**Robert Brugler, the Unknown Lincoln**
Join Abe as he tells stories of his life. Find out how he was almost killed as a child, why he grew a beard and wore a stovepipe hat. All ages.

**Marion-Franklin Branch**
Wednesday, Jan. 13, 4:30 p.m.

**Poetry Slam and Read Aloud**
Express yourself and celebrate black history through poetry. Share your own work or read a poem that inspires you. All ages.

**Shepard Branch**
Thursday, Jan. 21, 6 p.m.

**Sogbety Diomande, West African Rhythm with Sogbety!**
Get a glimpse of West Africa with Sogbety Diomande, native of the Ivory Coast, through drumming and dance, colorful costumes and songs. All ages.

**Gahanna Branch**
Monday, Feb. 1, 5 p.m.

**Tony Gibbs, Fighting for Freedom: Story of the United States of Colored Troops**
Take a journey with these brave Civil War soldiers and see some actual equipment that they carried. Ages 8 and older.

**Linden Branch**
Wednesday, Feb. 3, 5 p.m.

**Rory Rennick, OMG! He Read My Mind!**
Teens will enjoy hilarious and mystifying magical illusions. Ages 11-17.

**Karl Road Branch**
Thursday, Feb. 4, 4:30 p.m.

**Lyn Ford, If You Can’t Fly: Folktales to Move Us Forward**
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s quotation becomes the focal point for retelling ancient, thought-provoking tales of clever heroes in challenging circumstances. All ages.

**Whitehall Branch**
Thursday, Feb. 11, 6:30 p.m.

**Rewriting History**
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**New Albany Branch**
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**Whetstone Branch**
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Learn about the battle of Gettysburg. It helped save the United States, and the address the President gave is one of the most important speeches of all time. All ages.

**Hilltop Branch**
Friday, Feb. 5, 4:30 p.m.

**Kelton House Underground Railroad Community Advisory Committee, Not on My Watch: The Oberlin-Wellington Rescue of 1858**
This dramatic presentation commemorates the events centered on the capture of a runaway slave, the action of local anti-slavery students and the trial that brought the country to the brink of war. All ages.

**Shepard Branch**
Wednesday, Feb. 10, 6 p.m.

**Robert Brugler, Black Troops Helped to Free the Slaves and Save the Nation**
Celebrate black history by honoring the black troops who helped win the Civil War. All ages.

**Whitehall Branch**
Thursday, Feb. 11, 10 a.m.

**Robert Brugler, Growing Up to Be President**
Born in a one-room log cabin, Abraham Lincoln had a hard life and many failures, yet he became President of the United States during the most difficult time in our nation’s history, the Civil War. All ages.

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