Summer Reading Programs for All Ages

Come to the East Greenbush Community Library this summer to celebrate our summer reading theme “On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!” (See inside for more details.)

FOR CHILDREN:
The fun begins with our Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) Ice Cream Kick-Off on Monday, June 27. Kids of all ages can read books to earn prizes, and join in on the annual hunt to find our Children’s Room mascot, Sully, around town! Visit our website or ask the youth services librarians for details about special events during the summer.

FOR TWEENS/TEENS: (entering 6th grade and up)
The 2016 Tween & Teen Summer Reading Challenge will begin with a party on Friday, June 24 and will feature weekly events throughout the summer.

FOR ADULTS: Exercise Your Mind. Read!
Our adult summer reading challenge begins on June 27. If you are 18 or older, pick up a game card and start reading! You can earn raffle tickets for great prizes while you stretch your mind. The program will conclude with a finale for participants on August 17 (registration required).

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The Library is Looking for Your Input!
The library is currently working on our three year Strategic Plan. We are conducting a community survey and are seeking your input. Surveys will be available in the library and on our website. Please take a few minutes to fill one out. Thank you!

Visit Area Museums – 20 Passes Available! See article on page 7 for more information.

ATTENTION: East Greenbush Voters!
The library budget will be presented to voters on Thursday, September 8, 2016 between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm
There will be a public hearing on the preliminary 2017 budget at the library on Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00 pm. The public is invited to attend. Information on the preliminary budget will be available in the library and on the library’s website on or before June 20. There is one five-year Trustee position available in the upcoming election. East Greenbush registered voters who wish to be considered as candidates to the Board of Trustees can pick up an information packet at the library after June 22. The deadline for returning nominating petitions is August 9, 5:00 pm.
Absentee ballot applications will be available for the election after July 20. Voters need to have their ballot request in no later than 5:00 pm on September 1. The ballots need to be postmarked no later than the day before the election, Wednesday, September 7.

Farmers’ Market Starts in June
Building a Healthier Community!
The Farmers’ Market sponsored by the Library and the Greenbush Area YMCA starts again in June on Wednesday evenings from 4:00 to 7:00 pm this year. The market is located in the parking lot between the library and the YMCA beginning June 15 and running weekly through October 5. This season the market has 13 vendors including five farms, two prepared food vendors, homemade jams and jellies, maple products, cheeses, baked goods, coffee, soaps and lotions and kettle corn. There will also be a community tent with live music throughout the summer. The market is now certified with the NYS Agriculture and Markets as well as four of our farms. These farms can accept the senior farmer market nutrition checks (FMNP) and WIC.
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ALL OF THE FOLLOWING EVENTS REQUIRE REGISTRATION except Week 1!

Week 1: NO REGISTRATION THIS WEEK

“On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!”
Ice Cream Sundae Kick-off! (all ages)
Monday, June 27 1:00 pm OR 3:00 pm OR 7:00 pm
There will be make-your-own sundaes donated by Stewarts Shops, as well as crafts and fun for all ages! Register for our Summer Reading Club and start reading to earn prizes and rewards.

Family Movie Night
Tuesday, June 28 @ 6:30 pm
Watch Zootopia (rated PG) and enjoy some popcorn.

Comic Jam (kids & teens!)
Thursday, June 30 @ 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Comic Jam is an all-ages collaborative comic workshop, where you can contribute to an existing project or develop your own. Artist Ira Marcks will be on hand to offer tips and help our young artists. No previous experience necessary! Drop in for a few minutes or stay the whole time, it’s up to you. Funded by a Stewart’s Shops Holiday Match Grant.

Pajama Storytime (2-5 years old)
Thursday, June 30 @ 6:30 pm
Join Miss Beth for stories, songs, and fun! Younger & older siblings welcome.

Music Together (babies – age 4) *space is limited*
Friday July 1 @ 10:00 OR 11:00 am
Join Matt Yaeger for a sample class of Music Together, an internationally recognized early childhood music & movement program.

Lego Club (ages 5-12)
Friday, July 1 @ 2:00 pm
Use the library’s LEGO’s to build cool creations.

Week 2 REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR
Residents: Monday, June 27, Non-residents: Friday, July 1

Summer STEM Fun (ages 8-12)
Tuesday, July 5 @ 2:00 pm
Join us for some science, technology, engineering & math fun with littleBits and Snap Circuits.

Fun on the Library Lawn (all ages) *no registration required*
Wednesday, July 6 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm
Join us on the library lawn outside of the children’s room for outdoor fun with games, bubbles, hula hoops, and the parachute! Weather permitting.

*Visit a Mammal Museum (ages 5+)
Thursday, July 7 @ 2:00 pm
Learn about the mammals that compete for our forest, field and marsh habitats with skins, skulls, bones and other mammal artifacts with environmental educator George Steele. Kids will be able to touch the artifacts for a hands-on interactive experience.

Professor Klutzo’s Healthy Habits Comedy Show (ages 3-7)
Thursday, July 7 @ 7:00 pm
The ever-popular fumbling, bumbling professor discusses healthy habits through magic, puppets, music, juggling and ventriloquistm.

Week 2 Continued

Tri-City ValleyCats (ages 3+)
Friday, July 8 @ 10:00 am
Meet the mascot, Southpaw, hear a baseball story, and find out how to earn free ValleyCats tickets.

Brownies & Board Games (all ages)
Friday, July 8 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Drop in any time to enjoy board games with our Volunteers! Games for all ages, snacks will be provided.

Week 3 REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR
Residents: Tuesday, July 5, Non-residents: Friday, July 8

Parachute Play (ages 3-6)
Monday, July 11 @ 10:00 am
Come enjoy some outdoor parachute fun with Miss Rose. Songs, rhymes, and games!

Wizard Academy (ages 5-12)
Tuesday, July 12 @ 2:00 pm
The bumbling Professor Hackensneeze makes a visit from the Hogwarts Academy to teach kids and their parental Muggles, the secrets of their magical powers. This loony Professor of Wizardry leads children on a zany and mystical day-in-the-life of a Wizard In Training (W.I.T).

Mathletes (ages 5-10)
Tuesday, July 12 @ 7:00 pm
Families work together at M&M math, building with marshmallows and toothpicks, creating tangrams and more! Participants will receive a free book and refreshments will be served.

Pokemon (ages 8-12)
Wednesday, July 13 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm
Beginners and experts alike are invited to play Pokemon at the library! Staff from Flipside Gaming in East Greenbush will be on hand to teach kids the basics of the game.

Pajama Storytime (ages 2-5)
Thursday, July 14 @ 6:30 pm
Join Miss Beth for stories, songs, and fun! Younger and older siblings welcome.

Baby Bounce (birth – 24 months)
Friday, July 15 @ 11:00 am
Songs, rhymes & stories for babies and toddlers! Free playtime afterwards.

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**Week 4 REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR**
Residents: Monday, July 11, Non-residents: Friday, July 15

**Flight Fun** (ages 8-12)
*Monday, July 18 @ 2:00 - 3:30 pm*
Join Barbara Lukas from WMHT for an afternoon of flight fun – create hoop gliders, whirligigs, paper airplanes, and make a rocket launcher out of a ketchup dispenser.

**Merrily the Mermaid** (ages 4+)
*Tuesday, July 19 @ 7:00 pm*
The teen program of the Schenectady Theater for Children presents a tale of mermaids, princesses, jesters, starfish and a zookeeper in this program of laughter, song, and audience participation.

**Tropical Rainforests** (ages 5-8)
*Wednesday, July 20 @ 2:00 pm*
Join the Traveling Museum and learn about the plants and animals of the rain forest, and make a collage to take home.

**Outdoor Concert with Miss Lisa** (ages 2-6)
*Wednesday, July 20 @ 6:00 pm*
Come join Lisa Russo, of Miss Lisa’s Musikids for a sing-along on the library lawn with lots of hands-on instruments for the kids to explore.

**Brownies & Board Games** (all ages)
*Thursday, July 21 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm*
Enjoy board games for all ages with our VolunTeens! Snacks provided.

**Bubble Bonanza** (ages 2+)
*Friday, July 22 @ 10:00 am*
Join the Traveling Museum on the library lawn and make bubbles of every shape and size.

**Week 5 REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR**
Residents: Monday, July 18, Non-residents: Friday, July 22

**The Tortoise & the Hare w/ The Puppet People** (ages 3-7)
*Monday, July 25 @ 10:00 am*
What happens when a tortoise races a hare? A mouse helps a lion? Find out in this fun puppet show of Aesop’s Fables!

**Snack Attack!** (ages 8-12)
*Monday, July 25 @ 2:00 pm*
Honest Weight Food Co-op will show you how to make some healthy snacks – smoothies, kebobs, trail mix and more!

**Birds with Dyken Pond** (ages 5-10)
*Tuesday, July 26 @ 7:00 pm*
What makes a bird a bird? Learn about bird adaptations, identify common local species, and create a birdfeeder out of recycled materials.

**Art with the Tang Museum** (ages 6-10)
*Thursday, July 28 @ 2:00 pm*
Create a felt collage racing flag with the Tang Museum!

**Good Night Gorilla PJ Party** (ages 3-7)
*Thursday, July 28 @ 6:30-8:00 pm*
Watch a story, read some books, and do craft activities with Barbara Lukas from WMHT!

**Baby Bounce** (birth – 24 months)
*Friday, July 29 @ 11:00 am*
Songs, rhymes & stories for babies & toddlers! Free playtime afterwards.

**Week 6 REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR**
Residents: Monday, July 25, Non-residents: Friday, July 29

**The Frog Prince with the Heldeberg Marionettes**
*Monday, August 1 @ 10:00 am*  (ages 3-7)
Watch the classic tale acted out with frog marionettes. After the performance get a chance to try out the puppets!

**Exploring the Tiny World of Nano Science** (ages 8-12)
*Monday, August 1 @ 2:00 pm*
Join the Traveling Museum and see just how small Nano really is as you learn about electron microscopes, the miracles of nature & biomimicry, and be wowed by magic sand.

**Insect Olympics** (ages 5-10)
*Wednesday, August 3 @ 2:00 pm*
Learn about and see real live amazing insects up close with environmental educator and author Anita Sanchez.

**Family Movie Night** (all ages)
*Thursday, August 4 @ 7:00 pm*
**Daniel Tiger’s Picnic Adventure** (ages 3-6)
*Friday, August 5 @ 11:00 - 12:30 pm*
Watch a Daniel Tiger episode, read stories, and do craft activities with Barbara Lukas from WMHT.

**Library Lawn Olympics** (ages 5-10)
*Friday, August 5 @ 2:00 pm*
Join us on the library lawn to celebrate the Olympics! Relay races and other fun games!

**Week 7 REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR**
Residents: Monday, August 1, Non-residents: Friday, August 5

**Price Chopper Cooking Club with Jodie Fitz** (ages 4-8)
*Monday, August 8 at 10:00 OR 11:00 am*
Kids are invited to join Jodie Fitz and the Price Chopper Cooking Club for some cooking fun.

**Pokemon** (ages 8-12)
*Wednesday, August 10 @ 2:00 - 4:00 pm*
Beginners and experts alike are invited to play Pokemon at the library! Staff from Flipside Gaming in East Greenbush will be on hand to teach kids the basics of the game.

**Garden Storytime** (ages 2-5)
*Wednesday, August 10 @ 6:30 pm*
Join Miss Beth in our outdoor space for stories, songs, and bubble fun! We’ll move indoors if the weather doesn’t cooperate.

**Brownies & Board Games**
*Thursday, August 11 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm*  (all ages)
Enjoy board games for all ages with our VolunTeens! Snacks provided.

**Acro-Juggling & Summer Reading Finale at the Greenbush YMCA!** (all ages)
*Friday, August 12 @ 7:00 pm*
Celebrate your reading accomplishments with a fun acrobatic and juggling show with Scotty Nut Nut! Raffle drawings, prizes, and cake!

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**Summer VolunTeen Program**

**Summer VolunTeen Training** *(entering grades 7 & up)*
- **Wednesday, June 8 @ 3:00 pm**
- **Thursday, June 9 @ 7:00 pm**
- **Tuesday, June 14 @ 3:00 pm**
- **Saturday, June 18 @ 11:00 am**

1. Training is drop-in (no pre-registration required)
2. VolunTeen are expected to bring a completed Summer VolunTeen Application to the training *(available in the Children’s Room and on the VolunTeen page of our website)*
3. SHOW UP ON TIME!

**Summer VolunTeen Appreciation Party:**
**Chocolate Olympics**
- **Thursday, August 18 @ 2:00 pm**

Were you a Summer VolunTeen? Come and celebrate a job well done with chocolate-based Olympic-style events! Sign up with the YS Librarians.

**Tween & Teen Summer Reading Events**

*For students entering grades 6-12 in the fall. Registration Required.*

**Summer Reading Kickoff Party!**
- **Friday, June 24 @ 5:30 - 8:30 pm**

Registration begins June 6! Enjoy a night of food, music (request your favorite song from the DJ!), and fun activities!

**Summer Smashbooks!**
- **Tuesday, June 28 @ 2:00 pm**

What’s a Smashbook? It’s a quick, easy and CREATIVE way to store photos, treasures, ticket stubs, and more! Create your one-of-a-kind smashbook that you can add to all summer long!

**FlipSide Gaming Pokémon Tournament!**
- **Wednesday, June 29 @ 2:00 - 4:00 pm**

The experts from FlipSide Gaming are coming to host a Pokémon Tournament at the library! Bring cards if you have them! If you don’t have cards, the library will provide some you can use!

**Cupcake Bash!**
- **Wednesday, July 6 @ 2:00 pm**

The Bash professionals will be here with all the goods for some frosted fun! Two decorating themes, two cupcakes per person!

**Small Science with CMOST!**
- **Friday, July 8 @ 10:00 am**

Join us for this introduction to nanotechnology! Students will explore the world of small as they experiment with the unusual properties of things at the nanoscale and investigate real world applications of nano.

**Hip Hop with Troy Dance Factory!**
- **Monday, July 11 @ 2:00 pm**

No experience necessary! It’s just about having fun!

**Tween & Teen Creative Writing, with Jason DeFrias**
- **Tuesdays: July 12, 19, 26 & August 2 @ 1:00 pm**

This is the first in a four-part writing series with Columbia High School English teacher, Jason DeFrias. We’ll explore different genres, creative writing exercises, and engage in discussion! All skill levels welcome! Refreshments will be provided.

**FAMILY PROGRAM**

**Pride Center of the Capital Region**

**LOOK: Loving Ourselves & Our Kids**
- **Thursdays @ 6:00 pm**

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Do you have a child in your life who identifies as lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans*, queer, or questioning, and want to connect with other adults for support? Are you a young person (ages 10-18) who identifies as LGBTQ+ and want to hang out with other youth like you? Gather for casual conversation at 5:30, followed by group discussion at 6:00pm. Snacks provided, along with a separate affirming, fun space for youth.

Call (518) 462-6138 or visit: www.capitalpridecenter.org for more information.
Summer Music Series
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Carl Sandburg’s American Songbag
Wednesday, June 29 at 7:00 p.m.
Lost Radio Rounders (Tom Lindsay and Michael Eck) will kick off our summer music series with music preserved by Carl Sandburg. Some favorites by him are “Shenandoah,” “Froggie Went a-Courting,” “John B. Sails” and “Turkey in the Straw.” PLEASE REGISTER.

Brazilian Romance
Wednesday, July 6 at 7:00 p.m.
Sonny & Perley, together with a guest bass player, will capture the essence of the sultry romance and mesmerizing rhythm of Bossa Nova, to get you in the mood for the Olympics. PLEASE REGISTER.

MARTY WENDELL & His Tour Band
Wednesday, July 13 at 7:00 p.m.
Marty has been a shining light in country and rockabilly music for decades. He and his Tour Band have shared the stage with some of the biggest names in the music business. PLEASE REGISTER.

The Jazz Connection
Wednesday, July 20 at 7:00 p.m.
This fine local group will provide a relaxing program of jazz standards, ballads, and blues from the 1920’s to the present. PLEASE REGISTER.

Health & Wellness

Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters
Wednesday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m.
An interactive workshop to learn the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer’s disease where Molly McCann from the Alzheimer’s Association will separate myth from reality and address commonly held fears about the disease. PLEASE REGISTER.

Knowing When the Time Is Right
Tuesday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m.
Stephanie Landry, Senior Living Specialist at Eddy Hawthorne Ridge and Ruth Ormsby, Memory Care Specialist at Eddy Hawthorne Ridge and Marjorie Doyle Rockwell Center will enlighten you about the different options available for seniors today. PLEASE REGISTER.

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body
Thursday, July 14 at 2:00 p.m.
Join Molly McCann from the Alzheimer’s Association to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity, and social engagement. PLEASE REGISTER.

Time Management
Monday, August 1 at 7:00 p.m.
Take control of your life by joining Certified Professional Organizer, Catherine Dryden, to learn effective time management skills. PLEASE REGISTER.

Greenbush Garden Club Presents
Great Shrubs for Your Landscape
Tuesday, June 7 at 7:15 p.m.
Peter Bowden, TV personality, horticulturist, and author of many newspaper and magazine articles on all aspects of gardening, will present a program on how to update your landscape with the newest and most carefree shrubs and landscape specimens. PLEASE REGISTER.

Events for Adults

Arts & Crafts

Coloring for Adults
Monday at 2:00-3:30 p.m. on June 6
Tuesday at 6:30-8:00 p.m. on July 12 and August 9
Thursday at 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. on June 23
Friday at 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. on July 8 and August 5
PLEASE REGISTER FOR EACH SESSION.

Introduction to Decorative Painting
Monday, July 25 at 1:00-5:00
Learn painting techniques and finish two ornaments using acrylic paints. Taught by Tina Greenfield, member of the Society of Decorative Painters and Capitlors. Space is limited. Registration is in person only; $10 materials fee when you register. REGISTRATION FOR EAST GREENBUSH AND SCHODACK RESIDENTS BEGINS JULY 5. REGISTRATION FOR ALL OTHERS BEGINS JULY 18.

Origami for Adults – Peace Cranes
Monday, August 8 at 2:00 OR 6:30 p.m.
In August we remember the WW II bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Learn how to make peace cranes. PLEASE REGISTER.

Health & Wellness

The Significance of Four – The Use and Significance of Four by Native Americans
Monday, July 11 at 7:00 p.m.
Storyteller Gil Payette will explore the number four in Native American life. Four carries a spiritual significance in the four sacred directions. PLEASE REGISTER.

The Blessings of the Mother Tree
Monday, July 25 at 7:00 p.m.
Barbara Boughton will discuss the ecology and worldwide folklore of the birch tree, along with uses of the birch. She will also talk about the preparation of materials for weaving, and show examples. PLEASE REGISTER.

Miscellaneous

Northeastern Mountain Chapter of the American Harp Society Annual Student Harp Recital
Sunday, June 12 at 2:30 p.m.
Today’s recital will feature students of three area harp teachers. Families and visitors are welcome to attend. A reception will be held following the performance. PLEASE REGISTER.

Block Busting: How to Break Through the Barriers That Keep You from Writing
Saturday, June 4 at 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Novelist and poet Julie Lomoe will explore the underlying feelings behind your personal blocks and teach a variety of techniques to help you overcome the barriers that keep you from reaching your fullest potential as a writer. Sponsored by Hudson Valley Writers Guild. PLEASE REGISTER.

Adirondack Rustic Furniture Talk and Demonstration
Friday, July 15 at 2:00 p.m.
Come learn about the making of rustic furniture in this presentation by Jim Schreiner of Great Sacandaga Designs. Jim has been building rustic and traditional furniture professionally since the early 90s. PLEASE REGISTER.
The Spring 2016 Book and Media Sale, held at the end of April, broke Friends’ records in sales, raising more than $18,000 during the four day sale! While the spring sale lasted four days, the success of the sales results from ongoing, year-long efforts of many committed volunteers—as well as deep support from the community and all who generously donate books and media to benefit the East Greenbush Community Library. The book and media sales are the largest fundraising efforts Friends undertakes. Proceeds enable Friends to fulfill its goal toward establishing the East Greenbush Community Library as a major cultural resource and a vital part of the community.

“All were amazing,” said Harris. “Volunteers gave it everything they had and delivered great results, which will certainly bring good things to the library.”

Lead by sale co-chairs Kate Hafner and Mari Harris, the book and media sale committee and volunteers work non-stop throughout the year to sort donations into genres, categorize and then store them in the Friends’ shed for the next sale. During the spring sale, volunteers and book/media sale committee members clocked more than 650 hours during setup, the four-day sale and restoring the meeting rooms to their presale state, ready for use the very next day!

According to Harris, the sale’s success begins with the generosity of the community. “It always begins with donations,” she said, “then success continued at the sorting level. Under lead sorter Kate Hafner’s direction, sorters expertly categorized books and media and culled what needed to be discarded so unsellable items never hit the sales floor. That lead to great efficiency and organized setup—it took just one night to transport sorted boxes from the shed to the sales tables! Cleanup was also a breeze—taking only two hours to restore the library rooms to their normal state.”

Harris also noted that library leadership and staff support always is essential to sales’ success. According to Harris, the library ensured the spring 2016 sale went off without a hitch—despite the federal primary election held during sale setup!

Friends donates leftover books after the sale to community organizations, including: CEO HeadStart, ConSERNS-U, Emmaus Methodist Church’s immigration Assistance Program, Grassroots Givers, Hope7Community, Schuyler Inn Homeless Shelter, Unity House, nursing homes and children’s programs.

Mark your calendar for Friends’ 2016 book and media sales:
Friends Support Library Programs, Needs

At its April meeting, the Friends voted to support several library programs.

- **Adult Summer Reading Program.** Now in its fifth year, the Adult Summer Reading Program attracts 100+ adults. The Friends are supporting the program with prizes and refreshments.
- **AV Equipment for Multipurpose Room.** Friends approved the purchase of more than $13,000 in high-tech and wireless audio visual (AV) equipment for the library’s multipurpose room. The purchase is considered priority by the library so it can continue to provide a lifelong connection to learning, enrichment and entertainment. While the equipment will be used for many purposes, the library’s annual Film Festival will benefit greatly with the new state-of-the-art AV equipment.
- **Museum PASS Program.** Please see article below.
- **Summer Music Series.** The Summer Music Series is a popular, long-time library offering that appeals to diverse library populations. Live music performances attract nearly 200 patrons. Summer 2016 features: The Jazz Connection; Lost Radio Rounders; Sonny and Perley and Bass; and, Marty Wendell and Tour Band.
- **Youth Services Summer Reading Program.** Running from June-August, the 2016 Youth Services Summer Reading Program’s theme is “On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!” This summer, the program offers a large variety of programs. Friends supports nine of these offerings, including a puppet show, a science and ecology show, juggling and music as well as prizes.

“These programs will allow the library to continue to serve as a relevant community resource to residents of all ages and interests,” said Friends President Lynne Oudekerk.

Museum Pass Program: ‘Wildly Successful’

The Museum Pass Program is a unique library benefit that offers East Greenbush library and current Friends members free admission to area museums. According to Library Director Jill Dugas Hughes, the Museum Pass Program is “wildly successful” and has grown each year from its inception in 2008.

For 2016-17, Friends unanimously voted to continue to support the Museum Pass Program and added four new museums to the current list, now totaling 20 family-oriented, art and history museums.

The four new museums added are: Hildene (Lincoln Family Home), Schuyler Historic Mansion, Historic Cherry Hill and World Awareness Children’s Museum. For more information and a complete list of participating museums visit the library’s website.

www.eastgreenbushlibrary.org

Friends Help with Advocacy Day

Friends members returned to the New York State Capital on Advocacy Day to again help highlight the importance of community libraries and how critical state budgetary funding is to keep all New York State libraries operating. Held in early March, Advocacy Day activities included individual meetings with state legislators and a rally for library advocates.

Advocacy Day highlighted included:

- state library aid to increase education funding, as education usage and demands are increasing; and,
- library construction aid to counter aging infrastructure with increasing use and demand while library space is evolving and being used differently in today’s technologically advanced age.

Friends member and library trustee Betty Bellino Giugno attended the day’s Library Advocacy Rally in the Legislative Office Building. “It was energizing,” said Bellino Giugno. “I was impressed with the number of senators and assembly members that spoke about the importance of libraries in our communities and the importance of libraries from their youth. They understood libraries are now the center of many communities: the number one point of Internet access for many people; a place for children to go after school; a center for lifelong learning; and, a place for people to do job searches on free computer access. It was wonderful to see such support.”

Advocacy is a critical aspect of Friends, as it is tasked with creating support for the library and maintaining the library as a vital community and cultural resource.
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Library Board of Trustees meets the third Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm; the public is invited.

Jill Dugas Hughes, Director
JoAnn Jakielo, Editor & Designer

Events for Adults

Career Clinic
Thursday, June 16 at 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Make a one-on-one appointment with our career expert. Use your 30 minute appointment as you wish: to learn job search strategies, have your resume or cover letter reviewed, receive interview coaching, or for general career advice.

Discover JobNow
Wednesday, June 22, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
An open clinic to learn about JobNow, a web portal offering 24/7, do-it-yourself online career and educational resources along with live, professional services. If you've tried JobNow and have questions, this is your opportunity to get answers. If you are new to JobNow, come for an introduction. Walk-ins welcome.

AARP Smart Driver Course
Monday, June 13 OR August 15
9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
The library in conjunction with the AARP Smart Driver Course presents this 6-hour classroom course. Many insurance companies give discounts to graduates of this class. Please register early as classes are limited to the first 35 adults. The cost of the class is $20.00 per person for materials for AARP members. Please bring your card to the class. Non-members will be charged $25.00. Payment will be taken the day of the class by check made out to AARP. Please bring a bagged lunch. REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 23 FOR THE JUNE 13 CLASS AND JULY 25 FOR THE AUGUST 15 CLASS.

Paddle Sports America
Saturday, June 25 at 12:00-4:00 p.m.
This course for canoeists and kayakers will address their needs. Topics include: Know Your Paddlecraft, Before You Get Underway, Operating Your Boat Safely, The Legal Requirements and Boating emergencies. Taught by John Ravas from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. $10 materials fee payable on the day of the class. PLEASE REGISTER.

Windows 10 Workshops
Monday, June 20
2:30-4:30 pm OR 6:30-8:30 pm
Looking for help with Windows 10? This workshop will start with an overview, highlighting some of the new features and settings. The rest of the time will be dedicated to questions. If you have a question specific to your laptop or mobile device, please bring it with you. We are offering the same workshop twice in one day, so please only sign up for one.

Movie Nights
Wednesday @ 6:30 pm
June 22 - The Lady in the Van
July 27 - Hail, Caesar!
August 24 - The Finest Hours

Please reserve your seats.

Adult Book Discussion Group
Mondays, June 20 and July 18 at 10:00 a.m.
We have reached capacity and cannot take new members at this time. Call the library with questions or to get on a waiting list.