Cozy Up This Fall With The Great Giveback!

It has been said that libraries are the hearts of their communities, but that goes the other way as well—this community is truly at the heart of our library. Your continued support and patronage helps us grow each year and continue to offer new services and programs for all ages, all incomes, and all backgrounds. The books that line our shelves are wonderful, but it’s the people—those who visit and attend programs, who work here, who volunteer their time—that bring the heart of the community into our library. Thank you for all of your support throughout these years!

As we enter this season of giving, we are eager to give back to other organizations that help make our towns and neighborhoods great! We’re excited to provide plenty of opportunities to bring a smile to a neighbor’s face in the coming months. Saturday, October 21st is the annual Great Giveback, and we’ll be joining other libraries in providing numerous ways you can help support your communities, such as item drives, information sessions, fundraisers, and more! Be sure to check out www.columbiacountylibraries.org, social media, and local papers for more information.

If you and your friends or family are fans of jigsaw puzzles, be sure to register for our Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament on our website! Teams of up to 4 people will compete to see who can assemble their 750 piece puzzle the fastest and take home the grand prize! Registration is $40 per team, and all proceeds will be going to the Ghent Food Pantry.

If you’re a crafter and need to keep your hands busy, we’ve got a great project coming up for you! Grab your hooks and extra yarn, because we’re recruiting a team of crocheters to make as many granny squares as possible throughout November. We’ll get these sewn together and create beautiful afghan blankets for those in need.

Those who love to bake will have a chance to get involved as well: register on our website for our Community Cookie Exchange! Bake a large batch of cookies, drop them off at the library, and our team of volunteers will sort them into festive boxes for families visiting the Valatie Food Pantry. Cookies will be collected during open hours at the library on Tuesday, December 12th.

We’re also thrilled to be hosting another Toys for Tots drop box in our foyer this year! Every year, the US Marine Corp collects unwrapped toys for distribution to families in need. Look for the drop box in November, and bring in your gifts by December 11th.

We know first-hand how generous our patrons are, and we’re looking forward to seeing you at one of these great programs. If you’re interested in working with the library on other opportunities to give back throughout the year, be sure to speak with director Matt Pavloff to see what we can get set up.

-Matt Pavloff, Director
Book Clubs

Book Clubs meet in the Library Meeting Room. If you’d like to join a discussion, email the Library at info@kinderhooklibrary.org or call us at 518-758-6192 for more information.

Next Page Book Club

Meets on the second Tuesday at 6pm
☞ Oct. 10: A Map for the Missing by Belinda Huijuan Tang
☞ Nov. 14: The Museum of Innocence by Orhan Pamuk
☞ Dec. 12: Tom Lake by Ann Patchett

Non Fiction Book Club

Meets on the third Monday at 7:30pm
☞ Oct. 16: The Great Displacement: Climate Change and the Next American Migration by Jake Bittle
☞ Nov. 20: Africa is not a Country: Notes on a Bright Continent by Dipo Faloyin

Adults

Moving with Music
1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 6:00–7:00pm
Kinderhook resident Sandra Tolosa will be leading a new class for those who like to add some upbeat tunes to their workouts! Moving With Music is the perfect way to loosen up after a hard day’s work!

The Right to Read Film Screening
Sunday, Oct. 15 at 3:00pm
Illiteracy has been described as one of our country’s most solvable crises, and this fantastic documentary outlines some of the ways that we can tackle the issue. Come for an eye-opening screening of this film, and be sure to stick around for a group conversation.

Energy Efficiency for Your Home!
Saturday, Oct. 14 at 2:00pm
Stuyvesant Town Hall
Join us to learn about energy efficiency and heat pumps as well as NYS energy grants, financing, rebates, and incentives! Nearly any house can be made more energy efficient. With new technology and state financing, energy saving improvements may be more feasible than you think. Co-sponsored by the Stuyvesant Climate Smart Community Task Force.

The Borscht Belt: A History
Saturday Oct. 22 at 1:00pm
The Borscht Belt was a unique cultural phenomenon in New York history. These summer resorts played a monumental role in the development of the Hudson Valley and Jewish culture across the state. Professor and photographer Marisa Scheinfeld will be discussing the rise and fall of the Borscht Belt, sharing photos of these resorts and discussing her work with the Borscht Belt Historical Marker project to help preserve this unique slice of history.

Nature’s Best Hope
Sunday, Oct. 22 at 2:00pm
Stuyvesant Town Hall
Hear author and conservationist Doug Tallamy explain how homeowners can turn their yards into homegrown national parks that provide habitats for wildlife. Learn how you can regenerate biodiversity by planting native plants and removing invasive species. Co-sponsored by the Stuyvesant Climate Smart Community Task Force and the Stuyvesant Garden Club.

Author Talk with Phyllis Carito
Thursday, Oct. 26 at 6:00pm
We are pleased to welcome local author Phyllis Carito to discuss and read from her newest novella! More Than Making Ends Meet tells a story of camaraderie and comfort as Viviana and Kathleen meet weekly in the park to commiserate about their jobs as a
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cleaning lady and a seamstress. Books will be available for purchase
and signing.

Cookbook Club: “Treasures of the
Mexican Table”
Sunday, Oct. 29 at 4:00pm
Stuyvesant Town Hall
If you love to cook, be sure to stop by the Library and sign up
for our cookbook club! Choose a recipe and bring it down to the
Stuyvesant Town Hall for a potluck meal! This quarter, we’ll be
featuring the book Treasures of the Mexican Table by Pati Jinich.
Registration and a good appetite are required for this event.

Lest We Forget: The Great War
Friday, Nov. 10 at 5:00pm
Author and historian Dr. Michael Robbins will be at the Library in
honor of Veteran’s Day to discuss the history of World War 1 and
its far-reaching consequences. Copies of his book Lest We Forget: The
Great War will be for sale and signing.

Beginners Knitting Course
with Mandy
Tuesdays, Nov. 28, Dec. 12, and Dec. 26 at 6:30pm
Registration Required
Have you ever wanted to learn to knit? Let
seasoned knitter AND Kinderhook Library
librarian Mandy show you the way! You’ll be making cozy knits by
the library fireplace in no time! Materials will be provided.

Candlelight Night
Friday, Dec. 8 from 6:00-8:00pm
Regardless of the weather outside, our fire will be so delightful
this Candlelight Night! Be sure to take a break from your winter
wanderings and visit us at the Library for a blazing fire and the
festive stylings of Cliff and Friends, featuring
Kaitlyn Fay! There will also be drop in activities for
children and teens, and the Friends of the Library
will be providing refreshments.

Children

Play Group
Fridays,
Oct. 6 and 20,
Nov. 3 and 17,
Dec. 1, 15, and 29 from 10:30am to 12:30pm
For Ages 0-5
Join us for an unstructured play group in the Children’s Rooms. This
is an opportunity to meet new caregivers and allow your child to
play and socialize! A craft will also be available at the tables in the
Children’s Room.

Yoga Storytimes with Sharon Jensen
Friday, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8 at 10:30am
This program, previously held at the Stuyvesant Town Hall, will take
place at the library.
We’re back with our popular Yoga Storytimes with Sharon Jensen!
Babies, toddlers, pre-k and school aged kiddos can join us for stories,
movement, and a craft! Bring a yoga mat if you have one!

Take Home Craft Kits
New craft on the third week of each month
Each month a new take-home craft kit will be available for pick up
at the library! Check our website and Facebook for which unique
project we will have available!

Crafts in the Kids Room
New craft monthly
For one week a month we’ll feature a new craft
for you to do during your visit to the children’s
room! Supplies will be available on an ongoing
basis during the week.

Paramedic Storytime
Thursday, Oct. 5 at 1:00pm
Join us and an EMT from the Valatie Rescue Squad as we talk all
about what it’s like to be a paramedic! You will get a chance to see
the inside of an ambulance and talk about some of the gear that
paramedics use in their jobs saving lives!

Cyanotyping Art Project
Monday, Oct. 9 at 12:00pm
Have you ever heard of cyanotyping? It’s a way of using the sun to
create beautiful blue silhouettes of nature! Along with Jenifer Rosete
from the Columbia Land Conservancy, we will preserve bits of
nature that we collect along the library grounds to create beautiful
bright blue works of art to hang on your wall.
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Minecraft Your Craft with author Nick Eliopulos
Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 6:00pm
Do you like Minecraft and other video games? Do you want to write adventure stories? Nick will talk about how he looks to games for inspiration when writing his books, he’ll discuss how Minecraft provides the perfect “building blocks” for exciting stories, and he’ll provide you with a “crafting formula” for creating characters to populate your own stories!

Firefighters Storytime
Friday, Nov. 10 at 1:00pm
Stuyvesant Town Hall
We’ll be joined by members of the Stuyvesant Fire Department for the second in our First Responders Storytime Series! They’ll be talking to us about fire safety and showing off the gear they use to fight fires (including a fire truck!)

Slime Time at the Library
Friday, Nov. 24 & Dec. 29 at 1:00pm
School’s out! That means it’s time to get messy and make some seasonally themed SLIME with lots of fun mix-ins. Join in on the fun during Thanksgiving and Christmas break and we’ll take care of the mess!

Fairy Houses
Friday, Nov. 24 at 4:00pm
We’ll be making earthy and whimsical Fairy-scapes to attract these magical creatures to our backyards!

Teen Advisory Board
Grades 7-12
Tell us what to do! Earn community service hours by helping us improve the Library for teens! TAB advises on resources at the Library and helps plan programs like the Haunted Library, game nights, cooking experiments, and more. Joining is easy; just stop by any one of our meetings! Contact Emily for more information!
Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 4:00-5:00pm
Thursday, Oct. 26 at 6:00-7:00pm
Tuesday, Nov. 7 at 4:00-5:00pm
Thursday, Nov. 30 at 6:00-7:00pm
Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 4:00-5:00pm

Tween Advisory Group
Grades 5-8
Middle Schoolers: volunteer at the library by helping us create and run events for tweens! TAG volunteers meet monthly to plan and enjoy events with fellow middle schoolers. Joining is easy; just stop by a meeting and see what we can do!
Friday, Oct. 20 at 4:00-5:00pm
Friday, Nov. 10 at 4:00-5:00pm
Friday, Dec. 15 at 4:00-5:00pm

Tween Readers Book Club
Friday, Oct. 6 at 4:00pm - Lalani of the Distant Sea by Erin Entrada Kelly
Friday, Dec. 1 at 4:00pm - The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl by Stacy McAnulty
Middle schoolers: if you like books and snacks, this is the club for you! Read with us this fall at our revamped middle school book club!

Nerf Humans vs. Zombies
Saturday, Nov. 18 from 4:00-6:00pm
Grades 7-12
The zombie apocalypse is upon us! Join us for an evening to battle the shambling undead! Bring your friends and Nerf guns if you have them!

Gingerbread...HousesP
Sunday, Dec. 17 from 1:00-2:00pm
Grades 5-12
TAB’s prompt was “gingerbread houses, but wrong.” We don’t know what that means either, but whatever it is, at least they’ll be tasty! No registration required, but please inform the library of any allergies by Dec. 12 if you plan to attend.
Friends Celebrate the Fall and Early Winter

The rest of the year is a busy time for the Friends, as we expect it is for you too. Highlights of our upcoming activities are below. We hope to see you at an event, closing out a busy 2023!

September
❖ The Friends hosted our popular Fall Book Sale and Member Preview Party.
❖ Voting for the 2023-2024 Council and Budget took place. View the Council leadership and budget by visiting the Friends at: http://kinderhook-library.org/friends-home/friends-slate-budget/

October
❖ National Friends of Libraries Week is a highlight of this month. This event, taking place from October 15-21, 2023 recognizes Friends organizations across the country. During this time the Friends will hold an event at the Kinderhook Library acknowledging our strong community support. Look for announcements about this and many other Friends activities by visiting and following us on social media. Facebook and Instagram: kinderhooklibrary-friends.
❖ Start or continue participation in CLYNK. This program provides fundraising support for the Friends and helps keep deposit cans and bottles out of the trash. Look for free CLYNK bags in the bin outside the front door of the Library.

November
❖ Election Day is on November 7. Don’t forget to turn over the ballot to consider the propositions that appear there.
❖ The New York Library Association (NYLA) holds its annual conference. The Friends of the Kinderhook Memorial Library are members of this organization and not only attend the annual conference but have represented FOKML on the NYLA governing board. This allows the Friends to share with and learn from other Friends groups across the State.

December
❖ As we close out 2023, the Friends celebrate the Library and our community during Candlelight Night, December 8. This year there will be music at the Library, goodie bags, holiday-themed centerpieces being sold by the Garden Club and a new event with books!
❖ Look for Social Media announcements on upcoming Book Collections as you wrap up the year and get ready for 2024!

Become a Friend of the Kinderhook Memorial Library

INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY $25.00 ANNUALLY
 SENIOR/STUDENT $10.00 ANNUALLY
 BUSINESS $50.00 ANNUALLY

Please make your (tax deductible) check payable to Friends of the Kinderhook Memorial Library
PO Box 54, Kinderhook, NY 12106

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Main Interests
❖ BOOK SALE
❖ GROUNDS & GARDEN
❖ HOSPITALITY
❖ PUBLICITY
❖ OTHER_________________

To contact the Friends e-mail the Friends Chair, at friends@kinderhooklibrary.org


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Get Your Library Card Today!

having a library card means you can have 24-hour access, 7 days a week to the collections of 66 libraries in the Mid-Hudson Library System. Just fill out this form and bring to the library with some form of identification and proof of local residency such as:
- A driver’s license or photo ID
- An envelope or postcard recently mailed to your street address
- A utility bill that lists your street address

The minute you have your card in hand you have access to nearly 2.5 million items that you can request online. You also get HomeACCESS which links you to current magazine, newspaper and journal articles from your home, school, or office. HomeACCESS includes the New York State Online Virtual Electronic Library (NOVEL) databases. To use HomeACCESS, visit the library’s website (kinderhooklibrary.org), click on Online Research, enter the 14-digit barcode from your library card—and you’re in!

Library Card Application

LAST NAME: FIRST NAME: MIDDLE INITIAL:

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:
ADDRESS 1:
ADDRESS 2:
CITY/TOWN:
STATE: ZIP:
TOWNSHIP:

HOME PHONE: WORK PHONE:
E-MAIL: I PREFER TO BE CONTACTED BY EMAIL.

MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):
ADDRESS 1:
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BIRTH MONTH: BIRTH DAY: BIRTH YEAR:

I understand that I will be responsible for all use made of my library card.

SIGNATURE DATE

By signing below I assume legal responsibility for my child’s (under 18 years old) loans.

PARENT’S/GUARDIAN’S SIGNATURE DATE