

Summer 2019

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LIBRARY CLOSINGS:



July 4

Independence Day

BookMobile

July 9 to August 13

The BookMobile will be active from July 9th to August 13th and serves children in our community that may find it difficult to visit the Library. Go to the Seneca Falls Library website to see the dates, times and locations of the BookMobile stops!



Summer Reading Program

Keep your children learning and engaged all summer long by registering them for the Summer Reading Program at the Seneca Falls Library!

Kids and Teens will love the space-themed activities that will inspire them to dream big!



Dozens of fun programs are planned every week in **July** and **August**. Programs include crafts, painting, book clubs, cooking, astronaut training camps, Legos, outdoor story times, and movies on the lawn.

There will also be special performances by Dan the Snake Man, Merry-Go-Round Theater, Nate the Great, Checkers & Snoozer, Seth Kennedy, Dirtmeister, and many more!

Contact the Library for additional information.

Tax Levy Vote

Thank you to all who supported the Seneca Falls Library by voting "Yes" on the May 21st Tax Levy resolution to increase library funding. The increase helps us to keep up with the rising costs of overhead and state minimum wages. Your support proves that you value the Seneca Falls Library and the services that it offers to our community. Thank you!

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Thank you

For the Love of Books

Developing a Library Collection

Have you ever wondered how a library decides on what books to add to its collection? With a limited amount of space and millions of books to choose from, it can seem daunting to determine which books should be added and when it is time for others to go to another home.

The Seneca Falls Library began collecting books in the late 19th century. As the collection grew, it was moved several times before receiving a long-term home at 31 Fall Street, where it was housed from 1904 to 2003. The collection was relocated to its present location at 47 Cayuga Street in November 2003.

Through the years, books have come and gone, reflecting changing times and shifting needs of library patrons. The decision on what books remain on the Library's shelves falls primarily on the Library's Director, Jenny Burnett, who says, "I want people to use the Library, not just look at it." Her philosophy is to make sure that the Library has books that are being checked out regularly and not just sitting on the shelves.

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~ Jenny Burnett,
Library Director

Adding books to the collection

When deciding to add books to the Library collection, Ms. Burnett asks herself some basic questions. How many copies are in the Finger Lakes Library System? Is that work well reviewed? Is it new and timely? Is it an authority title (a standard or classic in its field)? Do we have several similar books or on the same topic already in the collection or is it a topic that is lacking? Will it add balance the collection? How much will the book cost?



Photo: New acquisitions

One way in which the Library acquires new books is through standing orders. Some authors are so popular that we know there will be a demand for their work. The Library has standing orders with booksellers that ensure that the Library will automatically receive the most famous writers' work immediately upon release.

The residents of Seneca Falls often desire the same popular books that are trending throughout the U.S. Ms. Burnett says that she keeps up with what is popular by looking at trade magazines such as *Publishers Weekly* and *Booklist*. These help her stay up-to-date on what might be of interest to our patrons.

Some decisions on what is purchased are based on patron requests. When someone wants a book to be purchased by the Library they can make a request by speaking to the Circulation Desk staff. Ms. Burnett reviews the request and decides if it is a good fit with the Library and may be of interest to others.

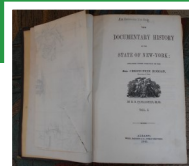


Photo: View from the 2nd floor. The Seneca Falls Library is home to 31,524 books and audiobooks.

Does the Library ever part with books?

We love books. We want our books to have a long and loved life. But if they are in very poor condition or no longer being checked out then it may be time to remove them from the collection. Books removed from the collection are sold at the Friends of the Library book sales in the spring and fall to get a second life in a private collection. Books left over after the sale are either donated to another local nonprofit or go to Better World Books, who supports literacy around the world.

The oldest book in the collection is *The Documentary History of the State of New York, Vol. 1* by E. B. O'Callaghan from 1849.



Ms. Burnett says that she asks herself several questions when deciding whether a book should be removed. How much has it been circulated in the last few years? How long has it been in the collection? In those years has it been checked out often or rarely? Is it a classic in its field? What kind of condition is it in? How many copies are available in the Finger Lakes Library System?

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What's Happening

Upcoming Events

Check out what's happening at your library!

June

Taste of Summer: Food Trucks

Grab a bite to eat on your way home and support regional businesses while you're at it! The Seneca Falls Library will be hosting food vendor trucks on the first and third Wednesday of June and July. Stop to make your purchase between **5:00 PM and 8:00 PM!**

- June 5** - Potatoes & Molasses (Traditional British Foods)
- June 19** - CR7 All Grilled Up (Sausages & Burgers)
- July 3** - The Sprinkles Starship (Ice Cream)
- July 17** - Martin's Smokehouse BBQ (Pulled pork & Ribs)



Children's Book Festival

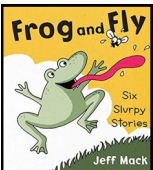
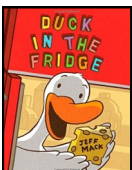
Saturday, June 15
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



Your child will LOVE the Children's Book Festival. The morning is filled with lots of fun activities, free books to take home, a themed basket raffle, and the Most Improved Reader Awards.



This year's special guest is author and illustrator Jeff Mack! Learn how Jeff creates his fun and wacky stories!



July

Kids Summer Lunch Program

Monday - Friday, July 8 - August 9
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM



Kids under 18 or young adults with disabilities up to age 21 who are enrolled in school can receive a **FREE** bagged

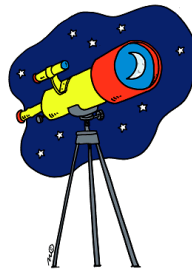
lunch at the Seneca Falls Library on Monday to Friday from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM. No proof of finances is needed. Food must be consumed on Library premise. Sponsored by the Seneca Falls School Central District.

Merry-Go-Round Theater

Look Up: Tales of the Sky

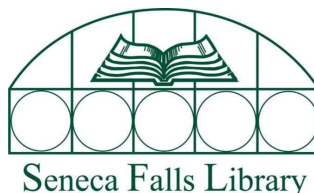
Friday, July 12
10:00 AM

Where did the sun and moon come from? When you wish upon a star, does someone hear you? Our fascination with space inspires us to imagine, dream, and wonder.



Join Merry-Go-Round Youth Theatre as we explore stories about the celestial bodies that light up our world. Look up!

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August

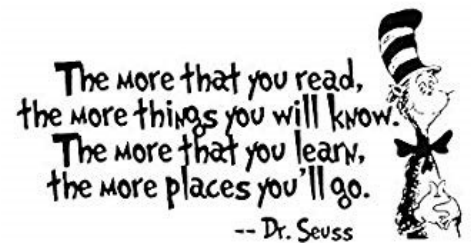
Code Camp

Monday, Aug. 5 thru Thursday, Aug. 8
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Does your 10 - 12 year old child have a knack for computers? Sign them up for Code Camp! This four-day camp will teach your child the basics of coding with the programming language, MIT Scratch! Scratch allows kids to create their own stories, games and animations.



Space is limited so preregistration is required. Parents must complete a permission form at the time of registration. Children will be working online and will need their own email addresses to work with Scratch.



Want to know more?

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or visit our website at
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Mark Your Calendar

Adult Programs

Knit Club

Every Tuesday @ 10:00 AM
Bring your current project



Adult Tutoring Services

Literacy Volunteers of Seneca County

Every Tuesday @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Reading, math and job skills

Teen Tech Tutors

Every Thursday @ 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
One-on-One technology help

Taste of Summer - Food Trucks

Wednesday, June 5 @ 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday, June 19 @ 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday, July 3 @ 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday, July 17 @ 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Grab supper on route home.

Essential Oils

Thursday, June 6 @ 6:30 PM
Thursday, August 1 @ 6:30 PM
Face and skin care



Meditative Coloring *

Thursday, June 6 @ 11:00 AM
Thursday, July 18 @ 11:00 AM
Monday, July 29 @ 11:00 AM
Friday, August 16 @ 11:00 AM
Relax and get creative



Microsoft Word Basics *

Tuesday, June 11 @ 2:00 PM
Monday, July 22 @ 2:00 PM
Learn to create typewritten documents

Yoga on the Lawn

Tuesday, July 9 & 23 @ 10:00 AM
Tuesday, August 13 & 20 @ 5:00 PM
Decompress and discover yoga



PowerPoint class *

Tuesday, July 16 @ 2:00 PM
Create slideshows using PowerPoint

Friends of the SF Library Meeting

Tuesday, June 18 @ 7:00 PM
Tuesday, July 16 @ 7:00 PM
Tuesday, August 20 @ 7:00 PM
Members support the library

Retro Game Night

Wednesday, July 24 @ 6:00 PM
Classic games on Nintendo and Atari



3-D Printing *

Monday, July 29 @ 6:00 PM
Monday, August 5 @ 6:00 PM
Learn to print three-dimensional objects

LibraryFlix *

Wednesday, July 31 @ 11:00 AM
Online streaming class

Painting with Friends *

Tuesday, July 30 & Aug. 13 @ 6:00 PM
Get artistic



Excel Basics *

Monday, August 12 @ 2:00 PM
Computer spreadsheets

Calendar of Events

There's something for everyone at the Seneca Falls Library!

Kid / Family Programs



Pirate Day with Captain Jack

Saturday, June 1 @ 11:00 AM
Scavenger hunt, snack, movie

Reading with Miss Martha

Tuesday, June 4 @ 3:30 PM
Tuesday, June 18 @ 3:30 PM
Read to a friendly dog

Preschool Story Time

Every Wednesday @ 10:00 AM
Stories for newborns to age 6

Cook-a-Book *

Thursday, June 6 @ 3:30 PM
Stories and snacks



Stories in the Park at Kid's Territory

Friday June 7, 21, 28 @ 10:00 AM
Stories and outdoor play

Minecraft

Monday, June 10 @ 3:30 PM
Kids play Minecraft with friends

Bedtime Stories

Friday, June 14 @ 6:00 PM
Kids story time in pajamas



Children's Book Festival

Saturday, June 15 @ 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
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Illustration Station

Saturday, June 15 @ 12:30 PM
Writing Workshop for kids with Jeff Mack

Family Movie Night

Friday, June 21 @ 6:30 PM
Popcorn and a movie

Literary Legos *

Thursday, June 27 @ 11:00 AM
Build a Lego creation based on a story



Read to Martha the Martian

Every Tuesday in July and August @ 10:30 AM
Read to a friendly dog

Galact-i-craft *

Wednesday, July 3 @ 6:30 PM
Wednesday, July 24 @ 12:30 PM
Wednesday, August 21 @ 2:00 PM
Create a space-themed craft



Astronaut Training Camp *

Friday, July 5, 12, 19 @ 12:30 PM (K-2nd grades)
Friday, Aug. 2, 9, 23 @ 12:30 PM (3rd-5th grades)
Get moving and train like an astronaut

Astronomical Crafty Teens *

Friday, July 5, 19 & Aug. 16 @ 4:00 PM
Space-themed craft for teens

Stuffed Animal Sleepover *

Friday, July 5 @ 6:00 PM
Stuffed friends spend the night at the Library



Epic Training: Babysitting Course *

Saturday, July 6 @ 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Teen babysitting certification

Being Awesome

Hosted by Safe Harbors
Monday, July 8 @ 10:30 AM
Promoting self-confidence in kids

Water Rockets with Seth Kennedy *

Monday, July 8 @ 12:30 PM
Kids age 8+. Science in flight.



Escape Room: Teen Edition *

Wednesday, July 10 @ 1:00 PM
Friday, July 19 & Aug. 9 @ 6:00 PM
Logic and problem-solving group game

Club 11~17 *

Thursday, July 11 and 18 & Aug 1 and 8 @ 4:00 PM
Teen book club

Painting with Friends *

Thursday, July 11 & Aug. 1 @ 6:00 PM (Kids)
Tuesday, July 16 @ 6:00 PM (Teens)
Thursday, August 15 @ 6:00 PM (Teens)
Get artistic



Merry-Go-Round Theater

Presents "Look Up: Tales of the Sky"
Friday, July 12 @ 10:00 AM
Outdoor Children's Theater

Meteor Madness with Seth Kennedy *

Saturday, July 13 @ 10:30 AM
Interactive learning about meteors



Snack Invasion *

Monday, July 15, 22 & 29 @ 1:00 PM
Kids discover healthy snacking

Planetary Cuisine *

Monday, July 15, 22 & 29 @ 2:30 PM
Teens create healthy meals

Choose-Your-Own Space Adventure *

Monday, July 15, 22, 29 & Aug. 5 @ 7:00 PM
Book club for kids entering grades 3-5

Giant Lawn Games

Friday, July 17 @ 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Supersized classic games outside

Movies on the Library Lawn

Friday, July 19 & Aug. 23 @ 9:00 PM
Outdoor Family Movies

Lunar Legos *

Thursday, July 25 @ 10:30 AM
Saturday, August 3 @ 10:30 AM
Lego creations based on a story



BOCES Star Lab *

at the Seneca Falls Community Center
Friday, July 26 @ 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
Portable planetarium

Dirtmeister: Blast Off with Reading

Friday, July 26 @ 7:00 PM
Interactive science fun

Nate the Great: Juggling

Saturday, July 27 @ 11:00 AM
Juggling show and workshop



Dan the Snakeman: Around the World

Friday, August 2 @ 6:30 PM
Reptiles up close

Checkers & Snoozer: Back to the Moon

Wednesday, August 7 @ 12:30 PM
Variety show

Code Camp *

August 5 - 8 @ 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
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E-Motion: Energy in Motion

Presented by Safe Harbors
Monday, August 12 @ 10:30 AM
Kids learn to understand their emotions



Blast Off with Sally Ride

Monday, August 19 @ 10:00 AM
Impersonator honors astronaut

Musical Storytime with Topher

Wednesday, August 21 @ 10:00 AM
Sing and dance fun



Un-Stressed Out

Presented by Safe Harbors
Monday, August 26 @ 10:30 AM
Helps children develop skills to lower their stress levels

Please register for starred * programs.
All programs are subject to change.

New Books

Keep a lookout for these new titles that are coming soon!

Adult Titles

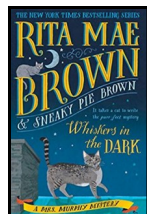
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Aunt Dimity and the Heart of Gold

by Nancy Atherton

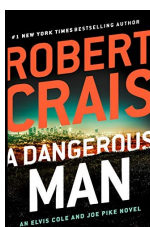
Whiskers in the Dark

by Rita Mae Brown



The Hive

by Orson Scott Card



A Dangerous Man

by Robert Crais

The Oracle

by Clive Cussler

Hold on Tight

by Shelley Shepard Gray

The Porpoise

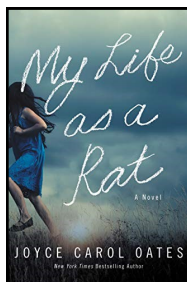
by Mark Haddon

Paranoid

by Lisa Jackson

My Life As a Rat

by Joyce Carol Oates



Unsolved

by James Patterson

Lost and Found

by Danielle Steel



Mrs. Everything

by Jennifer Weiner

Skin Game

by Stuart Woods



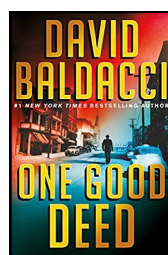
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July

One Good Deed

by David Baldacci



Labyrinth

by Catherine Coulter

Smoke Screen

by Iris Johansen

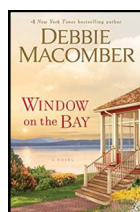
Temptation's Darling

by Johanna Lindsey



Lady in the Lake

by Laura Lippman



Window on the Bay

by Debbie Macomber

The Second-worst Restaurant in France

by Alexander McCall Smith

Sophia, Princess Among Beasts

by James Patterson

Under Currents

by Nora Roberts

Chances Are . . .

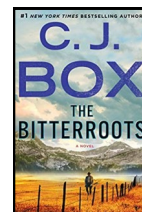
by Richard Russo



The New Girl

by Daniel Silva

August



The Bitterroots

by C. J. Box

Satan's Army

by Stephen Coonts

Texas Forever

by Janet Dailey

Tidelands

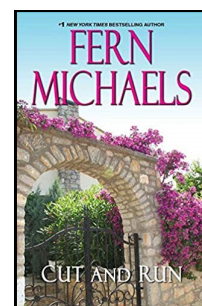
by Philippa Gregory

The Old Success

by Martha Grimes

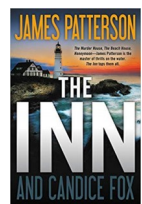
Cut and Run

by Fern Michaels



The Inn

by James Patterson



Old Bones

by Douglas Preston

The Dark Side

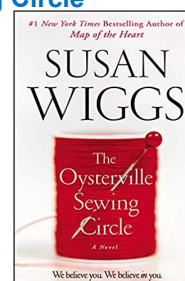
by Danielle Steel

The Oysterville Sewing Circle

by Susan Wiggs

Contraband

by Stuart Woods



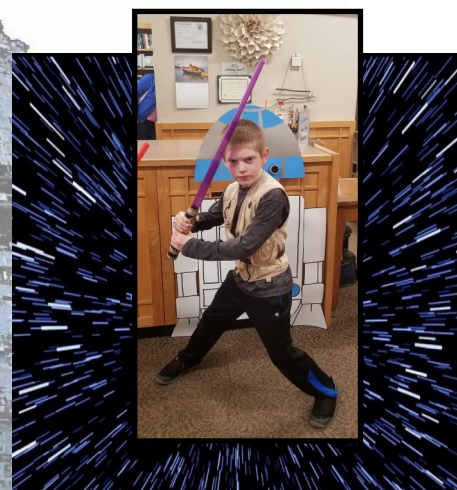
These are just a few of the books coming to the Seneca Falls Library in the summer of 2019. Stop by the Library or check out our website to discover even more titles!

Snapshots: Star Wars Day

STAR WARS DAY
MAY THE 4TH
BE WITH YOU

The staff of the Seneca Falls Library wants to instill in children a love of the library. We hope that when they visit their library that they walk out with a wonderful memory as well as a book in hand! That's one of the reasons why we have special theme days.

May 4th is recognized as Star Wars Day throughout the U.S. ("May the Fourth be with you!") In celebration of this fun franchise the Seneca Falls Library hosted several Star Wars Day events. Here are a few snapshots from that day!



Photos (Clockwise):
Library Director, Jenny Burnett at R2-D2 book drop
Harper Searing dressed as a Jedi
Youth Services Coordinator, Tara Montoney reads a
Star Wars adventure book
Miss Martha needed a nap
Melody Mathewson dressed as Princess Leia
Hannah Mathewson wins a prize in the costume contest

Around the Library

Water Fountain

Beat the summer heat by trying out our new water fountain with bottle filling station! Library Members Karen and Francis Kelley saw the need for a new fountain as the former often leaked when heavily used. The Kelleys offered to purchase a new fountain and requested that a bottle filling station be included. Thank you Karen and Francis for your generosity and continued support of the Library!



Left to Right:

Tara Montoney, Dan Emmo, Karen Kelley, Jenny Burnett and Marty Toombs during ribbon cutting for new water fountain.

(Collecting - Continued from Page 2)

If a book is in terrible condition because it is checked out often then we will replace it. One popular question among staff on making this decision is, "Would you want to curl up in bed with it?" If not then it may need to be replaced.

Books do lose popularity over time. Some books are borrowed less and less until they sit on the shelf without being checked out. There comes a time when you must decide to keep it on your shelf or let it go to a new home.

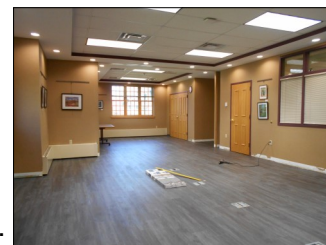
The Seneca Falls Library is proud to have an active collection. – It has life. We are in the business of getting books into the hands of readers. Even when we decide to remove a book from our collection, you can be certain that it is available elsewhere in the Finger Lakes Library System and easily acquired. There are 33 member libraries in the system. That's 32 other buildings full of books for your reading pleasure!

Stop by today to see what new books we have for you!



New Flooring

The Josephine M. Littlejohn Conference Room is looking a little bit spiffier these days! Thanks to a bequest from the Philip Plummer estate, new laminate flooring has been installed in the conference room and adjoining kitchen. This flooring is beautiful, durable, and has benefits over carpet in this high-traffic area.



MEMBERSHIP

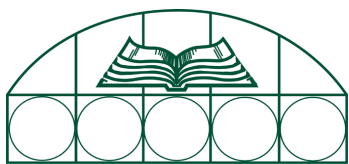


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\$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$75 _____ \$100 _____ \$250 _____ \$500 _____ \$1000 _____ Surprise us! \$ _____

I would like to receive the library's newsletter:
_____ By Mail _____ by E-mail _____ No thanks. I'll look at the newsletter on the website.

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Staff

Jenny Burnett, Library Director
Tara Montoney, Youth Services Coordinator
Suzanne Mathewson, Circulation Supervisor
Lori Stoudt, Administrative Assistant

Library Hours

Monday through Friday
10:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Saturday
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sunday
Closed June, July & August

Contact Us

(315) 568-8265

- x1 Hours of Operation
- x2 Circulation Desk
- x3 Library Director
- x4 Administrative Assistant



Adult Tutoring Services

Do you know of someone who would like to improve their reading, writing, math or job-related skills? The Literacy Volunteers of Seneca County matches tutors with students who need help with basic literacy and for whom English is a second language.

Tutors meet students at the Seneca Falls Library every Tuesday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM . Drop-ins are welcome. Other days and times may be available by contacting the Literacy Volunteers of Seneca County at (315) 539-1795.

