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LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY	11-7
TUESDAY	11-7
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SUNDAY	CLOSED

COLUMBUS DAY, ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY OR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY?



Columbus Day is a U.S. holiday that commemorates the landing of Christopher Columbus in the Americas in the year 1492. Columbus Day was originally observed every October 12, but was changed to the second Monday in October beginning in 1971. It was unofficially celebrated in a number of cities and states as early as the 18th century, but did not become a federal holiday until 1937. While Columbus Day is a federal government holiday meaning all federal offices are closed, not all states grant it as a day off from work.

Christopher Columbus was an Italian-born explorer who set sail in August 1492, bound for Asia with backing from the Spanish monarchs King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella. Columbus original intention was to chart a western sea route to China, India and the fabled gold and spice islands of Asia. Instead, on October 12, 1492, he landed in the Bahamas, becoming the first European to explore the Americas since the Vikings established colonies in Greenland and Newfoundland during the 10th century.

Taking pride in Columbus' birthplace and faith, Italian and Catholic communities in various parts of the country began organizing annual religious ceremonies and parades in his honor. In 1892, President Benjamin Harrison issued a proclamation encouraging Americans to mark the 400th anniversary of Columbus' voyage with patriotic festivities to honor the American way of life.

Throughout its history, Columbus Day and the man who inspired it, have generated controversy. Many alternatives to the holiday have been proposed since the 1970s. One of those alternatives is Indigenous Peoples' Day, now celebrated in many U.S. states and cities. For many Indigenous peoples, Columbus Day is a controversial holiday. This is because they view Columbus not as a discoverer, but rather as a colonizer. His arrival led to the forceful taking of land, the beginning of the transatlantic slave trade and set the stage for widespread death and loss of Indigenous ways of life. European settlers brought a host of infectious diseases, including smallpox and influenza that decimated indigenous populations. Warfare between Native Americans and European colonists claimed many lives as well. More than a dozen states and the District of Columbia now recognize Indigenous Peoples' Day. Those states include Alabama, Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Vermont, Virginia and Wisconsin. New York has not yet officially recognized Indigenous Peoples' Day. In places that use the day to honor indigenous peoples', activities include pow-wows, traditional dance events and lessons about Native American culture.

In the 19th century anti-immigrant groups in the United States began to reject the holiday because of its association with Catholicism. Alternatively, in some parts of the United States, Columbus Day has evolved into a celebration of Italian-American heritage. Local groups host parades and street fairs featuring colorful costumes, music and Italian food.

Further information on this holiday can be found online and in books. Our library does not have an extensive updated history collection on this topic but we can place holds for you for any book within the Chautauqua Cattaraugus Library System providing you have a library card. If you don't already have a card you may sign up for one at any library. Libraries are a great place to learn.

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and our Website:
ellingtonlibrary.org



**LIBRARY BOARD MEETS
MON. OCTOBER 24 at 7PM**

In the community room
Meetings are open to the
public

Judith Whittaker, Library Director

NEW TO OUR LIBRARY

ADULT FICTION

ELLEN WISEMAN
JAVIER ZAMORA
KATE QUINN
IRIS JOHANSEN
BEVERLY LEWIS
JAMES PATTERSON
KAREN ROBARDS
J.D. ROBB
STEPHEN KING
DAVID BALDACCI
LEE CHILD
JUDE DEVERAUX
JOHN GRISHAM
BARBARA KINGSOLVER
JAMES PATTERSON
JAMES PATTERSON

JODI PICCOULT
DANIELLE STEEL

LOST GIRLS OF WILLOWBROOK
SOLITO
THE DIAMOND EYE
CAPTIVE
ORCHARD
BLOWBACK
GIRL FROM GUERNICA
DESPERATION IN DEATH
FAIRY TALE
LONG SHADOWS
NO MAN B
THIEF OF FATE
BOYS FROM BILOXI
DEMON COPPERHEAD
TRIPLE CROSS
TWELVE TOPSY-TURVY VERY
MESSY DAYS OF CHRISTMAS
MAD HONEY
HIGH NOTES

JUNIOR NONFICTION

CATHERINE D. HUGHES
DEREK HARVEY
ANNA OLSWANGER

FIRST BIG BOOK OF THE OCEAN
OCEAN
A VISIT TO MOSCOW

DVDS

MINIONS THE RISE OF GRU
LIFE WITH DOG
AMERICAN HORSES
A TALE OF TWO GUNS
WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING
ARLINGTON FIELD OF HONOR
MASH SEASONS 1 & 2
MONTANA STORY
A HOBO'S CHRISTMAS



FAVORITE AUTHORS NEW RELEASES

COMING IN NOVEMBER

MICHAEL CONNELLY
RICHARD PAUL EVANS
JAMES PATTERSON
NORA ROBERTS
DANIELLE STEEL

DESERT STAR
CHRISTMAS MEMORY
PERFECT ASSASSIN
CHOICE
WHITTIER

* There are less books arriving in October due to a technology breach that happened in September to the company that we order most of our books from. No new book orders could be placed since early September. Our library was not affected by the breach but the book ordering process was halted. The breach is now fixed and we are back to our ordering weekly rotation.

ADULT BOOK CLUB MONTHLY SELECTION

The Adult Book Club meets the third Thursday of every month at 11am. In October they will meet on the 20th. They will be discussing the book "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict. New members are always welcome.

BOOK REVIEW: The Personal Librarian

The remarkable, little-known story of Belle da Costa Greene, J. P. Morgan's personal librarian—who became one of the most powerful women in New York despite the dangerous secret she kept in order to make her dreams come true, from New York Times bestselling author Marie Benedict and acclaimed author Victoria Christopher Murray.

In her twenties, Belle da Costa Greene is hired by J. P. Morgan to curate a collection of rare manuscripts, books, and artwork for his newly built Pierpont Morgan Library. Belle becomes a fixture on the New York society scene and one of the most powerful people in the art and book world, known for her impeccable taste and shrewd negotiating for critical works as she helps build a world-class collection.

But Belle has a secret, one she must protect at all costs. She was born not Belle da Costa Greene but Belle Marion Greener. She is the daughter of Richard Greener, the first Black graduate of Harvard and a well-known advocate for equality. Belle's complexion isn't dark because of her alleged Portuguese heritage that lets her pass as white—her complexion is dark because she is African American.

The Personal Librarian tells the story of an extraordinary woman, famous for her intellect, style, and wit, and shares the lengths to which she must go—for the protection of her family and her legacy—to preserve her carefully crafted white identity in the racist world in which she lives.

Review: <https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/55333938>

**LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY OCTOBER 10
FOR COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY**

Book Highlights of the Month

ADULT FICTION: THE LOST GIRLS OF WILLOWBROOK BY ELLEN MARIE WISEMAN HISTORICAL FICTION

In her most powerful novel to date, New York Times bestselling author Ellen Marie Wiseman masterfully viscerally evokes the real-life Willowbrook State School, the infamous Staten Island, New York, mental institution that shocked a nation when exposed in the 1970s as a dumping ground for unwanted children. Girl, Interrupted meets One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest in this gripping narrative of social injustice, survival, and a young woman determined to find her sister.

Sage Winters always knew her sister was a little different even though they were identical twins. They loved the same things and shared a deep understanding, but Rosemary—awake to every emotion, easily moved to joy or tears—seemed to need more protection from the world.

Six years after Rosemary's death from pneumonia, Sage, now sixteen, still misses her deeply. Their mother perished in a car crash, and Sage's stepfather, Alan, resents being burdened by a responsibility he never wanted. Yet despite living as near strangers in their Staten Island apartment, Sage is stunned to discover that Alan has kept a shocking secret: Rosemary didn't die. She was committed to Willowbrook State School and has lingered there until just a few days ago, when she went missing.

Sage knows little about Willowbrook. It's always been a place shrouded by rumor and mystery. A place local parents threaten to send misbehaving kids. With no idea what to expect, Sage secretly sets out for Willowbrook, determined to find Rosemary. What she learns, once she steps through its doors and is mistakenly believed to be her sister, will change her life in ways she never could imagined.

"Thank goodness for historians like Ellen Marie Wiseman who refuse to let the horrors inflicted on the disabled be relegated to the forgotten attic of time. The Lost Girls of Willowbrook is historical fiction blended with a riveting mystery that makes for a "must-read" of 2022." – Pamela Klinger-Horn, Valley Bookseller

Paperback, 304 pages; Published August 30th by Kensington

Review by: <https://www.kensingtonbooks.com/9781496715883/the-lost-girls-of-willowbrook/>

ADULT NON FICTION: WE REFUSE TO FORGET: A TRUE STORY OF BLACK CREEKS, AMERICAN IDENTITY, AND POWER BY CALEB GAYLE

A landmark work of untold American history that reshapes our understanding of identity, race, and belonging.

In *We Refuse to Forget*, award-winning journalist Caleb Gayle tells the extraordinary story of the Creek Nation, a Native tribe that two centuries ago both owned slaves and accepted Black people as full citizens. Thanks to the efforts of Creek leaders like Cow Tom, a Black Creek citizen who rose to become chief, the U.S. government recognized Creek citizenship in 1866 for its Black members. Yet this equality was shredded in the 1970s when tribal leaders revoked the citizenship of Black Creeks, even those who could trace their history back generations—even to Cow Tom himself.

Why did this happen? How was the U.S. government involved? And what are Cow Tom's descendants and other Black Creeks doing to regain their citizenship? These are some of the questions that Gayle explores in this provocative examination of racial and ethnic identity. By delving into the history and interviewing Black Creeks who are fighting to have their citizenship reinstated, he lays bare the racism and greed at the heart of this story. *We Refuse to Forget* is an eye-opening account that challenges our preconceptions of identity as it shines new light on the long shadows of white supremacy and marginalization that continue to hamper progress for Black Americans.


"When Caleb Gayle wrote this book, he reached back into history to find power. By telling the stories of elders like Cow Tom and other Black Creeks who refused to simplify our understanding of race, he amplified that our stories escape categories because our lives are rich and complex. In the end, he let us not forget that America can handle every part that makes us whole." - Ibram X. Kendi, National Book Award-winning author of *Stamped from the Beginning*

272 pages; Published Jun 2022

Review by: https://www.bookbrowse.com/bb_briefs/detail/index.cfm/ezone_preview_number/16767/we-refuse-to-forget

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Monday and Wednesday



Yoga
5-6pm

BRING YOUR OWN YOGA MAT AND
ENJOY SOME DOWN TIME PRACTICING YOGA
EVERY MONDAY & WEDNESDAY FROM 5-6 PM
NO INSTRUCTOR—DVD'S CHOSEN BY THE GROUP
ALL LEVELS WELCOME; ADULTS ONLY

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CRAFT
FOR KIDS
FOR AGES 7 AND UP
SAT. OCT 1st
10:30-11:30am
— DROP IN CRAFT TIME —

All supplies will be provided for
children aged 7 and up to stop in
and make their own
PUMPKIN THEMED BOOK MARKS




sewers
crafters
& quilters
OCT 3 & 17

MEETING ON THE 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS
OF THE MONTH 11AM—1PM
Bring your "works in progress" and enjoy
crafting with friends!

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

TUESDAY
Cribbage Time
AT THE LIBRARY
1-3PM



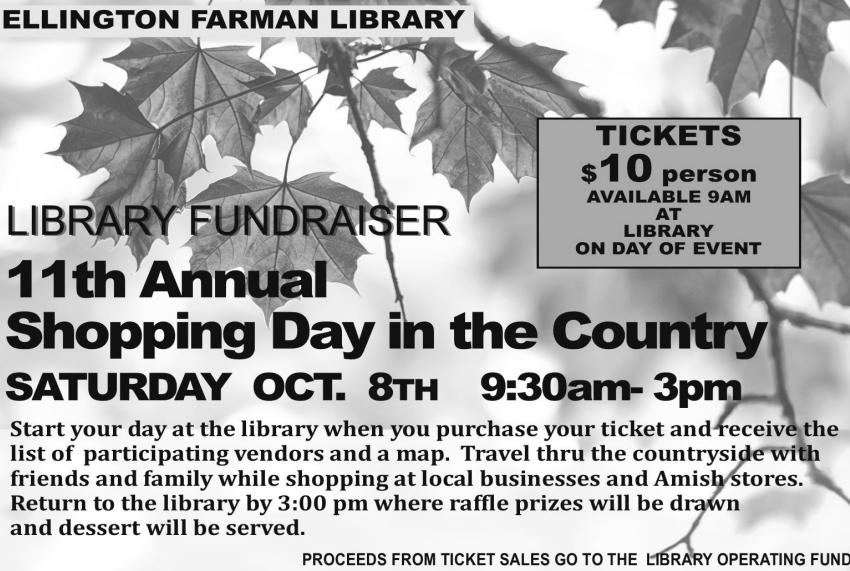
CRIBBAGE IS BACK
EVERY TUES
STARTING
October 4th

Anyone who likes to play is
invited to come on Tuesdays
You are welcome to bring a snack

Non Competitive— Just for Fun!

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ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY



TICKETS
\$10 person
AVAILABLE 9AM
AT
LIBRARY
ON DAY OF EVENT

LIBRARY FUNDRAISER
11th Annual
Shopping Day in the Country
SATURDAY OCT. 8TH 9:30am- 3pm

Start your day at the library when you purchase your ticket and receive the
list of participating vendors and a map. Travel thru the countryside with
friends and family while shopping at local businesses and Amish stores.
Return to the library by 3:00 pm where raffle prizes will be drawn
and dessert will be served.

PROCEEDS FROM TICKET SALES GO TO THE LIBRARY OPERATING FUND
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BLUEGRASS & COUNTRY CONCERT

SATURDAY
OCT. 15
7:30PM

Free Concert!



Fair to Fiddlin'

An eclectic configuration of bluegrass, old-time
classic country, folk,
and original music
played on acoustic
instruments
with plenty of vocal
harmonies!



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Funding for this program provided by the Falmour Region Community Fund at the Chautauque Region Community Foundation.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

BOOK CLUB
MEETS
THURSDAY
OCTOBER 20
11am

They will be discussing
"The Personal Librarian"
By Marie Benedict
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY


Back by popular demand!

BREAKFAST
POTLUCK

EVERY LAST SATURDAY OF MONTH
OCTOBER 29TH
ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

Coffee is on at 8am
Serving POTLUCK at 8:30am
Bring a breakfast food to share or just come
and enjoy meeting with your
neighbors & friends

NO RESERVATIONS
JUST COME GATHER AT THE LIBRARY
STAY AS LONG AS YOU LIKE!



SHOPPING DAY IN THE COUNTRY LIBRARY FUNDRAISER

Looking for something to do on a beautiful fall day? Love to shop with your friends, explore new places in the countryside and find unique gifts? Then Ellington Farman Library's Shopping Day in the Country was made for you. On Saturday, October 8th, starting at 9:30am you can purchase a \$10 ticket at the Library. This ticket will include a map with highlighted stores, including Amish shops, in the surrounding area. Shoppers are then encouraged to visit the vendors on the list between the hours of 9:30am-3:00pm. Shoppers will receive a punch on their ticket from each vendor that they visit. Don't forget to ask the vendor to punch your ticket. Shoppers will return that day to the library by 3:00pm to enjoy coffee and delicious homemade desserts. You will receive raffle tickets for each punch on your ticket which you can use to win some beautiful gifts back at the library. Raffle winners will be chosen at 3:30pm. This year will be our eleventh year for this fundraiser which not only helps the library but showcases some unique shopping venues in our area. Library is located at 760 Thornton Rd, Ellington and is fully handicapped accessible. October 8th would be a great time to get a head start on your holiday shopping list as well as support local businesses.



OCTOBER DISPLAY CASE: IDENTITY ENGRAVERS; "Trees Give Peace" display

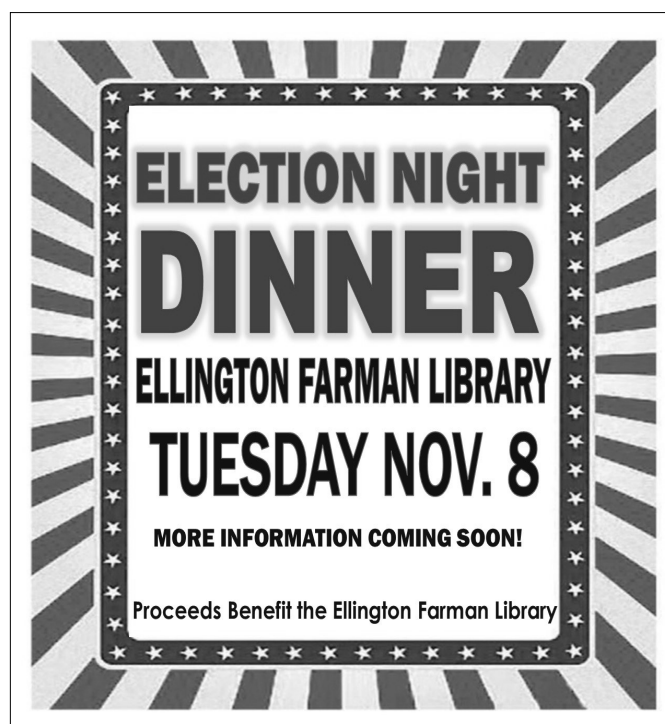
Identity Engravers is an artisan home based business from Frewsburg NY that creates wood home décor products. We create our original designs starting from mostly found or discarded wood. Driftwood picked from the shores of Lake Erie, fallen trees from our own property or specialty wood donated from friends all are used to create unique pieces of work. All ideas and designs are created by owner Bryan and Judith Whittaker. All parts are cut out and fabricated in our woodshop by Bryan using traditional woodworking tools. We then engrave any designs onto the wood. Painting of the design follows as each piece is hand painted. Final fabrication is then done including any additional pieces, hardware and final sanding of product.

Paint, stains and clear finishes are applied to create a finished product. All work is done by us in our rural workshop in Western New York.

We sell most of our products through shows and festivals throughout New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio. Cohn's Dusty Acres has some of our work in their seasonal shop in Frewsburg.

This display will focus mainly on our Tree items. We also have a line of spiritual

plaques. We're grateful to the Ellington Library for allowing us to show our work.



AROUND THE LIBRARY!



Janelle Sluga, from Senior Life Matters, came in August and September to educate our seniors on Important Paperwork as they age and Medicaid for Seniors.



Katie Finch, from the Audubon Nature Center, teaching our kids about pond life and habitats



Audrianna- our Star Reader for the summer who read 50 books!

COMPUTER AVAILABLE WITH ADAPTIVE DEVICES

If you experience vision trouble or have range of motion difficulties with your hands then you know it can be difficult to use a regular computer. We now have a computer in our community room that will be useful to you. It is equipped with a very large screen monitor, a fluorescent yellow keyboard with large keys and an adaptive mouse. This computer can be made available at any time but if you want to assure it is not in use then we recommend you call ahead and we can reserve it for you. These adaptive devices were made available to us from the Chautauqua Cattaraugus Library System through a grant from the American Rescue Protection Act (ARPA) through New York State.

We now have a computer just for you!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 11am–1pm Craft Group 5-6pm Yoga	4 1-3pm Cribbage	5 5-6pm Yoga	6	7	8 9:30–3:30pm Shopping Day in the Country fundraiser
9	10 LIBRARY CLOSED COLUMBUS DAY	11 1-3pm Cribbage	12 1-4pm Community Room in Use 5-6pm Yoga	13	14	15 7:30-8:30pm Bluegrass Concert Fair to Fiddlin’
16	17 11am–1pm Craft Group 5-6pm Yoga	18 1-3pm Cribbage	19 5-6pm Yoga	20 11am Book Club	21	22
23	24 5-6pm Yoga 7pm Board Meets	25 1-3pm Cribbage	26 5-6pm Yoga	27	28	29 8am Potluck Breakfast
30	31 5-6pm Yoga					