wednesday, February 5, 2020 @ 7 pm
The Sun is Also a Star (PG-13) 100 mins.

Homeschool Art, Thursday, February 6, 2020 @ 10:30 am
Stop by the library for an hour of making relaxing art and meet other homeschoolers.
Please dress to make a mess. Ages 5+

Threads Club, Thursdays February 6 & 20, 2020 @ 1:30 pm Join our hand crafters as they sew, weave, knit, and crochet.

Baby Art, Friday, February 7, 2020 @ 10:30 am Children ages 0 – 18 months and their caregivers.

Coloring for Adults, Friday, February 7, 2020 @ 2:30 pm Join us for a relaxing afternoon of coloring. Ages 18 and up.

Drop-in Craft, Monday, February 10, 2020 @ 10 am Children ages 2 and up and their caregivers can stop by for a craft.

Teen Board Game Night, Monday, February 10, 2020 @ 7 pm Ages 12 – 18.

**Anime Afternoon, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 @ 2:45 pm**Ages 12 – 18.

Adult Crafternoon, Thursday, February 13, 2020 @ 2:30 pm Join us for a relaxing craft. Ages 18 and up.

Drop-In Valentine's Day Craft, Friday, February 14, 2020 @ 10 am Stop by the library to create a beautiful Valentine.

Fandom Club, Wednesday, February 18, 2020 @ 2:45 pm
Watch a movie from your favorite fandom and discuss it with your peers. This month's theme will be Minecraft. Ages 12 – 18.

# OCL Puppet Show Players Present: *Turtle and Tortoise are Not Friends*Wednesday, February 19, 2020 @ 4:30 pm

As little hatchlings, Turtle and Tortoise decided that they could never be friends. Why? Because they are so different. But maybe they've got it all wrong. This puppet show is based on Mike Reiss' *Turtle and Tortoise are Not Friends*. Ages 2 and up.

Library *Nailed It*!, Wednesday, February 19, 2020 @ 7 pm Ages 12 – 18.

### Afternoon Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting, Thursday February 20, 2020 @ 2:45 pm

Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

LEGO ® Club, Friday, February 21, 2020 @ 3:30 pm Children ages 3 and up with their caregiver can come play with our LEGOS ®.

Monday Movie Matinee, Monday, February 24, 2020 @ 1:30 pm *Vice* (R) 133 mins.

D&D Club, Monday, February 24, 2020 @ 4 pm Join our monthly D&D club for an adventure. Ages 9-18.

Coloring for Adults, Tuesday, February 25, 2020 @ 11:30 am Join us for a relaxing afternoon of coloring.

Potato Chip Challenge, Tuesday, February 25, 2020 @ 3 pm Learn about Inventor George Crumb and put your taste buds to the test. Ages 9 – 18.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Meeting, Wednesday, February 26, 2020 @ 7:30 pm Gain valuable leadership skills and earn community service hours. Ages 12 – 18.

# Pokémon® Day Fun, Thursday, February 27, 2020 @ 3:30 pm Celebrate Pokémon ® Day with some fun crafts.

How the Gullah Retain their Roots, Friday, February 28, 2020 @ 2 pm

How have the Gullah/Geechee, a population of African Americans in South Carolina and Georgia, held tight to their African cultural roots beyond other African Americans in the US? This distinction results from the preservation of the folklore and oral traditions by the Gullah. Through an examination of music and selected texts, participants will discuss their impression of "Gullah" and "Geechee" and the folklore, values, and ideals associated with them. Moreover, the challenges and rewards of preserving traditional cultures, in general, will be explored.

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All programs are held at the Plumsted Branch located at 119 Evergreen Rd. New Egypt.

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website: <a href="https://www.theoceancountylibrary.org">www.theoceancountylibrary.org</a> to register and find out about all of our

monthly programs.