**Adult Literacy Collection**

Do you know an adult who would like to improve their reading, writing or math skills? How about someone who is seeking to earn their GED? Thanks to a Finger Lakes Library System Outreach Mini-Grant and a bequest from the Philip Plummer estate, our Adult Literacy Collection has been revamped! Dozens of new titles have recently been added.

This collection is composed of books for those learning English as a second language, easy-to-read adult fiction, GED preparation, Career Advancement materials and teacher resources.

Help us by spreading the word about these books. If you have a friend or family member who may benefit from the collection then tell them about this wonderful resource today!

**Summer Reading Program**

This year’s Summer Reading Program was held from July 1st through August 30th. 2019 was our most successful year yet! Thank you to our Members. Your financial support helped to make these programs possible!

**JULY by the numbers:**
- Number of Programs - 85
- Program Attendance - 3,034
- Number of registered readers - 309
- Circulation of Library materials - 6,136
- Number of free summer lunches provided - 708
- Number of people through our doors in July - 7,908

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**LIBRARY CLOSINGS:**

September 1 & 2
Labor Day weekend

November 28
Thanksgiving

**NaNoWriMo**

November

Do you have a story in your mind that you’ve always thought would make a great novel? Put your idea on paper! November is National Novel Writing Month. The library has set aside times for you to drop in and be inspired to write. We will encourage you, help you to track progress, and be the support system you need to write your novel. Call the library to learn more.
Beyond the library walls

Outreach Programming

People visit the Seneca Falls Library every day to check out books, to attend programs or to take advantage of any one of the dozens of free services available to them. But what about the people who never step foot in the building? How are they benefitting from the library?

Our staff has long been interested in going into the community to serve local residents. We would like every person in Seneca Falls to have access to what the library has to offer. Therefore the Seneca Falls Library has several services that take place beyond the library walls.

BookMobile

One of the best known outreach services offered is the Seneca Falls Library BookMobile. The BookMobile is active in July and August when children are on summer break from school. By providing access to books through summer vacation, kids are more likely to improve their reading skills, plus their minds are kept active thereby neutralizing summer learning loss. The BookMobile stops in two locations: Elizabeth Cady Stanton School and Hunters Run Townhomes. The BookMobile collection is kept current with new and popular titles to entice kids to check out these fun and engaging materials.

Seneca Nursing and Rehabilitation Center

Each month Circulation Supervisor, Suzanne Mathewson brings novels, DVDs and other materials to the residents of the Seneca Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Waterloo. While there, Suzanne goes room-to-room delivering items to be checked out and taking requests for the following month. Residents of the facility are often excited about both the books and the visit.

Open Houses

We love to be invited to open houses! Why? Because they are a great way to get the word out about library services. Staff attend annual open houses at Romulus Central School District and Finger Lakes Chiropractic College. There we issue library cards, encourage students to use the library’s digital services, and distribute promotional materials showcasing upcoming programs of interest. We also visit the Seneca Falls Fire department and Seneca Falls Farmer’s Market for special off-site library card registration opportunities.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton School

At the Library we often see familiar faces at our various programs. We love our repeat participants! But how about those children who never visit the library? Youth Services Coordinator, Tara Montoney likes to bring library programming to schools to show kids how much fun library programs can be! In the spring of 2019, Tara provided abbreviated versions of Literary Legos, Cook-A-Book and Reading with Miss Martha to 3rd to 5th grade students. Children who normally do not attend library events participated in this after-school series. These outreach programs were underwritten by a grant from United Way of Seneca County.

Story Walk

Each summer and fall, the Seneca Falls Library partners with the Seneca Falls Recreation Department to host a Story Walk in the Jerry Galusha (AKA Kid’s Territory) playground. Laminated pages of a storybook are posted around the playground. Visitors to the playground are encouraged to walk from one post to the next and read the book in its entirety. The Story Walk motivates families to spend time together doing a fun and active activity. A similar program, ‘Stories in the Park’ is an outdoor story and play time that also takes place at the Jerry Galusha playground in May and June.

We are always considering other off-site programming to reach out to the underserved in our community. By taking materials, programs and services beyond the library walls, we are able to reach a segment of the community that would otherwise not benefit from what the library offers!

Thank you to our community partners who open their spaces to allow the Seneca Falls Library to share with others!
Upcoming Events
Check out what's happening at your library!

September

Forts, Family, Fun
Build forts with blankets
Friday, September 27
6:30 PM

Did you love to build forts with pillows and blankets when you were a kid? Now you can come to the Library and enjoy this same fun with your own children! Get creative as you build forts, enjoy stories and eat a s'more snack mix! Bring the whole family!

Want to know more?
Contact the Seneca Falls Library at (315) 568-8265 x2
or visit our website at www.senecafallslibrary.org

Follow us on social media!

October

Book Sale

Friends of the Seneca Falls Library
October 16 - 19

Calling all book worms! The Friends of the Seneca Falls Library fall book sale will be held from October 16th to 19th. The times are as follows:

- Wed., Oct. 16 5 pm - 8 pm
- Thur., Oct 17 10 am - 8 pm
- Fri., Oct 18 10 am - 8 pm
- Sat., Oct 19 10 am - 5 pm

Books, music, movies, and board games will be available to purchase for $2.00 each or less. All proceeds benefit the Seneca Falls Library.

Meditative Coloring
See page 4 for dates and times

Coloring has been shown to reduce stress and anxiety in adults. It is a hobby with that not only relaxes but requires no special artistic talent. Drop in and enjoy some downtime and meet other people. Coffee, coloring sheets and markers are provided.

November

Ying Quartet
Saturday, November 2
5:00 PM

Be enchanted by the sounds of the Grammy-award winning Ying Quartet! Thanks to a donation by the Withers Family, the library will be filled with an evening of classical music. Free to the public and no reservations needed.

Disaster Preparedness
Tuesday, November 12
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Be prepared for any type of disaster, respond accordingly and recover as quickly as possible. This training course will provide an introduction to responding to different types of disasters and "Active Shooter / Active Violence". Participants will be advised on how to properly prepare for any disaster, including developing a family emergency plan and stocking up on emergency supplies.
**Mark Your Calendar**

**Adult Programs**

**Knit Club**  
Every Tuesday @ 10:00 AM  
Bring your current project

**Red Tent book club**  
Tuesday, September 3 @ 7:00 PM  
Tuesday, October 1 @ 7:00 PM  
Tuesday, November 5 @ 7:00 PM  
Read and discuss popular books

**BOOK CLUB**

**Teen Tech Tutors**  
Every Thursday @ 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
One-on-One technology help

**Breakfast Club**  
Friday, September 6 @ 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Friday, November 15 @ 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Adults socialize. Bring a dish to share.

**Meditative Coloring**  
Monday, September 9 @ 11:00 AM  
Thursday, September 19 @ 11:00 AM  
Monday, September 23 @ 11:00 AM  
Thursday, October 10 @ 11:00 AM  
Tuesday, October 15 @ 11:00 AM  
Thursday, October 31 @ 11:00 AM

**Essential Oils**  
Thursday, September 12 @ 6:30 PM  
Thursday, October 3 @ 6:30 PM  
Thursday, November 7 @ 6:30 PM  
Health and well-being

**Genealogy club**  
Thursday, September 19 @ 11:00 AM  
Thursday, October 17 @ 11:00 AM  
Research family history

**Friends of the SF Library Meeting**  
Tuesday, September 24 @ 7:00 PM  
Tuesday, November 19 @ 7:00 PM  
Members support the library

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**  
Tuesday, September 27 @ 2:00 - 7:00 PM  
Help your neighbors by donating blood.

**Fall Book Sale**  
October 16 - 19  
See page 3 for details

**NaNoWriMo**  
Friday, November 1 @ 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Monday, November 4 @ 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Monday, November 11 @ 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
Monday, November 18 @ 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Monday, November 25 @ 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Drop in and write a novel in November

**Ying Quartet**  
Saturday, November 2 @ 5:00 PM  
Chamber music concert. Free.

**Explore Your Heritage!**  
Thursday, November 7 @ 6:30 PM  
Learn how to research your family history

**Disaster Preparedness class**  
Tuesday, November 12 @ 5:30 - 7:00 PM  
See page 3 for details

**Document Detective**  
Thursday, November 21 @ 6:30 PM  
Genealogy class on census records and city directories

**Preschool Story Time**  
Every Wednesday @ 10:00 AM  
Stories for newborns to age 6

**Reading with Miss Martha**  
Tuesday, September 10 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, September 24 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, October 1 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, October 15 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, October 29 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, November 12 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, November 26 @ 3:30 PM  
Read to a friendly dog

**Minecraft**  
For kids in grades 1 - 5  
Monday, September 16 @ 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
Monday, October 21 @ 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
Monday, November 18 @ 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
Kids play Minecraft with friends

**Literary Legos**  
Tuesday, September 17 @ 3:30 PM  
Tuesday, October 22 @ 3:30 PM  
Saturday, November 16 @ 10:30 AM  
Build a Lego creation based on a story

**Family Movie Night**  
Friday, September 20 @ 6:30 PM  
Friday, October 25 @ 6:30 PM  
Popcorn and a movie

**Ying Quartet**  
Saturday, September 21 @ 10:30 AM  
Chamber music concert. Free.

**Junior Bookbug Club**  
For kids in Grades 2-4  
Monday, September 23 @ 7:00 PM  
Monday, September 30 @ 7:00 PM  
Monday, October 7 @ 7:00 PM  
Monday, October 21 @ 7:00 PM  
Monday, November 18 @ 7:00 PM  
Monday, November 25 @ 7:00 PM  
Book club for kids

**Forts, Family, Fun**  
Friday, September 27 @ 6:30 PM  
See page 3 for details

**Bedtime Stories**  
Friday, October 11 @ 6:00 PM  
Friday, November 8 @ 6:00 PM  
Kids story time in pajamas

**Creepy Crawly Crafts**  
Saturday, October 12 @ 10:30 AM  
Halloween-themed crafts

**Cook-A-Book**  
Thursday, October 24 @ 3:30 PM  
Stories and themed snacks

**Harvest Festival**  
Saturday, November 23 @ 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
Family fun

**There’s something for everyone at the Seneca Falls Library!**

Please register for starred * programs.  
All programs are subject to change.
New Books
Keep a lookout for these new titles that are coming soon!

September

Nothing Ventured
by Jeffrey Archer

The Testaments
by Margaret Eleanor Atwood

What Rose Forgot
by Nevada Barr

Lost and Found
by Orson Scott Card

Christmas in Winter Hill
by Melody Carlson

Strands of Truth
by Colleen Coble

Met Her Match
by Jude Deveraux

Lethal Agent
by Vince Flynn

The World That We Knew
by Alice Hoffman

Sins of the Fathers
by Judith A. Jance

The Institute
by Stephen King

The Timepiece
by Beverly Lewis

Spirit of the Season
by Fern Michaels

Fatal Strike
by DiAnn Mills

Killer Instinct
by James Patterson

October

Death in Focus
by Anne Perry

Vendetta in Death
by J. D. Robb

Ghost Fire
by Wilbur A. Smith

Listening to Love
by Beth Wiseman

Quantum: A Thriller
by Patricia Daniels Cornwell

Takes One to Know One
by Susan Isaacs

Christmas Shopaholic
by Sophie Kinsella

Agent Running in the Field
by John Le Carre

A Mrs. Miracle Christmas
by Debbie Macomber

To the Land of Long Lost Friends
by Alexander McCall Smith

The Pursuit
by Joyce Carol Oates

The 19th Christmas
by James Patterson

Bloody Genius
by John Sandford

Child’s Play
by Danielle Steel

Stealth
by Stuart Woods

November

A Minute to Midnight
by David Baldacci

Beating About the Bush
by M. C. Beaton

The Confession Club
by Elizabeth Berg

Scarlet Fever
by Rita Mae Brown

Kiss the Girls and Make Them Cry
by Mary Higgins Clark

Sword of Kings
by Bernard Cornwell

Dead Quiet
by Clive Cussler

Twisted Twenty-Six
by Janet Evanovich

Wasteland
by Terry Goodkind

The Old Success
by Martha Grimes

Dead Sea Conspiracy
by Jerry B. Jenkins

Criss Cross
by James Patterson

A Christmas Gathering
by Anne Perry

The Rise of Magicks
by Nora Roberts

Spy
by Danielle Steel

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

The Summer Reading Program is designed to keep kids reading and their minds active through the summer months. This year’s theme was “A Universe of Stories”. It was an exciting summer with record-high program attendance. Here are a few snapshots!

Harper creates art during a Painting with Friends class

Payton balances a peacock feather during a juggling workshop

Peyton holds “Boo”, an Albino Burmese Python, alongside Dan the Snake Man

Ava shows the galaxy necklace charm she created

Marina smashes a “meteor” to discover treasures inside

Lily and Emily carefully measure ingredients during a cooking class

Medha and Vehda build bugs at Brown Bag Storytellers

Pam Behm befriends a tarantula
Around the Library

iPads and Scanners

Checking out books and other materials at the BookMobile just got a whole lot easier thanks to a donation by the Friends of the Seneca Falls Library. Two sets of iPads, scanners and cases were given in memory of long-time Friends member and supporter, Ann Cramer, who passed away last year. These iPads and accessories replace older versions which were beginning to experience problems.

Computers

Thanks to a bequest from the Philip G. Plummer estate, 16 new computers have been purchased for public use. These computers are replacing those in the main corridor that have been in operation since 2014.

Pictured: Rex Helwig and Eric Franks from the Finger Lakes Library System’s Computer Network Services install the new computers and software.

Welcome, Aaron!

Welcome to our newest staff member, Aaron D’Agostino. Aaron came on board in June and took over the position of Library Clerk. Aaron has lived in Seneca Falls for seven years. He says that he likes his job because it makes him feel more connected to the community, plus he enjoys working with kids. Aaron is married to Caitlin D’Agostino with whom he has two young children.

Be sure to say “hi” and give a warm welcome to Aaron next time you check out a book!
Genealogy Classes

Would you like to research your family history but do not know where to start? Classes will be offered for the absolute beginner.

**Thursday, November 7 @ 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM**
Explore Your Heritage:
Family History for Beginners

**Thursday, November 21 @ 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM**
Document Detective:
Investigating Census records and City Directories

Contact the library at (315) 568-8265 x2 to register!