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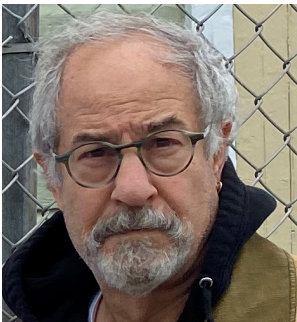
JUNE 2022

## BUDGET & BOARD CANDIDATE RESULTS



**THANK YOU**  
to everyone  
who voted  
on May  
17! Our  
proposed  
2022-2023  
budget was  
approved by  
66 percent.

In addition to ballot candidate **Elish Melchiade** (featured in the May edition) handily winning a board seat, three write-in candidates secured a Trustee position. Their profiles appear below, in order of votes received.



### Ted Gup

#### Professional Experience:

Former Editor and Staff Writer at *The Washington Post & Time Magazine*; has also written for the *New York Times*; *GQ*; *Smithsonian*; *National Geographic*; *The National Review*; *Mother Jones*; *Sports Illustrated*; National Public Radio; and others. Department chair, professor, visiting

professor, and/or lecturer at: Williams College; Johns Hopkins University; Georgetown University; University at Albany; Durham University (U.K.); The Chinese Academy of Social Sciences; University of Haifa (Israel); Emerson College; Boston College; Brown University. Author of three nonfiction books: *The Book of Honor* (Doubleday); *Nation of Secrets* (Doubleday); *The Secret Gift* (Penguin).

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in English & Classics, Brandeis University; Juris Doctorate, Case Western Reserve University. Studied Chinese at Johns Hopkins.

**Statement:** Since I was a boy in Ohio, I have frequented libraries and found them to be a portal on the world, a place of genuine discovery. Books and reading are almost sacred to me, and though I have not read widely, what I have read has had a profound impact on me. They are why I became a journalist, an author and a professor.

I believe in promoting the mission of a public library, expanding public access to books and learning, supporting libraries as incubators of public awareness, and centers for citizens to find common ground.



**OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES Summer  
Reading Kickoff info. for all ages INSIDE!**

### Jo Ann Mulligan

#### Professional Experience:

Business Manager at USS Slater; formerly Database Manager. Former Library Assistant at Altamont Free Library for seven years.

#### Education:

Bachelor of Arts, History, College of St. Rose; Master of Information Sciences: Library Sciences, University at Albany.



**Statement:** I have been involved with libraries since I was born. They are safe places to develop my love of reading, and knowledge centers promoting learning. This was a key factor in becoming a librarian myself. I attended storytimes at GPL as a toddler, and have used the library over the years for books, a quiet place to study, and programming.

I want to help GPL continue to thrive as a pillar of the community and a valued resource, fulfilling its mission to provide access to all individuals. I am passionate about libraries and their impact, and will be a strong advocate. Board experience will further my career path as a librarian, and I couldn't think of a better place to do so than at GPL.



### Corie Dugas

#### Professional Experience:

Executive Director, NELLCO Law Library Consortium. Former Executive Director, MALLCO Law Library Consortium; Former Assistant Director of Legal Research/Head of Outreach and Access Services, St. Louis University School of Law.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in English-Creative Writing, Baker University; Masters in Library Information Science, University of Missouri.

**Statement:** Some of my earliest childhood memories were at my local public library. My family fostered a love of reading. Any time I moved, one of my first stops was to get my new library card. I primarily use GPL for the amazing print and audiobook collections through UHLS. I was so thankful for the staff's extra-hard work during the pandemic!

As the world around us becomes more inclusive, I am so proud of the role public libraries play. I would love to help keep the collection and activities open, community-oriented and adaptable. I look forward to advancing GPL's mission.

## ADULT PROGRAMS &amp; RESOURCES



**KICKOFF! TUESDAY, JUNE 28 @ 4:30-7:30 pm**

*Drop in to check out fresh summer beach reads, snag a tote bag, and find out about SRP prizes!*



**Wildflower Seed Giveaway!**  
Through June 15

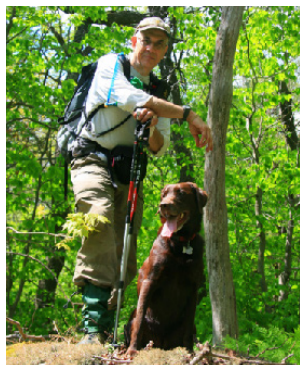
In advance of annual **National Pollinator Week June 20-26**, we're giving away 500 packets of native wildflower seeds (Northeast blend) for you to grow flowers that will attract pollinators—bees, butterflies and

hummingbirds. Stop by the Adult Information Desk to pick up yours while supplies last! Limit of two packets per person, first-come, first-served. *This initiative is made possible thanks to the #PlantWildflowers Campaign, a joint venture of PBS, Nature, and Tangled Bank Studios, producer of the impactful documentary noted below.*

**My Garden of a Thousand Bees**

**Wednesday, June 22 @ 6 pm**

Please join us for a special screening of this impactful documentary. Space is limited, so don't delay—sign up today! **[R]**



**Doghiker: Author Talk & Book Signing with Alan Via**

**Thursday, June 30 @ 6:30 pm**

You're invited to this special **in-person** author talk and book signing! \* Alan Via's comprehensive guidebook, **Doghiker: Great Hikes with Dogs from the Adirondacks through the Catskills**, includes 77 hikes with custom color maps, color photos, and charts

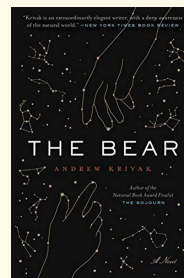
showing mileage, elevation gain, parking area description, viewpoints, water sources and canine safety. After covering key chapters, Alan will take us on a slideshow tour of gorgeous hiking scenery—no dog required! Signed copies will be available for purchase. **[R]** \* **Program is subject to change, based on current COVID conditions.**

**[R] = registration required.** Unless otherwise noted, all programs will be held online. Go to the Events calendar at [www.guilderlandlibrary.org](http://www.guilderlandlibrary.org) to claim your spot!



**VIRTUAL BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS [R]**

<https://guilderlandlibrary.org/book-discussion>



**Green Reads**

**Thursdays @ 6 pm**

Led by Librarian Maria Buhl.

A book and film discussion group on nature, health, and the environment

**June 9: The Bear,**  
by Andrew Krivak

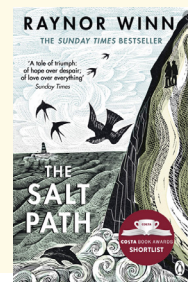
**Night Owls Book Club**

**Mondays @ 7:30 pm**

Led by Librarian Maura

Powers-Smith. Reading the most talked-about fiction and nonfiction titles.

**June 13: Four Hundred Souls,**  
edited by Ibram X. Kendi and  
Keisha N. Blain



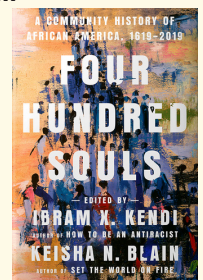
**Memoirs in the Morning**

**Wednesdays @ 10:30 am**

Led by Librarian Josalyn Wilder. Reading the best current biographies and memoirs.

**July 20: The Salt Path,**  
by Raynor Winn

Look for *Memoirs in the Morning* discussion on [goodreads.com](https://www.goodreads.com).





## YOUTH PROGRAMS &amp; RESOURCES



# Oceans of Possibilities

Summer Reading Program  
June 29 – August 24

**KICKOFF! WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29 @ 10 am–1 pm OR 3–7 pm [R]**

Register starting 6/15 to pick up your family's beach bag, goodies, and details on all the SRP fun!

## Web Resources



► **Discovery Pages**  
**NEW: Wednesday, June 8**  
Look for new Discovery Pages the second Wednesday of each month, featuring eBooks, audiobooks, crafts, music, and more. June features Elementary Summer Fun and the Great Outdoors for Young Adults. Find engaging educational content

anytime at: [guilderlandlibrary.org/gplkids](http://guilderlandlibrary.org/gplkids).

► **The Foundry** is the name of our teen space, plus a place online where teens can discover new books, activities, events, learning tools, volunteer opportunities, playlists, and so much more. Check it out! [guilderlandlibrary.org/teens](http://guilderlandlibrary.org/teens)



## LIBRARY HOURS

**Monday–Thursday.....9:30 am–9 pm**  
**Friday.....9:30 am–6 pm**  
**Saturday.....9:30 am–5 pm**  
**Sunday.....1–5 pm**

**Please wear a mask. If you need one, just ask!**

**Available:** Curbside pick up with 24 hours notice; public computers; some study rooms. All programs are virtual, unless otherwise noted. GPL is fine free.

## ► GPL Kids & Families

### Facebook page

keeps parents and caregivers informed on our Youth Services offerings. Like and follow us for frequent updates.

► **GPL's YouTube channel** features engaging children's content, including read alouds and storytimes you can watch at your convenience. Subscribe today!



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



### How Did You Find It?

**GPL's monthly podcast**

**NEW: Friday, June 17**

We explore all things GPL: books, entertainment, technology and much more! Listen on all major platforms. We welcome your feedback anytime at: [podcast@guilderlandlibrary.org](mailto:podcast@guilderlandlibrary.org).

### Dial A Story for children and adults

Have you tried our Dial A Story line? Simply call **518.456.2400** and **press 5**, then choose 1 for an adult story; 2 for a children's story; and 3 for the "surprise me" line!

### June Exhibit

This month, our Helderberg Room features works by **Albany Artists Roundtable** for your viewing pleasure!







### Local History Resources

**Open for business!** GPL's revamped **Local History Room** contains a wealth of materials related to the history of Guiderland, as well as other communities throughout the region. We also have resources to assist with genealogical research which do not circulate, but can be searched through the Library's online catalog.

In addition, we're also seeking Guiderland High School **Tawasentha** yearbooks from the following years: **1942, 1951, 1952, 1955, 2004, and 2014**. Thank you for considering donating a yearbook to help us complete our collection for everyone to access!

### Local History Room hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 10 am-4 pm  
Wednesday, 1-5 pm; and by appointment.

Contact us at: [localhistory@guilderlandlibrary.org](mailto:localhistory@guilderlandlibrary.org).



### Guiderland Library Foundation Golf Tournament

**Monday, August 22**  
**Pine Haven Country Club**  
**Registration 8:15-8:45 am**  
**Golf starts at 9 am**

Last year was a blast...and this year is shaping up to be even better! Golfers of all skills levels are invited

to attend our annual golf tournament for tons of fun while supporting GPL initiatives!

The registration fee is \$165 per golfer or \$660 per foursome, which includes 18 holes (best ball), golf cart, lunch at the turn, and 19th Hole Celebration. Non-golfers can attend the 19th Hole Celebration BBQ dinner only at a cost of \$50.

**Registration Deadline: August 1st.**

**Sponsors Wanted!** Four sponsorship levels ranging from \$150-2000 are available. **Sponsor deadline: July 15.** Questions? Contact the Guiderland Library Foundation at: [guilderlandlibraryfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:guilderlandlibraryfoundation@gmail.com).



### We Who Believe in Freedom: A Community Conversation

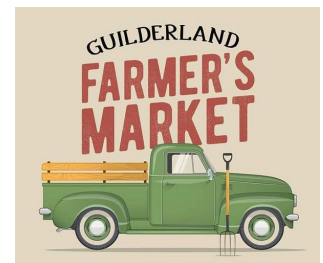
**Monday, June 20 @ 7 pm**

Don't miss this online conversation with Dr. Alice Green, founder and executive director of the Center for Law and Justice, about her book **We Who Believe in Freedom: Activism and the Struggle for Social Justice**. In discussion with Paul Grondahl, award-winning journalist, author and director of the New York State Writers Institute, Green will cover her experience as a lifelong advocate for social justice; historic and continuing challenges; and how to get involved. **Sign up for the link here: <https://bit.ly/3uUggZ5>** This program is presented in collaboration with the Center for Law and Justice and the New York State Writers Institute and is provided by the Upper Hudson Library System. **[R]**

### Guiderland Farmer's Market

**Sundays July 3–October 2**  
**10 am–2 pm**

Look for 30 vendors selling a variety of locally-produced goods here this summer! GPL is closed on Sundays during the summer months.



### ON THE CALENDAR

**Pride Month**

**Collection Reorganization**  
**Library opening at 1 pm**  
**Thursday, June 16**  
**GPL Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 16 @ 6 pm**  
Streamed live on **YouTube** and archived for later viewing.

Public commentary to: [pc@guilderlandlibrary.org](mailto:pc@guilderlandlibrary.org)

**Early Primary Voting**  
**(Governor/Lt. Governor)**

**Saturday, June 18–Sunday, June 26**

**VOTE**

**JUNE TEENTH**

**Library Closed—Juneteenth**  
**(except for Early Voting)**

**Sunday, June 19**

**Primary Election**

**Tuesday, June 28**

**GPL Foundation Meeting**

**Thursday, June 23 @ 6:15 pm**

New Foundation members welcome! Contact Steve Wacksman with interest: [wacksman20@gmail.com](mailto:wacksman20@gmail.com).