

SUMMER 2019

TOWN OF UNION LIBRARIES



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YHPL Hours of Operation

Monday – Thursday 9 AM– 8 PM
Friday – Saturday 9 AM – 5 PM
Closed Saturdays July – August

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George F. Johnson Memorial Library

1001 Park Street
Endicott, NY 13760

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GEORGE F. JOHNSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY IN ENDICOTT

Children, teens and adults can enjoy some out-of-this-world fun at the library this summer. All our events are FREE. For those that require registration, stop in the library during business hours or register online at: gfjlibrary.org

YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

Summer Reading Club

Registration for our Universe of Stories reading club for preschool and school-age children begins on June 20. Club members who read this summer and count their minutes can earn a free book and raffle tickets for fun prizes. Books and raffle tickets will be awarded August 6 through August 23.

Kids Street Art, July 8, 6 PM

Cartoonist/illustrator Eric Maruscak is back for more chalk art fun. Children entering grades 1 through 6 can learn chalk techniques and create fantastic pictures on the library sidewalk. Registration for this event is required and space is limited.

Story Times

Registration for the following story time programs is required and begins on June 20. Call, stop in or register online at gfjlibrary.org/kidzone

- Little Listeners (up to age 2):
Tuesdays, July 9–August 6, at 10 AM
- Great Beginnings (ages 2–5):
Wednesdays, July 10–August 7, at 10 AM
- Highland Park (ages 2–5):
Thursdays, July 11–August 8, at 10 AM
in the pavilion at the park on Hooper Road.
**Registration is NOT required for this story time.*

FAMILY PROGRAMS

The following family programs will be held either on the plaza in front of the library or in our downstairs meeting room. No registration required. All programs held rain or shine.

Out-of-this-World Ice Cream Sundaes, June 26, 6–7 PM

Join us to celebrate the start of our summer reading program! Stop by to enjoy a tasty ice cream sundae, have fun with some stellar photo booth props and sign up for our summer reading clubs and programs.

Scales & Tails with Animal Adventure, July 10 at 7 PM

Come get up close and learn about some fascinating animals with the highly informed staff from the park in Harpursville.

Stars Tell a Story, July 16 at 7 PM

This presentation by Kopernik Observatory will feature the summer night sky. Families will also learn how to build a “sky wheel” to take home so they can locate constellations on their own.

Family Trivia, July 22

Arrive at 6 PM to sign your team up and the program will start at 6:15 PM

Bring your team and match wits with other families as DJ Kevin Novotny asks the questions. Who will win bragging rights?

The Dirtmeister presents: Blast Off with Reading!

July 31 at 7 PM

This high-energy show traces the history of flight and rockets using a variety of wild and wacky science demonstrations.

These programs made possible by the Friends of the George F. Johnson Memorial Library and with public funds from the Chenango Arts Council's Decentralization Grants Program, a re-grant program of the NYS Council on the Arts, with support from Governor Cuomo and the NYS Legislature.

Chalk Art Extravaganza!

August 7, 6–8 PM

Join us in creating some amazing chalk art at one of our most loved and anticipated events of the year. Artist extraordinaire, Eric Maruscak will be on hand to help our imaginations soar.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Registration is required for these programs and begins on June 20 and is for all five (5) weeks. Programs include books, games, crafts, technology and fun!

A Universe of Stories at Your Library:

- For children entering Kindergarten through second grade, Thursdays from 1–2 PM, July 11–August 8.
- For children entering third through sixth grade, Mondays from 1–2 PM, July 8–August 5.

Friday Fun!

Stop in the children's room on Fridays, July 12 through August 9 to check out our hands-on activity kits. Creative, self-directed fun for school-age kids only available on Fridays during the summer. No registration required.



TEEN PROGRAMS

(FOR TEENS ENTERING GRADES 7-12)

Registration for Teen programs begins June 20. Teens can receive free books for attending programs!

Summer Learning Club (June 20–August 26)

GFJ Library is partnering with Readsquared Reading Program, sponsored by New York State Library, to bring teens our first digital summer reading program! Register at <http://gfjlibrary.ny09.readsquared.com/> or visit the adult information desk for assistance.

- Teen Summer Learning Registration Workshop: June 20 from 6–8 PM
Learn how to get the most out of the Readsquared Summer Program site.
- Missions on Readsquared
Throughout the summer there will be missions on the Readsquared site that teens can participate in, like a fan fiction writing program or learning about space. Instructions for each mission will be located on the Readsquared site.

Teen Book Discussion Group

Tuesdays, July 9–July 30, 3:30–4:30 PM

Participants in this librarian-moderated group will read one, full-length novel each week and discuss it. The books will be provided free of charge and are registrants to keep. Meet in the downstairs meeting room. Registration is required and attendance at all four sessions is highly encouraged.

Teen Street Art

Wednesday, July 17, 6–7:30 PM

Meet on the library sidewalk and get ready to create some great chalk art with illustrator/cartoonist Eric Maruscak! Bring a picture you would like to draw. Registration is required.

Double the Mystery @ the Library!

- Escape Room: Space Rescue: Friday, July 26, Select Time Slots
Venture out of this world to find out what happened to the missing space crew, but be careful. If your not back in time you might never get home again. In groups of 2-6, do you dare enter the far reaches of space? Registration is required.
- Mystery Night: Friday, August 2nd, 6–8 PM.
Calling all Library Detectives, we have another mystery for you to solve! Discover the who, what, how, and why to win a prize. The event will be held after hours in the library. Registration is required.

A Galactic Teen Bash

Friday, July 12, 6–8 PM

Dancing, lights, food and a “crater” pit await teens at this galactic good time after hours. Registration is required.

Teen Fun Nights

Thursdays, July 11–August 8

Programs meet in the downstairs meeting room, unless otherwise noted. Registration is not required for the following programs:

- Teen Book and a Movie: July 11, from 6–8:30 PM.
Join us for a movie based on a YA book followed by a discussion.
- Craft Night: July 18, from 6–8 PM.
Be creative! All sorts of crafts are on the menu from making bath bombs to creating space related art.
- Tech Night: July 25, from 6–8 PM.
Create something on Georgie, our 3D printer, learn coding with a magic wand, and play with other tech toys. Program held upstairs in the Tech Center.
- Game Night: August 1, from 6–8 PM.
Go crazy with games. There will be board games, puzzles, and BINGO!
- Trivia Night: August 8, from 6–8 PM.
Gear up your minds for trivia! Questions will range from entertainment, literature, sports, history, and more. Bring a friend!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Universe of Stories @ The GFJ Library is the theme of this year's adult summer reading club. Join the fun and register for the club and programs beginning on June 20. Read 5 books fill out a reading log and drop it in the box at the Adult Information Desk. For every log you fill out, you will be entered to win one of three gift baskets. The drawing will be on Friday, August 9.

Programs for Adults: The following programs are free, but registration is required. There is a limit of 20 for each program.

Essential Oil Craft – July 23, 6:30-8 PM in the downstairs meeting room. Learn how to make your own natural oil spray sanitizer and foaming hand soap.

Zentangle Art – July 30, 6-8 PM in the downstairs meeting room. Learn the Zentangle method of drawing using structured patterns.

Dinner & a Book – August 6, 6-8 PM in the downstairs meeting room. Join us for a sub dinner and a leisurely discussion of favorite books you have read. It's a great way to get recommendations for a good book.

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YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

Sign-ups for Summer Reading Program June 24—July 12

The SRP runs from July 1st through August 16 and is open to anyone ages 3 - 10. Earn prizes for reading this summer! All reading logs must be turned in on or before August 16th.

Teens can earn Regal Cinema movie passes and Barnes & Noble gift cards twice during the summer. The first deadline is Friday, July 19th. The second is Friday, August 16th.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Storytime

Tuesdays, July 9—August 13, 10 AM

Children 3 1/2 to 5 and caregivers are invited to join us at the library for programs that will include books, rhymes, crafts, and more. No registration.

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAMS (AGES 6—10)

Paper Airplanes

Thursday, July 25, 1 PM

Learn to fold and fly a variety of paper airplane models. Open to ages 6—10. Space is limited, so registration is required. We will supply all materials.

FAMILY PROGRAMS (OPEN TO ALL AGES)

Ross Park Zoomobile

Tuesday, July 2, 6:30 PM

Meet and learn about a variety of small mammals, reptiles, and other creatures. Open to all ages. No registration.

Make a Glass Mosaic

Tuesday, July 16, 6 PM

Work with artist Emily Jablon of Jablon Studios to create rainbow-making “bling catchers” for a window, porch, garden, or a tree. No experience necessary, open to all ages. We will provide all supplies. No registration.

Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, July 31, 6:30 PM

Back by popular demand (and with more ice cream!). Experience an old-fashioned social activity. Enjoy ice cream with toppings, time with family and friends, and some light music. Create your own sundae. Everyone welcome. No registration.

Kopernik Portable Planetarium

Wednesday, July 24, 6 PM

Step into the portable planetarium and learn about the moon, stars and planets. All ages welcome. No registration.

Story Walk

Ongoing, all summer long, weather permitting

Walk the library grounds and read a book at the same time! This summer, our stories will focus on the moon and planets. No registration.

LEGO Night

Wednesday, July 17 and August 21, 6:30 PM

You're never too old to play with LEGOs. Stop in on each date for an evening of free-building. Use our LEGOs, or bring your own project to work on. No registration. Open to all ages.

Yard Games

Thursday, August 8, 1—3 PM

Create sidewalk games with chalk, go bowling, play tic-tac-toe with our oversized game pieces, and more. Program will be held on the library's side yard (weather permitting). Open to all ages, no registration. (Rain date: Thursday, August 15th.)

End of Summer Carnival

Monday, August 19, 10 AM —1 PM

Gather on the library's front lawn for food, fun, and a farewell to summer programming. Activities face painting, lawn games, popcorn, and more. No registration. Open to all ages!

Space! The Cosmos for Kids

Friday, August 30, 2 PM

A fun techno-space-dance-party for kids and teens. Audience members will meet aliens from outer space, travel through black holes, discover the different characteristics of the eight planets, sing karaoke, participate in a rap battle about the sun and learn about the differences between revolution and rotation. No registration needed, and the program is free.

TEEN PROGRAMS (AGES 10-17)

Create a Ray Gun

Wednesday, July 10, 6:15 PM

Bring a squirt gun, and we'll show you how to turn it into a ray gun. Open to teens and adults. No registration required.

Galaxy Clothes

Thursday, August 1, 6:15 PM

Bring in a dark-colored t-shirt, pair of sweatpants, or sneakers, and turn them into an interstellar work of art. We will provide all art supplies. No registration.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Sign up at the main circulation desk to get your reading log and a free book, and enter to win prizes all summer long! Reading logs must be turned in on or before August 16.

Escape Room - FUN FOR ALL AGES

June 24—29

Kick off summer with an escape room: solve a series of puzzles to find the invaders from outer space before it's too late!

Book Discussion Group

July 9 & August 13, 6:30 PM

Join our monthly book discussion group on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. The programs are all free and we encourage anyone to attend. We like to keep them loose and informal; definitely more discussion and less lecture.

Summer Movie Series: Space Race

Relax in our air-conditioned meeting room and enjoy one of these acclaimed films about the space race. Popcorn and soda provided.

July 16 @ 2:00 PM: October Sky (PG; 1999)

July 23 @ 2:00 PM: Hidden Figures (PG; 2016)

July 30 @ 2:00 PM: First Man (PG-13; 2018)

August 6 @ 2:00 PM: The Martian (PG-13; 2015)

Cornell Cooperative Extension Presents: Gardening is for the Birds!

June 10, 6:30 PM

Learn why gardening is important—especially for birds. Included will be information related to native flowers, shrubs, and trees that will make successful gardening almost a guarantee.

ESCAPE ROOM



DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR TOWN OF UNION LIBRARIES OFFER MANY RESOURCES?

You can borrow:

- Books, magazines, and audiobooks for readers of all ages
- Digital magazines on Flipster
- eBooks and downloadable audiobooks
- Mobile hotspots
- Movies and television series on DVD
- Museum passes
- Music on CD or through digital downloads
- Seeds for planting
- Sewing machines
- STEM items for hands-on fun

Check out these other offerings:

- Complete the NYS Safe Driving Course for point and insurance reduction.
- Find a space for your community meeting.
- Find local history and genealogy resources online.
- Get technology assistance with computers, tablets, eReaders and phones.
- Improve your financial health or get advice on Medicare Supplemental Insurance with Weiss Financial Ratings.
- Join a book club. We have them for all ages!
- Learn a new language with Mango or Transparent Languages.



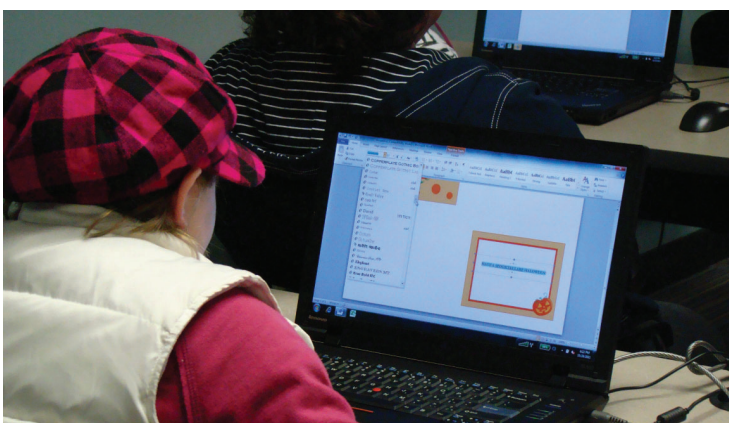
NEW LIBRARY INITIATIVES

WiFi Hotspots now available!

YHPL and GFJ are excited to announce the start of a new mobile WiFi lending program. Each library has five R850 WiFi Hotspots available to patrons with a valid library card. The hotspots feature 4G Internet access for up to ten devices at a time.

"This program is our attempt to bridge the digital divide in our community. We know that close to 50% of Town of Union residents lack reliable internet access in their home. In our digital world, the lack of internet access makes everyday things like applying for a job or finishing your homework assignment a challenge for many families," said YHPL Library Director Ben Lainhart. He noted that this is also a great option for people who have limited data plans or for families who are traveling.

Library patrons can borrow the hotspots for up to one week at a time. Borrowers must be at least 18 years old with a valid photo ID and an updated registered library card.



Books On Wheels

Your Home Public Library is proud to partner with Broome County's Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels and Meals on Wheels of Western Broome on a new Books on Wheels initiative. Through this partnership, Broome County residents participating in the Meals on Wheels programs can register to receive books, DVDs, audiobooks, or music CDs from the library once per month with their meal delivery. Contact your Meals on Wheels volunteer or call the library for more information.



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