



Suffern Free Library

Spring 2008

BOOK SALE

Friday & Saturday
May 2 & 3
10AM-3PM

Coming in April

The library's Café is scheduled to reopen in April under new management.

Blood Drive

Help your local community by donating blood to Good Samaritan Hospital at the Library on **Wed, April 23 from 10AM-2PM**. Appointments preferred, walk-ins welcome. Call 357-1237.

Mary Jane Clark

Don't miss the bestselling author of *When Day Breaks, Do You Want to Know a Secret* and other bestselling books. Mary Jane will talk, answer questions and sign books. Books will be available for purchase. **Sunday, April 6, 1:30PM.**

Book Discussions

Third Tuesdays at 7:30PM

- April 15: *Balzac and the little Chinese Seamstress*
- May 20: *Fire In Blood*
- June 17: *Water for Elephants*

Did you know...

Mom with infants: I have an infant that often falls asleep in the car and I'd rather not wake him up to pick up my library books. What can I do?

Did you know that if you call the library (357-1237) before coming, you can request an item and we will hold it for you at the *drive-thru window*? You can also pick up any items that you've reserved. Don't forget to bring your library card.

Away for the Summer: I'd like my kids to read during the summer while they're at camp. Can I take books out for more than 4 weeks?

Did you know the library offers summer loan? There is great value to students who read over the summer. That's why anytime after June 16, books can be borrowed for "summer loan" and they aren't due back until September 8th. *There are some limitations and new books and popular items like*

DVDS, CDS, can not be borrowed for the whole summer.

More Documentaries: Why don't you get more documentary DVDs?

Did you know the library recently expanded its collection of documentaries and instructional DVDS. The collection contains, in addition to the documentaries, exercise, travel, opera, music concerts, dance, Shakespeare's plays and much more. The collection is shelved near the reference desk.

art exhibits

April

An Eyeful:

Photographs by Murray Pollack
Open Reception: Tues., April 8, 2-4PM

May

The Gift

Paintings by Joanne Artale

June

Moments In Time

Graphite & Colored Pencil Drawings
by Andrea Placer
Open Reception: Sun., June 8, 2-4PM

What Music Is Made Of

Do you enjoy our music programs and concerts, but want to learn more about music? If so, this class is right for you. Pianist Susan Buffington will teach this six-session class where you will learn how to listen to music:

- May 17: Melody vs. Harmony
- May 24: Major vs. Minor
- May 31: Concept of KEY
- June 7: We Got the Beat

- June 21: We Got Rhythm
 - June 28: Now What Do you Hear?
- Register online at www.suffernlibrary.org. Adults and kids ages 12 and up. Classes run from 11AM-12:30PM. Excellent for music students learning music theory.

This project is made possible, in part, with funds from the Community Arts Grants program of the Arts Council of Rockland, the Decentralization Program of the New York State Council on the Arts and a generous grant secured by Assemblywoman Ellen Jaffee.



Walk-In Storytimes

Held the *first* and *third* Saturdays of the month.

- 10:15AM for children up to age 3
- 11:15AM for ages 3-6

3rd-6th Grade Arts & Crafts Club

Craft time will be held from 4:30-5:30PM Wednesdays:



- **April 2:** Paint a Piggy Bank and a Tile
- **May 14:** Worry Dolls
- **June 4:** Picture Frame Fun

Register online one week prior to the program date. An example will be available at the children's reference desk.

Book Discussions 4th-6th Grade

Thursdays from 7:30-8:15PM

Upcoming titles and dates are as follows:

- **April 17:** *The Good Dog*
- **May 15:** *All The Way Home*
- **June 19:** *How to Steal A Dog*

Books will be available at the children's reference desk one month in advance. *Made possible by the Suffern Free Library Book Sale Group.*

Just For Guys Book Discussion

Mr. M. will hold a book discussion for guys in 4th-6th grade. The Title will be announced in April.

Register online and pick up the book one month in advance. **May 8 from 7:30-8:15PM.**

All children's programs are open to residents of the Ramapo Central School District.

Don't miss
The Snakeman
June 14 at 2PM
(See page 6
for details)

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All registration for storytime will be done online at www.suffernfreelibrary.org.

Registration Times

3-5 Year Olds

Monday, June 9th, 10AM-8:30PM
(child must be 3 by July 1, 2008)

Entering Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades AND 2 Year Olds

Tuesday, June 10th, 10AM-8:30PM
(for 2 Year Old Storytime child must be 2 by July 1, 2008)

Newborn to 2 Year Olds

Wednesday, June 11, 10AM-8:30PM

Upon registering you will only hear from us if there is a problem. Pick up a schedule with exact program dates in the Children's Room.

D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read)

Thursday, April 10, all day, join us in the Children's Room as we read all day. The computers will be off and all we will do is read. For every book read we will add a scoop of "ice-cream" to our giant cone. Last year we read over 100 books. Come in and see how many we can read this year.



Magic Trunk

Ventriloquist, Sylvia Markson returns with this fun filled program for the kids. Come join us and see what happens. Last summer, Mr. M. was dressed up like a baby. We can't wait to see what happens next. **Tuesday, April 22 at 3PM** for children 4 and up.

Just For Gals Book Discussion

Hey girls, join Miss Jennifer on **May 13 from 7:00-7:45PM**. Grab your Mom, grandma, aunt or friend and come discuss *Chasing Redbird* by Sharon Creech. Pick up the book one month in advance. 4th-6th graders.

Animal Encounters

Come meet some interesting animals on **Saturday, May 17 at 2PM or 3PM** for ages 4 and up. There will be a variety of small reptiles and mammals.

Summer Reading

You may register for Summer Reading beginning **Monday, June 16th through July 31st**. You must come in to register and pick up your summer reading bag which is filled with goodies and supplies. Children 2 years old to those entering 6th grade may join. Pick up a flyer in May.

Afternoon with Author Sara Pennypacker



Sara Pennypacker is the author of the "Clementine" series. She will join us at the Library and talk to us about writing and being an author. She will also be signing copies of her book. Books will be on sale.

Saturday, April 12, 1-3PM

Register online at www.suffernlibrary.org starting March 28.

Tweens & Teens

Tweens

Tweens are kids ages 10-14

The Business of Acting and Modeling

Monday, April 7th, 7PM

Learn about the modeling business from the representatives of Hudson Talent.

Cooking with Chef John

Sunday, April 13th, 2:30PM

Register online at www.suffernlibrary.org.

Cake Decorating

Thursday, April 17th, 5PM

Each participant will decorate his own cake. Space is limited. Register online.

Dance

Tuesday, May 6th & 20th, 5PM

Spend an hour with a professional instructor learning all the hottest dance moves.

Songwriters Workshop

Saturday, May 10th, 11AM

Sam Leopold will help you with your songwriting. Bring your instrument if you play. Space is limited so please register online.

Tween Movie Night: "Enchanted"

Thursday, May 22nd, 7PM

Jewelry Making

Saturday, June 7th, 11AM

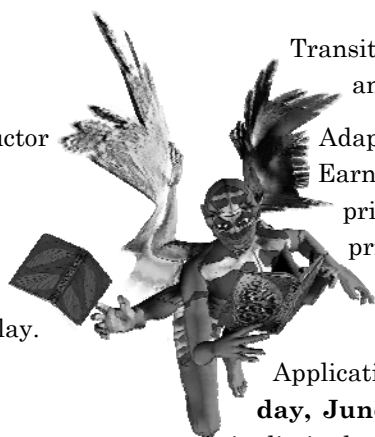
Vivian is back to show you how to make more jewelry.

Making American Girl Doll Clothes

Saturday, June 28th, 11AM

Students will cut out the patterns, choose their own fabrics and even hand sew their garments! 2 hour class. Register online. Space is limited.

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Teens

Teens are kids in grades 7-12

Teen ADV Meeting

Thursday, April 17th, 7PM

Newcomers welcome! As a Teen Advisor suggest books, CDs and other media for the collection as well as help Mrs. Brower with teen and other related projects, all for community service hours. *Open to Ramapo Central School residents in grades 7-12.* Sign up online.

METAMORPHOSIS @ YOUR LIBRARY

Transition yourself into summer by joining our annual teen summer program.

Adapt to the many activities that await you. Earn and convert points toward a certificate, prizes, a party, entertainment and surprises by volunteering, reading, decorating, crafting, transforming an afternoon for younger kids, and more.

Applications will be available beginning **Tuesday, June 3**. *Teens must register in person.* Space is limited. Program runs July 2—August 6. An Adapting Orientation Party will be held July 2 for registered teens. *Open to residents of the Ramapo Central School District.*

Summer Reading

Make the library your Ramapo Central School Summer Reading List headquarters again this summer. Books for grades 7-12 will be placed on special carts near the teen room for your convenience.

Adult Services

Foundation Center Library

The Suffern Free Library is now a collaborating collection of the Foundation Center in New York City. You can now access the Foundation Center's *Foundation Grants to Individuals* and *Foundation Directory Online* for free at the library. We also have print resources available for in-house use and other items which you can check-out. Stop by the library to use our databases and, as always, feel free to ask our librarians for help.

Trustee Elections and Budget Vote

The Suffern Free Library welcomes Joyce Nencetti to the Board of Trustees. On February 26, Joyce was elected to serve a three year term.

Suffern and Sloatsburg Library's budgets were approved on March 11, 2008, by 377 to 83. Suffern Library's Board of Trustees and staff appreciate your patronage and hope to continue serving you for many years to come.

Adult Events 3 Month Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
APRIL		1	2	3 10:30AM-2:30PM Defensive Driving* 7:15PM Great Decisions Discussion*	4 10:30AM-2:30PM Defensive Driving*	5 10-2 Tax Aide 11AM Religion In American Life Discussion*
6 1:30PM Mystery Author Mary Jane Clark	7	8 7PM 100 Year Lifestyle	9 10-2 Tax Aide 7PM The Unknown Palisades	10	11	12
13 12:15PM Flambe Style Cooking	14	15 7:30PM * Book Disc.: <i>Balzac & the Little Chinese Seamstress</i>	16	17	18 12:45PM SMS Choral Concert	19
20	21 7PM Poetry Open Mic Night w/ Guest Poet*	22 1PM Ventriloquist (Adults) 7:30PM Meditation	23 10AM-2PM Blood Drive with Good Samaritan	24	25	26 1:30PM "Chapter Two" (play)
27 1:30PM Judy Stadt: The Songs that Won WWII	28 6:45PM Film: "Sicko"	29 7:30PM Meditation	30			
MAY				1 7:15PM Great Decisions Discus- sion*	2 10AM-3PM Book Sale	3 10AM-3PM Book Sale 11AM Religion In American Life *
4 2:30PM Rockland County Catholic Choir	5 10:30AM-2:30PM Defensive Driving*	6 10:30AM-2:30PM Defensive Driving* 7:30PM Meditation	7	8 7PM Italian American Comedy	9	10
11	12	13 7:30PM Meditation	14 7PM Quaint & Quirky: An Alternative View of Rockland	15 7PM Laughter Yoga	16	17 11AM What Music Is Made Of
18 1:30PM Latin Music Concert	19 7PM Poetry Roundtable	20 7:30 Meditation 7:30PM Bk. Disc.: <i>Fire In The Blood*</i>	21	22	23	24 11AM What Music Is Made Of
25	26 Library Closed	27 7:30PM Meditation	28	29	30	31 11AM What Music Is Made Of
1 TBD Teacher's Guild Student Recital	2	3 7:30PM Meditation	4 1:30PM Georgia O'Keefe with I. Wisoff 7PM Green Kitchen & Bath Renovation	5 10:30AM-2:30PM Defensive Driving* 7:15PM Great Deci- sions Disc.*	6 10:30AM-2:30PM Defensive Driving*	7 11AM What Music Is Made Of
JUNE		10 7:30PM Meditation	11 7PM Laughter Workshop	12	13	14 2PM The Snakeman
15	16 7PM Poetry Roundtable	17 7:30PM Bk. Disc.: <i>Water for Elephants*</i>	18	19	20	21 11AM What Music Is Made Of
22 Library Closed Sundays for Summer	23	24	25	26	27	28 11AM What Music Is Made Of

* Requires Registration

April

Religion In American Life

Register and pick up book at the information desk. Discussions start at 11AM and are led by Prof. Delfini.

April 5: Understanding Fundamentalism & Evangelicalism
May 3: The New Age Movement In American Culture

100 Year Lifestyle

Tuesday, April 8th, 7PM

Want to learn the secrets of longevity? Dr. Craig Nugent, Chiropractor, will be discussing the breakthrough book that provides a how-to guide, not only to get to 100, but to get there healthy and active.

The Unknown Palisades

Wednesday, April 9th, 7PM

Eric Nelsen of the Palisades Interstate Parks presents a visual tour of the Palisades Cliffs, cliff-top mansions and scenes from the park's heyday, as well as discusses how they stood the risk of being obliterated.

Cooking Flambé Style

Sunday, April 13th, 12:15PM

Join John Moultrie for a demonstration of how to use the "flambé" cooking technique (adding alcohol to create a burst of flames). Register online.

Suffern Middle School Choral Concert

Friday, April 18th, 12:45PM

Come enjoy an afternoon concert by the students of Suffern Middle School.

Poetry Open Mic Night with Guest Poet Svea Barrett

Monday, April 21st, 7PM

Svea Barrett's work has appeared in *Samsara Quarterly*, *The Paterson Literary Review*, *LIPS*, *The Edison Literary Review*, *The Journal of New Jersey Poets*, and other journals. Her chapbook, *Why I Collect Moose*, won the 2005 Poets Corner Press Poetry Chapbook Contest. Come share your own poetry with others.

Sylvia Markson, Ventriloquist for Adults

Tuesday, April 22nd, 1PM

Ventriloquist, Sylvia Markson returns to the Suffern Free Library with an entertaining program, but for the adults this time. Last summer, when she entertained the kids she dressed up one librarian as a baby. Come join us and see what happens.

Meditation for Relaxation

Tuesdays, April 22—June 10, 7:30PM

Rakesh Mhatre will guide you through an 8-week meditation class which can help you restore a sense of peace and focus, and nurtures physical well-being.

"Chapter Two" performed by M&M Productions

Saturday, April 26th, 1:30PM

Come enjoy Neil Simon's timeless and romantic comedy about a widowed writer who tries to get matched up.

The Judy Stadt Band: The Songs that Won WWII

Sunday, April 27th, 1:30PM

Rescheduled from December, Judy Stadt will sing "oldies" from WWII, accompanied by her band.

Documentary Film: "Sicko"

Monday, April 28th, 6:45PM

In his new film, award-winning director, Michael Moore, sets out to investigate the American healthcare system. Rated PG-13, 123 min.

May

Rockland County Catholic Choir

Sunday, May 4th, 2:30PM

Music for spring by Mozart, Beethoven, Brahms, Randall Thomson, Ariel Ramirez, and inspirational/contemporary music. Artistic Director and Pianist George Bryant; Conductor Vincent Green.

Italian American Comedy: Immigrant Era to Present

Thursday, May 8th, 7PM

Don't laugh! OK, go ahead. Through the generations, the hardships of immigration and the challenges of assimilation actually did have their lighter sides—no joke. This presentation by Dr. Salvatore Primeggia focuses on southern Italian American comedy, from its roots in the *Commedia Dell'Arte* and southern Italian poverty, through its progression in transplanted American generations. This program, which is free and open to the public, is made possible through the support of the New York Council for the Humanities' *Speakers in the Humanities* program.

Quaint & Quirky: An Alternative View of Rockland History

Wednesday, May 14th, 7PM

Gretchen Weerheim, Curator of Education for the Historical Society of Rockland County, relates to the audience the obscure aspects of Rockland's history. Learn all about early customs, unusual judgments, strange happenings and more!

SUFFERN FREE LIBRARY

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday—Thursday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday—Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
(Closed Sundays from June 22 to Aug. 31)

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Family Events

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Laughter Yoga

Thursday, May 15th, 7PM

Come reduce your stress and improve your health by laughing. Dr. Peister will guide you through a fun-filled session of laughter yoga. Everyone is welcome.

Latin Music with 3D

Sunday, May 18th, 1:30PM

They are back! You'll love these Latin rhythms.

J u n e

Teacher's Guild Student Recital

Sunday, June 1st, TBD

Georgia O'Keefe and Alfred Stieglitz

Wednesday, June 4th, 1:30PM

Join Irene Wisoff for a look at Georgia O'Keefe's work. Since her early childhood, Georgia O'Keefe related to the landscape of the west. After her romance with Stieglitz, she startled viewers with enlarged images of flowers. She created images which have become American icons.

Green Kitchen and Bath Renovations

Wednesday, June 4th, 7PM

This presentation by Gemini Watanabe introduces you to some basic principles, methods and materials of green design that will help you begin to realize an environmentally-friendly kitchen or bathroom.

Laughter Workshop

Wednesday, June 11th, 7PM

This will be fun!! Neil Zeltzer will guide you through a series of exercises which will help you manifest joy and laughter and experience the health benefits of laughter.

The Snakeman (Rescheduled)

Saturday, June 14th, 2PM

Adults, children and teens will enjoy this unusual library event. Jerry "the Snakeman" will show and talk about his snakes. Come see snakes from all over the world. You will be allowed to hold some of them, including his 11 foot python. *Bring your cameras!*