



The Ellington Reader

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

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MONDAY 11-7

TUESDAY 11-7

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THURSDAY 11-7

FRIDAY CLOSED

SATURDAY 10-1

DUCKS IN THE LIBRARY?

If you have had a chance to enter our library in the last few weeks you might notice some creatures that you don't usually see in a library. Ducks! Yes, ducks. No, we did not have a flooded basement they were swimming around in so why are ducks at the library? What is the library up to now?



Around 2 years ago I had an idea to use the empty space that is located above our adult hardcover fiction section. When the library used to be a general store there were shelves that went all the way to the ceiling. The proprietors could access shelf items by using the ladder that is still here today. The ladder is not able to be used but the Board of Trustees wisely kept it and it's a nice historical addition to our main library room. We don't store books on shelves that are higher than the average person can safely access so the area that used to contain the shelves is one big empty space. My original idea was to fill it with artwork that would complement the rural community which we serve. Rural landscapes and wildlife art were the likely choices. A year was spent contemplating what artists to choose and how to word the letter asking for some very large paintings or reproductions of their paintings that they might like to donate to our library. I just wasn't sold on the idea as everyone's opinion of what they like in a piece of art is widely varied. Should we stick to realism, impressionism or maybe throw in a few abstracts in the mix? I made a few initial inquiries but never sent out formal letters requesting donations.

Another idea I floated was to use old enlarged historical photos of Ellington. I thought it might make a nice conversation piece and stir up some reminiscing about our community. This idea made me conflicted as I want to have visions of moving the community forward and maybe having daily reminders of the past might not be encouraging at this time.

The summer of 2021 brought Katie from the Audubon Community Center presenting a program to our children. Together we had a creative brainstorming session concerning ideas for the empty space. With her contacts and assistance I started to pursue a different path altogether.

Enter Jonathon Emmick, from Twin Pines Taxidermy located right here in Ellington. He has a lot of taxidermized animals in his display room that he is looking to find homes for as he is retiring soon. With his help the empty space will now be turned into an area that will be both educational and entertaining while still complimenting the rural community. We plan on presenting wildlife dioramas with accompanying educational handouts on what wildlife is represented, the habitat it can be found in and other interesting facts. The idea is to show small taxidermized animals that can be found locally. Don't worry; there will be no deer heads, moose or mountain lion looking like it is ready to pounce on a patron quietly looking for a book!

Our first diorama will be a duck wildlife display. Jonathan brought over two ducks in cases for us to display and start to generate some interest. The background of the duck diorama has been designed and artwork ordered. The second diorama will be about grouse. My hope is that we will have this idea ready to be implemented by the end of this year. I'm pleased that we have settled on something educational as well as fun for our patrons to see. There might be the possibility of having a quarterly rotating wildlife display.

There are a lot of avenues that we can pursue to tie in with the displays. We could combine the displays with speakers presenting wildlife programs. A question sheet pertaining to each habitat and animal could be offered with a prize for those with the most correct answers. We could focus on books and movies that compliment a particular display. The ideas are endless but all take time. So far, we have a few ducks patiently waiting for their pond habitat to materialize.

Judith Whittaker, Library Director

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NEWS BY FOLLOWING US ON
FACEBOOK

and our Website:
ellingtonlibrary.org



LIBRARY BOARD MEETS
MON. NOVEMBER 28TH
at 7PM

In the community room
Meetings are open to the
public

NEW TO OUR LIBRARY

ADULT FICTION

KARIN SALVALAGGIO
CELESTE NG
FREDRIK BACKMAN
KAMILA SHAMSIE
REBECCA SACKS
NATHANIEL IAN MILLER

SANJENA SATHIAN
BOBBY FINGER
MEGHAN GILLISS
WILLIAM KENT KRUEGER
MICHAEL CONNELLY
RICHARD PAUL EVANS
JAMES PATTERSON
NORA ROBERTS
DANIELLE STEEL
JAMES PATTERSON
JAMES PATTERSON

JODI PICOULT
STEPHEN KING
KAREN ROBARDS
IRIS JOHANSEN
JAMES PATTERSON
J.D. ROBB
SANDRA BROWN
DANILEE STEEL
DAVID BALDACCI

ADULT NONFICTION

JAMES BRIDLE
TEMPLE GRANDIN
KATHERINE TODRYS

JUNIOR FICTION

JOSEF BASTIAN
JOSEF BASTIAN
ANDY GRIFFITHS

JUNIOR NONFICTION

JULIUS CSOTONYI

CLAUDIA MARTIN

ANUSUYA CHINSAMY

BONE DUST WHITE
OUR MISSING HEARTS
THE WINNERS
BEST OF FRIENDS
CITY OF A THOUSAND GATES
THE MEMOIRS OF STOCKHOLM
SVEN
GOLD DIGGERS
THE OLD PLACE
LUNGFISH
FOX CREEK
DESERT STAR
CHRISTMAS MEMORY
PERFECT ASSASSIN
CHOICE
WHITTIER
BLOW BACK
THE TWELVE TOPSY-TURVY VERY
MESSY DAYS OF CHRISTMAS
MAD HONEY
FAIRY TALE
THE GIRL FROM GUERNICA
CAPTIVE
THE NINTH MONTH
DESPERATION IN DEATH
OVERKILL
THE CHALLENGE
LONG SHADOWS

WAYS OF BEING
VISUAL THINKING
BLACK SNAKE

PHASES OF THE MOON, BOOK 1
CAVE IN THE ROCK BOOK 2
THE 13 STORY TREEHOUSE

DISCOVERING TIGERS AND
OTHER BIG CATS
CHILDREN'S FIRST DINOSAUR
ENCYCLOPEDIA
DINOSAURS AND OTHER
PREHISTORIC LIFE

ADULT BOOK CLUB MONTHLY SELECTION

The Adult Book Club meets the third Thursday of every month at 11am. In November they will meet on the 17th. They will be discussing the book "And Then There Were None" by Agatha Christie. New members are always welcome.

BOOK REVIEW: And Then There Were None

The name Agatha Christie is synonymous with unique and puzzling mysteries, but And Then There Were None is definitely one of her best. The plot is simple enough: ten people are invited to an island, stranded there, and then accused of a murder. And then one by one each person begins to die just like the people in the old nursery rhyme "Ten Little Soldier Boys." However, the reader is kept in the dark as to who the murderer is until the very end, and the end is not at all what the reader might have expected. The plot moves along fairly quickly, but it doesn't get confusing. The characters are fully sketched out which helps to make the story somewhat believable. The best thing about this book is that it is not at all cheesy; it is gripping and just frightening enough to make the reader want to finish the book before they turn out the lights at night.

Review: <https://ppld.org/book-reviews/and-then-there-were-none>

OUR LIBRARY OFFERS.... books, movies, audio books, newspapers, magazines, puzzles, DVDs, Makerspace Activities and six computers for patrons to use. One of those computers has adaptive devices for those who are visually impaired. We offer free high speed Wi-Fi for your own devices, printing from our computers, copying/ faxing service, Children's room with games and programs for every age. We have Adventure Passes to local attractions you can check out with a library card. There is a dedicated laptop and medical devices available to anyone to be used for a Telehealth visit. Please call ahead to reserve the Telehealth computer.

FAVORITE AUTHORS NEW RELEASES



COMING IN DECEMBER

W.E.B GRIFFIN

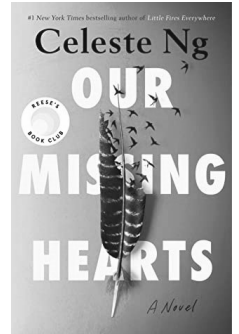
DEVIL'S WEAPONS

Library Will Be closed Thursday November 24th
and Saturday November 26th
for the Thanksgiving Holiday

Book Highlights of the Month

ADULT FICTION: OUR MISSING HEARTS BY CELESTE NG

From the #1 bestselling author of Little Fires Everywhere, comes one of the most highly anticipated books of the year – the inspiring new novel about a mother’s unbreakable love in a world consumed by fear.



Twelve-year-old Bird Gardner lives a quiet existence with his loving but broken father, a former linguist who now shelves books in a university library. Bird knows to not ask too many questions, stand out too much, or stray too far. For a decade, their lives have been governed by laws written to preserve “American culture” in the wake of years of economic instability and violence. To keep the peace and restore prosperity, the authorities are now allowed to relocate children of dissidents, especially those of Asian origin, and libraries have been forced to remove books seen as unpatriotic—including the work of Bird’s mother, Margaret, a Chinese American poet who left the family when he was nine years old.

Bird has grown up disavowing his mother and her poems; he doesn’t know her work or what happened to her, and he knows he shouldn’t wonder. But when he receives a mysterious letter containing only a cryptic drawing, he is pulled into a quest to find her. His journey will take him back to the many folktales she poured into his head as a child, through the ranks of an underground network of librarians, into the lives of the children who have been taken, and finally to New York City, where a new act of defiance may be the beginning of much-needed change.

Our Missing Hearts is an old story made new, of the ways supposedly civilized communities can ignore the most searing injustice. It’s a story about the power—and limitations—of art to create change, the lessons and legacies we pass on to our children, and how any of us can survive a broken world with our hearts intact.

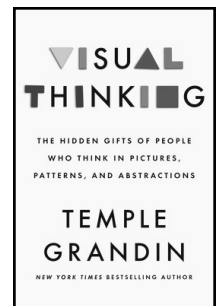
Review by <https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/60149573-our-missing-hearts>

Hardcover, 352 pages

Published October 4th 2022 by Penguin Press

ADULT NON FICTION: VISUAL THINKING: THE HIDDEN GIFTS OF PEOPLE WHO THINK IN PICTURES, PATTERNS, AND ABSTRACTIONS BY TEMPLE GRANDIN

A landmark book that reveals, celebrates, and advocates for the special minds and contributions of visual thinkers.



A quarter of a century after her memoir, Thinking in Pictures, forever changed how the world understood autism, Temple Grandin—the “anthropologist on Mars,” as Oliver Sacks dubbed her—transforms our awareness of the different ways our brains are wired. Do you have a keen sense of direction, a love of puzzles, the ability to assemble furniture without crying? You are likely a visual thinker.

With her genius for demystifying science, Grandin draws on cutting-edge research to take us inside visual thinking. Visual thinkers constitute a far greater proportion of the population than previously believed, she reveals, and a more varied one, from the photo-realistic object visualizers like Grandin herself, with their intuitive knack for design and problem solving, to the abstract, mathematically inclined “visual spatial” thinkers who excel in pattern recognition and systemic thinking. She also makes us understand how a world increasingly geared to the verbal tends to sideline visual thinkers, screening them out at school and passing over them in the workplace. Rather than continuing to waste their singular gifts, driving a collective loss in productivity and innovation, Grandin proposes new approaches to educating, parenting, employing, and collaborating with visual thinkers. As this important book helps us see, in a highly competitive world we need every mind on board.

Review by <https://www.goodreads.com/en/book/show/60149558>

Hardcover, 352 pages


Published October 11th 2022 by Riverhead Books

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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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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FILM DOCUMENTARY

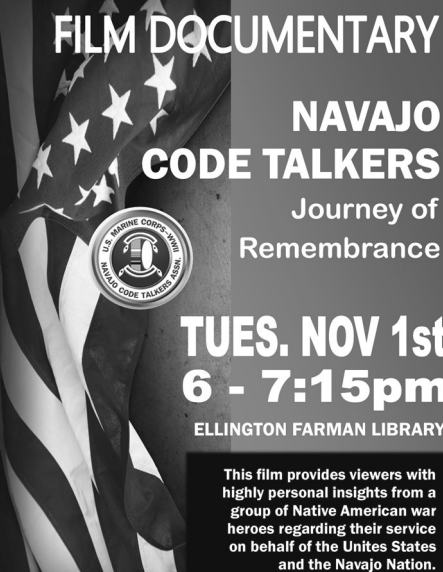
NAVAJO CODE TALKERS

Journey of Remembrance

TUES. NOV 1st
6 - 7:15pm

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This film provides viewers with highly personal insights from a group of Native American war heroes regarding their service on behalf of the United States and the Navajo Nation.



sewer's crafters & quilters

NOV. 1 & 15



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

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

Let's Make ADORABLE SOCK GNOMES!

SAT. NOV. 12
10:30-11:30AM




AGES 9 & UP
Ellington Farman Library
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

PREHISTORIC CULTURES OF WESTERN NY

WHAT DO THEIR TOOLS TELL US?

TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 15
6:30-7:30PM



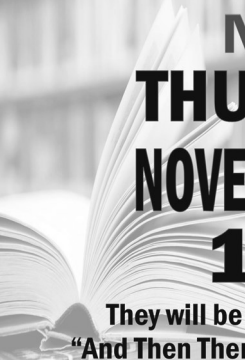
People lived in Western New York for 12,000 years prior to the arrival of European settlers. Artifactual items, their stone tools and the pottery they made, comprise one primary source for information about the lives they led. What conclusions may we draw by studying what they made from stone and clay?

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With Historian **Vince Martonis**
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BOOK CLUB MEETS THURSDAY

NOVEMBER 17
11am



They will be discussing
"And Then There Were None"
By Agatha Christie
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

Lets Get Crafting!

FOR THOSE AGED 12 AND UP

SOUP & CRAFT
SATURDAY NOV. 19
10AM - NOON



Make a Beautiful Wreath out of Book Pages!

Soup & Muffin lunch included
FREE program—registration requested

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

TO REGISTER
CALL 716-287-2945

There will be no Potluck Breakfast in November due to the Thanksgiving Holiday

CHECK THIS OUT

Thank you to all who have visited our library, made use of our item collection or attended one of our programs.

ALL STATISTICS ARE FROM JAN—AUGUST OF EACH YEAR
2021 DATA TAKEN FROM NYS ANNUAL REPORT,
2022 DATA IS FROM LIBRARY RECORDS

TOTAL VISITORS

2021	2327
2022	3013



CIRCULATION OF JUST BOOKS

	Adult books	Junior books
2021	1247	616
2022	1223	815

CIRCULATION OF ALL ITEMS

2021	3840
2022	4149

TOTAL NUMBER OF PROGRAMS OFFERED

2021	79
2022	127

TOTAL NUMBER OF PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

2021	548
2022	840

LIBRARY FUNDRAISERS IN NOVEMBER

**ELECTION NIGHT
DINNER**

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

TUESDAY NOV. 8

4:00-6PM OR UNTIL WE RUN OUT

ADULTS \$15 **CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$6**

SWISS STEAK DINNER
includes:
Swiss Steak,
mashed potatoes with gravy,
corn, roll and home baked pie

Benefits the Ellington
Farman Library

take out ONLY

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PLEASE CALL TO REGISTER FOR THE BOTTLE PAINTING
YOU MAY PAINT WHATEVER SCENE YOU CHOOSE AND
TRACEY BARRON WILL BE ON HAND TO ASSIST YOU

Join us at the
Ellington Farman Library

**Wine Bottle
Paint Night**

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 10

6:00PM

Supplies, wine and snacks provided

\$25 per person

Tracey Barron will be
instructing

***YOU MAY BRING YOUR
OWN BOTTLE
IF YOU WOULD LIKE



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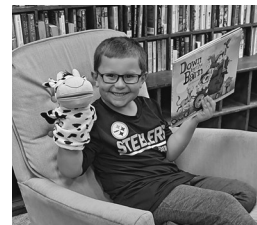
On the top left hand side of the Amazon website it should then show "You are supporting Ellington Farman Library."

Then go ahead and shop as much as you wish knowing that you are helping our library with every purchase.

Remember us while you're doing your holiday shopping!

WHAT'S A BIRTHDAY BOOK BASH?

The Ellington Farman Library is ready to play an important role in the life of your child by recognizing their birthday with gifts that promote early literacy and communication skills. Every child aged 1-7 years old who resides in the Ellington Farman Library area is welcome to be registered for the "Birthday Book Bash" program. We will be recognizing the important event of a child's birthday with the gift of an age appropriate book and puppet to be given within their birthday month. These two combined gifts help encourage early reading and storytelling for even the youngest of children. Parents or guardians should come into the library to register their child. The child will then receive a birthday greeting post card in their special month. At any time during that month the family may bring the child in to receive their special gift. The library staff hopes by receiving the gift the child will learn that a library is a fun and exciting place to visit. While here they may like to spend time in the Children's Room that is stocked not only with books but also games, puzzles and magazines. Our Makerspace is located in the Community Room and is open anytime there is not a program in progress. In the Makerspace your child may enjoy playing with Legos, games, cards or creating something using our craft materials. The library also has a large collection of children's DVD's they may check out with their own library card.



Brennan, one of our recent Birthday Book Bash participants

You do not have to wait for your child's birthday month to register them. Registration can take place anytime and we will keep a record of it so they will receive a postcard in the proper month their birthday is celebrated. Stop in the library to register your child for the "Birthday Book Bash" program and see all that we have to offer your family. This program is funded in part with a grant from the Falconer Region Community Fund at the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation.

AROUND THE LIBRARY!

We had a great turnout for the Fair to Fiddlin' Band Concert held in October. Only 6 empty seats and 45 in attendance to hear a nice blend of old time country and a little folk music.



TELEHEALTH EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY

In previous years I have heard patrons speak of how they avoid driving in the winter or don't like to travel long distances for a doctor's appointment. Some of them put off seeing their doctor until Spring comes and the roads are better. Other patrons have told me they gang up all their doctor appointments by the beginning of October so they avoid the driving at dusk issues. The library has some equipment that we hope will be helpful to those making these difficult decisions.

We now have a dedicated Telehealth laptop, infrared thermometer, pulse oximeter and a blood pressure cuff to be used by anyone who has a telehealth visit scheduled with their doctor and uses the library to complete that visit. These are the basic pieces of equipment your doctor will need readings from to supplement your appointment. Telehealth visits were started around the pandemic time so patients did not have to enter a crowded doctors office for a simple visit. Most insurances cover these types of visits. A lot of people in our immediate area were not able to take advantage of them because they lacked the high speed internet to have the visit work correctly. The library has the high speed internet and now the equipment needed if you would like to use them. At this time we are not able to lend the equipment out to be used in another location. The telehealth equipment that you will be using is supported by federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds allocated to the New York State Library by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

We want to make sure your experience is pleasant and comfortable so you'll know how to proceed with your visit. Please read all of the information below prior to reserving our equipment.

LIBRARY TELEHEALTH GUIDELINES

- Telehealth equipment reservations should be made at least 2 days ahead of time, when possible.
- Use without an appointment (walk-in) may not be available. Please call the library ahead of time to verify availability.
- Please arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment.
- The library's telehealth services are intended for well visits, consultations, and similar healthcare services.
- Please refrain from eating or drinking while using the equipment.
- All telehealth visitors are expected to comply with current library policies.
- Children must be directly supervised by a parent or legal guardian.
- DO NOT come to the library if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or any other contagious illness such as flu, cold etc. If you need emergency assistance, call 911.

Please note that no information or data will be retained on any of our devices. Ensure you have everything you need for your appointment and take any necessary information with you when your appointment is over. We cannot guarantee 100% privacy but we will provide a small room with closed door for privacy.

Please let staff know if you have any technical issues. Staff will not be present in the room with you during any telehealth sessions but will be in the library. Library staff are not medical providers. We cannot and do not provide medical advice. The Ellington Farman Library is held harmless for use of our equipment and space. If you or your doctor are concerned with any results from equipment provided, please seek assistance from a licensed health care provider.

We're pleased to be able to offer the Telehealth visit opportunity to our community.

Have a telehealth appointment?

Telehealth Bundle Available Here!

Talk to a staff member to find out more

- Computer with Camera
- High-Speed Internet Access
- Blood Pressure Cuff
- Thermometer
- Pulse Oximeter

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 1-3pm Cribbage 6:-7:15pm Film: Navaho Code Talkers; Journey of Remembrance	2 5-6pm Yoga	3	4	5
6	7 11am-1pm Craft Group 5-6pm Yoga	8 1-3pm Cribbage 4:00 - 6:30pm Election Night Dinner	9 5-6pm Yoga	10 6-8pm Sip n Paint Fundraiser: Winter Scene Bottle Painting	11	12 10:30- 11:30am Let's Create Time for ages 9 & up Adorable Sock Gnomes
13	14 5-6pm Yoga	15 1-3pm Cribbage 6:30-7:30pm Program: Prehistoric Cultures of WNY with Vince Martonis	16 5-6pm Yoga	17 11am Book Club	18	19 10am -12 Adult Soup & Craft: Book Page Wreath
20	21 11am-1pm Craft Group 5-6pm Yoga	22 1-3pm Cribbage	23 5-6pm Yoga	24 LIBRARY CLOSED THANKSGIVING	25	26 LIBRARY CLOSED THANKSGIVING
27	28 5-6pm Yoga 7pm Board Meets	29	30 5-6pm Yoga	OPEN HOURS 11AM -7PM MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 10AM-1PM ON SATURDAY CLOSED FRIDAY & SUNDAY		