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## LIBRARY CLOSINGS:

**December 24 - 25**

Christmas



**December 31 - January 1**

New Years



## Spreading Cheer

Stop by the library between **December 1st to 15th** to create a holiday card.

These cards will be delivered to Seneca County residents who do not have family nearby to bring them a smile!



## Cookie Walk & Kids Holiday Market

Our annual Cookie Walk and Kids Holiday Market fundraisers will be held concurrently on **Saturday, December 2nd** from **10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**.



The **Cookie Walk** will take place on library's ground floor and will offer holiday cookies and treats for purchase. The cost is **\$8.00 per pound**.

Kids up to age 16 will have opportunity to do their shop "all by themselves" at the **Kids Holiday Market**. This popular event will take place on the 2nd floor of the library. Hundreds of items ranging in price from **.25 cents to \$15.00** will be available for kids to buy.



If you are interested in **baking cookies, volunteering, or donating new / like new merchandise** for these events, please contact Lori Stoudt by email at [lstoudt@senecafallslibrary.org](mailto:lstoudt@senecafallslibrary.org) or call (315) 568-8265 x4.

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# What's Happening

## Upcoming Events

Check out what's happening at your library!



Seneca Falls Library

### December

#### Grinch Night

Family

Tuesday, December 5

6:00 PM



Spend time with the Grinch! We'll listen to his story read aloud, have a photo-op with the Grinch and then snuggle in to watch the Grinch movie. Kids are encouraged to wear their favorite pj's for

this special night. No registration needed - just drop in!

#### Twinkle Light Yoga

Saturday, December 16

11:00 AM (Ages 4 - 8)

12:30 PM (Ages 8 - 12)

2:00 PM (ages 10 and up)



Kids will learn strategies to stay positive, stress-free and focused through yoga. Instructor, Melissa Killeleagh, RYT 500, has been practicing yoga for over 20 years and has been teaching for over 10.

### January

#### Musical Storytime with Topher

Ages

Friday, January 5

7:00 PM



Get ready for a wild and crazy musical adventure with performance artist, Topher Holt! Your kids will be up dancing, jumping and shouting at this unique and extra-special storytime! There is no need to register.

#### Puzzle Mania

5th grade to Adults

Saturday, January 20

10:00 AM



Kid's Edition: Grades 1 - 5

Friday, February 9

3:30 PM

So, you think you're good at piecing together jigsaw puzzles? Put your skills to the test! Kids will compete to see who can mix and match pieces the best. Registration is required.

"A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never failing spring in the desert."

—Andrew Carnegie

### February

#### Hearts & Crafts

Family

Monday, February 5

3:30 PM

Bring the whole family for a fun-filled afternoon of Valentine "hearts and crafts" at the library! Stations will be set up with several different heart and Valentine-themed craft projects that kids can bring home to keep or give to a loved one. Registration is required.



#### Love You To Pizzas

Cook-A-Book

Kids

Thursday, February 29

3:30 PM



Pizza... We all love it. Hear a story or two and then create snacks! Registration is required.

#### Chinese New Year celebration

Family

Saturday, February 10

11:00 AM

Celebrate the Year of the Dragon during our annual Chinese New Year Celebration! Bring the whole family to listen to stories relating to Chinese culture. Create fun crafts and sample foods from a local Chinese restaurant. No registration is required.



# New Titles

## New Books

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

### December

#### Our Cursed Love

by Julie Abe

#### The Ruined

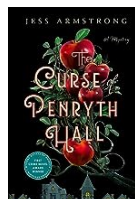
by Renee Ahdieh

#### The Curse of Penryth Hall

by Jess Armstrong

#### Bonfire Night

by Anna Bliss

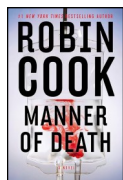


#### The Wonder of It All

by Barbara Taylor Bradford

#### Manner of Death

by Robin Cook



#### Meet the Benedettos

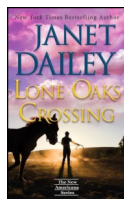
by Katie Cotugno

#### Loan Oaks Crossing

by Janet Dailey

#### The Gentleman's Gambit

by Evie Dunmore



#### The Other Mothers

by Katherine Faulkner

#### Five Bad Deeds

by Caz Frear

#### On the Plus Side

by Jenny L. Howe

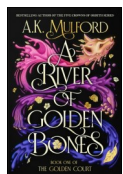


#### Every Time You Go Away

by Abigail Johnson

#### Yours for the Taking

by Gabrielle Korn



#### Everywhere an Oink Oink

by David Mamet

#### A River of Golden Bones

by A. K. Mulford

#### Two Dead Wives

by Adele Parks

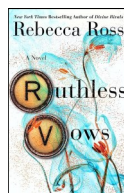
### December

#### This Spells Love

by Kate Robb

#### Ruthless Vows

by Rebecca Ross



#### Raiders of the Lost Heart

by Jo Segura

#### Vacation House

by Jane Shemilt

#### Here in the Dark

by Alexis Soloski



#### This Cursed Light

by Emily Thiede

#### Seven Minutes in Candyland

by Brian Wasson



### January

#### Light of the Fire

by Sarahlyn Bruck

#### Mercury

by Amy Jo Burns

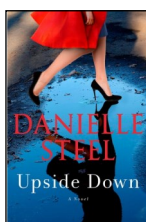


#### The Mayor of Maxwell Street

by Avery Cunningham

#### Goodbye Girl

by James Grippando



#### The Night Island

by Jayne Ann Krentz

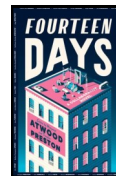
#### Holmes, Marple and Poe

by James Patterson

#### Upside Down

by Danielle Steel

### February



#### Fourteen Days

by Margaret Atwood

#### The Atlas Maneuver

By Steve Berry

#### Three-Inch Teeth

by C. J. Box



#### Infinity Alchemist

by Kacen Callender

#### Heartless Hunter

by Kristen Ciccarelli

#### Supercommunicators

by Charles Duhigg

#### The Boyfriend

by Michelle Frances



#### The Last One

by Rachel Howzell Hall



#### The Women

by Hannah Kristin

#### Bride

by Ali Hazelwood

#### Anyone Who Can Forgive Me Is Dead

by Jenny Hollander

#### The Fortune Seller

by Rachel Kapelke-Dale

#### The Ghost Orchid

by Jonathan Kellerman

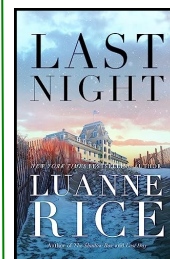


#### With a Little Luck

by Marissa Meyer

#### The Phoenix Crown

by Kate Quinn & Janie Chang



#### Last Night

by Luanne Rice

#### A Love Song for Ricki Wilde

by Tia Williams

#### The Fox Wife

by Yangsze Choo



# Mark Your Calendar

## 12th Period

Grades 6-12

School days @ 2:30 - 4:30 PM

After school program for teens



### Tree Trimming Party \*

All ages

Friday, December 1 @ 3:30 PM

Decorate the library's Christmas tree

### Kid's Holiday Market

Toddler to age 16

Saturday, December 2 @ 10 AM - 1 PM

Fundraiser. See page 1



### Cookie Walk

All

Saturday, December 2 @ 10 AM - 1 PM

Fundraiser. See page 1

### Coffee & Crafts

Adults

Sunday, December 3 & 17 @ 2:30 - 4:30

Sunday, January 7 & 21 @ 2:30 - 4:30 PM

Sunday, February 4 & 18 @ 2:30 - 4:30 PM

Relax and create



### Next Chapter Book Club \*

Teens & Adults with Disabilities

Mondays @ 10:00 AM

Book club for those with developmental challenges

### Youth Dungeons & Dragons \*

4th grade and up

Mondays @ 4:00 PM

Classic role-playing game



Junior Bookbug Club

### Junior Bookbug Club \*

Grades 2 - 5

Monday, January 8, 15, 22 & 29 @ 4:00 PM

Book club for kids



### Chess Club \*

High School and Adults

Mondays @ 6:00 PM

Chess plus strategy

# Calendar of Events

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

### Tales with Trevor

Children

Tuesdays @ 3:30 PM

Kids read to a friendly dog



### Storytime

Young children

Wednesdays @ 10:00 AM

Stories for young children

### Kid's Chess Club \*

Grades 1 - 8

Wednesdays @ 4:30 PM

(Except when school is out.)

Learn to play chess plus strategy



### Adult Dungeons & Dragons \*

Adults

Wednesdays @ 6:00 PM (Group A)

Thursdays @ 6:00 PM (Group B)

Adults-only role-playing game



### Polar Express Night

Families

Tuesday, December 5 @ 6:00 PM

Book, movie and the Conductor

### Christmas Around the World \*

Grades 1 - 6

Thursday, December 7 @ 3:30 PM

Christmas in different countries. Food and crafts.



### Teen Manga Club \*

Ages 13 - 18

Thursday, December 7 & 21 @ 4:00 PM

Thursday, January 4 & 18 @ 4:00 PM

Thursday, February 1, 15 & 29 @ 4:00 PM

Manga and graphic novels

### Mario-Kart Championship\*

Grades 6 - 12

Friday, December 8 @ 5:00 PM

See page 8



### Language Café

Teens & Adults

Saturday, December 9 @ 12:00 PM

Saturday, January 6 @ 12:00 PM

Saturday, February 3 @ 12:00 PM

Practice conversing in other languages



### 3D Print Club \*

4th grade to adult

Saturday, December 9 @ 1:00 PM

Saturday, January 6 @ 1:00 PM

Saturday, February 3 @ 1:00 PM

Working with library 3D printer

### Mini Model Painting

All ages

Saturday, December 9 @ 3:00 PM

Saturday, January 6 @ 3:00 PM

Saturday, February 3 @ 3:00 PM

Paint miniature figures and models



### Club Cricut \*

All ages

Tuesday, December 12 @ 5:30

Create using a Cricut cutting machine

### Crochet Club

All ages

Tuesday, December 12 @ 6:30 PM

Tuesday, January 9 & 23 @ 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 6 & 20 @ 6:30 PM

Crochet tips and techniques

### Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, December 14 @ 11:30 - 4:30

Support your community. Donate blood.



### Twinkle Light Yoga \*

Saturday, December 16 @ 11:00 (Ages 4-8)

Saturday, December 16 @ 12:30 (Ages 8-12)

Saturday, December 16 @ 2:00 (Ages 10+)

Yoga, an activity and meditation. See page 2.



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# Mark Your Calendar

## Literary Legos \*

Grade 2 and up

**Monday, December 18 @ 3:30 PM**

**Thursday, January 18 @ 3:30 PM**

**Thursday, February 15 @ 3:30 PM**

Build a Lego creation based on a story



## Songwriting \*

Teens and Adults

**Tuesday, December 19 @ 5:30 PM**

Skill development



## Grinch Night

Families

**Tuesday, December 19 @ 6:00**

Book, movie and the Grinch

## Stories & Signs \*

Age 6 and older

Must have a participating adult

**Wed., December 20 @ 6:45 PM**

American Sign Language for kids



## Musical Storytime with Topher

All ages

**Friday, January 5 @ 7:00 PM**

See page 2

## Snowy Crafts

All ages

**Thursday, January 11 @ 3:30 PM**

Themed crafts

## Yoga Adventures \*

Grades K - 3

**Friday, January 12 @ 3:30 PM**

**Saturday, February 3 @ 10:00 AM**

Story, craft and Cosmic Kids Yoga video



## The Magical Yet \*

Grades 2 - 5

**Monday, January 15 @ 10:00 AM**

Story, craft, dance party

## Pokémon Hangout \*

Ages

**Friday, January 19 @ 4:00 PM**

Manga, games and trading card exchange



## Bedtime Stories \*

Via Zoom

All ages

**Friday, January 19 @ 7:00 PM**

**Friday, February 2 @ 7:00 PM**

Getting kids ready for bed



## Puzzle Mania\*

**Sat., Jan. 20 @ 10:00 AM** (6th grade - Adults)

**Friday, Feb. 9 @ 3:30 PM** (Grades 1 - 5)

Timed jigsaw puzzle competition

## Polar Bear Cook-A-Book \*

Kids

**Thursday, January 25 @ 3:30 PM**

Stories and themed snacks



## Tasting Around the World \*

4th grade to Adult

at Simply Homemade

**Friday, January 26 @ 5:00 PM**

**Friday, February 23 @ 5:00 PM**

Experience international cooking



## Family Movie Night

All ages

**Friday, January 26 @ 6:00 PM**

**Friday, February 16 @ 6:00 PM**

Popcorn and a movie



## Super Smash Bros. Tournament \*

Ages

**Friday, February 2 @ 5:00 PM**

See page 8



## Chinese New Year Celebration

All ages

**Saturday February 10 @ 11:00 AM**

See page 2

## Love You to Pizzas Cook-A-Book \*

Kids

**Thursday, February 29 @ 3:30 PM**

Themed stories and snacks



## SAVE THE DATE

### Winter Splash Party

Cold water plunge fundraiser

**Saturday, March 9, 2024**  
Noon plunge  
Cayuga Lake State Park

All proceeds benefit the  
Seneca Falls Library

## Winter Weather



Severe weather may delay the library opening so that we can clear the parking lot, or close us down for the day. Before heading out during a snowstorm, be sure to call ahead to ensure that the Seneca Falls Library is open. We will make every effort to post library closings onto our website and Facebook pages.





Board Trustee,  
Kelly Redder, enjoys a  
sunflower bouquet

# PUMPKINS *After Dark*



The Finger Lakes Community  
College drama club made the book  
*Pumpkin Trouble* come to life during  
book walks.



Trevor welcomed guests  
and had fun too.



Vendors, including Xavier from  
Café 19, sold autumn goods.

**The library's first annual  
Pumpkins After Dark  
fundraiser was a great  
success. A book walk,  
chicken barbecue, game  
area, vendors, raffle,  
movie and more  
brought out more than  
300 people.**



Staff member, Malinda Cross,  
painted faces.



Volunteers sold barbecue dinners as  
prepared by K&R Catering.



The most anticipated raffle  
prize was a 3,772 Spiderman  
Lego set, won by Andrew Pye.



*Special thanks to the  
Bonafiglia Family Foundation,  
volunteers, guests and sponsors!*





# Around the Library

## Welcome, Ashley!

We are excited to welcome our newest team member, Ashley Turner! Ashley grew up in Waterloo and is the daughter of another library employee, Lou Shafer. She enjoys drawing and "doing anything crafty" - skills which will certainly be put to good use at the library! Ashley is a wife and a mother to two young children. She can now be seen at the library in the late afternoons and at night as she was hired as the full-time, evening clerk. The staff extends a warm welcome and looks forward to getting to know Ashley better. We encourage you to drop by the circulation desk and say hello!



## Helping Others

You may notice occasional appeals to our patrons to drop off items at the library. The Seneca Falls Library often shows its support of the community by working together with local charitable organizations. We serve as a collection center and they distribute items to those facing tough times.

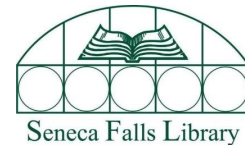


In October, the library collected new socks and underwear which was donated to the Seneca County Children's Committee to give to local children in need. Each year, the library is a collection point for school supplies which are then given to the United Way of Seneca County. In December, we will be supplying materials to create cards and notes which will be sent to residents of Mosaic and local nursing homes.

Keep an eye on the library's Facebook page for your opportunity to help your neighbors.

*"The library is like clearly my favorite place on earth!"*

~Recent quote from  
Harrison Sinicropi (age 7)

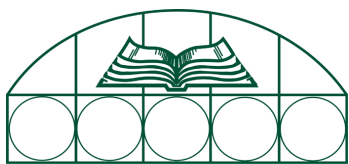


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I would like to receive the library's newsletter:  
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### Library Hours

Monday through Friday, 10 AM - 8 PM  
Saturday, 10 AM - 5 PM  
Sundays, 2 PM - 5 PM

### Contact Us

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- x1 Hours of Operation
- x2 Circulation Desk
- x3 Library Director
- x4 Administrative Assistant
- x5 Youth Services Coordinator

## 'Tweens / Teens Gaming



### Mario-Kart 8 Tournament

Friday, December 8  
5:00 PM

Do you have what it takes to be a Mario Kart champion? Find out as the library hosts twelve 150cc races. One competitor will prove themselves the master of the game! Joy-cons only. Pizza and soda provided. For grades 5 - 12. Registration required.

### Pokémon Hangout

Friday, January 19  
4:00 PM



Partake in all things Pokémon! Read official Pokémon manga. Bring your playing cards and games to link up with friends to trade, battle and more. All ages are welcome. Registration required.



### Super Smash Bros. Tournament

Friday, February 2  
5:00 PM

Here's the ultimate Super Smash Bros. double eliminations tournament! Play against your friends to see who will reign above all. The first place winner will receive a prize and unlimited bragging rights! For ages 10 and up. Registration required.