



The Ellington Reader

Ellington Farman Library

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New Year- New Us!

Allison Evans, former library clerk, has moved forward with her passion for healthy cooking and menu development by taking a position with the Randolph Academy. We miss her creative energy! Starting January 6th you'll be seeing a new but familiar face behind the circulation desk; Suzanne Sischo will be our new library clerk. You may recognize Suzanne from her waitressing days at Dave and Bev's Diner. We're sure she will be a wonderful asset to our library a

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at Dave and Bev's Diner. We're sure she will be a wonderful asset to our library and ask all our patrons to welcome her when you stop in.

New faces are not the only changes you'll see around here. We have a few new programs we'd like you to know about so you can put them on your calendar. The library will be offering the following new programs and some that have been on hiatus but are back again due to patron request.

Wednesday Yoga is back on the schedule starting January 8th at 6pm. This DVD led program will be meeting every Wednesday from 6-7pm. We can start with the Yoga DVD's the library has and transition into whatever level of Yoga the group would like. Adults are welcome to attend at any time and please remember to bring your Yoga mat.

Cribbage and other Game enthusiasts are invited to come on Thursdays from 1-3pm starting on January 2nd. There is an assortment of games owned by the library that you are welcome to play or bring your own. Chess, Checkers and an assortment of cards are available for you to use. This is an informal, fun time for all skill levels. We'll put the coffee and tea on for you and you are welcome to bring snacks. Bring your friends or come make new ones as you enjoy some old fashioned fun playing timeless classic games

Are you missing the local Ellington Church's soup and sandwich lunch? They are taking a break for a bit so we thought we'd pick up where they left off with a new "Soup Group". The winter season is a perfect time to enjoy some homemade soup, breads and conversation with your neighbors and friends. The Soup Group will be meeting the second Tuesday of every month stating at 12:30pm on January 14th. We're asking for any cooks who would like to donate soup or some homemade breads to contact the library soon so we can get this idea rolling. Socializing and Soup; what could be better than that? Well, maybe a really catchy name but for now it's the "Soup Group"!

Nature and wildlife lovers look no further than the library to enjoy a new monthly movie nature series. The third Thursday of the month from 6-7pm we'll be showing the PBS Nature series documentaries. These are stunning, intimate nature films produced by PBS with wonderful photography and narration. The first in our series, "Forest of the Lynx", will be showing January 21st. You'll travel deep into the remote forests of the Kalkalpen National Park in Australia and watch as the Lynx remerges after 150 years of absence in the largest area of wilderness in the Alps. You're welcome to bring the whole family to enjoy this monthly movie series at the library.

Also back by popular demand is the monthly Potluck Breakfast. If you're not familiar with this event it goes like this. The library provides one basic breakfast dish and the variety of drinks including coffee, teas, cocoas and juices. Sometimes we splurge on donuts. Then everyone brings a breakfast dish to pass, hence the "potluck" in the name. Then you come and bring your friends, neighbors or friends you haven't met yet! Even if you are not able to bring a dish to share you are welcome to come as we always have enough food for everyone! The Potluck Breakfast is on the last Saturday of the month. In January that will be Saturday January 25th. The coffee is on at 8:30 am and we'll be enjoying whatever breakfast foods you bring!

As always there is a calendar on the back of every newsletter that you can use to keep informed of everything happening at the library. We also put events on our website: ellingtonlibraryorg. You can find our events in Facebook under Ellington Farman Library. It's a new year and a new us at the library!

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL MEET ON JANUARY 27TH AT 7PM.

Book Highlights of the Month

The Moonshiner's Daughter by Donna Everhart

Donna Everhart is a USA Today bestselling author who writes stories of family hardship and troubled times in a bygone south. Set in North Carolina in 1960 and brimming with authenticity and grit, The Moonshiner's Daughter evokes the singular life of sixteen-year-old Jessie Sasser, a young woman determined to escape her family's past..

Generations of Sassers have made moonshine in the Brushy Mountains of Wilkes County, North Carolina. Their history is recorded in a leather-bound journal that belongs to Jessie Sasser's daddy, but Jessie wants no part of it. As far as she's concerned, moonshine caused her mother's death a dozen years ago.

Her father refuses to speak about her mama, or about the day she died. But Jessie has a gnawing hunger for the truth-one that compels her to seek comfort in food. Yet all her self-destructive behavior seems to do is feed what her school's gruff but compassionate nurse describes as the "monster" inside Jessie.

Resenting her father's insistence that moonshining runs in her veins, Jessie makes a plan to destroy the stills, using their neighbors as scapegoats. Instead, her scheme escalates an old rivalry and reveals long-held grudges. As she endeavors to right wrongs old and new, Jessie's loyalties will bring her to unexpected revelations about her family, her strengths--and a legacy that may provide her with the answers she has been longing for.

This Is Happiness by Niall Williams

The most enchanting novel you'll read this year, from the acclaimed author of Man Booker-longlisted History of the Rain

Change is coming to Faha, a small Irish parish that hasn't changed in a thousand years. For one thing, the rain is stopping. Nobody remembers when it started; rain on the western seaboard is a condition of living. But now – just as Father Coffey proclaims the coming of the electricity – the rain clouds are lifting. Seventeen-year-old Noel Crowe is idling in the unexpected sunshine when Christy makes his first entrance into Faha, bringing secrets he needs to atone for. Though he can't explain it, Noel knows right then: something has changed.

As the people of Faha anticipate the endlessly procrastinated advent of the electricity, and Noel navigates his own coming-of-age and his fallings in and out of love, Christy's past gradually comes to light, casting a new glow on a small world.

Harking back to a simpler time, This Is Happiness is a tender portrait of a community – its idiosyncrasies and traditions, its paradoxes and kindnesses, its failures and triumphs – and a coming-of-age tale like no other. Luminous and lyrical, yet anchored by roots running deep into the earthy and everyday, it is about the power of stories: their invisible currents that run through all we do, writing and rewriting us, and the transforming light that they throw onto our world

Reviews from: https://www.goodreads.com/book/



ADULT FICTION

Joanne Ramos
Heather Morris
Erin Morgenstern
William Kent Krueger
Robert Harris
Niall Williams
Rosemary Simpson
Rae Meadows
Michael Crichton
Lisa Kay Adams
Elizabeth Berg
Michael Crummey
Nancy Thayer
Lisa Black

Cilka's Journey
The Starless Sea
This Tender land
The Second Sleep
This is Happiness
Death Brings a Shadow
I Will Send the Rain
Andromeda Evolution
Bromance Book Club
Confession Club
The Innocents
Let It Snow
Let Justice Descend

The Farm

ADULT NON FICTION

Andrew Carroll Maria Goodavage Mitch Albom Sir Ken Robinson

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Neal Shusterman Maggie Stiefvater Erin Stewart Here is Where Doctor Dogs Finding Chika You, Your Child and School

Scythe, Toll, Thunderhead Call Down the Hawk Scars Like Wings

JUNIOR FICTION

Padma Venkatramon Joseph Bruchac Jack Chabert Jack Chabert Kathryn Eskine Jack Cheng Erin Hunter Stuart Gibbs

Recess is a Jungle
The Science Fair is Freaky
Mockingbird
See You in the Cosmos
The Silent Thaw
Charlie Thorne and the Last

The Bridge Home

Two Roads

Equation

JUNIOR NON FICTION

Patricia Demuth Who Is Ruth Bader Ginsburg? Jayden Coll-Seck We Celebrate Kwanzaa

CHILDRENS

Lisa M. Herrington K. A. Holt Karen Fisman Jessica von Innerebner

I Wonder
an Nonna's Hanukkah Surprise
Innerebner It's Not All Rainbows

Kwanzaa

DVD'S

The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh
The Blackwater Lightship
We'll meet Again
Promised Land
The Lost Prince

The Bletchley Circle
Funny Face

The Lost Prince
A Foreign Field
The Pacific

Pearl Harbor: Legacy of the Attack

Airport Terminal Pack

Best Books for Introverts

One of the best things about reading? It doesn't involve talking to other people.

One-third of people are introverts—people who need time alone to recharge, who prefer solo work to group projects, and who aren't always eager to speak up. This list of titles is well-suited for the introvert in your life because reading involves, well, not talking to other people! Pick up one of these books for introverts, which are either *about* being introverted—like *Quiet* by Susan Cain—or just an absorbing work of literature. Whichever you choose, your introvert will be thankful for the opportunity to have some quiet time to themselves.

Quiet author Susan Cain

A book list for introverts wouldn't be complete without this bestseller. Cain has become known as the foremost champion of introverts, arguing that by undervaluing them in both the workplace and our personal lives, we miss out on their distinct strengths. A fascinating look at the quieter people in our lives, Cain's research sheds light on the behaviors of introverts and encourages them to take advantage of their quiet power.

Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine author Gail Honeyman

A fellow introvert, Eleanor Oliphant is quirky, awkward, and entirely lovable. Eleanor's dealing with a traumatic past, and you can't help but root for her as she slowly begins to discover herself and develop special relationships along the way. It's a charming and heartfelt book that's perfect to spend a quiet evening devouring.

Time After Time author Lisa Grunwald

Based on the legend of a woman who disappeared from Grand Central Station, Grunwald's newest novel takes readers from the Roaring Twenties through World War II and beyond. When Joe Reynolds meets Nora Lansing, she seems strangely out of place for 1937. He falls for her anyway, embarking on a love story that tests the limits of time and space. It's perfect for fans of *The Time Traveler's Wife* and books set in New York City.

Am I There Yet? author Mari Andrew

An overnight Instagram sensation, Andrew started her account during a hard time in her career. Since then, her distinct reflections on growing up and self-discovery have resonated with people everywhere. With essays and illustrations around adulthood, ambition, uncertainty, and love, Andrew's debut collection of almost entirely new pieces is the perfect gift for the adulting introvert in your life.

Rainbow in the Cloud author Maya Angelou

"Try to be a rainbow in somebody else's cloud." It's this type of advice that's drawn people to Angelou's writing over the years. This curated collection of her observations from many of her works (from <u>The Heart of a Woman</u> to <u>Letter to My</u> <u>Daughter</u>) is a wonderful tribute to the impactful career of a remarkable guiding light.

The Friend author Sigrid Nunez

The sudden loss of her best friend and mentor sends an unnamed woman spiraling into grief, and soon after, she inherits her friend's Great Dane, Apollo. *The Friend* is as much an exploration of grief, writing, and loneliness as it is about relationships between humans and animals. The winner of the 2018 National Book Award for Fiction, Nunez's story is both charming and insightful—one you can easily sink into.

Book recommendations by: KATHARINE SCRIVENER collects books like some people collect shoes and has an abnormal obsession with Friday Night Lights (#teamriggins). When she's not reading, Katharine is helping to raise awareness for cystic fibrosis, a disease she was diagnosed with at 16 years old. She lives in Baltimore, MD with her husband and piles of books. Find Katharine on Twitter at @katharinescriv and Instagram (#bookstagram) at @kathareads.

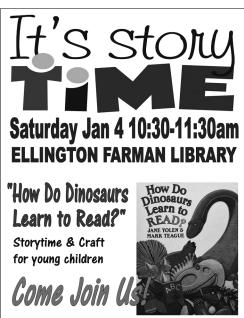
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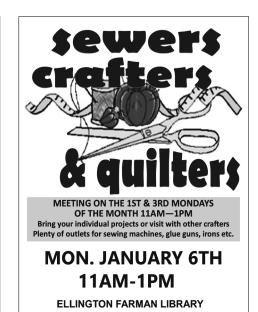


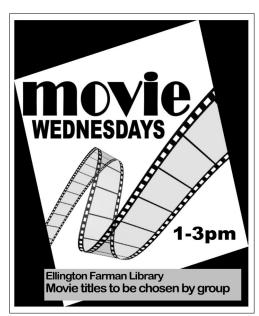


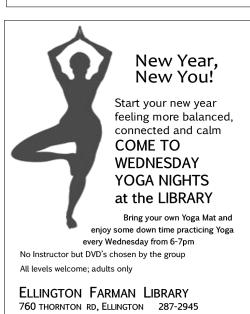
The truth is libraries are raucous clubhouses for free speech, controversy and community. Paula Poundstone

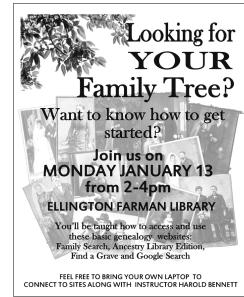




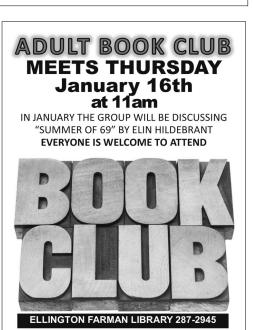


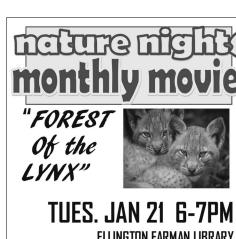












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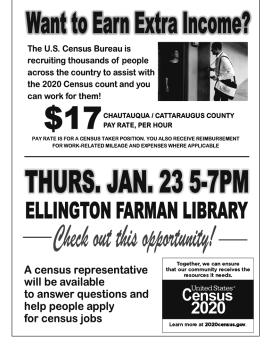
Are you just getting interested in Genealogy and could use a little guidance? On Monday January 13th from 2-4pm we have Harold Bennett coming to give you an introductory tutorial concerning a few popular genealogy research websites. Harold is President of the Carroll Historical Society, Historian and a Genealogy Instructor at Myers Memorial Library in Frewsburg. He has been doing genealogy for about 18 years and teaching on this topic for about 6. His research has taken him back 43 generations in his family tree. The Bennett family research has led him to ancestors that include Kings, Queens, Lords, Barons, Mayflower Descendants, Revolutionary War Grandfathers and Civil War soldiers. Supreme Court Justice, Robert H. Jackson, figures prominently in his research findings. For this class he will be specifically teaching on the following websites; Family Search, Ancestry Library Edition, Find a Grave and Google Search. We'll be using our large screen TV for this class but you may bring your own laptop to follow along. Bring your questions too! Harold is available every Tuesday night from 3-7pm at Myers Memorial Library in Frewsburg for genealogy and local history inquiries. You may stop in or call him at 716-569-5515.



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COMMUNITY ROOM AVAILABILITY

Are you aware we offer our Community Room to be used for public and private gatherings? We have estimated room for 50 people using our chairs and rectangular tables. There is a small but well equipped kitchen complete with microwave, oven and dishwasher. Our library has two restrooms and the building itself is handicapped accessible. We ask for a \$25 refundable security deposit and a suggested \$50 donation for use of the room. The Community Room is available during off hours also. If you are interested in renting our room please come to the library during open hours and speak to the librarian to get a full list of the rules and a tour. Spread the word! There is now a local meeting place available for your baby or bridal shower, family reunion, craft night, club meeting or any other occasion.





foods or just come and enjoy meeting with your neighbors & friends.

THERE'S ALWAYS PLENTY OF FOOD!

NO RESERVATIONS

JUST COME GATHER AT THE LIBRARY STAY AS LONG AS YOU LIKE

The 2020 Census will provide a snapshot of our nation-our population, where we live, and so much more.

WHAT IS THE CENSUS? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

The U.S. Constitution requires a count every 10 years of every person living in the United States. Census results determine how the federal government allocates more



than \$800 billion each year for services that communities rely on, like Head Start, food assistance, and the Library Services and Technology Act. Census data also determine representation in Congress and the Electoral College, as well as in state and local governments. Historically, certain groups of people have been disproportionately undercounted in the census, including young children, people of color and indigenous people, and people experiencing homelessness. If the census misses people, undercounted communities won't get fair funding for critical programs, and officials won't have the reliable information they need to make decisions.

IMPORTANCE OF THE DATA: The results are critically important because this once-a-decade census data helps businesses, researchers, and communities make decisions. The results are also used to determine how much funding local communities receive for key public services and how many seats each state gets in Congress. State and local officials also use census counts to draw boundaries for congressional, state legislative, and school districts.

BUSINESS DECISIONS: The census also collects data that is valuable for businesses, which rely on census results to help make decisions such as where to open new stores, where to expand operations, and which products and services to offer.

REDISTRICTING: The U.S. Constitution requires that electoral districts be periodically adjusted or redrawn to account for population shifts. Each decade, the census reveals where populations have risen or fallen. State legislatures or independent bipartisan commissions handle the process of redrawing congressional district lines. The U.S. Census Bureau provides population counts to the states for this purpose.

HOW WILL THE 2020 CENSUS WORK? Beginning on March 12, 2020, the Census Bureau will mail every household in the United States an invitation to respond to the census, including a new option to respond online. In areas without reliable mail delivery or traditional mailing addresses, Census Bureau staff will visit households in person instead. The Census Bureau will use other methods to count people in group living situations, such as college dorms and military bases, and people experiencing homelessness. April 1 is known as "Census Day," although households can respond before or after that date. Households will receive several mailings from the Census Bureau in March and April 2020. Beginning in May 2020, Census Bureau staff will visit households that have not yet responded to collect their responses in person

HOW CAN PEOPLE RESPOND TO THE 2020 CENSUS? Households can respond to the census online, by phone, or on a paper questionnaire. The online and phone questionnaire will be available in 13 languages. The online form will be optimized to allow people to respond on a smartphone, tablet, or computer. The online form is secure, and responses will be encrypted. The Census Bureau will send paper questionnaires to households that have not responded after several reminders, and will follow up in person if needed. The questionnaire takes about 10 minutes to complete. The Census Bureau will have a toll-free phone hotline in 13 languages for people who have questions or need help responding to the census. Census responses are confidential. U.S. law strictly prohibits the Census Bureau from sharing personal census responses with anyone—including law enforcement, courts, or any other government agency

WHO IS REQUIRED TO RESPOND? Everyone living in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories (Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands) is required by law to be counted in the 2020 Census. Getting a complete and accurate census count is critically important. That's why your response is required by law. If you do not respond, the U.S. Census Bureau will follow up in person to collect your response. While you are required by law to participate, the Census Bureau is also required by law to protect your answers. Your responses are used only to produce statistics. The Census Bureau does not disclose any personal information.



LOOK WHO WAS AT THE LIBRARY!



35 children and adults alike were entertained by Iza and Dave, actor and actress from the Traveling Lantern Theater Company as they performed "A Christmas Carol".







The smiling faces from the Jamestown Harmony Express Barbershop Chorus. They put on a Holiday Concert that included some older holiday favorites as well as contemporary ones.



31 patrons enjoyed creating together at the Annual Ornament Decorating Party!

JANUARY 2020 Ellington Farman Library

Sat	4 10:30–11:30am Storytime: Dinosaurs!	11	18	25 8am Potluck Breakfast	
Fri	က	10	17	24	31
Thu	2 1-3pm Games Day Cribbage & other games	9 1-3pm Games Day Cribbage & Other Games	16 11am–Adult Bookclub 1-3pm Games Day Cribbage & Other Games	23 1-3pm Games Day Cribbage & Other Games 5-7 Census Job Information Night	30 1-3pm Games Day Cribbage & Other Games
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Mon	OPEN HOURS 11AM -7PM MONDAY THRU THURSDAY CLOSED FRIDAY & SUNDAY 10AM-1PM ON SATURDAY	6 11–1pm Quilters & Sewers meet	13 2-4 Genealogy Class with Instructor Harold Bennett	CLOSED MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY	27 7pm Board Meets
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