

LITTLE FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

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THE NEWS SHELF

The Little Falls Public Library Newsletter

Let's Hear it for the Programs!

Why are libraries still relevant? To answer this question simply, we are the hub of the community and one of the last places in society that doesn't expect people to spend money. That's right, a lot of our library programs are completely free for the public to participate in and attend! This year we had some amazing programs featured along with our regular, staff run programs.

This year we have had rousing success with bringing more in person programs back to the library such as our Flash Fiction group meeting once again, numerous grant funded art classes and lectures, and even creating new programs such as our Cookbook Club.

In 2023 Little Falls Public Library is looking forward to expanding on our current program offerings, so stay tuned!

Regular Programs:

Teen Creative Writing
MEETS MOST MONDAYS
@ 5PM

Bead Classes
TWO CLASSES MEET
ONCE A MONTH

Flash Fiction
WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM

Cookbook Club
MEETS MONTHLY ON
THURSDAYS

Friday Morning Playdate
HAPPENS WEEKLY ON
FRIDAYS @ 10

Knitting & Crochet
MEETS WEEKLY ON
SATURDAYS @ 11



Photo: Miss Amy reads to Toddler Time Group



Lifting Up the Community

A NEW ELEVATOR IS IN THE WORKS!

The elevator project includes the construction of a new shaft which will be relocated to allow access to our third floor. The old elevator only goes to the second floor and is inoperable.

The third floor is currently used for storage and will be renovated to expand programming, add private meeting space, and allow opportunities for other community oriented uses. We are fortunate to have received partial funding via the recent NYS DRI grant. We are also pursuing additional funding to meet the cost of the entire project.

Looking Ahead: What's Happening in 2023?

- NEW ELEVATOR PROJECT
- NEW PROGRAMS
 - TEEN ART NIGHT 1/12
 - ADULT BOOK CLUB

1/26



Photos: Left- One of the storage rooms on the third floor to be converted along with 3rd floor renovation and elevator project. Right- Picture of current elevator with out of order sign on the doors





It's All in the Writing

OUR SUCCESSES WITH GRANTS

Little Falls Public Library has had great success with grants this year. Over the summer we received the Harry Chapin Foundation Grant for \$2,500 for our summer youth literacy programs. We were also very fortunate to get the Central New York Arts Council Arts Education Grant this year which gave us \$2,500 to host 2 En Plein Air Art Workshops with all materials completely provided for our participants.



Grants have also allowed us to expand our library's collection with the ARPA Digital Inclusion Program grant that gave us \$1,000 to purchase Chromebooks and hotspots which can be checked out at the library!

We are extremely grateful for every grant we receive to help us better serve our community. With the NYS Construction Grant and the DRI we can begin the work on our elevator project within the coming year. Of course we wouldn't be anywhere without the support of some local businesses like Stewarts who has helped us out with our 2022 Summer Reading Program and Walmart as well who has also given money to youth focused programming.

Photos: Above- Instructor RC Oster shows off his work and explains different techniques to En Plein Air group.

Right - Instructor Deborah Kaufman demonstrates correct technique to En Plein Air participants.

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Out and About

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

It's the dawn of a new era for the Little Falls Public Library! You may have seen us at the Connected Community Schools' Trunk or Treat up at the Little Falls middle/high school handing out candy, free books, library card applications, and checking out books to the trick or treaters. Or maybe you participated in our Easter Egg Hunt earlier this year or even our Pretzel Scavenger Hunt for Oktoberfest. Get ready to see us out in the community more often!



Serving our community is possible only when our community sees us. If no one knows what we do then no one can use our services like our fax machine, public computers, free WI-FI, and printing/scanning services. Letting the community know who we are and what we do is a large part of how we stay relevant. With this in mind, you can expect to see us doing more within the community and hosting more community wide events.

Our next scavenger hunt is expected to be in February, so keep an eye on our website and social media pages for more information on that coming within the next couple of months!

Photos: Above- our director, Cheyenne, (right) and Mid York's Community Outreach Librarian, Diana, (left) talk with three trick or treaters at Trunk or Treat.

Right- A promotional image used for the Pretzel Scavenger Hunt.

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LFLIBRARY.ORG TO
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LOCAL BUSINESSES
TO PARTICIPATE IN
OUR NEXT
COMMUNITY WIDE
PROGRAM!

