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Basket Walk

Tickets for the 2020 Basket Walk are available for purchase at the Seneca Falls Library. Buy a ticket and place it into any basket you choose for a chance to win that basket. A flyer showing all the baskets is available online or when picking up books curbside. Winners will be announced in December and will be contacted by phone. All proceeds benefit the Seneca Falls Library.

$1.00 = 1 ticket or
$5.00 = 10 tickets

Library CLOSINGS:
December 24-25
Library will close at 1:00 PM on 12/24
Christmas

December 31 - January 1
Library will close at 1:00 PM on 12/31
New Years

Library hours and services may fluctuate due to New York State and local Covid regulations as well as library staffing. Please see our website and Facebook for the most up-to-date information. Online programming and services will continue as normal.

Special thanks to the businesses and patrons that donated baskets:
Century 21 Steve Davoli Real Estate
Chemung Canal Trust Company
CV Designs Boutique
Generations Bank
Geneva Historical Society
The Leo Family
Littlejohn and Barbi Orthodontics
The Mack Family
Pleasant Gardens
Seneca Office Products

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Providing Guidance

You’re probably aware of many of the people who make your library experience a positive one. There are those who serve in full view and others who perform necessary duties but are behind-the-scenes. The 13 members of the Board of Trustees are such individuals. These volunteers give their time, knowledge and skill to provide leadership and guidance to the library.

Members are elected by the Board at the Annual Meeting each June and serve a four-year term, with a maximum of three terms. Besides contributing their thoughts and opinions during the general monthly meeting, each Board Trustee also serves on a committee: Building & Grounds, Policy & Ethics, Strategic Planning & Finance, Audit, Personnel, or Fundraising.

2020-2021 SFL Board of Trustees:

President – Martin Toombs
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What does the Board do?

In general, the role of the board is to govern the library, adopt policies, make organizational budgeting decisions, oversee general management of the library, determine the library’s mission and vision, and hire and supervise the Library Director.

Whereas the day-to-day operations of the library falls in to the domain of the Library Director, broader decisions and adoption of policies are made by the Board.

Meetings

The Board of Trustees meets on the Third Monday of each month at 5:30 PM in the large, Josephine Littlejohn conference room. In recent months, meetings have taken place on Zoom due to Covid restrictions.

The public is welcome to attend the monthly meeting. Minutes are available on the library’s website. Contact Library Director, Jenny Burnett, to arrange to join Zoom calls.

If you are interested in serving on the Seneca Falls Library Board of Trustees, contact the Library Director for an application. Board elections will take place on June 21, 2021.
## Upcoming Events

Check out what’s happening through your library!

### December

**DIY Pet Care for the Family**
Friday, December 4
7:00 PM

Show your pet how much you love them by making a special holiday treat (the perfect pet stocking stuffer!) and paw balm. The balm will help to protect and heal their paws from winter drying and cracking.

This program is virtual and will be presented on Zoom. You must preregister by contacting Sabrina Hoster at shostersfl@gmail.com. Materials are supplied by the library but must be picked up curbside.

Join us for future pet care programs on:
- Friday, January 8 @ 7:00 PM
- Friday, February 5 @ 7:00 PM

**Christmas Crafting with Teens**
Thursday, December 10
7:00 PM

Your teen (grades 6 and up) is invited to join us on Zoom to create Christmas presents that are appropriate to give as gifts! The teens will make Gingerbread-scented body lotion, mint sugar scrub, Yardzee game pieces, a no-sew rice heating pad, and painted cork coasters.

All materials are supplied by the library but must be picked up curbside.

Register by email at smathewson@senecafallslibrary.org

### January

**Paper Quilling**
Tuesday, January 19
7:00 PM

Discover the art of Paper Quilling! Adults and Teens in grades 6 and up will create beautiful snowflakes by coiling and shaping paper.

Materials will be supplied by the library but must be picked up curbside. The program will be presented on Zoom.

Contact Suzanne Mathewson at smathewson@senecafallslibrary.org to register.

**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!

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**February**

**Share the Love:**
**Teen Card Making**
Tuesday, February 9
7:00 PM

Create a homemade Valentine’s Day card to give to a friend or someone special. These unique and personalized cards will be sure to please!

For teens in grades 6 and up. The program will take place using the Zoom app. Materials will be supplied by the library but must be picked up curbside. Contact Suzanne Mathewson at smathewson@senecafallslibrary.org to register.

**Chinese New Year**
Thursday, February 11
4:00 PM

Celebrate the Year of the Ox as your family learns more about Chinese traditions and culture. Join us on Zoom as Miss Tara reads stories followed by crafts that you do at home.

Craft supplies will be provided by the library but must be picked up curbside. Preregistration is required by contacting Tara Montoney at tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org.
**Kid / Family Programs**

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**Zoom-A-Story**
Every Wednesday @ 10:00 AM
Stories for newborns to age 6
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Christmas Crafternoon**
Thursday, December 3 @ 4:00 PM
Holiday-themed crafts
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**DIY Pet Care for the Family**
Friday, December 4 @ 7:00 PM
Friday, January 8 @ 7:00 PM
Friday, February 5 @ 7:00 PM
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shostersfl@gmail.com

**Literary Legos**
Monday, December 7 @ 4:00 PM
Thursday, January 7 @ 4:00 PM
Tuesday, February 23 @ 4:00 PM
Build a Lego creation based on a story
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Treasure Hunt Tuesdays**
Tuesday, December 8 @ 4:00 PM
Tuesday, December 24 @ 4:00 PM
Find treasures at home!
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Christmas Crafting with Teens**
Thursday, December 10 @ 7:00 PM
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smathewson@senecafallslibrary.org

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**Grinch Night on Zoom**
Friday, December 11 @ 7:00 PM
Story, snack and craft
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Cook-A-Book**
Monday, December 14 @ 4:00 PM
Tuesday, January 12 @ 4:00 PM
Thursday, February 25 @ 4:00 PM
Stories and themed snacks
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Junior Bookbug Club**
For kids in Grades 2-5
Mondays in January @ 7:00 PM
Book club for kids
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Stuffies & Stories**
Friday, January 15 @ 7:00 PM
Friday, February 12 @ 7:00 PM
Kids story time
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Paper Quilling**
For 6th Grade to Adult
Tuesday, January 19 @ 7:00 PM
Thursday, January 27 @ 4:00 PM
Build a Lego creation based on a story
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Crafternoon**
Thursday, January 21 @ 4:00 PM
Get creative
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

**Hearts & Crafts**
Tuesday, February 2 @ 4:00 PM
Valentine-themed crafts
tmontoney@senecafallslibrary.org

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

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**Homemade Valentines**
Monday, February 8 @ 4:00 PM
Paper crafting for kids
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**Share the Love: Teen Card Making**
Tuesday, February 9 @ 7:00 PM
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smathewson@senecafallslibrary.org

**Chinese New Year**
Thursday, February 11 @ 4:00 PM
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**You don’t need to live locally to participate in virtual programs!**
Open to all, living anywhere!
New Books

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

January

- **All the Colors of Night** by Jayne Ann Krentz
- **Twenty** by James Grippand
- **Scorpion’s Tail** by Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child
- **The Forever Girl** by Jill Shalvis
- **Pianos and Flowers** by Alexander McCall Smith
- **Before She Disappeared** by Lisa Gardner
- **The Russian** by James Patterson
- **Ink and Shadows** by Ellery Adams

February

- **Blink of an Eye** by Iris and Roy Johansen
- **Serpentine** by Jonathan Kellerman
- **The Moonlight School** by Suzanne Woods Fisher
- **Faithless in Death** by J. D. Robb
- **The Four Winds** by Kristin Hannah
- **The (Other) You** by Joyce Carol Oates
- **Calder Brand** by Janet Dailey
- **The Kaiser’s Web** by Steve Berry
- **Triple Chocolate Cheesecake Murder** by Joanne Fluke

You never know who you’ll meet when returning library books!

Snoopy enjoys the autumn winds as he pretends to be the Red Baron!

These are just a few of the books coming to the Seneca Falls Library. Stop by the Library or check out our website to discover even more titles!
Seneca Falls Library programs continue to be offered “virtually” using the Zoom app. Many programs are well-attended with 2,600 patrons having participated in online programming from March to September 2020.

Left: The Reinwald family inside their homemade fort as part of the Forts, Family, Fun program.

Right: Nolan created an edible Spooky Graveyard as part of the October, Spooky Cook-A-Book.

Left: Parker on Literary Legos using Zoom.

Right: The Reinwald family listens to Miss Tara read a book as part of Literary Legos.

Left: Miss Tara uses her smartphone to interact with kids using Zoom.

Right: Rachel and Nathanael read during Junior Bookbug club.

Thank you, parents for sharing your awesome virtual library program photos!
Around the Library

Circulation Desk

We have a new Circulation Desk! The former desk was in poor shape after 17 years of continuous use. The new desk was redesigned to allow for more storage, floor space, easier access by staff to essential equipment, and a patron book return bin which faces the door. Worn carpeting around the desk was also replaced by laminate flooring during this project. The desk was constructed by (Joe) Conte Woodworking and was funded by a New York State construction grant.

Pictured: Library clerk, Sabrina Hoster and Circulation Supervisor, Suzanne Mathewson are ready to serve.

Teen Room

The staff has reorganized the library collection during quarantine. The teen area has been moved into the small room across from the circulation desk. The teens now have their own space where they can meet, read and get creative with the 3-D printer, Cricut, and sewing machine! Thank you to Seneca Meadows for providing funding for the Maker Space equipment!

Parking Lot

The library parking lot closed and curbside services relocated for several days in September to complete much-needed work on the parking lot. The project corrected drainage issues, including changing the grade to ensure that rainwater flows off the lot and into storm drains properly. The curbs were also adjusted to better serve our patrons. The lot was resurfaced and new lines painted to give it a sharp look! Thank you to Seneca Pipe and Paving for completing the work and for a generous grant from New York State!
**Book Bundles**

We have created something new for our child and teen patrons: BOOK BUNDLES! Books with the same theme have been grouped together for a fun, new way to acquire books. The bundles will change weekly. If you see a topic you'd like, just give the library a call at 315-568-8265 and we'll get it checked out to you! Try one today!

**Current Bundles Include:**
- Monsters
- Rhyming Stories
- Counting
- Colors
- Mother Bruce
- Animals - Fiction
- Animal - Non-Fiction
- New Easy Readers
- New Junior Graphic Novels
- Stranger Things (Graphic Novels)