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Now Accepting Book Returns at the Newburgh Town Branch
We are now accepting item returns via the book drop at our Town Branch location, located inside the Newburgh Mall. Please note that all items returned must undergo a 3-day quarantine period during which they will remain on the borrower's record. There are no fines until January 2021; and no book donations are accepted until further notice. For questions about materials and returns call: 845-391-0005.

Community Events

Movies on Ann Street

We are excited to launch a series of socially-distant drive-in movies for residents this Summer. Each Thursday in August will feature a family-friendly film in the municipal lot on Ann Street. People who do not have cars will be accommodated and are encouraged to attend.

-City of Newburgh

From the Local History Room
Centennial of 19th Amendment

On November 6, 1917, New York women won the right to vote by a ballot resolution. It would take almost three more years for ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution for all women across the nation to be granted the right to vote in federal elections. Thirty-six states were needed to ratify the Amendment. New York was the second state in the union to ratify it; Wisconsin had been the first.

The passage of the Amendment occurred over 70 years after the first women’s rights convention in 1848 at Seneca Falls, NY. Newburgh would host the National Women’s Suffrage Association’s convention of 1895. Many of the convention’s speeches and workshops were held at the Palatine Hotel pictured here. Years of more conventions, parades, alliances, posters and passing out of pamphlets followed. The 19th Amendment began its process to ratification in June of 1919.

Tennessee became the final state needed to ratify the Amendment and Congress recorded its passage on August 18, 1920. November 6th was the first time women voted for the presidential candidate of their choice.

Heather Georghiou, Local History Librarian

Frederick Douglass in Newburgh
Frederick Douglass came to Newburgh on August 11, 1870 as part of his speaking tour on the 15th Amendment. Learn more about Douglass and this historic event with this Frederick Douglass in Newburgh resource guide.

Get Help with Grant Seeking from Home!

Candid (formerly Foundation Center) has given Newburgh Free Library patrons remote access to its Foundation Directory Online Essential database until the end of 2020. Foundation Directory Online Essential uses the same database format and searching capabilities as the Foundation Directory Online Professional product you may have used in the Library, with access to about 103,000 grant-maker profiles. While this version lacks the recipient profiles and details of
grants, Foundation Directory Online Essential does temporarily give you access to LOTS of grant-maker information from home! Find the link to Foundation Directory Online Essential in our online guides to Grant Resources and COVID-19 Resources.

Reference Librarian Porter Barber, our in-house expert on Foundation Center products, has recorded a helpful presentation on Grant Seeking Basics with FDO. For help with this product, pbarber@rcls.org.

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**Children, Teens, and Families**

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**PAGE TURNER ADVENTURES!**  
**Weekdays at 12 Noon**

Have you been tuning in to watch? Only two weeks remain in this 10-week summer series of shows, interviews, and project adventures. This week features "Imagine Your THEATER Story" Aug. 10-14 and "Imagine Your PIRATE Story" ends our summer Aug. 17-21. Tune in daily to watch anytime between 12 and 1:30 PM for videos. Links posted on the calendar, or bookmark the Page Turner Adventures summer programming page on our website.

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**CAMP KINDERGARTEN**  
**Wed., Aug. 12 • 10 a.m.**

Activities, games, ideas, and resources are part of a ten-week series on skills and readiness for kindergarten learning. And there's still time to finish up the "1000 Books Before Kindergarten" challenge! Wondering what that
HEARTWOOD HOTEL SERIES ADVENTURES:
A Virtual Read-along
Wed., Aug. 12 • 6:30 p.m.
Listen in or read-along as we begin "The Greatest Gift," book two in the adventures of the woodland guests and caretakers at the Heartwood Hotel.

HAGRID’S ARMY MEETING
Thurs., Aug. 13 • 6:30 p.m.
All ages welcome!
Join us for a virtual meeting. Members will receive an email notice about the meeting. New members always welcome! If you are interested in attending, please email hagridsarmynewburgh@gmail.com, by Wed., Aug. 12, 5 p.m. and include your email address to receive the meeting invite.

Summer Reading for Adults
Adults, ages 18+ are encouraged to complete a Summer Challenge card before August 21 by attending our Virtual Programs, reading books, supporting local businesses, and visiting and taking selfies with community landmarks! Completing missions as detailed on the challenge card gives you a chance to win a gift card to a local business, courtesy of the Friends of the Newburgh Free Library! You can track your completed reading and missions using ReadSquared OR print the Summer Challenge Card; take a photo of your completed game card and email it to psussmann@rcls.org by August 21. Visit the 2020 Summer Challenge page for more information.

Virtual Programs for all Ages

See our Virtual Program Guide and e-calendar for these and many more virtual programs for youth and adults. We will be adding videos and other online content on a regular basis, so check back here often for fun, informative and creative content.

Youth Services Program Videos
Preschool Story Time with Ms. Carol week 8

Heartwood Hotel The Greatest Gift Book 2, chapters 1-3

Tail Waggin' Summer Dog Tales week 8

Adult Services Program Videos

Hand Sew a Lavender Sachet

Make it on Monday Clear Gem Picture Magnets
Upcoming Programs

Diverse Voices Book Club: Freshwater
Wed., Aug. 12 • 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Discussion led by Crystal Donkor, Ph.D.
Join Crystal Donkor PhD. (SUNY New Paltz) for a lively virtual discussion of the memoir FRESHWATER by Akwaeke Emezi. This book is available on HOOPLA. If you have any questions about the virtual discussion please e-mail Patty Sussmann at psussmann@rcls.org. Registration is requested.

Check out the book on Hoopla

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Gentle Yoga

A Virtual Yoga Class with
Susan of Rae of Light Yoga Studios

Thursday August 13
6:30 p.m.

Newburgh Free Library
Inform—Inspire—Connect

Register here
Literacy Adventures: Fairy Tales
Fri., Aug. 14 • 11 a.m.

Join Miss Carol and Ms. Sara in the World of Stories! Literacy Adventures is a virtual program where children participate in learning activities on a theme to tell one fun story and reach a goal. The program is designed for ages 3-5, but all ages are welcome. Can you find the missing Four Keys of Fairy Tales? Play along to earn a digital badge on READsquared!

Meet Our Librarians

Yoly Avella
Public Engagement Librarian

Yoly grew up in Monticello, NY which is located in Sullivan County. She obtained her bachelor’s degree in Hispanic Languages & Literature from SUNY Stony Brook, master’s degree in Second Language Education from SUNY New Paltz, and master’s degree in Information and Library Science from SUNY Buffalo. During her four undergraduate years, she worked at the Life Sciences Library at SUNY Stony Brook and thoroughly enjoyed working there. Yoly started to work at the Newburgh Free Library in March 2020 as the Public Engagement Librarian. In this position, she coordinates and develops partnerships, collaborations, and outreach services to a variety of community groups. Prior to working at the library, she has worked as a family educator with Even Start, ESL...
instructor/teacher in Sullivan County, and Lab Technology Coordinator with SUNY ATTAIN. During her time with SUNY ATTAIN, she assisted in decreasing the digital divide through increased digital literacy, improving computer skills, facilitating computer classes including Microsoft Office and QuickBooks as well as developing work readiness workshops. In her free time, Yoly enjoys listening and dancing to music, reading mystery novels, and playing time management games on the computer.

Joseph Oliansky
Reference Librarian

Joe was born at St Luke's Hospital and lived in the City of Newburgh until his family moved to the Town of Newburgh when he was 12. He currently lives in the Hamlet of Wallkill (Town of Shawangunk). His first job after graduating library school was at CBS News in NYC where he worked on the news transcript database. Other positions he has held:

- Brooklyn Public Library- telephone reference librarian
- Adams Public Library in Kingston, MA- director
- Falmouth Public Library, Head of Reference & Adult Services
- Matthew Bender, NYC legal publisher, Indexing Manager & different positions in Electronic Publishing

As a part-time reference librarian, he has assisted Local History Librarian, Heather, with government document projects. He maintains several Library Guides including Do-it-Yourself Legal Resources, Immigration and Naturalization, Newburgh Area Community Information, Quick Links, Resources for Senior Citizens, and Small Business Resources. Joe created and organized a well-attended program in conjunction with the Motorcyclepedia Museum about Burt Monro and "The World's Fast Indian." Currently, he is developing a guide about Black History and Culture in the region that includes slavery in the Hudson Valley. When the pandemic occurred, he was planning a program about the history of Downing Park and Andrew Downing. In addition, he teaches Introductory Computer classes and responsible for maintaining the Large Print Collection. Joe has a BA in History and Journalism from SUNY/New Paltz and MBA from SUNY/Albany.

Get Help at Home

Connect to Live Help Monday-Friday from 9 am to 5 pm with our new Google Voice numbers!
For reference help during our closure, contact us at 845-391-0672 or nhref@rcls.org.

For questions about books, items you may have checked-out, digital library cards and fines, contact the Circulation Dept. at 845-391-0005 or jthomas@rcls.org.

Tech Support
For Android or Kindle devices, call Wayne at 845-391-3724;
For Apple devices, call Sue at 845-293-0950;
For laptops, call Frank at 845-391-0995.
OR email suescott@rcls.org with a description of the problem, device, product (app), and any error messages.

Free Resume Review
Send a copy of your resume in Microsoft Word to Beth at bzambito@rcls.org for review and suggested improvements. Expect a response within 24 hours.

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