



The Ellington Reader

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MONDAY 11-7
TUESDAY 11-7
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THURSDAY 11-7
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SATURDAY 10-1
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Knowing Each Paint Stroke Before You Can Begin



Some of you may know that I am a painter. Interestingly, I have found there are a lot of similarities in contemplating painting styles and ideas and connecting them to the library. Let me share an explanation about a painting technique that I think will help you understand what I'm talking about.

I try to incorporate a certain looseness in my painting style. By "loose painting" I mean the opposite of hyper realistic styles where the artist paints exactly what the subject looks like, including every single detail down to each hair on someone's head. Their paintings look like photos and show the strength of their technical expertise. Though I appreciate the talent involved in hyper-realistic paintings, I prefer a much looser style. I prefer to just indicate what the subject is that I want my viewer to see while infusing a bit of artistic license as to the details. I like to let the viewer fill in with their own eyes what they might want to see there. The loose painting style works best if the artist is able to let go of the idea that everything does not need to be perfect. And that can be a struggle for me. This letting go can be a great lesson for anyone in life but this is how it has helped me in the library.

There have been times where I have had a very hard time getting a particular program up and running because I felt that every single detail needed to be worked out beforehand. Every single question had to have an answer before I could proceed. Much like having to paint every single strand of hair. Thinking about multiple alternate scenarios can paralyze and ultimately squash a potentially great program. It is true you need to have an alternate plan in case something doesn't go quite as planned but, you don't need to have every minute detail in place before you can go ahead and just let the program idea flourish. This summer serves as a great example of a "loose" painting style.

The Collaborative Community Puzzle Art Project was launched with just an idea that we should celebrate our 100th anniversary by including the public in an art project. Honestly, I had no idea how the final piece of art would turn out. I didn't even know if everyone would want to participate. I gave patrons a loose idea of what their puzzle piece theme should be and then let them have free reign. It was the epitome of a "loose" painting style! I admit it was a little scary to just put it out there and say we were going to do this and we'll just figure it out as we go.

Now we have all the puzzle pieces. I'm in the process of figuring out the best way to frame them and have the project completed in time for the 100th Anniversary Celebration program scheduled for August 16th. I admit that not every paint stroke has been completed on this project but, in the end, it will be a wonderful and interesting piece of work that will reflect how our community was involved in their library in 2025.

You have been supporting us for 100 years now and I am so thrilled that you wanted to be a part of this. I personally thank all those who were excited with me to produce this artwork. I learned I did not need to have every step of this detailed out beforehand but just needed to have the confidence that it would turn out to be creative and fun. This very "loose" artwork project will be hanging in our community room for, perhaps, patrons to enjoy 100 years from now.

Judith Whittaker, Library Director

The Ellington Farman Library Board of Trustees meets on the last Monday of each month in our Library Community Room. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. The Public is welcome to attend. Agenda & documents to be discussed at the monthly meeting can be requested from the library 24 hours prior to the open meeting at which the documents will be discussed
NEXT MEETING IS JULY 28TH.

NEW TO OUR LIBRARY

ADULT FICTION

KELLEY ARMSTRONG
MARY ALICE MONROE
JEFFERY DEAVER
M. P. WOOWARD
MARTHA HALL KELLY

KEVIN WILSON
KATE ALICE MARSHALL
WALLY LAMB
JENNIFER HAIGH
ANNE TYLER
MICHAEL CONNELLY
COLLEEN COBLE
KIM HO-YEON

TAYLOR JENKINS REID
MAGGIE STIEFVATOR

COLD AS HELL
WHERE THE RIVERS MERGE
SOUTH OF NOWHERE
LINE OF DEMARCATION: TOM CLANCY
THE MARTHA'S VINEYARD
BEACH & BOOK CLUB
RUN FOR THE HILLS
A KILLING COLD
THE RIVER IS WAITING
RABBIT MOON
THREE DAYS IN JUNE
NIGHTSHADE
WHERE SECRETS LIE
THE SECOND CHANCE
CONVENIENCE STORE
ATMOSPHERE
THE LISTENERS

ADULT NON FICTION

JASON K. BUSSMAN
ETHAN KROSS
POPULAR MECHANICS

FUMBLE
SHIFT
HOW TO FIX ANYTHING

YOUNG ADULT

CARLYN GREENWALD

MURDERLAND

LARGE PRINT

20 large print books came in from CCLS Rotating Collection

BOOKS ON CD

20 Books on CD came in on CCLS Rotating Collection

CHILDRENS FICTION

CAM HIGGINS
PHUC TRAN
MIRKA HOKKANEN

BEACH PAWS
CRANKY MAKES A FRIEND
KITTY & CAT BENT OUT OF SHAPE

ADULT BOOK CLUB

The Adult Book Club meets the third Thursday of every month at 11am. In July they meet on the 17th. Club members choose their monthly titles and the library provides copies to all members if needed. New members are always welcome. In July they will be discussing "The Wife Upstairs" by Rachel Hawkins.

BOOK SYNOPSIS: THE WIFE UPSTAIRS


Meet Jane. Newly arrived to Birmingham, Alabama, Jane is a broke dog-walker in Thornfield Estates--a gated community full of McMansions, shiny SUVs, and bored housewives. The kind of place where no one will notice if Jane lifts the discarded tchotchkes and jewelry off the side tables of her well-heeled clients. Where no one will think to ask if Jane is her real name.

But her luck changes when she meets Eddie Rochester. Recently widowed, Eddie is Thornfield Estates' most mysterious resident. His wife, Bea, drowned in a boating accident with her best friend, their bodies lost to the deep. Jane can't help but see an opportunity in Eddie--not only is he rich, brooding, and handsome, he could also offer her the kind of protection she's always yearned for.

Yet as Jane and Eddie fall for each other, Jane is increasingly haunted by the legend of Bea, an ambitious beauty with a rags-to-riches origin story, who launched a wildly successful southern lifestyle brand. How can she, plain Jane, ever measure up? And can she win Eddie's heart before her past--or his--catches up to her?


With delicious suspense, incisive wit, and a fresh, feminist sensibility, *The Wife Upstairs* flips the script on a timeless tale of forbidden romance, ill-advised attraction, and a wife who just won't stay buried. In this vivid reimagining of one of literature's most twisted love triangles, which Mrs. Rochester will get her happy ending?

Synopsis from [goodreads.com/book/show/53137893-the-wife-upstairs](https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/53137893-the-wife-upstairs)



100 years ago
ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

OPENED IT'S DOORS TO THE PEOPLE OF ELLINGTON
YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE WITH US
SAT. AUGUST 16; 10:30am-1pm



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ellingtonlibrary.org

REMINDER: WE ARE CLOSED
SATURDAY JULY 5TH FOR
THE HOLIDAY
REOPENING ON MONDAY JULY 7

IN HONOR OF OUR
100TH ANNIVERSARY
WE WILL BE GIVING AWAY 100 CHILDRENS
BOOKS SAT. AUG. 2ND DURING THE TOWN
PICNIC. LOOK FOR OUR LIBRARY
TABLE !

BOOK SUMMARIES OF THE MONTH

ADULT FICTION: ATMOSPHERE BY TAYLOR JENKINS-REID

Genre: Historical Fiction, Romance

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo and Daisy Jones & The Six comes an epic new novel set against the backdrop of the 1980s Space Shuttle program about the extraordinary lengths we go to live and love beyond our limits.

Joan Goodwin has been obsessed with the stars for as long as she can remember. Thoughtful and reserved, Joan is content with her life as a professor of physics and astronomy at Rice University and as aunt to her precocious niece, Frances. That is, until she comes across an advertisement seeking the first women scientists to join NASA's Space Shuttle program. Suddenly, Joan burns to be one of the few people to go to space.

Selected from a pool of thousands of applicants in the summer of 1980, Joan begins training at Houston's Johnson Space Center, alongside an exceptional group of fellow candidates: Top Gun pilot Hank Redmond and scientist John Griffin, who are kind and easy-going even when the stakes are highest; mission specialist Lydia Danes, who has worked too hard to play nice; warm-hearted Donna Fitzgerald, who is navigating her own secrets; and Vanessa Ford, the magnetic and mysterious aeronautical engineer, who can fix any engine and fly any plane.

As the new astronauts become unlikely friends and prepare for their first flights, Joan finds a passion and a love she never imagined. In this new light, Joan begins to question everything she thinks she knows about her place in the observable universe.

Then, in December of 1984, on mission STS-LR9, everything changes in an instant.

Fast-paced, thrilling, and emotional, *Atmosphere* is Taylor Jenkins Reid at her best: transporting readers to iconic times and places, with complex protagonists, telling a passionate and soaring story about the transformative power of love, this time among the stars.

352 pages, Hardcover, First published June 3, 2025

Book synopsis taken from Goodreads

NONFICTION: SHIFT BY ETHAN KROSS

Whether it's anxiety about going to the doctor, boiling rage when we're stuck in traffic, or devastation after a painful break-up, our lives are filled with situations that send us spiraling. But as difficult as our emotions can be, they are also a superpower. Far from being "good" or "bad," emotions are information. When they're activated in the right ways and at the right time, they function like an immune system, alerting us to our surroundings, telling us how to react to a situation, and helping us make the right choices.

But how do we make our emotions work for us rather than against us? Acclaimed psychologist Dr. Ethan Kross has devoted his scientific career to answering this question. In *Shift*, he dispels common myths—for instance, that avoidance is always toxic or that we should always strive to live in the moment—and provides a new framework for shifting our emotions so they don't take over our lives.

Shift weaves groundbreaking research with riveting stories of people struggling and succeeding to manage their emotions—from a mother whose fear prompted her to make a spur-of-the-moment decision that would save her daughter's life mid-flight to a nuclear code-carrying Navy SEAL who learned how to embrace both joy and pain during a hellish training activity. Dr. Kross spotlights a wide array of tools that we already have access to—in our bodies and minds, our relationships with other people, and the cultures and physical spaces we inhabit—and shows us how to harness them to be healthier and more successful.

Filled with actionable advice, cutting-edge research, and riveting stories, *Shift* puts the power back into our hands, so we can control our emotions without them controlling us—and help others do the same.

In *Shift*, renowned neuroscientist and bestselling author Dr. Ethan Kross opens up his lab to reveal the mechanics of emotions, why we have them and how we can manage them effectively. Essential tools are hidden in plain sight - in our senses, our attention and ability to shift perspective, in our relationships with other people and the physical and cultural spaces we occupy.

288 pages, Hardcover, Published February 4, 2025

Book synopsis taken from author website: <https://www.ethankross.com/>

JULY PROGRAMS & EVENTS



**sewers
crafters
& quilters**
JUNE 2 & 16


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

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NO YOGA MATS NEEDED
ALL ADULTS WELCOME

**ELLINGTON
FARMAN LIBRARY**

CHAIR YOGA
EVERY
MON. & WED.
ELLINGTON
FARMAN
LIBRARY
4-5pm




**Resistance Band
SENIOR FITNESS CLASSES**



THURSDAYS IN MAY
1:30—2:30PM
Ellington Farman Library
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED CLASS FOR ADULTS
RESISTANCE BANDS PROVIDED OR YOU MAY BRING YOUR OWN

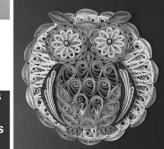
**ADULT CLASS
QUILLING CLASS**

WITH ARTIST
DONNA ZEIDERS



Ellington Library
THURS. JULY 10
5:30-7:30pm

Theme is
Sunflowers



PICTURES
FOR
SAMPLE
PURPOSES
ONLY

Learn from quilling instructor Donna Zeiders
Everyone goes home with their own Sunflower creation!

FREE CLASS ALL TOOLS & MATERIALS PROVIDED
REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY JULY 3: CLASS SIZE LIMITED

FUNDING FOR THIS PROGRAM COMES FROM THE CHAUTAUQUE REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

EVERY THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH




**COME OUT
and PLAY!** **JULY
15TH**

ELLINGTON
FARMAN
LIBRARY
STARTS AT
11AM
Age appropriate special play
items for those aged 3-7
ALL CHILDREN MUST BE
ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
WHO WILL STAY WITH THEM

EACH SESSION WILL
HAVE A DIFFERENT
THEME &
SIMPLE CRAFT
PLUS OTHER PLAY
ITEMS
AVAILABLE

BOOK CLUB

ELLINGTON
FARMAN
LIBRARY




**MEETS
THURSDAY
THURS. JUNE 19**

The will be discussing
"Broken Country"
by Clare Leslie Hall

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

**meditative mandala
adult art class**

JULY 17
6-7:30pm
ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
With Instructor Colleen Gaynor



EMBARK ON A TRANSFORMATIVE
JOURNEY THROUGH THE ART OF
MANDALA CREATION

**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
CLASS SIZE LIMITED:
REGISTER BY JULY 12
FREE CLASS: ALL SUPPLIES INCLUDED**

FUNDING FOR THIS PROGRAM COMES FROM THE CHAUTAUQUE REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**psychedelic
OWL PAINTING CLASS
for kids**
WITH ARTIST COLLEEN GAYNOR

TUESDAY JULY 22 * 2-4pm
ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY


FREE ART CLASS
CLASS SIZE LIMITED;
REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY JULY 15
FOR AGES 8-14

Children will learn the owl is a symbol for wisdom & intuition
Their art piece will be a forever reminder to always be
wise in life's choices.

FUNDING FOR THIS PROGRAM COMES FROM THE CHAUTAUQUE REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

WED JULY 23
2-3pm
RESEARCH, EDUCATION, PROPAGATION, CONSERVATION, OUTREACH

**REPCO
WILDLIFE
ENCOUNTERS**



ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY
FREE PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY

FUNDING PROVIDED BY FALCONER REGION COMMUNITY FUND AT THE CHAUTAUQUE REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS!

A Little Library Trivia Game!

This is how it works: every month there will be a trivia question posted in the newsletter and at the circulation desk. Anyone can submit their answer throughout the month. At the end of the month we randomly choose one winner from all the correct guesses. That winner receives a small prize. **Ready to play?**

This is one of our 100th anniversary questions. Here's our JULY Question: Which of these books were banned in the 1920's?

- 1) "An American Tragedy" by Theodore Dreiser
- 2) "Ulysses" by James Joyce
- 3) "The Well of Loneliness" by Radclyffe Hall
- 4) All of the them

JUNE TRIVIA QUESTION & ANSWER: What was the name of the first librarian in our library?

Answer: Miss Grace Farman. As of this printing we have not chosen a winner yet.

POTLUCK BREAKFAST INFORMATION UPDATE

We paused the monthly Potluck Breakfasts back in January 2025 due to a situation with our water well not being able to produce enough water for programming that involved a lot of people. Thanks to a grant from the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, we were able to drill a new well and complete the plumbing to have it hooked up by June 1st. We are now able to accommodate programs that involve useable restrooms and the use of the kitchen.

Our potluck breakfasts were well attended and served the community by giving neighbors and friends a place to gather on a monthly basis. I did enjoy our monthly gatherings and seeing folks stay and socialize over coffee after the food was cleaned up. So it is a hard decision we have had to make but we decided to still keep them in pause mode, until September.

Our library is a host facility for the free breakfast/lunch program for children 18 and under. This program starts June 30th and it provides grab and go food or you may sit down and eat in the library from 12:30-2pm. In July we have a packed schedule of multiple activities throughout each day as well as serving the lunches. Each of these programs requires resources of time and materials. There is time spent gathering the materials for the program, setting up the room differently for each program, cleaning the program up and then resetting the room again for the next event of the day. It is a labor intensive summer schedule we have this July. The potlucks previously had to have the room set up on Thursday before 7pm as we are closed on Fridays. Everything had to be ready to go by 7am on Saturday. In July we have some programs scheduled that run until 7:30pm on Thursdays which will require cleanup time on top of staying late for the program. There are just too many time conflicts. With that in mind, we will try to regroup in September and start the potluck breakfasts up again. Thank you for your understanding.



Make It Mondays!

Program for ages 8 & up
No registration required
All programs start at 2pm after the free lunch program

JULY 7	COOL CARDBOARD CREATIONS
JULY 14	POPPIN' POPSICLE STICKS
JULY 21	ALL THINGS TWISTY
JULY 28	WONDERFUL WOOD CREATIONS

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Try It Tuesdays!

PROGRAMS START AT 2PM

KIDS ART PROGRAMS: AGES 8 & UP
All programs start at 2pm after the free lunch program

JULY 8	HARRY POTTER WANDS & MOVIE
JULY 15	LOOSE PARTS SELF PORTRAITS
JULY 22	PSYCHEDELIC OWL PAINTINGS
REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY JULY 14	
JULY 29	SUNFLOWER QUILLING
REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY JULY 22	

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Wreck it Wednesdays!

KIDS PROGRAMS: AGES 8 & UP
All programs start at 2pm after the free lunch program
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED

What kid doesn't like to take things apart?
Broken electronics & tools will be set up for kids to take apart and then put back together in a themed project. They are welcome to work in groups or independently. Safety goggles, hand tools and glue will be provided.

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AROUND THE LIBRARY



Edie Parkhurst won our May library trivia question. She received an engraved travel mug donated by Identity Engravers. Make sure and check out our monthly trivia question and come make your guess at the circulation desk. You'll find our question in each newsletter and in a poster by the circulation desk. You can't win if you don't play!



Tina Scherman , from the Leon Historical Society, presented "Harness Racing; The Sport of Farmers" to a very interested crowd



Diane Crandall donated this beautiful quilted wall hanging she made especially for our library. You can find it hanging above our adult fiction collection. It makes a wonderful addition to our library artwork! Thank you Diane!

Get our newsletter delivered direct to your inbox in PDF form. Email your address to Director@ellingtonlibrary.org to sign up. Every month you'll receive a PDF newsletter in your email.

A huge thank you for helping us raise \$1,786 in the online fundraiser The Give Big CHQ! Our campaign was to raise funds to purchase books to add to our junior nonfiction collection. We need to update that section with current topics children are interested in and add more current biographies. We had folks give from local towns and also the states of Florida, California, Arizona & locations all across New York State. Thank you to all who helped by either donating or helping us spread the word about the campaign. We should be ordering new books by the end of summer and will update you on what titles/topics we have ordered. Throughout the summer we invite you to make suggestions on titles or topics that you think should be included. We are specifically looking at nonfiction books for kids who read at grade levels approximately 3rd—8th grade.



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS!

JULY DISPLAY CASE ARTIST: DONNA ZEIDERS

"I first learned quilling in my senior Crafts class at Falconer High School. Tom Mason (best teacher, ever) introduced us to so many different crafts, and quilling was one I really enjoyed. After high school, my quilling supplies were put away for many years. About ten years ago, I came across those old strips of paper and decided to try my hand at quilling again.

I have since spent many evenings rolling and shaping paper strips into beautiful cards and wall art." Donna taught a class for our library this past winter and patrons asked if she would return for another one. Good news! Donna is on the schedule to teach 2 classes this summer and 1 more adult one in the Fall. Her first adult class will be on Thursday July 10th from 5:30-7:30pm and the topic will be Sunflowers. Class size is limited for this free class so registrations will be accepted until July 7th or until class is full. She will teach a children's class on Tuesday July 29th as part of our "Try it Tuesdays" art classes for kids. Registration requested for that one by July 24th.

Donnas' work is very intricate and colorful but unfortunately we print our newsletters in black and white so you'll have to stop in to see quilling samples in our display case this month. This artist class is funded by a grant from the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation.



INTRO TO MEDITATIVE PAINTING: THE MANDALA WITH ARTIST COLLEEN GAYNOR

This is a first timer's intro to meditative painting, No experience necessary. Discover personal growth, mindfulness and the meditative power of symmetrical patterns as you unlock your inner creativity and foster a sense of well-being with instructor Colleen Gaynor.

Colleen is an educator of both music and meditative painting with a deep-seated passion for the intersection of art and mindfulness, aptly represented by her dedicated teaching in "The Mandala Sessions." With a rich background in the arts and an extensive experience in holistic teaching methods, Colleen has honed her expertise over years of facilitating workshops that focus on the creation and interpretation of mandalas as powerful, transformative tools for reflection and personal growth. Her approach is deeply rooted in the belief meditation through art can serve as a conduit for unlocking creativity, healing, and the cultivation of inner peace.

"I started designing this course with your creative journey in mind. Diving into the practice of creating mandalas isn't just about drawing circles and patterns; it's a deeply enriching experience that can unlock your inner calm and boost your concentration." Don't miss this opportunity to embark on a serene and enriching artistic journey.

The library is hosting this class for adults on Thursday July 17th from 6-7:30pm. All supplies are included for this free class. Registrations being accepted until July 10th or until class is full.

CHILDRENS CLASS WITH COLLEEN GAYNOR: PSYCHEDELIC OWLS

Tuesday, July 22 from 2-4pm we also will have Colleen Gaynor teaching our children in a session of the "Try It Tuesdays". They will be creating Psychedelic Owl paintings. All supplies are included for this free class. Registrations being accepted until July 15th or until class is full.

Both of this artists classes are being funded by a grant from the Chautauqua Region Community Foundation.



SUMMER FUN ACTIVITIES AT THE LIBRARY!

IT'S SUMMER AND THE LIBRARY IS GEARING UP WITH SPECIAL PROGRAMMING FOR ALL AGES!

LET'S START WITH THE YOUNGEST CHILDREN'S PROGRAM THEMES.

COME OUT & PLAY:

JULY 15 & AUGUST 19: "Come Out & Play" times for those aged 7 and under and their caregivers. We'll be rolling out some of our new Sensory Boxes and trying our hand at making googly eyed caterpillars. An adult must be present as this is an interactive type program where caregivers can read themed books to their children, participate in a simple craft and use our library resources to have a great time with their youngsters.

JUNIOR AGED PATRONS, THOSE AGED 8 AND UP, WE HAVE WEEKLY DAY THEMES.

MAKE IT MONDAYS: Your children will find a different building material each week to work with and create something totally unique! All supplies provided. Children must be able to independently use a hot glue gun for these projects.

JULY 7: cardboard
JULY 14: popsicle sticks
JULY 21: pipe cleaners & wire
JULY 28: Legos

**PROGRAMS FOR
JUNIORS
START AT 2PM**



TRY IT TUESDAYS: Children will have creative fun participating in a new art form every week.

JULY 8: Harry Potter Wand Making & then the movie showing
JULY 15: Loose Parts Self Portraits
JULY 22: PSYCHEDELIC OWL PAINTING with artist Colleen Gaynor
JULY 29: SUNFLOWER QUILLING with artist Donna Zeiders

WRECK IT WEDNESDAYS: What kid doesn't like to take things apart? Broken electronics & tools will be set up for kids to take apart and then put back together in a themed project. They are welcome to work in groups or independently. Safety goggles, hand tools and glue will be provided. No computers or TVs will be used. Themes will be:

JULY 9: Robots
JULY 16: spaceships
JULY 30: houses

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

WEDS JULY 23: 2-3PM REPCO LIVE ANIMAL PROGRAM
SAT. AUGUST 23: 11:30-12:30 MAGIC SHOW & TWISTED BALLOONS SHOW
SAT AUGUST 16: 10am-1pm 100th Anniversary Open House Celebration; 10:30 -1pm.
Speakers, art unveiling and refreshments

FREE BREAKFAST & LUNCH MEALS
AVAILABLE HERE
MON-THURSDAY FROM JUNE 30-AUGUST 28
AVAILABLE TO PICKUP OR EAT HERE FROM 12:30-2PM
For children 18 and under No income limits
Register by scanning the QR code

2025 YMCA Free Summer Meals
Registration



ADULT PROGRAMS

YOGA: every Monday & Wednesday from 4-5pm
RESISTANCE BAND EXERCISE: every Thursday at 1:30
CRAFT GROUP MEETS: first & 3rd Monday of the month from 11am- 1pm
BOOK CLUB: meeting July 17 & August 21
ADULT ART CLASS: SUNFLOWER QUILLING July 10; 5:30-7:30pm.
Registration required by July 7
ADULT ART CLASS: MEDITATIVE MANDALS July 17 6-7:30PM.
Registration required by July 9

Thank you to the following for their funding of our summer Programs
Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, Chautauqua Cattaraugus
Library System, Private donors



SUMMER FUN ACTIVITIES!

SUMMER BREAKFAST AND LUNCH AVAILABLE FREE AT THE LIBRARY!

Our library will be a site for members of the community to pick up free bagged breakfast and lunches from June 30 through August 28. The food will be available from 12:30-2pm and you may eat in our air conditioned Community Room or pick up your bagged food to eat it elsewhere. This program is hosted by the YMCA and is specifically for those 18 and younger. Summer meals from the YMCA are provided through the USDA's Summer Food Service Program. Meals are available to any children 18 and under. The meals can be picked up by the children themselves or by a guardian on their behalf. Registration is quick, easy, and free by using the following link: Register to Pickup Grab-n-Go Summer Meals: link; <https://forms.office.com/r/5V3M8CLDUr>. Or you can scan the QR Code on the poster.

They will provide prepacked breakfast and lunch meals for 5 weekdays at our location. On the Thursday distribution, we will include meals for the Friday distribution. Adults may scan the QR code on the poster to register your children right from your phone. There is no income requirement for this free program. On Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays during our summer reading program events, your children may want to eat their lunch at the library and then stay for the program we have planned to start at 2pm. We anticipate this to be a big help to our community in the summer months. Thank you to Kate Conti, Town of Ellington Clerk for making the connections with the YMCA and John Barber, Executive Director of the YMCA, for meeting with us and arranging for us to be included in all the paperwork.

Take the CCLS Road Trip and check out our Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties libraries. Explore, have fun, learn, and earn some prizes! Your CCLS Road Trip begins any time from June 1st through August 31st, 2025. Summer is the perfect time to become an explorer in your own backyard, and what better place to explore than libraries? Our 38 libraries have so much to offer, from local collections to knowledge of their communities, programs for kids and adults, summer reading programs, books, movies, and WIFI.



TO START YOUR ROAD TRIP...

Pick up your free official Road Trip Map at your local library or any CCLS library anytime *after June 1*. Get your 1st library stamp for your map, and plan which library you want to visit next!

Remember to get your stamp at each library you visit, and you'll be on your way to earning prizes. When you reach a prize level stop, let the library staff know!

How many of the 38 libraries that make up the Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System will you visit?

1st stop- Pick up your map and a pencil or pen

6th stop – Drawstring Bag – tell the library staff if they are your 6th stop

13th stop- Magnet Bookmark – tell the library staff if they are your 13th stop

26th stop- Carabiner- tell the library staff if they are your 26th stop

31st stop- Screen Cleaner and entry into a prize drawing – enter through a QR code found in library

38th stop- Journal– Scan the final QR code to let us know what library was your final stop!

ROAD TRIP BINGO – NEW

Pick up your Road Trip Bingo Sheet at your local library, or print out a copy. Complete the activities on the bingo card. Some activities are library-specific, and others can be completed at any library.

All cards must be submitted for prizes by the end of the day on or before August 31st.

Cross off each box as complete. Optional: write in the date completed

Prizes

Two lines: (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal) will receive a road trip sticker and a CCLS temporary tattoo. These can be picked up at any library. Show your bingo card to a staff member.

Full Card: Pair of road trip sunglasses, beverage cozy, and an entry into a gift card drawing.

To receive prizes: Take a picture and submit to the Bingo Form-<https://forms.office.com/r/U81yiUAmDg> OR leave your card at the library where the last activity was completed.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
FREE BREAKFAST/ LUNCH MON—THUR THISWEEK 12:30-2pm ➡		1	2 4-5pm Yoga	3 1:30-2:30pm Resistance Exercise Band	4	5 LIBRARY CLOSED
6 FREE BREAKFAST/ LUNCH MON—THUR THISWEEK 12:30-2pm ➡	7 11– 1pm Craft Group 2-3pm Make it Monday for kids Cool cardboard creations 4-5pm Yoga	8 2-3pm Try it Tuesdays for kids Harry Potter Wands & movie	9 2-3PM Wreck it Wednesdays for kids 4-5pm Yoga	10 1:30-2:30pm Resistance Exercise Band 5:30-7:30pm Sunflower Quilling: w/ artist Donna Zeiders ages 12 and up	11	12
13 FREE BREAKFAST/ LUNCH MON—THUR THISWEEK 12:30-2pm ➡	14 2-3pm Make it Monday for kids Poppin' Popsicle Sticks 4-5pm Yoga	15 11am Come Out & Play! <i>Young children's special Playtime</i> 2-3pm Try it Tuesdays for kids Loose Parts Self Portraits	16 2-3PM Wreck it Wednesdays for kids 4-5pm Yoga	17 11am-12 Book Club 1:30-2:30pm Resistance Exercise Band 6-7:30pm Adult Art Class: Meditative Mandela's with artist Colleen Gaynor	18	19
20 FREE BREAKFAST/ LUNCH MON—THUR THISWEEK 12:30-2pm ➡	21 11– 1pm Craft Group 2-3pm Make it Monday for kids All Things Twisty 4-5pm Yoga	22 2-4pm Try it Tuesdays for kids Psychedelic Owl paintings with artist Colleen Gaynor	23 2-3pm REPCO WILDLIFE SHOW 4-5pm Yoga	24 1:30-2:30pm Resistance Exercise Band	25	26
27 FREE BREAKFAST/ LUNCH MON—THUR THISWEEK 12:30-2pm ➡	28 2-3pm Make it Monday for kids Wonderful Wood Creations 4-5pm Yoga 7pm Board Meets	29 2-4pm Try it Tuesdays Craft for kids: Sunflower Quilling	30 2-3PM Wreck it Wednesdays for kids 4-5pm Yoga	31 1:30-2:30pm Resistance Exercise Band	OPEN HOURS 11AM -7PM MONDAY THRU THURSDAY 10AM-1PM ON SATURDAY CLOSED FRIDAY & SUNDAY	