



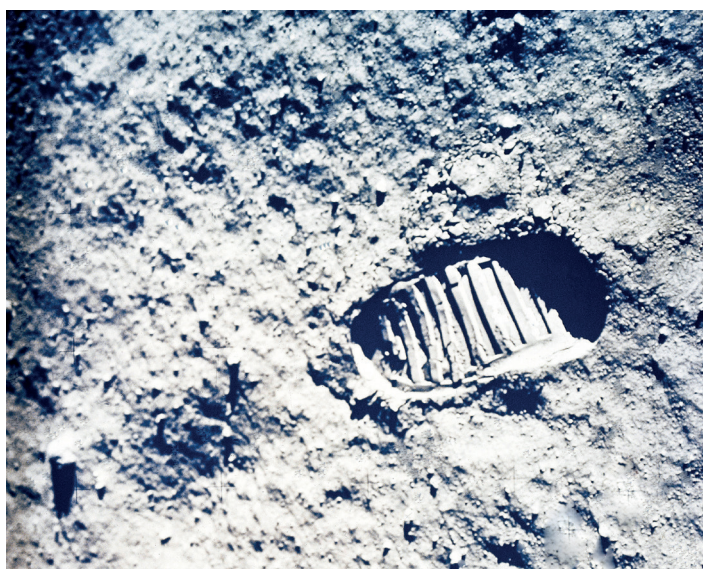
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★ 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF APOLLO 11 SPACE MISSION



To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission to land on the moon – one of humankind's most extraordinary feats – we are celebrating with some special events, open to all ages.

- **Monday, July 15 @ 4-5 pm:** Join us for a Live Webcast Event to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 Mission. This live webcast, brought to you by the American Museum of Natural History, will feature a guided recreation of the Apollo 11 voyage.
- **Saturday, July 20 @ 2 pm:** Screening of the documentary, *Apollo 11* (2019; 1 hr. 33 min; rated G). On July 20, 1969, Astronaut Neil Armstrong stepped out of a space capsule from the Apollo 11 Space Mission and became the first human to set foot onto the surface of the moon. Relive – or experience for the first time – that pivotal moment in human history! Popcorn will be served.



SPACE MOVIES! Thursdays @ 6:30 pm

Family-friendly movies that are out of this world!
8/1 *Space Jam* (PG)

8/8 *The Last Starfighter* (PG)

8/15 *E.T. The Extra Terrestrial* (PG)

Family/All Ages; no Registration Required. Popcorn included!

A UNIVERSE of Stories



Adult Summer Reading Club:

July 1-August 30

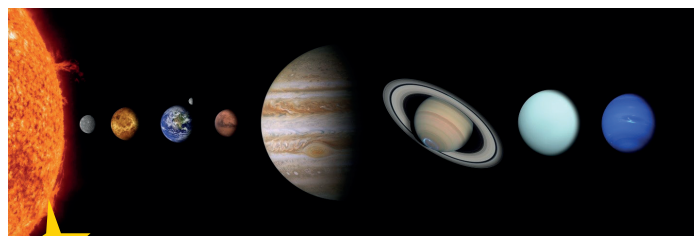
Your chance to win one of three great prizes!

Who says kids get all the fun? If you're a cardholder age 18 and older, you're invited to create an account on our reading-tracker website, guilderlandlibrary.beanstack.org to log all your summer reading. (You can also visit us at the library and we'll log your progress for you.) Read a book, log the author/title on Beanstack, earn extra points for a short review. Books, eBooks, audiobooks – the universe is wide open!

Log three books and win a FREE book, plus an entry into our Grand Prize Drawing of a specialty gift basket. Keep reading to win more prizes!

The contest will close on Friday, August 30, when we will have a drawing for the three winners.

Thanks to the Book House of Stuyvesant Plaza for their continued support of this program.



Life-Size Solar System Exhibit

Tuesday, July 9 @ 4-6 pm

Full-immersion walk-through of our solar system. Go spiraling into the solar system on a glow-in-the-dark path. Make your way past scalar-size planets with their moons, reading about their discovery and the elements they're made of. Dodge asteroids as you continue on, learning about constellations and comets, too. This program will inspire young and old alike to learn more about what science is doing to explore our solar system. No registration needed, but do allow yourself time to read and explore the exhibit. *For all ages.*

GO TO GUILDERLANDLIBRARY.ORG FOR KIDS/TEENS SUMMER READING PROGRAM DETAILS!

ADULT LECTURES & EVENTS

Adult Literacy Tutor Training

Make a difference in someone's life!

Two in-person sessions

July 6 and August 3 @ 10 am-Noon

Literacy NY Greater Capital Region is looking for new literacy volunteers for the 2019-20 school year. Training consists of an orientation, three self-paced online modules, and a post-training, follow-up class. After your training, you'll be paired with an adult student who is learning English or improving their literacy skills. The small investment of your time can make lasting improvements to someone's life.

Please note: you must attend both in-person sessions.

To register or for more information, please contact Christina Darling at cdarling@literacynycap.org.

Conversation For Adult English Language Learners

Tuesdays and Saturdays @ 10:30-11:30

July 2-July 30

An opportunity to practice and improve your English in an informal setting. Come to these drop-in sessions and join others in casual conversation – all ability levels are welcome. An ESOL instructor will be present to assist. No registration required.

Poetry in the Garden: A Workshop

July 9, 16, 23, 30 & August 6 @ 6-8 pm



While many poets have taken a pastoral approach to nature, praising and idealizing it, others know that nature can have a dark side. This summer, discover what kind of nature poet you are by joining us for "Poetry

in the Garden," a workshop to be held in the literary garden behind the Guilderland Public Library (weather allowing). In this four-week course, open to a maximum of 10 students, we'll learn how to read and understand published poetry that often uses nature as a metaphor for human experience, while also practicing our observational skills, so we can write about elements of the natural world. ③

Instructor Susan Comminos is both a widely published poet and a teacher of creative writing. This program is made possible with funding from Poets and Writers.

Panel Discussion: Senior Scam Prevention

Monday, July 8 @ 10:30-Noon

Topics will include: handling robo-calls; spotting common elder scams and crimes; recognizing suspicious activity; and staying protected on smart devices.

Sponsored by Guilderland Chamber of Commerce, Senator George Amedore, The Town of Guilderland and Guilderland Police Department, Guilderland Public Library, Better Business Bureau Upstate New York, and Kean Computing.

Civil Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) Course

Wednesday, July 24 @ 6 pm

Training on how to respond if you find yourself in an active shooter event. *Presented by Guilderland Police Department.*



Share the Harvest Tomato Tasting

Wednesday, August 7 @ 6:30 pm

Calling all gardeners and gourmets! This is the time of year when gardens are overflowing with tomatoes; why not bring some to share? Bring your tomatoes and other fresh grown fruits and vegetables, or your favorite dish that incorporates seasonal produce. There will be a prize for most delicious tomato, judged by popular choice. Don't have a green thumb? Join us anyway!

Start Your Blog!

Tuesday, August 13 @ 6 pm

Want to share about an amazing trip or vacation? Have a special talent or interest? Enjoy showing your unique skills and creativity to your friends and the world? Then why not start a blog? In this introductory class, computer coach John Napoli will show you how to use Wordpress and other free tools to build your blog. Bring your laptop or tablet with you, and you will have your own blog before the class is over! This is an interactive class, so if you don't have a computer handy we can provide one - just let us know when registering. ③



Drop-in Genealogy with Lisa Dougherty

Wednesday, August 14 @ 6 pm

Professional genealogist Lisa Dougherty, is available for free family history consultations and advice on a drop-in basis from 6-8 pm the second Wednesday of each month.

Schuyler Sisters: Coming of Age in Early America

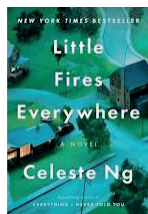
Wednesday, August 21 @ 7 pm

Hamilton: An American Musical brought fame to the eldest three daughters of Major General Philip Schuyler and Catharine Van Rensselaer Schuyler; Angelica, Eliza, and Peggy. Less famous, but no less fascinating, are the stories of their two younger sisters, Cornelia and Caty. The five women's collective lives span one hundred and one years, from the French and Indian War to the eve of the Civil War. Join historian Danielle Funicello as she discusses the successes and scandals of five sisters who lived five very different lives in early America.

ADULT LECTURES & EVENTS



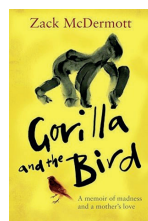
BOOK DISCUSSIONS

**NIGHT OWLS**

Led by Librarian Maura Powers-Smith

Mondays @ 7:30 pm**July 8:** *Little Fires Everywhere*, by Celeste Ng**DAY LARKS**

Led by Librarian Maura Powers-Smith

Tuesdays @ 2 pm**July 9:** *Little Fires Everywhere*, by Celeste Ng**THE POP-UP BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**

Led by Librarian Maria Buhl

Monday, August 26 @ 7 pm:
Gorilla and the Bird: A Memoir of Madness and a Mother's Love, by Zack McDermott

Thanks to our sponsor, National Network of Libraries of Medicine, we're inviting eight people to participate in this special "pop-up" book discussion. You'll get to keep a free copy of this book about bipolar disorder, described as "glorious" by the *New York Times*, and "rueful, funny, and utterly authentic" by *Kirkus Reviews*. ④

TEENS/ADULTS

**MANGO**

Shakespearean English, thrown in for fun. Mango also has a very user-friendly mobile app. Learn a new language or brush-up on rusty skills and unlock the world!

Mango Language is, hands down, one of the best free things that you get with your library card. Visit our website and navigate to the Research & Learn tab, choose Learn a New Language – and get started! There are more than 70 languages to learn, including Urdu, Hindi, Cherokee, Arabic, French, Hebrew, Japanese – even Pirate and some

TEENS/ADULTS

Galaxy T-shirt Painting**Wednesday, July 10 @ 7 pm**

Painting your own T-shirt is a great way to have some fun and make a bold, personal statement. Fabric painting opens up endless opportunities for transforming your wardrobe. It allows you to create a one-of-a-kind piece of wearable art. Teens and Adults welcome! ③ or ④

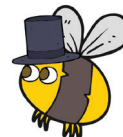
**Becoming a Healthy Vegan... Even if You Love Cheese!****Tuesday, July 16 @ 6 pm**

Have you always been interested in a plant-based diet? Do you wish you could feel satisfied on a diet of vegan foods? Maybe you're ready to make a change, but feel overwhelmed with where to start. And what about cheese?! You love cheese! How can such a change even be possible? In this talk you'll learn about healthy vegan sources and delicious alternatives to cheese, butter, or bacon! Teens and Adults welcome! ③ or ④

Presenter Kristin Kulow is an Oneonta-based health and wellness coach with certificates in plant-based nutrition and diabetes prevention lifestyle coaching.

Write it Down:**A Writing Workshop with Donna Liquori****Wednesdays, July 17, 24, & 31 @ 6:30 pm-8 pm**

Love to write? Bring your ideas for essays, short fiction and poetry to a writing workshop with the *Times Union* book columnist. Space is limited. Grades 6-12 and Adults. ③ or ④

Adult/Teen Spelling Bee**Friday, August 2 @ 7 pm**

How do you spell fun? "LIBRARY"! Grab a team of your smartest friends and join us for this word-based competition! This is not your average spelling bee: Teams will go head-to-head playing various word games. The team with the most points at the end of the night WINS! Six people per team maximum. When registering online, please indicate the number of people on your team in the NOTES field. Ages 13+. ③ or ④

Sci-Fi Craft Night**Wednesday, August 7 @ 6:30-8 pm**

Grab your companions, put on brown coats, dial the Gate, and use the Force to boldly go where no craft night has gone before. We'll provide the supplies and some ideas, you bring your sci-fi fandoms and creativity! Ages 14 and up. ③ or ④

College Essay Mini Workshops**Tues, August 20 @ 1-3 pm or Wed, August 21 @ 6-8 pm**

Register for ONE of twelve 15-minute mini workshop sessions. Not sure how to get started writing your college admissions essays? Looking for a second opinion? Kelly Linehan, a National Board Certified Teacher and Independent Educational Consultant, will meet with you one-on-one in a 15-minute mini-workshop to answer all your questions. For Grades 11 and 12. ④

FAMILY/ALL AGES

**Beginner's Guide to Using a Telescope**

Monday, July 15 @ 8 pm

If you've never used a telescope before, we've got you covered! The Library has purchased two telescopes that you can check out and use at home for stargazing. Outreach astronomer Valerie Rapson, from the Dudley Observatory, will present a special program to show you how a telescope works. Learn about some great apps that you can use on your device to identify stars and planets. We'll also have handouts that you can take home to navigate the night sky on your own. All Ages. ③ or ④

Please note: because sunset will be around 8:30 pm in July, please plan to be at the Library beyond our usual closing time, so we can spend some time outside trying out our new telescope skills! If weather is bad, we'll be inside for an informative PowerPoint presentation.

Double Dare!

Thursday, July 18 @ 6:30 pm

Calling all kids and kids at heart! Grab five of your buddies and join us for DOUBLE DARE! Answer trivia questions or take the physical challenge to earn your team points. The team with the most points WINS! Messy, silly fun for your family and friends. Team limit: 6 people total. One player must be age 18 or older. When registering online, please indicate the number of people on your team in the NOTES field. ③ or ④

Iroquois Storytelling

Monday, July 22 @ 6:30 pm

Enjoy this family-friendly storytelling event featuring Brenda La-Forme, Onondaga Beaver Clan. Brenda is the Cultural Interpreter at the Iroquois Indian Museum in Howes Cave.

GPL SUMMER CONCERT

**Out-of-this-World Family Jam with****HILLTOWN RAMBLERS**

Saturday, July 27 @ 2 pm

Kids of all ages and their families will enjoy the Hilltown Ramblers' "northern blend" of folksy bluegrass tunes, traditional songs, original compositions and singalongs. Join them and sing along to some special songs about the earth, sun, and moon... the perfect complement to the Summer Reading Program!

GPL POPS UP!



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 6 @ 6 pm

Come to Tawasentha Park and join us at this annual community event hosted by our friends from the Guilderland Police Department. We'll have crafts, games, and fun!

**Altamont Fair – Books in the Barnyard**

Tuesday, August 13 @ 12 pm, 3 pm, 6 pm

Join GPL librarians for special animal-themed storytimes throughout the day. See you at the Fairgrounds!

**Ukulele Jam**

Debuts Thursday, August 22 @ 6:30 pm

Uke players of all skill levels are welcome. Whether you've never touched a ukulele or you play every day, join us every 4th Thursday of the month starting in August for a jam session to play some music with others and have a bit of fun. This is a family-friendly program. Bring your own ukulele (or check one out from us!). No registration required, just drop in.

Back to School Clothing Swap

DROP OFF DAY: Thursday, August 29 @ 2-6 pm

Shopping day: Friday, August 30 @ 2-6 pm

Has your child outgrown last year's school clothes? Bring them in and trade for something new in a low-stress environment. Crafts will be available for little ones.

- Clothing must be dropped off on Thursday, August 29, from 2-6 pm and no later. You'll get credit for each item, to be redeemed on "shopping day," Friday, August 30 from 2-6 pm.
- All clothing must be RECENTLY CLEANED.
- Items must be in like-new condition: no stains, rips, stretching, etc.
- No more than **10** items per family.
- Any leftover clothes will be given to Goodwill after the event.

In order to maintain a fair exchange, we cannot accept clothing that other participants would not be pleased to receive.