

CURIOUS GEORGE F. NEWS

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday
9 am-8 pm

Friday & Saturday
9 am-5 pm

Library Board Meeting:

Wednesday, 3/20 @
6 pm in the library's Tech Center

Library Calendar:

Visit our calendar page at gfjlibrary.org/calendar or scan the QR code below to see all of our upcoming programs & events!



Friends of the Library Book Sales:

- Friday, 3/1 from 10 am-4 pm
- Saturday, 3/9 from 10 am-2 pm
- Friday, 3/15 from 10 am-4 pm

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MARCH HIGHLIGHTS

2023 in Review: We had a great 2023, and a few highlights are included below. You can find more information on our full Annual Report to the Community at gfjlibrary.org/file-cabinet-new.

2023 was our **108th year of service** to the community. We welcomed **77,600 patrons** to GFJ & issued **901 new library cards** to new patrons.

Patrons checked out **103,021 items:** 32,767 adult & teen books, 44,311 children's books, 11,566 digital downloads & 14,377 other items.

We held **537 programs** with an attendance of **8,190 patrons**. This included book clubs, story times, STEM camp, and art programs.

Our Tech Center held **73 classes** to help patrons with their digital literacy skills. This includes in-person, virtual, and off-site classes.

Thank you to everyone who joined in the fun @ GFJ in 2023!



Broadway in Binghamton: *Little Women: The Broadway Musical* is coming to the Broome County Forum Theatre, and we'll be raffling off two tickets to the **Tuesday, March 19** show @ **7:30 pm**. To enter, check out any materials from the library between **March 1 & 17**. Fill out a raffle ticket for a chance to win at the circulation desk. While you're here, take a look at our *Little Women* display case in the front lobby, and stop into the Children's Room to borrow a Louisa May Alcott book or movie to get ready for the show!

Author Talk: Join us on **March 16 @ 1 pm** for **Women of Courage and Defiance**, a talk by writer and novelist, Joanna Higgins, Ph. D. This program is presented in honor of Women's History Month and will focus on the lives and work of Emma Goldman and Edith Cavell. No registration is required for this event.





Kids & Teens

Stay in the Loop: Have you subscribed to our Youth Services Programs & Events email list? Visit gfjlibrary.org/kids or scan the QR code on the right to get started. We'll send you an email anytime we have a fun program or event to announce!



Bird Scavenger Hunt: Join us in the children's and teen sections for a bird scavenger hunt this month! Grab a bird bookmark and hunt through the library to find each of the six birds and learn a little more about them through QR codes along the way. Check off all the birds and turn in your bookmark for a prize!

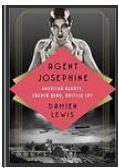
Read with the Therapy Dogs: Join us on **Saturdays, 3/2 & 3/16 from 10 am-12 pm** to read to a therapy dog in the Children's Room! No registration is required.



I'd Rather Read YA Book Club: Join us via Zoom for a discussion of *Dig* by A.S. King on **Wednesday, 3/27 @ 6 pm**. All ages are welcome to join us! Follow the link to register: <https://forms.gle/NsgnYfeZUf4wXi8Y7>

Adults

AARP Tax Aide: AARP Tax Prep is available by appointment only. Call 211 or 1-800-901-2180 for an appointment. They're available at GFJ on **Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm through April 12**.



GFJ Adult Book Club: Join us on **Wednesday, 3/27 @ 1 pm in person or @ 7 pm virtually** to discuss *Agent Josephine* by Damien Lewis. Call the library or visit gfjlibrary.org/calendar to register to get notifications and the Zoom link for the virtual meeting.

Tech Center

Classes: Join us in March to learn something new!

- **March 7 @ 3 pm** - *Researching Your Family Tree for Beginners* virtual class
- **March 13 @ 11 am** - *Free eBooks & Audiobooks with Libby* @ Broome West Senior Center
- **March 19 @ 1 pm** - *What is AI and How Am I Already Using It?* virtual class
- **March 28 @ 3 pm** - *Online Learning for Personal Enrichment* virtual class

Open Hours: Tech Center Open Hours will be available by appointment during March. Visit gfjlibrary.org/tc for times.

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- 1 - Friends Book Sale, 10 am-4 pm
- Tai Chi for Arthritis @ 1 pm*
- 2 - Therapy Dogs, 10 am-12 pm
- 4 - Fun with Friends, 12-2 pm
- Jr. Readers @ 5 & 6:30 pm*
- 5 - Toddler Story Time @ 10 & 11 am*
- Tai Chi for Arthritis @ 1 pm*
- Tech 360, Part 2 @ 1 pm*
- 6 - Mother Goose ST @ 10 & 11 am*
- 7 - Preschool Story Time @ 10 am*
- GED Prep & Study, 12:30-2:30 pm
- Researching Your Family Tree virtual class @ 3 pm
- 8 - Tai Chi for Arthritis @ 1 pm*
- 9 - Friends Book Sale, 10 am-2 pm
- 12 - Toddler Story Time @ 10 & 11 am*
- Tai Chi for Arthritis @ 1 pm*
- Tech 360, Part 1 @ 1 pm*
- 12 - Mother Goose ST @ 10 & 11 am*
- 13 - Preschool Story Time @ 10 am*
- Free eBooks & Audiobooks offsite class @ 11 am
- GED Prep & Study, 12:30-2:30 pm
- 15 - Friends Book Sale, 10 am-4 pm
- 16 - Therapy Dogs, 10 am-12 pm
- Women of Courage & Defiance @ 1 pm
- 18 - Fun with Friends, 12-2 pm
- 19 - Toddler Story Time @ 10 & 11 am*
- Tech 360, Part 2 @ 1 pm*
- What is AI and How Am I Already Using It? virtual class @ 1 pm
- 20 - Mother Goose ST @ 10 & 11 am*
- Library Board meeting @ 6 pm
- 21 - Preschool Story Time @ 10 am*
- GED Prep & Study, 12:30-2:30 pm
- 25 - Fun with Friends, 12-2 pm
- GFJ Readers Book Club @ 5 pm*
- 26 - Tech 360, Part 1 @ 1 pm*
- 27 - GFJ Book Club @ 1 pm
- I'd Rather Read YA @ 6 pm
- GFJ Virtual Book Club @ 7 pm
- 28 - GED Prep & Study, 12:30-2:30 pm
- Online Learning for Personal Enrichment virtual class @ 3 pm

* registration required