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MONDY	11-7
TUESDAY	11-7
WEDNESDAY	11-7
THURSDAY	11-7
FRIDAY	CLOSED
SATURDAY	10-1
SUNDAY	CLOSED



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# The Ellington Reader

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### Grateful: adjective: thankful, full of gratitude, appreciative

It is totally time to show some appreciation to a few organizations and community members for some great things happening around the library.



Firstly I'd like to tell you my heart smiles every time I approach the front walk of the library and I see a rock painted with color and an encouraging word that someone left for me to find. I want you to know I've seen them even when you move them around to the children's room window! I see them when I hang the flag every day and I've noticed them right by the front entrance. Whoever has painted them and whoever is hiding them around town deserves a heartwarming thank you for your thoughtfulness.

To those patrons who have waited while we continually had to unjam the paper and reprint their copies... you will wait no more! We have a new printer/copier/ fax machine thanks to the generosity of the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation (CRCF) who extended us the grant money for the purchase. CRCF has awarded us a significant amount of grant money throughout the years that has funded everything from summer reading program awards, craft supplies, numerous programming costs and now a new printer. We are grateful to this organization for coordinating grant money for all the non-profits in the county.

The pandemic closings caused us to cancel some of our major fundraisers this year. One fundraiser we were able to hold to take their place was our "Fill Our Porch" Returnable event. We accumulated over \$800 from the community's generosity in donating their returnable cans and bottles to the library. I admit I never thought 5 and 10 cent cans would be able to help us much but, thankfully the public proved me wrong!

We are pleased to be able to say that our Audiobooks collection has grown this year. Audiobooks cost more than a printed book and so we typically are not able to add to our collection as much as we and our patrons might like. This year we saw an increase in the collection thanks to two sources. Other libraries have given us some of their older audiobooks that they had multiple copies of and we also owe our appreciation to a generous patron who donated quite a few to us.

The library has been blessed with some wonderful neighbors who take it upon themselves to keep the yard mowed in the summer and our walks shoveled in the winter. We can't thank them enough for the good deeds they do for us.

The mask wearing and social distancing within the library has been an extra burden for all of us. I can tell you that our patrons have responded remarkably well and have presented no problems to the staff in these areas. I would like to also thank you for your understanding as we have to guarantine returned items so they are not immediately available for checkout. We appreciate the patience our patrons have shown when their holds take much longer to arrive than normal.

Last, but not least, we would like to thank all our families of young children who kept them coming to the library, checking out books and participating in the abbreviated Summer Reading Program. This summer at the library was not like any other but you did your best to keep your children reading. We applaud the two families who set their children on a lifetime path of visiting the library by registering them this summer for a library card.

If this article were a post on social media you would be seeing many handclap and thumbs up emoji's right now!

# **NEW TO OUR LIBRARY**

Louise Penny

Amy Clipston

**Elly Griffiths** 

Paul Dioron

**Robert Hillman** 

**Brian Freeman** 

Julia Heaberlin

Celeste McHale

**Rosalind Lauer** 

American College of Veterinary Science

Katherine Applegate

Alan Rosenblatt

John Bolton

Jeff Kinney

**Cindy Otis** 

**Cath Crowley** 

Jess Redman

Brit Bennett

Jon Erwin

#### **ADULT FICTION**

All the Devils are Here Amish Picnic Basket Bookshop of the Broken Hearted Lantern Men The Bourne Evolution We Are All the Same in the Dark Last Lie The Secret to Hummingbird Cake A Simple Hope The Vanishing Half

ADULT NON FICTION Beyond Valor: A WWII Story

**Decoding Your Cat** 

Autism Spectrum Disorder: What Every Parent Should Know The Room Where it Happened

#### **JUNIORS**

The One and Only Bob Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Adventure Quintessence

YOUNG ADULT

True or False: A CIA Analysts Guide Words in Deep Blue

#### AUDIO BOOKS

Cross Country Wolves Eat Dogs Third World America A Christmas Blizzard The Painted Queen The Martian A Coyote's in the House (J Audio) James Patterson Martin Cruz Smith Arianna Huffington Garrison Keillor Elizabeth Peters Andy Weir Elmore Leonard

#### DVDS

Saturday Night Live: first and second seasons The following can all be found in the health bookcase

Secret Life of the Brain Can Alzheimer's Be Stopped Depression: Out of the Shadows Too Sane for This World Understanding the Opioid Epidemic Nine Months that Made You Growing Up Trans Blood Sugar Rising Mysteries of Sleep Life's Greatest Miracle Easy Yoga for Arthritis Caring for Mom and Dad WE ARE ABLE TO OPEN OUR COMMUNITY ROOM TO SMALL GROUPS OF 8-9 PEOPLE ONLY. These are not programs the library is running but groups that have previously met here and may be allowed to continue their meetings with a limit on participants.

YOGA: 2 sessions a week: meeting Tuesday & Wednesday nights: 6-7 pm Please bring your own mat. This group uses DVD's of their choosing. They have 1 open slot available in their group.

**CLASSIC MOVIE GROUP**: meeting weekly every Thursday at 1pm starting Oct. 1. This group chooses and brings their own movie. They have 5 open spots in their group.

ADULT BOOK CLUB: meeting monthly on the third Thursday at 11am. October 15th they will be discussing the book Ross Poldark by author Winston Graham. This group is full but you may call and be placed on a waiting list.

QUILTING/CRAFTING GROUP: meeting on the first and third Mondays of the month, October 5th & 19th from 11am—1pm. This group has 3 open spots left.

If there are open spots in the group you may call the library to reserve your seat or be placed on a waiting list if no openings are available at that time. Face masks are required and social distancing within the library will be in practice. No food or beverage will be served.



If you need information on voting in Chautauqua or Cattaraugus Counties you may go to the Chautauqua Cattaraugus Library System website : https://www.cclsny.org/ Click on the **Be A Voter flag** on the right side of the site. You'll

find links to the following information for both counties:

Voter Registration Form Early Voting Information Poll Site Locations Absentee Ballot Application

#### TOWN OF ELLINGTON ANNOUNCEMENT

Regular Trick or Treating Hours of 5-7pm will be observed in the Town of Ellington Due to Covid there will be no Halloween Party at the Fire hall as in previous years. Have fun and watch out for all our little ghosts and goblins!

# **Book Highlights of the Month**

ADULT NONFICTION: Killing Crazy Horse: The Merciless Indian Wars in America by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard

#### (Bill O'Reilly's Killing Series) BOOK SHOULD BE ARRIVING SOON

The latest installment of the multimillion-selling Killing series is a gripping journey through the American West and the historic clashes between Native Americans and settlers.

The bloody Battle of Tippecanoe was only the beginning. It's 1811 and President James Madison has ordered the destruction of Shawnee warrior chief Tecumseh's alliance of tribes in the Great Lakes region. But while General William Henry Harrison would win this fight, the armed conflict between Native Americans and the newly formed United States would rage on for decades.

Bestselling authors Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard venture through the fraught history of our country's founding on already occupied lands, from General Andrew Jackson's brutal battles with the Creek Nation to President James Monroe's epic "sea to shining sea" policy, to President Martin Van Buren's cruel enforcement of a "treaty" that forced the Cherokee Nation out of their homelands along what would be called the Trail of Tears. O'Reilly and Dugard take readers behind the legends to reveal never-before-told historical moments in the fascinating creation story of America. This fast-paced, wild ride through the American frontier will shock readers and impart unexpected lessons that reverberate to this day.

Review by: https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/48925415-killing-crazy-horse

#### ADULT FICTION: A Question of Betrayal by Anne Perry (Elena Standish #2) BOOK SHOULD BE ARRIVING SOON

On her first mission for MI6, the daring young photographer at the heart of this thrilling new mystery series by bestselling author Anne Perry travels to Mussolini's Italy to rescue the lover who betrayed her.

Britain's secret intelligence service, MI6, has lost contact with its informant in northern Italy, just as important information about the future plans of Austria and Nazi Germany is coming to light. And young Elena Standish, to her surprise, is the only person who can recognize MI6's man–because he is her former lover. Aiden Strother betrayed her six years before, throwing shame on her entire family. Now, with so much to prove, Elena heads to Trieste to track down Aiden and find out what happened to his handler, who has mysteriously cut off contact with Britain.

As Elena gets word of a secret group working to put Austria in the hands of Germany, her older sister, Margot, is in Berlin to watch a childhood friend get married-to a member of the Gestapo. Margot and Elena's grandfather, the former head of MI6, is none too happy about the sisters' travels at this tumultuous time, especially when a violent event at home reminds him that even Britain is growing dangerous. As his own investigation collides with his granddaughter's, what's at stake on the continent becomes increasingly frightening-and personal.

Against the backdrop of a rapidly changing Europe, *New York Times* bestselling author Anne Perry crafts a novel full of suspense, political intrigue, and the struggle between love and loyalty to country.

#### Review by: https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/49349172

<u>JUNIOR NONFICTION:</u> The Talk: Conversations about Race, Love & Truth by Wade Hudson & Cheryl Willis Hudson (Editors) BOOK SHOULD BE ARRIVING SOON

This star-studded collection of #ownvoices authors calls readers in for necessary reminders in service of everyday actions that we must pursue to cultivate real change.

This collection is right on time. As many people reach for undifferentiated anti-racist reading lists to catch up to the Black-led front lines of today's social movements, the Hudsons take an approach for young readers that emphasizes intergenerational relationships, familial intimacy, and intersectional justice. These are "real conversations," both in that many of them draw from true personal experiences and also in the sense that they revel in depth and substance. The editors put it this way: "With advice and love, harsh realities and encouraging words, the talks offered in this anthology...embrace honest ways of thinking that help expand ourselves and others in a complex and diverse society." Each contribution has its own unique viewpoint paired with arresting grayscale illustrations; together they take on a diversity of forms including prose, poems, and comics. Race plays a central role, yet the conversations expand beyond a Black-White binary to be inclusive of Asian, Latino, and Native experiences as well. An all-star list of authors and illustrators appears throughout the pages—an embarrassment of literary riches. Backmatter includes explanatory notes from some of the authors, and biographical notes on all the contributors. It's a perfect sequel to the Hudsons' critically acclaimed collection We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Our Voices (2018). The ingredients are all here. May this magnificent collection inspire us to move from dialogue to deep action.

Review by: https://www.kirkusreviews.com/book-reviews/wade-hudson/talk-hudson/

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM UPDATE: Here's the winners!

First place for most books read by an Independent Reader: Michaela Lundsten

First place for most books read in the Non-independent Reader category: Makena Lundsten

First place for Story Submissions: Aubrey Canfield

Congratulations to all our readers and the adults in their lives that continually promote reading and make sure they visit the library!

There are many little ways to enlarge your child's world. Love of books is the best of all. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis

Today a Reader, tomorrow a leader! So glad Ava and Alivia were able to enjoy some of our craft bags even though they were not officially in our Summer Reading program. A regular patron asked if he could bring some bags to a friend for her grandchildren to enjoy.

Submitted photo





Michaela Lundsten 1st place: Independent Readers



Makena Lundsten 1st place: Non-Independent Readers



Aubrey Canfield 1st place: Story Submissions



Did you know you may access the library's free high speed Wi-Fi from outside the library? You can sit on our front porch, park out front or even hang out in the town park and you can still receive it. Need to do some research at 10pm or attend a zoom meeting at 9am? No problem as it's always on, 24/7 and no password is required. Of course you are welcome to come inside during open hours to access it also: Monday – Thursday 11am–7pm and Saturday 10am–1pm.

Did you know there is an easy way to donate to Ellington Farman Library and it doesn't cost you anything? We are one of the charities listed with Amazon Smile and a portion of your purchase will be donated to our library if you start your Amazon shopping at Amazon Smile. Here's how it works: Amazon donates 0.5% of

the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. That's where you get to choose our library! AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Not all products qualify for the charitable donation. Start supporting our library this season as you prepare for your holiday shopping. Start



your shopping at smile.amazon.com, choose our library from the charitable list and you're ready to be a charitable donation hero! Shop as much as you wish knowing that you are helping our library with every purchase.

Our library now carries copies of The Jamestown Gazette newspaper for patrons to take home with them. This is a weekly paper and carries all local information. They have been very receptive to printing our article submissions in the past and we're pleased to be able to offer this to our patrons. We will have 10 copies available every week. At this time we do not carry The Jamestown Post Journal. With fewer patrons entering the library during the pandemic and the papers refusal to deliver to our box located right outside our library front door we have decided to suspend our subscription for the time being. We will revisit that decision when pandemic restrictions are lifted and patrons can once again be able to gather at our newspaper reading table.

Did you know that the Town of Ellington installed a new streetlight located right on the comer opposite our library? We made the request of them as we have numerous patrons including some children that walk in that direction after leaving the library at closing time. In the winter it is dark when we close and it is located a curve where cars may not see a small child walking. The light also shines on our little parking lot right in front of the library. If you see someone on the Town Board remember to thank them!



#### Why don't we have more new books?

The short answer to these questions is because of the Pandemic. A better explanation, concerning new books, is that there are three main publishing warehouses across the country that ship books out. They have been operating under Covid Pandemic restrictions also with no staff back on full time hours yet. This has created a backlog of orders to fulfill. We have been placing orders for new books but the library has no control over when those orders will be filled and shipped. We use these main distributors as we get the best library discounts from them instead of ordering them from another company such as Amazon. If the library ordered from

Amazon we might receive them faster but would be paying essentially the same as any consumer on that site. We receive a major discount when we buy direct from these distributors thereby giving us more purchasing power. So rest assured we are placing new book orders twice a month and will get them catalogued and up on the new bookshelf as soon as they arrive.

#### Why does it take so long for my holds to come in?

Your holds are taking longer to arrive as some libraries are still not operating under their usual full pre-pandemic hours yet. They may also have less staff coming in to fill those holds. Books are also being placed in quarantine so they are not immediately available to checkout as soon as they are returned to the home library. All of this combines to make a longer wait time for your holds to come in. We librarians sympathize with you as we all love that feeling of coming in to the building and seeing a shipping box full of new books or a holds bag overflowing with our patrons hold requests. We really do like calling you and telling you your book has arrived!