

## HALLOWEEN FUN FOR ALL AGES!



Pumpkins, Putt-Putt,  
and Parties!

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## INTRODUCTION TO HUMANITARIAN LAW

Thursday, December 5  
at 6:00pm



## PINHOLE CAMERAS FOR KIDS



Saturday, October 26  
at 12:00pm

## PUMPKIN SPICE READ-IN



Friday, November 8  
at 3:30pm

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# BOOK REPORT



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## WON'T YOU BE OUR NEIGHBOR?



One of the nicest things that you can get from the library isn't a book, DVD, or museum pass; it's the sense of community and neighborliness that is becoming difficult to find in an increasingly-online world. Libraries exist as one of the few "third spaces" in our society. They're a place outside of your home or workplace where you can simply hang out, relax, socialize, and enjoy life with others. We facilitate this by offering a variety of opportunities to meet your neighbors and build relationships with other library lovers. If you're craving more social interaction, why not drop by our book brunch or fiber group? Our weekly story times and bi-monthly playgroups are the perfect place for new parents to meet others, and attending one of our many lectures and presentations is a great way to learn something new—and find others with the same interests!

If you're looking for an opportunity to make a positive impact in our community, consider coming to one of our collaborations with the Neighbors of Northern Columbia County. The NNCC promotes aging in place by connecting volunteers with those in need. We have monthly matinees sponsored by the NNCC, and on October 16th at 10:30a.m. we'll be hosting a representative from MVP who will help answer questions about Medicare!

We also host a wide variety of book clubs and discussions, which provide a fantastic opportunity to make new friends

over a shared love of reading! We have two new book clubs starting up this fall: our Zoom Around the World Book Club is a collaboration with the Columbia County Libraries Association and highlights international authors at monthly Zoom meetings. Our Banned Books book club will provide attendees the chance to learn about some commonly challenged books in a thoughtful discussion group. Check out page 2 for info on all of our book clubs!

Kids and teens also have the opportunity to connect with their peers through a variety of fun, engaging, and educational activities that we offer. We love seeing children grow and form new friendships at our story times, craft programs, and STEM activities, and our Teen Advisory Board continues to grow and create some of the most unique events we could ever imagine!

The Library is a wonderful place to visit when you feel the need to reconnect with your neighbors, your village, and your friends. Our fantastic staff love welcoming new patrons to our building and letting them know about all of the services we offer. Be sure to follow us on social media, sign up for our online newsletter, and join our incredible Friends of the Library group to stay in the loop on upcoming programs. See you around, neighbor!

-Matt Pavloff, Director



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# Book Clubs

## Next Page Book Club

Meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 6:00pm

- ☛ Oct. 8 - *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan
- ☛ Nov. 12 - *Kairos* by Jenny Erpenbeck
- ☛ Dec. 10 - *The Summer Book* by Tove Jansson



## The Thursday Book Club

Meets monthly on the second Thursday at 2:00pm

- ☛ Oct. 10 - *What You Are Looking For Is In the Library* by Michiko Aoyama
- ☛ Nov. 14 - *Northland* by Porter Fox



## Non Fiction Book Club

Meets monthly on the third Monday at 7:30pm

- ☛ Oct. 21 - *The Truths We Hold* by Kamala Harris
- ☛ Nov. 18 - *The Demon of Unrest* by Eric Larsen
- ☛ Dec. 16 - *The Wager* by David Grann



## Zoom Around the World

Meets on the fourth Monday at 6:30pm

Join This new book club is a collaboration between all of the libraries in Columbia County! Join us online monthly to discuss the newest selected title, focusing on international authors. To register and receive the zoom link, please email [merka@chatham.k12.ny.us](mailto:merka@chatham.k12.ny.us). Check out our website for information on the upcoming titles.

## Book Brunch with Matt

Sundays, Oct. 27, Nov. 17, and Dec. 15 at 11:00am

Join our Library Director as he gives us a preview of some of the month's newest additions to the Library collection, and discusses some of his most anticipated reads. Bring your own recommendations as well! Enjoy a bagel and a fresh cup of Tierra Farm coffee before the Library opens for the day.



## Banned Books Book Club

Meets on the third Monday at 5:30pm

With book banning and challenges hitting schools and libraries across the nation, we wanted to give interested readers the opportunity to explore these titles for themselves. Join us for a monthly discussion on a variety of titles—many of which you may have heard of in the news. This club is made possible thanks to a generous grant through the Mid-Hudson Library System.

## NNCC Movie Matinee Series

Third Tuesdays at 1:00pm

Join the Neighbors of Northern Columbia County for more movie matinees! In this series, we are highlighting biopics of famous musicians. Stop by for a great movie, light refreshments, and to learn more about the Neighbors!



Oct. 15 - *Maestro* (Leonard Bernstein)

Nov. 19 - *Nowhere Boy* (John Lennon)

Jan. 21 - *Coal Miner's Daughter* (Loretta Lynn)

Feb. 18 - *Love & Mercy* (Brian Wilson)

## Demystifying Medicare

Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 10:30am

Navigating Medicare may seem like a challenge, but it doesn't have to be! Join us for a presentation on changes to Medicare that you can expect in 2025 and tips for getting enrolled without any trouble.

# HALLOWEEN EVENTS

## Family Pumpkin Painting

Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 4:00pm

Join us as we watch It's The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown! while painting festive pumpkins for fall!



## Frights of Fancy Teen Halloween Party

Friday, Oct. 18 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Open to Grades 7-12

Put on your costume and get ready for a spooktacular time, featuring pizza, games, and a costume contest planned by our Teen Advisory Board! Please RSVP on our website to prevent food waste!

## Shocktoberfest Movie Night

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 25 & 26 at 7:00pm

Join horror aficionado Bruce Hallenbeck for two nights with Edgar Allan Poe, Vincent Price, and Roger Corman. On Friday evening, get spooked by the 1962 collection *Tales of Terror*, and Saturday come enjoy the classic *Masque of the Red Death*. Learn a little background about these films as well! Light refreshments will be served, and costumes are highly encouraged.

## So You Want to be a Paranormal Investigator?

Sunday, Oct. 27 at 1:00pm

If you're interested in the paranormal and unexplained, you definitely don't want to miss this exciting presentation from the Unknown Paranormal Society! Come learn the basics of getting into the paranormal field, including what equipment to purchase, places to visit, and tips and tricks from the experts who do this every day!



## Spooky Halloween Mini Golf!

Wednesday, Oct. 30 at 4:00pm

Come one come all to test your putt-putt prowess at the first ever KML Spooky Halloween Mini Golf challenge! Each hole will feature a spooky or monstrous theme.

# Adults

## Cookbook Club

Sunday, Nov. 10 at 4:00pm

Stuyvesant Town Hall

This quarter's cookbook club will be a little different: instead of picking recipes from a specific cookbook, we are inviting you to bring your own favorite family recipes to a potluck dinner for all to enjoy! Sign up at the library, and bring a copy of the recipe. We'll scan all of the recipes, and provide a digital cookbook for all of our attendees!



## DIY Perfect Fall Centerpiece

Saturday, Nov. 2 at 12:00pm

In this hands-on workshop, Kinderhook Garden Club member Roseann Antonovich will demonstrate how to make the perfect fall centerpiece using seasonal plants and flowers. Attendees will leave with their own completed piece, and the skill to design their own. Space is limited, so visit our website or call the Library to sign up today!



## Our Season of Giving

We love giving our patron the chance to help others in their community. This year, as part of the annual Great Giveback, our library along with others in the county will be collecting hats for Hatsgiving! This fantastic not-for-profit connects new donated hats with pediatric cancer patients of all ages. Store-bought or homemade, any new hat is appreciated! Look for collection boxes at libraries throughout the county.



We'll also be collecting for Toys for Tots again this year! Bring any new, unwrapped toys to the library to be distributed to families in need. Check our website or give us a call for more information.



## CANDLELIGHT NIGHT

Friday, Dec. 6 at 6:00pm

Join us and be merry this Candlelight Night!

Jazz quartet Cliff and Friends will be returning to bring us beautiful holiday favorites, and the Friends of the Library will be providing free treats, books, and more in our meeting room. Teens can drop in for games on the Switch, and crafts for kids will be available. Come in from the cold and warm up in front of our fireplace as you enjoy the festivities throughout the Village!

## Writer's Circle

First Mondays at 5:30pm



Calling all authors! Did you know that we have a monthly writing workshop at the Library? Bring a short piece of writing to workshop with other local writers in a low-key group setting.

## Dungeons & Dragons (& More) for Adults

1st and 3rd Sundays at 3:00pm

2nd Tuesdays at 6:30pm



Anyone looking for a local D&D group should be sure to attend one of these gaming sessions, led by local Gamemaster David Park! Moving beyond D&D, David will also be offering a new Gaming Hour on Tuesdays to showcase some of the other great tabletop role playing games out today!

## Intro to International Humanitarian Law

Thursday, Dec. 5 at 6:00pm

We are excited to welcome back former Chief of Investigations at the UN and UN International Prosecutor at the UN ICTR and in Kosovo Roberta Baldini to discuss International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights. Drawing from her own experiences, Roberta will give attendees an overview of many current world events through Q&A, videos, and hypothetical situations. Content warning: frank discussions of wars and war crimes may be difficult for some individuals.

## New Year, New (or Same) Me! Vision Boards for All Ages!

Thursday, Dec. 19 at 4:00pm

Hoping to travel more? Make new friends? Looking to finally hang the rest of that artwork? Want to experiment with new recipes? We'll have numerous decorative materials and poster boards on hand to create visual manifestations of your year in 2025! Vision boards are great projects for the whole family to enjoy together!

# Children

## Family Story Times

*Thursdays at 10:30am*

Join us for our classic family story times! We will share songs, stories, and games together. All ages welcome.



Our Children's Librarian, Mandy, puts on a fantastic story time! Bring your little one down to the Library for games, songs, crafts, and, of course, stories! Can't make it to the Library on Thursday or Friday? Let us know!

Feedback helps us make smart choices about upcoming programs!

## Play Group

*Every other Friday from 10:30am-12:30pm*

Every other Friday morning our unstructured play group meets in the community room for creative play. This is a great opportunity for caregivers to meet and make new friends.

Ages 18(ish) months to 3 years.

## Pinhole Cameras

*Saturday, Oct. 26 at 12:00pm*

We will make and take pictures with a homemade pinhole camera using exposure from the sun! Our teen room will be rigged up into a dark room where we can develop our photos. This program is for children ages 10 and up. Registration is required.

## Plaster Casting for Kids

*Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 4:00pm*

Plaster casting is useful for a number of reasons- casting animal prints out in the wild, making art, and so much more! We'll make casts of a variety of objects (including your own hand or foot if you want!) and decorate them once they are dry.

## Button Making for Kids

*Thursday, Nov. 7 at 4:00pm*

We've got the button maker, all we need is your designs! You can create your own buttons to adorn your bags and jackets and magnets for the refrigerator!

# Teens

## Teen Advisory Board

*Thursday, Oct. 10 at 4:00pm, Tuesday, Oct. 22 at 5:00pm*

*Thursday, Nov. 7 at 5:00pm, Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 4:00pm*

*Thursday, Dec. 5 at 4:00pm, Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 5:00pm*

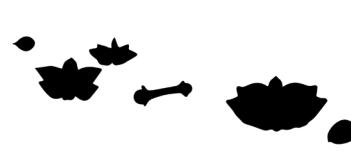
Tell us what to do! Help us plan teen events, improve our collection, and make the Library a better place for teens! TAB members earn one hour of community service per meeting.

Open to teens Grades 7-12.

## Middle School Paint Party

*Sunday, Oct. 20 at 2:00pm*

Drop in for a relaxing weekend afternoon with paints, pops, and peers! Open to Middle Schoolers.



## Pumpkin Spice Read-In

*Friday, Nov. 8 from 3:30pm - 5:00pm*

Make your own fall drink at the Library before relaxing with a book of your choice! Pumpkin spice not your flavor? We'll have apple cider and hot chocolate as well. Please RSVP on our website to prevent food waste! Open to Middle and High Schoolers.

## Tabletop Dice Trays

*Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 4:30pm*

Sick of your D20 getting lost mid-adventure? Keep your dice rolls contained in your very own felted dice box! Supplies are limited; visit our website to register. Open to Middle School and High Schoolers.

## Glowing Luminaries

*Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 4:30pm*

Light up the night this winter with your personalized glass luminary! Supplies are limited; visit our website to register. Open to Middle School and High Schoolers.

## The Cake is a Lie – Probably

*Saturday, Dec. 14 at 2:00pm*

Think you can recreate the iconic Portal cake? Prove it! Try your hand at recreating video game items in cupcake form like GLaDOS's promised cake, a Mario shell, or a Skyrim sweet roll! Please notify the Library of food allergies by 12/7. RSVP on our website to prevent food waste! Open to Grades 7-12.

## Middle School DIY Craft

*Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2:00pm*

Make an easy DIY rice bag or pillow to stay cozy this winter season. Open to Middle Schoolers.

# Friends of the Library

## LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING AHEAD: BENEFITING OUR LIBRARY, OUR COMMUNITY, & YOU!

The Friends of the Library 2023 – 2024 year ended in September, and we are so proud of the work we accomplished this year.

### Looking Back 2023 – 2024

With the help and support of our Friends members, Library staff, Trustees, patrons, and our community, we were able to:



- Donate \$28,600.00 to the Library – providing program and special event support, helping to enhance our Library collections, and funding subscription services.
- Conduct 8 book donation/drop off events to support our Friends' Bookshelves and our Annual Book Sales – helping to rehome/recycle books in our community.
- Offer a variety of pop-up events throughout the year to showcase our Library's programs and events. These included: Candlelight Night events, the Library Lovers Valentine activities (Bookmark Making event and party), the Art Tour Book Sale, and pop-up booth at the Farmers' Market.
- Expand our outreach to Friends members through a monthly electronic newsletter and improve outreach to our community through an updated website and social media posts.

Additionally, the Council worked diligently to improve and document internal controls, procedures and policies to ensure we are operating efficiently and effectively and in compliance with best practices for not-for-profits and Friends groups.

### Looking Ahead 2024 – 2025

In September, at the Friends General Membership meeting, the 2024 – 2025 Executive Council was elected and the 2024 – 2025 budget passed. Membership elected 6 new Council members and welcomed back 2 members from the 2023 – 2024 Council. The new Council members list and budget can be viewed on the Library website Friends' pages.

The incoming Executive Council has an exciting legacy to continue celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Friends in 2025. Please help the new Council support our Library staff and Trustees in bringing exciting programs and resources to our patrons and community.

#### Yes! I would like to be a Friend

#### 2024 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

<input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY	\$25.00
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LET'S BE FRIENDS

# Get Your Library Card Today!

**H**aving 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. Check out HomeACCESS which links you to current magazine, newspaper and journal articles from your home, school, or office. You also get access to free eBooks, audio-books, movies, magazines, and more through apps like Libby and Hoopla. Learn a new language or skill, or review newspaper archives. Simply visit the library's website ([kinderhooklibrary.org](http://kinderhooklibrary.org)), click on Borrow -> E-Resources, enter the 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:   
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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.

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