



Hours:
Mon to Fri 10-8
Sat 10-5
Sun 2-5

January/February

2012

*Closed Jan 1st, Jan 16th
& Feb 20th*

Special Events:

- Community Game Day - Jan 2 from 10AM to 8PM
 - Bedtime Stories - Jan 9 & 27 @ 6:30PM
 - Reading with Miss Martha - Jan 10 & Feb 7 @ 4PM
 - Bookbug Club: Antarctica - Wednesdays @ 7PM beginning Jan 11
 - Craftastic Morning - Jan 16 & Feb 4 @ 10AM
 - Chinese New Year Celebration - Jan 23 @ 6:30PM
 - Rochester Legends - Feb 4 @ 2PM
 - Bedtime Stories - Feb 6 & 17 @ 6:30PM
 - Seneca Falls Reads - Feb 7 @ 7PM
 - Family Game Night - Feb 10 @ 5PM
 - Bookbug Club: Puppy Place - Mondays @ 7PM beginning Feb 13
 - Kids Reading to Kids with Miss Martha - Feb 18 @ 10:30AM
 - Red Cross Ready with Miss Martha - Feb 24 @ 6:30PM
- ### Regular Events:
- Knit Club - Tuesdays @ 10:30AM
 - Preschool Story Times - Wednesdays @ 10AM
 - Red Tent Book Discussion - 1st Tuesdays @ 7PM
 - Card Making - 2nd Thursdays @ 9:30AM
 - Genealogy Club - 3rd Thursdays @ 11AM
 - Youth Stamp Club - 3rd Saturdays @ 10AM

Community Game Day

What will you do with your last day of Christmas vacation? Come play with us! On **Monday, January 2nd from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM** we'll have board games, card games and puzzles of all kinds, plus a bit of Wii and PS2. All ages and their families are welcome. Drop in anytime. Snacks and drinks provided.

Games * Snacks * Family * Fun!

Reading with Miss Martha

Everyone knows that dogs are the best listeners! Kids can practice reading with a lovable, furry friend on **Tuesdays, January 10th and February 7th from 4:00 to 5:00 PM.**

Miss Martha is an experienced reading companion who loves to hear stories! We'll be scheduling readers for 10-minute sessions. Registration required.



Keep an eye out for Miss Martha at some of our other programs!

Craftastic Mornings

Join us for fun family crafts on **Monday, January 16th at 10:00 AM.**
NOTE: The library (and school!) will be closed for MLK Day, but we're opening up the meeting room for this special program!

And don't miss our Valentine "hearts and crafts" on
Saturday, February 4th at 10:00 AM.

Please register for both sessions. All ages welcome!

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What do puppies and Antarctica have in common? Bookbugs!

Kids in grades 2-4 are invited to join Miss Tara on **Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:00 PM from January 11th through February 22nd** for some reading and activities from *Can You Survive...Antarctica?*

There will be no Club on Spelling Bee nights, January 18th and February 15th.

We'll be starting another session on **Mondays from 7:00 - 8:00 PM from February 13th through March 19th** with a selection from the *Puppy Place* series.



For kids in 2nd, 3rd & 4th grades.

Please register for each group separately.

Chinese New Year Celebration

Ring in the Chinese New Year on **Monday, January 23rd at 6:30 PM.**

We'll be celebrating the Year of the Dragon with crafts, activities and light refreshments.



Bedtime Stories

Come dressed in your jammies for these special family story times to get you ready for bed. Teddy bears and other bedtime companions welcome!

January:

Monday the 9th & Friday the 27th

February:

Monday the 6th & Friday the 17th

@ 6:30 PM

Youth Stamp Club for 3rd through 8th Graders

How can you combine geography, history, travel and art all in one hobby? Investigate stamps! Jim Snow of the Finger Lakes Stamp Club will lead a Youth Stamp Club at the library beginning on **Saturday, January 21st from 10:00 to 11:30 AM.**

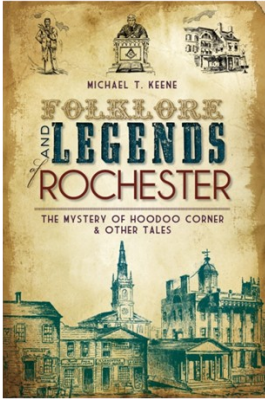
Every meeting will feature a Kiloware (stamps are dumped on a table and you can search for the stamps you need). These stamps will be free to add to your "My Stamp Album" that you'll get with your first visit.



Meetings will be held the 3rd Saturday of the month (no meetings in July and August). Please register.



Folklore and Legends of Rochester with Michael Keene



Join author and documentary filmmaker Michael Keene on **Saturday, February 4th at 2:00 PM** for a fascinating discussion of his works on the history and mystery of Rochester.

Born from the chilly waters of Lake Ontario and the Genesee River, Rochester is the cradle of the modern spiritualist and anti-Masonic movements, as well as 7 new religious sects and communes. This unusual history has given rise to strange legends and shrouded the city in mystery.

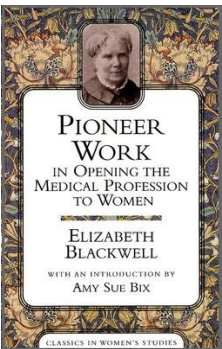
Was the corner of Main and Elm Streets - McCurdy's Department Store - cursed? Who was Captain William Morgan, and why did he suddenly disappear? What stories lie behind Rochester's first murder and the execution of William Lyman's killer? What is hoodoo, and who is the Hoodoo Doctor? Native American tales, the history of the infamous Fox sisters and the secrets of the Freemasons are woven into these and other legends of Rochester.



Books and DVDs will be available for purchase. For more info on Michael and his works, visit www.ad-hoc-productions.com. Room capacity 50.

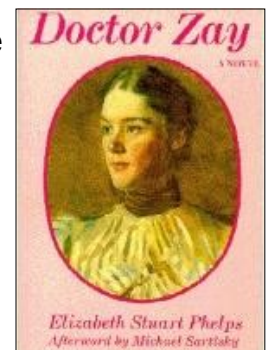
Seneca Falls Reads: Early Women Physicians

Join your neighbors in Seneca Falls in reading *Pioneer Work in Opening the Medical Profession to Women* by Elizabeth Blackwell and *Doctor Zay* by Elizabeth Stuart Phelps. We're building on last year's theme of women's lives, but reaching back to the mid-19th century and focusing on pioneering women in the medical profession. The first selection is an autobiography and the second is fiction. Dr. Sarah Berry, Visiting Assistant Professor of English at Hobart and William Smith Colleges, will lead the *Pioneer Work* discussion on **Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00 PM**. Plan to return on March 6th for *Doctor Zay*!



In 1849, Blackwell became the first woman to receive an MD from an American medical school (Geneva Medical College). *Pioneer Work* is her story of success through perseverance and personal sacrifice. During the course of her studies and professional life, she endures insults, humiliation and profound loneliness without the benefit of money, mentors or friends. She believes she is making a future possible for American women doctors, and so lets nothing stand in her way. Dr. Blackwell was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1973.

Doctor Zay, published in 1882, tells the story of a woman doctor and her male patient who falls in love with her, and the conflict between wanting a career and a family. This edition includes an essay discussing Phelps' work in an historical context.



The library will have several copies of each selection available for check out. Room capacity 50.



Red Cross Ready *with Miss Martha*

Not only does Miss Martha want kids to be great readers, she also wants them to know what to do when someone's hurt! On **Friday, February 24th at 6:30 PM**, a Red Cross volunteer will teach school-age kids basic first aid and pet safety skills with Miss Martha's help. Please register.

Family Game Night

Bring the whole family for games and snacks on **Friday, February 10th from 5:00 - 8:00 PM**. Drop in any time!

Kids Reading to Kids *with special guest Miss Martha*

Does your school-age child like to read aloud? Does your preschooler like to be read to? Then bring them to Kids Reading to Kids on **Saturday, February 18th at 10:30 AM**! This special story time will give readers a chance to practice in a low-key setting, while pre-readers can meet some great role models. Miss Martha will also join the fun. Please register.

Card Making *with Phyl Lyons*

Join local card-crafting expert Phyl Lyons on **Thursdays, January 12th and February 9th at 9:30 AM** to get creative with paper! Making your own greeting and holiday cards is a fun way to show your family and friends how much you care. Homemade cards can be as simple or as complex as you like, but they're all unique! During each session, participants will make two cards. All materials will be provided. Please register.

Annual Membership Drive to Launch in February

Here's something you may not know about the Seneca Falls Library: we're NOT a public library! We may look, act, and lend like one, but we're not funded like one. We receive about 60% of our budget from public sources (taxpayers living in the Seneca Falls School District, the Town of Seneca Falls and Seneca County), and that percentage has been steadily declining in recent years. The rest must be raised every year by the library. The most crucial avenue of support we have is our membership, the dedicated people who donate funds to the library. Being a cardholder doesn't make you a member, but donating to the library's Love the Library Membership Drive does!

Money donated to the library through the membership drive goes directly to our operating costs; it's used to buy books and other materials for the collection, to provide WiFi and dedicated Internet access and to help pay for programs for all ages.

Thank you so much for your membership support this year - we literally couldn't function without you! You'll be receiving a membership form in the mail in February, and we hope you'll choose to renew your membership then; you can use that form to send in your donation or you can give online at the library's website.

Thank you!