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Flower Memorial Library Newsletter

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Photo of our "Unconsciousness" statue, located in our Rotunda on the Main Floor.



Our Summer Reading Program is in full swing! For every hour you read, you earn one prize entry. To learn more about our *Fire & Fantasy with Roswell* Summer Reading Program, contact our librarians!

For children (ages 0-12): Mrs. Jamie jlaplaca@ncls.org or 315-785-7709

For teens (ages 12-18): Mrs. Ashley M. amorrison@ncls.org or 315-785-7714

For adults (ages 18+): Ms. Amanda atehonica@ncls.org or 315-785-7715

Early Literacy Information

Farmers Market Story Time

For all ages and abilities
Presented by: Jamie
Outside on the Library's Side Lawn at 10:30am
Every Wednesday

Nothing says summer like an outdoor story time! Join Mrs. Jamie every Wednesday throughout the summer for a story time on the lawn. We'll read stories, dance, sing, and have some silly fun.

Note: Join us in the Children's Room if there's inclement weather!

Toddler Painting



For ages 0-5
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10:30am
Friday July 11: Seashell
Friday July 25: Pufferfish

Join us for some fun process painting! Our first process painting will involve using sponges to create paper plate seashells. Our second process painting will involve using sponges and paper plates to create a pufferfish.

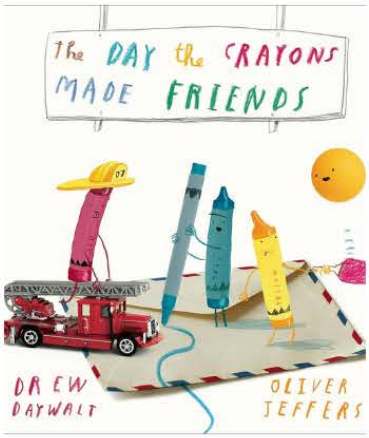
Music and Movement

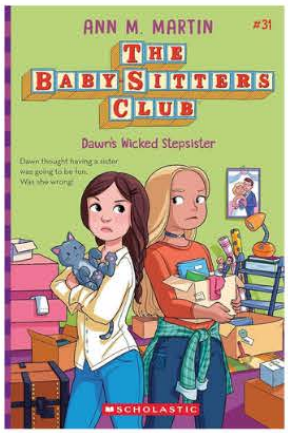
For ages 0-5
Facilitated by: Jamie with Guest Sarah Wolfe
Children's Room at 10:30am
Monday July 21

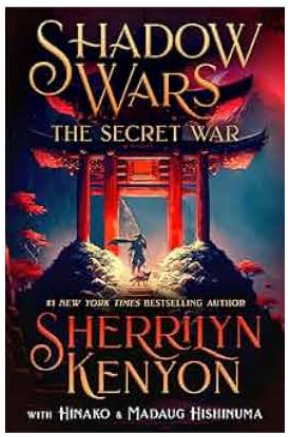
Does your child like to sing, dance, or just wiggle around? If so, come join guest Sarah Wolfe for a fun music and movement program! Music and Movement is a joyful and interactive music program that encourages little ones to get their bodies moving, their voices singing, and to make some beautiful noise. The session includes a sing-along with Sarah playing the ukulele.

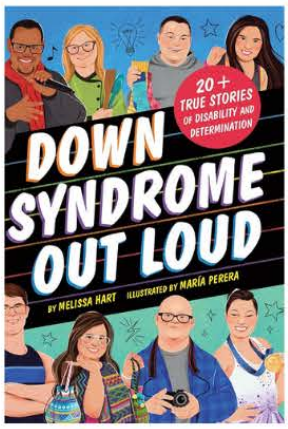
New in our Children's Room!











Events for Kids, Tweens, and Teens

Note: If you are 18-years-old and still attend high school, you may attend teen events.

Kids & Tween Take & Make Crafts

For ages 3-12
Presented by: Jamie
Circulation Desk at 9am
Saturday July 5

On one Saturday of each month, grab a craft kit to make with your little ones!
This month: Feather Necklaces

Note: Limit of 1 kit per child on a first come, first served basis. No reservation option.

Kids & Tween Art Club



For ages 6-12
Facilitated by: Suzie
(with guest Shalaina Thompson)
Children's Room at 4pm
Friday July 11

Get messy and explore the world of art!
Projects will be announced at the start of each event.

Teen Open Gaming



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space from 4pm - 5pm
Every Friday EXCEPT 7/4

Stop by Fridays for videogames, board games, and a snack!

Note: Limited to 12 participants. First come, first served.

Birding with Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust



For youth of all ages
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10am
Saturday July 12

Let's learn about and celebrate our feathered friends! We'll talk about what makes birds different from other animals, share some bird identification and birding tips, play a little bird bingo, and go for a neighborhood bird walk to look and listen for birds nearby. Our time together will feature hands-on activities from the Tug Hill Explorer Bird Backpack, available for check out right here at the library!

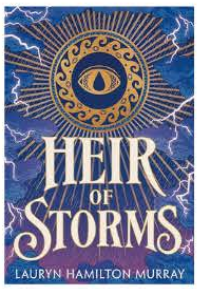
You can bring your own binoculars or use one of our extra pairs for the program. Participants are strongly encouraged to add Cornell Lab of Ornithology's free eBird (checklist keeper) and/or Merlin (bird ID) apps to their smart phones prior to the program. Make sure to download the northeast U.S. bird pack from the apps' settings menus.

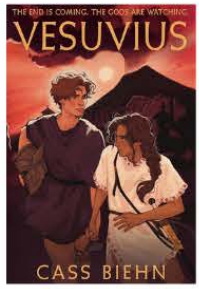
Note: Registration is strongly encouraged. You can register on our website at flowermemoriallibrary.org. Just find the event on our calendar of events and follow the instructions.



New in our Teen Space!











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Big Blue Blocks

For ages 3-12
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 6pm
Tuesday July 15

Let's build! Join us for a fun night of building with our library system's Big Blue Block Builder Set. Build a house, race course, or anything else you can think of! The blocks will be left in the Children's Room for children to come and play with during the specified time. No directions or instructions will be provided – just use your imagination and build!

Candy Sushi



For ages 8-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Future Makerspace at 10am
Saturday July 19

Using gummy candies, rice crispy treats, and other delicious sweets, you'll get to make (and eat!) your own sushi-inspired masterpieces.

Note: No registration required. First come, first served.

Teen Book Display Brigade



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space from 4pm - 5pm
Thursday July 24

Are you creative – looking for a volunteer opportunity – a total bookworm? Then join our Book Display Brigade! Channel your inner designer and help make a book display for the Teen Space. Participants gain 1 hour of volunteer time for attendance.

Teen Snack & Craft: DIY Potions



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space at 6pm
Wednesday July 30

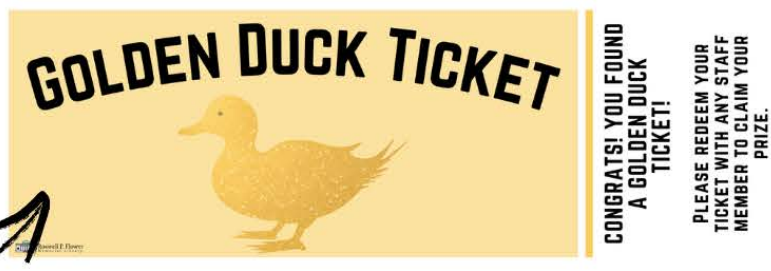
Let's get crafty! Create your own magical potion in a jar! Potions and jars are customizable! Potions are for decoration only. All supplies and snacks will be provided.

Note: Limit of 10 participants. First come, first served.

The Golden Quack Quest

Don't forget to try to find golden duck tickets! Staff will be hiding golden duck tickets around the building. Anyone who finds a ticket gets a stuffed duck toy! Simply hand the ticket to any staff member to claim your prize.

Look for these tickets around the building! Any age can redeem a ticket. Only one ticket redemption per person.



Information for Both Youth & Adults

We will be closed Friday, July 4 for Independence Day.
We reopen on Saturday, July 5 at 9am.



Library Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Suzie
Future Makerspace at 4pm
Tuesday July 8

The Board of Trustees monthly meeting is held in the library's Future Makerspace. Meeting documents are listed on the library's website.

LEGO Club

For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Suzie & Guest Jack Falge
Community Room at 4pm
Thursday July 17



Come build with us! Themed builds will be announced at each event.

Food Budget Hacks with Cornell Cooperative Extension



For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Community Room at 11am
Saturday July 26

Join Taylor Rollins, SNAP-Ed Nutrition Educator, as we put fruits and vegetables to the test! You will learn ways to eat healthy on a budget, the reasons behind picky eating in children and how to combat this, and more! At the end of the workshop we'll make our own apple slaw, a refreshing summer treat!

Note: Cornell Cooperative Extension is an employer and educator recognized for providing equal program and employment opportunities in accordance with applicable laws.

Magical Moments with Guest Terri Lynn: A Magic Show



For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Jamie & Amanda
Outside on the Side Lawn at 5:30pm
Monday July 28

Our summer reading theme is all about dragons and fantasy, so what better way to commemorate our theme than with a magic show?! Don't worry, we won't make you watch Mrs. Jamie and Ms. Amanda attempt to do card tricks. Join your librarians and Magician Terri Lynn for a night of wonder and mystery as magic, laughter, and surprises come together for an unforgettable show! Be sure to stop in the Children's Room after the show for a fun themed craft.

Note: Some mats and blankets will be provided, but we encourage you to bring your own. If there is inclement weather, the show will be held in the Children's Room.



Events for Adults

Spice Club - Ground Coriander



For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
Circulation Desk at 9am
Tuesday July 1

Explore the world of flavor. The packet will include a spice sample, recipe cards, history of the spice, and a list of cookbooks you can check out from the library.

If you miss the kits, you can still get a peek at the recipes by visiting the homepage of our website!

DIY Video Game for Adults!



For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
Future Makerspace at 6:30pm
Wednesday July 2

Explore the world of video game creation using the library's Bloxel equipment. Characters, motions, backgrounds, and games are entirely customizable – all you need to bring is your creativity! Some computer skills are necessary for successful play, but video game skills are not.

Wednesday, July 2nd @ 6:30pm
Focus: Background and Course Creation

Wednesday, July 9th @ 6:30pm
Focus: Wrap-up and Game Play

READ Pennant Kit

For ages 18+
Presented by: Amanda
Circulation Desk at 9am
Saturday July 5

Honor a favorite pastime with a collegiate inspired pennant. Instructions, pennant, template, a chalk pastel color, and a tracker for the reading program will be provided.

Note: *Limit 1 kit per person, max of 2 if picking up for a friend!*

Paint Pour Art



For ages 18+
Presented by: Amanda
Future Makerspace at 6:15pm
Monday July 7

Bringing back a program favorite! Create a one of a kind canvas using this paint technique. All paint supplies will be provided including easel back to display your canvas panel.

Note: *Limit 15 participants. No registration option. In-person only. A lottery will be used to determine participants if necessary.*

Senior Planet: Gmail Tips and Tricks

For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
Community Room at 10am
Tuesday July 15

Go beyond sending and receiving with this hands-on workshop about Gmail features! This workshop will cover important features like spellcheck, formatting emails, searching your inbox, adding a signature, and attaching files. This session will combine demos with hands-on practice, so you'll have plenty of opportunities to ask questions and try out these features.

Note: Although the curriculum is designed for ages 55+, all ages are welcome to attend. We will not be signing up for a Gmail address in this workshop. Bring your Gmail login information with you!

Between the Covers: Romance Book Club



For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Virtual via Zoom at 6:30pm
Wednesday July 23

Let's chat about all things books and romance! At this meeting we'll discuss *Last Seen Alone* by Laura Griffin. Zoom information for this event can be found on our website event calendar.

Poetry and Prose Reading with Author Tom Catalano

For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Community Room at 2pm
Saturday July 26

Meet local author Tom Catalano and hear the stories behind his current work! Refreshments will be served. Book signing included.

The author grew up on a farm in Oswego County and served in the Army, with a tour of duty in Vietnam in 1967. Upon leaving the service, he graduated from the University of Buffalo with a BA in English. He worked in the North County paper industry for over thirty years before retiring in 2009. Currently he resides in Watertown NY with his wife, Deborah, where they enjoy their flower gardens and spending time in Maine and Florida. This is the author's third book.

Note: Contact Tom at tpcatalano@live.com.

Shrinky Dinks Kit



For ages 18+
Presented by: Amanda
Circulation Desk at 5pm
Monday July 28

Bring the magic of this retro activity into your life. Shrinky dink sheet, adhesive magnet, instructions, and a list of additional supplies needed will be included.

Note: Limit 1 kit per person, max of 2 if picking up for a friend! Available while supplies last.

Book Clubs

***The Original Library Book Club* will resume on September 8!**

Contact Amanda at 315-785-7715 to learn more!

New Service Alert!

Did you know the library now has laptops to check out?

Patrons with a North Country Library System library card in good standing can to borrow a laptop for *in-library use only*! These laptops can be used for 2 hours per day on a first come, first serve basis.
Other conditions apply.

Have questions about this new service or want to borrow a laptop? Visit our Circulation Desk to get started!



Don't forget to visit us outside on Wednesdays during the Farmers Market for our Book Sale! Prices are posted at the sale.

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