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for the Guilderland Public Library

Purchase tickets at bit.ly/JazzyGPL Thursday, October 26, from 6:30 pm to 9 pm

The Guilderland Library Foundation is hosting a fun-filled, Jazzy GPL event that celebrates the 60th Anniversary of the founding of our cherished library and the 25th year of our library building, and you're invited to attend.

The party starts at 6:30 pm – at the library! It will be a very special, Gatsby-themed cocktail reception. You're encouraged to sport Roaring '20s attire and enjoy the jazz atmosphere provided by the Skip Parsons Marmalade Quartet.

The Foundation supports many special library events and programs not funded by tax dollars. Recent events include author talks by Pulitzer Prize winner David Oshinsky as well as Mets star and broadcaster Ron Darling. By coming to this Jazzy GPL party, you'll support those efforts.

This promises to be a grand celebration! To purchase tickets \$50 per person – please go to bit.ly/JazzyGPL.

Decades Trivia

70s Night: Friday, September 8, 7 pm - 9 pm 80s Night: Friday, September 22, 7 pm - 9 pm 90s Night: Friday, October 6, 7 pm - 9 pm

Can you dig it? It's "Decades Trivia" at the GPL! Leave your crib, grab your B.F.F, and catch us on the flipside for three nights of totally radical trivia. Dude...you won't want to miss this groovy event!

Accessorize – come in costume!

Teams are limited to 5. Only one member of your team needs to register. Call 518-456-2400 x 3 to register. Please let us know how many people will be on your team. 3

AARP Tax-Aide Local Coordinator Wanted

For several years, AARP's Tax-Aide Service has helped people throughout the Tax-Aide community with its free tax-

return preparation service. Now AARP needs help from the community: They need a Local Coordinator to run the Tax-Aide program.

If you're interested in helping provide a much-needed service to the community, please contact Jerry Seeley at 518-456-2400 x 112, or email info@guilderlandlibrary.org.

Back to Nature Series

Led by David Muska of Ondatra Adventures, Wilderness Instructor, Naturalist, and Licensed NYS Outdoor Guide

Edible & Medicinal Plants Walk

Tawasentha Park - Route 146. Guilderland

Sunday, September 17 @ 1 - 4 pm

Learn about the many edible & medicinal plants that inhabit our cities and

backyards. Nature's

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bounty is truly everywhere! Registrants will meet at Tawasentha Park. Please come prepared with: water, bug spray, a snack, appropriate outdoor footwear and clothing. For adults only. 3

Wilderness Survival Skills

Nott Road Park - 6073 Nott Road, Guilderland Sunday, October 15 @ 1 - 4 pm

Have you wondered what it takes to survive in the wild? In this workshop you'll be introduced to the skills necessary to keep yourself and loved ones safe in the forest and off trail, such as shelter building, A great course for hikers, backpackers, hunters, and outdoors people alike.

All skill levels and interests are welcome. **Registrants** will meet at Nott Road Park. Please come prepared with: water, bug spray, a snack, appropriate outdoor footwear and clothing. For adults and teens ages 16 and older, accompanied by a guardian. 3

Wild-Crafted Stone Necklaces & Pendants

Sunday, November 19 @ 1-4 pm

In our modern world, we often forget the abundance nature provides for both art and utility. In this workshop you will craft a stone necklace and cordage from natural fibers. You'll not only unleash your creative self, but also build the scaffolding for more advanced critical survival skills and knowledge. This workshop will be held at the library. For adults and teens. 3

DNA and Genealogy: Ready to get tested?

Saturday, September 23 @ 10:30 am

Learn about what to expect if you or a family member get a DNA test. What kinds of tests are available and what questions will they answer? How can it help you unlock mysteries in your ancestry? Genealogist Lisa Dougherty will answer these questions and more. Lisa will do a follow-up program in 2018 about how to interpret your results if you use Ancestry DNA testing. 3

ADULTS

RAD Self Defense for Women Ages 16+

*September 26, 27, and October 5 • Each session lasts 5:30 - 9:30 pm Officers from the Guilderland Police Department will be at GPL for this Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) program for women. The RAD course is a total of 12 hours long and is divided into 3 four-hour sessions.

The course begins with awareness, prevention, risk reduction and risk avoidance, while progressing on to the basics of hands-on defense training. It is not your typical self defense course, where the student learns how to punch or kick through repetition - rather, it is designed for the student to survive attacks. 3



This program is for women 16 years of age and older.

*You must register for all 3 classes. No experience is necessary. Seats are limited.

Rite Aid Flu Vaccine Clinic

Thursday, October 19 @ 4 - 7 pm

Protect yourself this flu season! Pharmacists from Rite-Aid will be here to administer flu vaccines to anyone age 18 or older. Most insurances accepted, including CDPHP, MVP, Medicare, Medicaid and others. If you do not have insurance, the cost will be \$34.99. High-dose vaccines will be available for anyone age 65 or older. Questions? Contact Sherry Sorrentino at Rite-Aid Pharmacy: 518-458-8691.

Drug Take-Back Day

with the Guilderland Police Department

Saturday, October 28, from 10 am - 2 pm

The Guilderland Public Library and the Guilderland Police Department are teaming up again for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's nationwide Drug Take-Back Day, a one-day collaborative effort between the DEA and state and local law enforcement agencies focused **Got Drugs?**

on removing potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's medicine cabinets.

A national take-back day provides a unified opportunity for the public to surrender expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications to law enforcement officers for destruction. The program provides an opportunity for law enforcement, prevention, treatment, and the business community to collaborate and establish a safe collection site and brings a national focus to the issue of pharmaceutical controlled substance abuse.

Medications CANNOT be left at the library prior to October 28.

Medications may be turned in to the police officers in the library's auxiliary parking lot from 10 am - 2 pm on October 28 only. What CAN be disposed:

- Controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter substances
- Medication in its original container or removed from its container and disposed of directly into the disposal boxes. (If an original container is submitted, be sure to remove any identifying information from the prescription label.)

What CANNOT be disposed:

No sharps and syringes

Drug Take Back Day officials will not ask questions of nor request identification from anyone.

Songwriters Workshop with Jim Gaudet

Wednesdays 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1 @ 6-7:30 pm

Here's a unique opportunity to learn songwriting from a master! Jim Gaudet, leader of the popular (and local!) Bluegrass/Americana/folk group, Jim Gaudet and the Railroad Boys, will demonstrate his personal approach to constructing a song.

You will take part in an open and informal exchange of ideas on the creative process behind composing a song, using writing exercises and group tasks to help guide the way. The workshop is limited to 12 participants, and will meet for six sessions (attendance at all is strongly encouraged!) Sign up soon! 3

Writing for Caregivers

Wednesday, October 4 @ 6 pm

Do you provide care for a loved one? Or, is there someone who cares for you? This fun and hands-on writing

workshop will help you tell your own story or the story of a person you love. Whether your work



is intended for publication or as a gift to your family, you'll learn how to find the writer within.

The class will explore writing as a therapeutic and stress-relieving tool. Suitable for brand-new writers as well as those with some experience. Workshop leader Diane Cameron works at Unity House in Troy, has long experience as a family caregiver, and is an award-winning author and teacher. 3

Registering by phone

When you call the library to register you must include the area code, so please call 518-456-2400.

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Pinterest Wins! Fall Foliage Edition!

Wednesday, October 25 @ 7 pm

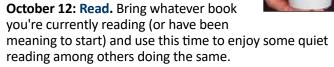
Once a month, we will explore different uses for Pinterest. In October, we will use decoupage to cover a mason jar in real leaves and other outdoorsy fall items! Once finished we'll put a light inside to bring your jar to life. 3

Hygge Hangouts: Gettin' Hygge With It

Second Thursday of the month @ 7 pm

Hygge is the Danish concept of happiness through all things comfy and cozy. GPL's Hygge Hangouts are a time for us to gather, enjoy the company of others, relax, and definitely have some yummy snacks.

September 14: Craft. We'll be making Felt Fox Coffee Sleeves



November 9: Watch. The holidays might be stressful, so this week, we settle in to relax and watch a movie. 3

"Burden of the Ballot"

An original one-act play by Dr. Krysta Dennis, Lecturer in **Creative Arts at Siena College** Sunday, November 5 @ 2 pm

When Emily Rankin's college friend Dorry Scribner comes for a visit, things do not proceed as usual at Cherry Hill in Albany. Dorry is a suffragist, and the Rankins are not so sure women's suffrage is a good idea.

This dramatic representation of the suffrage question brings out the hopes and fears of these women living through this important moment in American history. 2017 is the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote in New York State!



Drop-In Genealogy Help

Second Wednesday of each month @ 6 pm

Professional genealogist and Guilderland resident, Lisa Dougherty, is available for free family history consultations and advice on a drop-in basis. Bring your questions and "brick walls" for help finding solutions.



The SpiritFest Series

You must be 21+ on the date of the event to attend these programs; IDs will be checked

Fall Cocktails with The Albany Distilling Co.

Friday, October 20 @ 7 - 8:30 pm

John Curtain of the Albany Distilling Company and author Chris Wertz – the co-author of Brooklyn Spirits -- will teach us how to make some delicious fall cocktails. You'll sample great recipes, while also learning mixology tips and tricks!



This is a free, ticketed event; attendance limited to 30 participants. Get tickets at the Library's Information Desk. 3

Paint & Sip with The Studio for Art and Craft

Friday, October 27 @ 6:30 pm

The super popular program is back! Make a beautiful piece of fall-themed art – and sip some wine while you paint! Jacqui Hauser of The Studio for Art and Craft brings all the supplies you'll need for the art; we'll provide some wine, cheese and crackers. Attendance limited to 20 participants. 3

Mead: the ultimate handcrafted beverage

Friday, November 10 @ 7 pm

What is mead? Peter Voelker of Helderberg Meadworks will tell about how mead is made from all natural ingredients. He'll also tell about the history of mead and teach you mead-making basics so you can make mead at home! This versatile honey of a drink can be enjoyed plain or used in cocktails. There will be tastings! 3

GPL Pop-Up Library!

@ Capital Region Apple & Wine Festival

Altamont Fairgrounds

Saturday, September 16 @ 10 am - 6 pm

We'll be at the Capital Region Apple & Wine Festival to help celebrate their 25th anniversary! Stop by, get a card, and say hello! Need help downloading free library e-books? We can help!

Ladies Night Out

Italian-American Community Center, Washington Avenue Extension

Tuesday, October 3 @ 5 - 7:30 pm

We'll be at this health and wellness event, sponsored by the Guilderland Chamber of Commerce. We'll have free books to give away, consumer health resources, and prizes!

ADULTS

GPL Photo Forum

Third Thursday of each month @ 7 pm

All are welcome to meet with interested photographers for tips and improvement.

September 21: Photo Forum Show Critique by professional photographer Anthony Salamone.

Join us for a discussion of the work of area photographers whose photos are on display during September.



October 19: Photos as Basis for Paintings and Drawings. Learn from artist George Dirolf how he uses photography to plan his paintings and drawings.

Special Event! November 16: Carl Heilman II -

Adirondack Photographer. Carl Heilman II is an award-winning outdoor photographer who specializes in nature panoramas, murals and nature photography of Lake George, Lake Champlain, the Adirondacks, New York State, the Maine Coast, Montana as well as wilderness areas of National Parks in the U.S. and Canada.

Book Discussions

Books & Brews

Led by Phil Berardi

Fourth Monday of the Month @ 7:30 pm

September 25: *Night of Fire*, by Colin Thubron Location: The Ginger Man, 234 Western Ave

October 23: Midnight at the Bright Ideas Bookstore, by

Matthew Sullivan Location: TBD

Night Owls

Led by Margaret Lanoue

Second Monday of the Month @ 7:30 pm

Fiction and nonfiction selections are discussed with great vitality!

September 11: Commonwealth, by Ann Patchett

October 9: Sisters in Law: How Sandra D. O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsberg went to the Supreme Court and Changed the World, by Linda R. Hirshman

Great Books

Moderated by Sue Klug Schilling

Thursdays @ 7 pm

Books considered the classics of world literature.

September 7: *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*, by Robert Pirsig

Sunday Concert Series



All concerts begin at 2 pm

Lycaeides Quartet

October 29

Ancient music and songs played on period instruments

Maria Zemantauski

November 12

Classical and flamenco guitar

Teens & Tweens

Parent and T(w)een Maker Night: Tea!

Thursday, September 28 @ 6:30 pm

The Short and Stout Tea Company will teach us about different tea flavors. You'll make your own custom blend to take home. Parents and t(w)een grades 5 and up. 4

Teen Make-It: Journals

Tuesday, October 10 @ 6:30 pm

It's Teen Read Week and we'll be decorating journals so you can "Unleash Your Story!" Grades 6 - 12. 4

Boost Your College Application!

Tuesday, October 17 @ 7 pm

This interactive (and fun!) session will provide steps for students to take to immediately become stronger candidates for college acceptances and institutional scholarships. Presented by Kelly Linehan, MA, a College Admissions Counselor.Students in grades 10 - 12 are encouraged to attend with a parent/guardian. (4)

Making Fairies

Monday, October 23 @ 6:30 pm

Turn plain clothespins into fashionable fairies. The variations are endless. You can make them in several different colors to create a magnificent world of fairies. Grades 6 and up. 4

Spiderweb Eggs

Monday, October 30 @ 6:30 pm

If you like to play tricks on your friends, this is a great Halloween Hoax! We'll make hardboiled eggs that look like they're covered in spiderwebs!

Don't worry; the webs are "spun"with the help of coloring from frozen cherries. We'll have other food surprises for you to make, as well! Grades 6 and up. 4



CHILDREN

Henry and Mudge in the **Family Trees Book Partv**

Monday, September 25 @ 6:30 pm Before the program stop by the library to pick up your copy of the book to take home to read, then come back to GPL on September 25 for our book discussion celebration and make a special family tree project of your own. Grades 1 - 3. (4)

Biscuit the Dog Book Party

Tuesday, September 26 @ 6:30 pm

You're invited to a Biscuit the Dog book party! Before the program stop

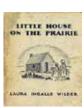
by the library to pick up your copy of the book to take home to read, then come back to GPL on September 26 for our book discussion celebration. Grades K - 1. (4)



Happy Birthday, **Laura Ingalls Wilder!**

Saturday, October 7 @ 2 pm

Laura Ingalls Wilder, the author of The Little House on the Prairie books, was



born 150 years ago! Let's celebrate with a birthday party in her honor. We'll play games, do crafts, and eat food inspired by the books! Grades 3 - 5. 4

Weird School Facts: Explorers, **Presidents & Toilets**

Wednesday, October 18 @ 6:30 pm

Dan Gutman, author of the Mv Weird School Series, has added fun and informative non-fiction/fact books to

his popular collection. Come to the library and get your copy of the book to take home and read. Then join us for a factfilled and fun program on October 18 to discuss the book. Grades 2 - 4. (4)



Fall Little Lego

Mondays @ 3:30 pm:, September 18, October 2 and 16 @ 3:30 pm

Our Lego Club continues this school year. Bring your own bricks or create with ours. As usual, creations that you bring to show off will be kept separate from the library supplies. Grades K - 3. 4

Fantastic Finger Gymnastics!

Starting in October, a new finger gym will be available each week in the Children's Department for kids to practice their fine motor skills in preparation for kindergarten!

GPL Sprouts

Fourth Thursday of the month @ 3:30 pm A fun-filled STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) program! Lots of

hands-on learning for everyone!

9/28: I'm a Scientist! 10/26: The Skeleton Inside Me

Grades Pre-K - 2 with caregiver. 4

Family STEAM Nights

First Monday of the month @ 6:30 pm, starting October 2

Our local college science and engineering departments will be here with fun science activities for kids! Grades 2-6, with their families. (4)

Read to Furry Friends

Tuesdays: September 5 & October 3 @ 7 pm Wednesdays: September 6 & October 4 @ 7 pm

Our real pet friends Groucho Barx and Goose the Hairless Cat love listening to readers practice their new skills! Drop in for a relaxing and supportive reading session.

All Ages

Dot Day

Friday, September 15 @ 3:30 pm Make your mark! Creativity and inspiration can come from something as simple as a dot. We'll be creating our best dot art in celebration of International Dot Day and the classic picture book The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds.

All Ages Lego Build!

First Wednesday of the month @ 6:30 pm, starting October 4

Join us for a fun night of all-ages Lego building!

Family Game Time

Monday, October 9, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm We break out our board games, card games, and even Mario Kart on the Wii! Drop in anytime with your friends or family and stay for as long or as short as you'd like.

Friday Family

All shows begin at 6:30 pm

Smurfs: The Lost Village

September 1 • Rated PG • 93 min 2017, MLUSA

Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie

October 13 • Rated PG • 89 min 2017, MPLC

HOURS AND HOLIDAYS

Starting September 1, and continuing through June 30, 2018, **GPL's hours are:**

Monday - Friday: 10 am - 9 pm Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm Sunday: 1 pm - 5 pm

GPL will be closed on: **Labor Day Weekend**

Saturday, September 2 through Monday, September 4

Veterans Day

Saturday, November 11

CHILDREN

Family Literacy Programs with WMHT's Barbara Lukas

Saturdays @ 10:30 am

September 9: How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?

October 14: Go Batty with Stella Luna

Grades PreK - 2, accompanied by a caregiver. (4)

Book Buddies

Tuesdays: October 3, 10, 17 & 24 Reading slots @ 4:30 pm, 5 pm, 5:30 pm & 6 pm

GPL's Book Buddy program encourages new readers to improve their reading skills and build confidence in their abilities while having fun reading and talking about books with a high school honor-student buddy.



Special Storytime Not-So-Spooky Costume Storytime

Tuesday, October 31 @ 10:30 am

Come in costume to a special, not-so-spooky storytime full of songs, stories, and dancing! We'll end our storytime with a costume parade around the library. Ages 19 months and up (with a caregiver).

Thank you, Summer Reading Program Sponsors!

A huge shout-out to the businesses that provided their support to the Library!

- Albany Pine Bush Discovery Center
- Applebee's
- Blaze Pizza
- Five Guys
- 5 Wits
- G. Willikers
- Juicy Burgers & More
- Liberty Ridge Farm
- Maggie's Café & Sports Grill
- MiSci
- Tom and Elaine Person

- The Pottery Place
- Price Chopper
- Regal Cinemas
- Sherwin Williams
- SPAC
- Stewart's Shops
- ta-da!
- tcby
- Ten Thousand Villages
- Tri-City Valley Cats
- The YMCA of Guilderland



3 Little Birds Music & Movement Class

Mondays @ 10:30 am; starts October 2

3 Little Birds brings children together for a fun and integrated early-literacy learning experience. This lively, 30-45 minute program is devoted to all things musical – rhythm, sounds, rhymes, and DANCE! We'll move and groove together! Ages 5 and under with caregiver.

Storytimes are designed to reinforce early literacy skills.
Librarians may use a combination of stories, videos, singing, crafting, playing, puppets and movement to entertain and teach. Choose the Storytime that's best suited for your child's age!

Toddler Time

Tuesdays @ 10:30 am; starts October 3 Toddlers 19-36 months, with caregiver.

Preschool Read & Play

Wednesdays @ 11 am; starts October 4

Play time for children and social time for parents will be offered at the end of each program. Ages 3-5 with caregiver. Younger siblings welcome.

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays: October 5, 12 & 26 @ 10:30 am

The third Thursday of the month will be Yoga Storytime (see below).

Ages 3 - 5 with a caregiver. Younger siblings welcome!

Yoga-Inspired Storytime for Preschoolers

Third Thursday of the month: October 19 @ 10:30 am

Storytime paired with relaxing, yoga-inspired movement makes for happy kids! Dress for movement and bring either a yoga mat or a towel. Ages 3 - 5 with a caregiver.

Bedtime Storytime

Thursdays @ 6:30 pm

October 5: Dinosaurs; November 2: Starry Night

Wear your pajamas and bring a stuffed friend to these cozy storytimes just before bed! Ages 2+ and caregiver.

3 Little Birds Baby Bounce Storytime

Fridays @ 11 am; starts October 6

Children are not expected to sit still and be quiet. There will be time for children to play with toys, and parents to socialize at the end of this 30-minute program. Birth - 18 months, with caregiver.

Saturday Stories for All Ages

Saturdays @ 2 pm

September 23: Teddy Bears; October 21: Bats & Spiders