**FOCUS Newsletter - Fall 2023**

**Valley Cottage Library**
Serving the Residents of the Nyack School District

**CURIOSITY • INSPIRATION • CONNECTION**

Stay up-to-date! Visit valleycottagelibrary.org for new programs & updates or to sign up for our weekly email newsletter.

**V** = VIRTUAL PROGRAM  **H** = HYBRID PROGRAM

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.

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**Banned Books Read-a-Thon and Trading Cards Reception**
**Tuesday, October 3**

1:00-6:00pm Community Read-a-Thon • 6:00-8:00pm Trading Cards Reception

Celebrate the right to read with the Valley Cottage Library’s Banned Books Week Read-a-Thon and the reveal of our Banned Books Trading Cards. Original art of reimagined book covers will be exhibited in the library’s gallery from October 3 - 30. Visit the library’s website for details and to sign up to read in the Read-a-Thon.

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**LGBTQ+ Community Poetry Open Mic**
featuring Lily Greenberg
**Monday, October 16 at 7:00pm**

In partnership with the Rockland Pride Center and with support from ArtsWestchester, join the Valley Cottage Library for an evening of LGBTQ+ poetry, which will include a community open mic and featured reading by local poet Lily Greenberg. Open mic participants will be able to sign up at the door for a 5-minute reading (10 spots available).

Audience members are also welcome as participants.

This project is made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Regrants Program, a grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by ArtsWestchester.

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**An Afternoon of Poetry**
with Rebecca Watkins and Juan Mobili
**Sunday, November 5 at 2:00pm**

Rebecca Watkins and Juan Mobili are both local poets whose work demonstrates their commitment to being citizens, rather than tourists, of this beautiful and troubled world.

Their poems honor their origins, address the injustices they have witnessed, and celebrate our common humanity.

Rebecca will read from her new chapbook *Field Guide to Forgiveness* (Finishing Line Press) and Juan Mobili from his collection *Contraband* (Poetry Box). Please stay for a Q & A and book signing after the reading.

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**Children’s Clothing Swap**
**October 7, 11am-3pm**

Do you have drawers of baby clothes, but your baby is now in Kindergarten? Did your child have a growth spurt over the summer and now nothing fits? Come find something new-to-you at our Children’s Clothing Swap!

**How it works:**
Drop off your unwanted children’s clothing, in all sizes, from October 2-6. We’ll be collecting children’s clothes, shoes, coats, winter wear and Halloween costumes. Clothing must be in good condition, clean, no odors, rips, holes or stains. Items will be sorted by size and category. **Return on Saturday, October 7, 11am-3pm** to “shop” for free for what your family needs. You do not need to donate something to take something.

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**Collection for the St. Paul’s Food Cupboard in Valley Cottage**
**October 1-16**

Help the Food Cupboard create Thanksgiving food baskets for families by donating holiday food items like boxed stuffing mix, instant mashed potatoes, canned yams/sweet potatoes, and canned vegetables. Donations of non-perishable, non-expired items can be placed in the collection box by the Circulation Desk.

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**Give a Kid a Book**
Between October 1 and November 1

The Children’s Room will collect new, unused books for the Library Association of Rockland County’s Youth Services. Books will be given as gifts to children through local charities during the holidays.

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**The Great Give Back**

The Great Give Back is a community service initiative for libraries and their patrons.
October 12: Booth by Karen Joy Fowler
Led by Dr. David Turk.
From the Man Booker finalist and bestselling author of We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves comes an epic and intimate novel about the family behind one of the most infamous figures in American history: John Wilkes Booth.

November 9: The Marriage Portrait by Maggie O’Farrell
Led by Dr. Camille Serchuk.
Full of the beauty and emotion with which she illuminated the Shakespearean canvas of Hamnet, Maggie O’Farrell turns her talents to Renaissance Italy in an extraordinary portrait of a resilient young woman’s battle for her very survival.

December 14: I Have Some Questions For You by Rebecca Makkai
Led by Dr. Vara Neverow.
The riveting new novel — “part true-crime page-turner, part campus coming-of-age” (San Francisco Chronicle) — from the author of the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award finalist The Great Believers.

Introduction to Flamenco
Thursday, September 28 at 6:00pm
Instructor, Anna de la Paz will introduce participants to Flamenco rhythm and technique. No experience is necessary! We will be exploring footwork (zapateado), arm movements (braceo), hand movements (floreo) and proper body alignment. The class will also learn some choreography in the flamenco Tangos rhythm. Students can wear comfortable clothing and sneakers for this introductory class. Registration is required.

Investing 101 for Women
Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30pm
We will start from the beginning . . . What is a stock? A bond? Mutual Fund? ETF? How much do investments really cost? Understanding your investment personality and how to make investment decisions that will help pursue your goals. Presented by Maggie Mahoney of Merrill Lynch in West Nyack.

Lowering Prescription Drug Costs
Tuesday, November 14 at 1:00pm
Learn ways to reduce your prescription costs. This program will include information on how to:
• Compare generic vs. brand name
• Review current RX coverage vs. other available plans
• Utilize a discount RX card
• Identify state pharmaceutical assistance programs
This is a hybrid program with the option to attend either in-person or remotely. Registration is required.

NYS Citizen Preparedness Corps
Tuesday, October 24 at 2:00pm
The Citizen Preparedness Corps is an Emergency Preparedness program initiated back in 2014 to provide residents the knowledge and tools to prepare for emergencies and disasters, respond accordingly, and recover as quickly as possible. The program was designed by DHSES and covers a broad range of emergency preparedness topics like developing a family emergency plan, what to do in the case of an Active Shooter situation, stocking up on emergency supplies, and registering for NY-Alert, the free statewide emergency alert system.

Yarn Therapy
Tuesdays at 11:30am
If you like to knit or crochet, join our “therapy” sessions. Bring your yarn and tools. Come in to knit, crochet, and socialize. Bring friends or meet new people. Yarn donations are greatly appreciated.

More Than Mah Jongg
Wednesdays 2:00-4:00pm
Gather for Mah Jongg with your own equipment or explore our expansive board game collection. No registration is required. No instruction is provided. Open to beginners and advanced. All are welcome to attend. A set of Mah Jongg tiles are now available to borrow from the library.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS
Women and Money Roundtable
Wedsdays, October 11, November 15, December 13 at 1:00pm
This monthly discussion group, started in the spring of 2016, offers an opportunity to learn more in a comfortable setting with other women.

The topics will vary every month to stay as current as possible. This is open to women of all levels of financial knowledge.

This program is brought to you through a partnership between the Valley Cottage Library, Scarsdale Library, Brookfield Library, Darien Library, Fairfield Public Library, New Canaan Library, Bronxville Public Library, Purchase Free Library, and the Rye Free Reading Room.

Still Life Studio
Thursdays, October 19, November 16, December 21 at 2:00pm
Bring your favorite art supplies and join us for open art-making time with Katie and Caroline.

We will set up a wacky and interesting still life for you to draw or paint however you prefer.

There will be no formal instruction, but we will be available for pointers.

While most media is allowed, we ask that you use materials that are not too messy. No oil paint allowed.
**Cookbook Club**

Select Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Join Katie and Ashley for a reprisal of the Cookbook Club - part book club and part potluck. Select a recipe and bring a batch to the event to share with other participants. Have dinner with us and your neighbors while learning how to cook something new. **Registration is required and is done in person at the Reference Desk beginning roughly one month before the event.**

**October 11: My Greek Table: Authentic Flavors and Modern Home Cooking from My Kitchen to Yours** by Diane Kochilas

Perfect for home cooks, these recipes are easy-to-make so you can add Greece’s delicious dishes to your culinary repertoire. With simple-to-follow instructions for salads, meze, vegetables, soup, grains, savory pies, meat, fish, and sweets, you’ll soon be serving iconic fare and new twists on time-honored recipes on your own Greek table for family and friends.

**December 4: Betty Goes Vegan: 500 Classic Recipes for the Modern Family** by Annie and Dan Shannon

This must-have cookbook features recipes inspired by The Betty Crocker Cookbook, as well as hundreds of original, never-before-seen recipes sure to please even meat-eaters. With new classics for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert, including omelets, stews, casseroles, and brownies, Betty Goes Vegan is the essential handbook every vegan family needs.

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**The Book and Pub Club**

Select Tuesdays at 7 PM

The Book and Pub Club meets in local bars and restaurants for librarian-led book discussions over food and drinks. For participants 21+.

**October 17: The Last House on Needless Street** by Catriona Ward at El Cuñao, 44 NY-303 in Valley Cottage.

“The buzz...is real. I’ve read it and was blown away. It’s a true nerve-shredder that keeps its mind-blowing secrets to the very end.” —Stephen King.

**November 14: Night of the Living Rez** by Morgan Talty at Golden Mushroom, 425 N Highland Ave in Nyack.

“A collection that examines the consequences and merits of inheritance, Night of the Living Rez is an unforgettable portrayal of an Indigenous community and marks the arrival of a standout talent in contemporary fiction.

**December 12: Hell of a Book** by Jason Mott at Prohibition River, 82 Main St in Nyack.

Unforgettable, told, with characters who burn into your mind and an electrifying plot ideal for book club discussion, Hell of a Book is the novel Mott has been writing in his head for the last ten years. And in its final twists, it truly becomes its title.

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**Defensive Driving Class**

Saturday, November 18, 10:00am – 4:30pm

This 6-hour course is open to ALL NYS licensed drivers. Participants are eligible to receive a 10% discount on their auto insurance premiums and reduce up to 4 points. **Preregistration is required. Please visit the library to pay and register.**  
A check for $30 made payable to Ian Prastien is required to attend class.

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**Tech Help**

Need help with a library database or app? Trying to troubleshoot a software issue on a laptop, smartphone, or tablet? Call to schedule an appointment (ask for Sean) with our adult librarians today or email vclref@rcls.org. (Tech help appointments are available for Valley Cottage and Nyack patrons only.)
Family Programs

Take and Make Crafts
Every Monday the Children’s Room will have a new craft ready for pickup for children to do at home on their own anytime! Send a picture of your completed craft to vclkids@rcls.org to have it posted on our social media. No registration. (Available while supplies last.)

Monthly Scavenger Hunt
Ages 12 and under. Win a prize each month for finding the shape of the month hidden around the Children’s Room! No registration.

Colorful Chemistry
Monday, September 18 at 4:30pm
Ages 4-7 years. What happens when you put watercolor paint on top of salt? What about if we paint over white crayon? Join Ms. Carly as we observe these chemical processes and see if our hypotheses are correct!

Reptile Review
Monday, October 9 at 11:00am
Ages 3 and up. Meet and touch live reptiles with Hudson Valley Reptile and Rescue! Learn fascinating facts about lizards, snakes, turtles, tegus and more, and why they’re important in our environment.

Programs for Age 5 and Younger

Open Playtime
Mondays from 10:00am - 1:00pm, September 11 - December 18
Ages 5 and under. It’s playtime in the Storytime Room, no matter what the weather brings! A great chance to meet other local families while you enjoy books, games, toys and puzzles with your little one(s). No registration.

Autumn Baby Time
Fridays at 10:30am, September 22 - December 8
(No program October 27, November 10, November 24)
Ages 2 mos. - 17 mos. w/adult. Weekly movement, rhymes & music. Please make alternate arrangements for other children. Register separately for each week.

Toddler Tales
Thursdays at 10:30am, September 21 - December 7
(No program October 26, November 2, November 23)
Ages 18-35 mos. w/adult. Weekly storytime with books and beyond! Please make alternate arrangements for other children. Register separately for each week.

PreK Fall Storytime on Tuesdays OR Wednesdays
Tuesdays at 10:30am, September 19 - December 5
(No program October 31, November 7)
Wednesdays at 4:30pm, September 20 - December 6
(No program September 27, November 1, November 22)
(Choose Tuesdays OR Wednesdays and register for only one weekly storytime)
Ages 3-5. Great books, games, songs and crafts! Parents & siblings welcome! Register separately for each week.

The Pumpkin Patch Problem
Thursday, October 12 at 4:30pm
Ages 3-6. The enchanted pumpkin patch has lost its magic! Come along on an early literacy adventure with Ms. Carly to help find the magic pumpkin seeds. Through this interactive game, children will identify colors, letters, shapes, and numbers to reveal clues. This program combines fun and educational elements while encouraging children to be active problem solvers.

Fun Family Storytime
Tuesday, October 17 at 5:00pm
Monday, November 13 at 6:30pm
Saturday, December 9 at 11:00am
Ages 2 and up with adult(s). PJs are optional! Bring your favorite snuggly friend and the whole family for this fun storytime. Register separately for each program.

Halloween Carnival
Saturday, October 28, 10:30am - 1:30pm
All ages. Wear your costume and come and play spooky carnival games! Fun for the whole family!

Celebrate Election Day!
Tuesday, November 7, 10:00am - 9:00pm
All ages. Drop by the Children’s Room to vote for your favorite book character! A chance for children of all ages to be part of the democratic process and get prizes. No registration.

Tiny Explorers Library Quest
Thursday, September 14 at 4:30pm
Ages 3-5 years. September is Library Card Month! We’ll read The Library Book, create a library-themed craft, and take a behind-the-scenes tour of special places in the library with the help of our friends in Circulation and Technical Services. (Registration opens on Sept. 7 for both NSD and out of district residents for this program.)

Zumbini® with Flo
Mondays, October 2, 16, & 23 at 10:30am (No program October 9)
Ages 2 and under w/adult. Created by Zumba® and BabyFirst, the Zumbini® program combines music, dance and educational tools for 45 minutes of bonding, learning, and fun! Register separately for each week.

Play-Doh™ Math Club
Thursday, October 26 at 10:30am
Ages 3-5 years. Play with Play-Doh™ to make patterns and pieces using simple math and to make some favorite Autumn things to share with the group.

Boogie Woogie Babies
Mondays, November 6-20 at 10:30am
Ages 6 months – 5 years with adult. A Baby and Me dance class that consists of singing, working on fine motor skills, and dancing. A fun, interactive way to socialize, learn, and burn calories, for both children and their adults! Register separately for each week.
**PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN**

Books will be available at the Children's Room Desk one month prior to the program.

**Picture Book Worms:**
Book Clubs for Children for Grades K-3
Select Thursdays at 4:15pm
October 5: *Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood* by F. Isabel Campoy and Theresa Howell, illustrated by Rafael López. We will read and discuss the book then let us maybe make something beautiful with paints, cotton swabs, and pom-poms creating pointillism artwork!

November 2: *Dragons Love Tacos* by Adam Rubin, illustrated by Daniel Salmieri. We will read the book and learn that dragons love tacos but we do too! Get ready to make paper plate tacos!

**Graphic Novel Nation:**
Book Clubs for Children for Grades 3-6
Select Thursdays at 4:15pm
October 12: *CatStronauts: Mission Moon* by Drew Brockington. Before we go to the moon with the CatStronauts, we must assemble our own rockets to get there.

November 9: *InvestiGators* by John Patrick Green. We will discuss the novel and go on an *InvestiGators* Scavenger Hunt!

**Funny Fiction:**
Book Club for Grades 2-4
Monday, December 11 at 4:15pm
*Bad Guys* by Aaron Blabey. We will discuss the popular book and do some Bad Guys activity sheets!

September is Library Card Month! If your child signs up for a library card in September, visit the Children’s Room Desk for a special prize.

**E  S T E A M  P R O G R A M S**
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math)

**Symmetry Drawing**
Ages 5 and up. Combine art and math as you match a drawing of half an object, then color in your whole picture! Every month the Children's Room will have new symmetry drawings ready for pickup to do on your own anytime. Send a picture of your completed symmetry drawings to vclkids@rcds.org by the end of that month to have it posted on our social media! No registration. (Available while supplies last.)

**Children’s Craft Program**
Select Thursdays at 4:30pm
September 21, October 19, November 16, December 21
Grades 1-3. Join us at the library to make a fun craft together! (Note—we will get a bit messy so please wear old clothes or bring a smock.) Register separately for each session.

**LEGO™ Challenge!**
Select Tuesdays at 5:00pm
September 26, October 24, December 19
Grades K-5. Come and build with LEGO™ bricks—a different theme each month! Share your creation with the group and then LEGO™ will be displayed temporarily in the library.

**LEAVES ARE NOT LITTER**
Wednesday, September 27 at 4:30pm
Grades K-3. Explore how and why leaves change color and fall from trees in Autumn with Master Gardeners from the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County. Children will learn the importance of leaving the leaves on the ground for use by wildlife and insects to survive the winter. They’ll make leaf animals and more in this science-based program!

**Eclipse Chalk Art**
Monday, October 2 at 4:15pm
Grades K-3. Let us learn about the solar eclipse coming up then create our very own eclipse art using chalk!

**Cackles and Cauldrons**
Mondays, October 16 & 23 at 5:00pm
Grades 1-3. Join Ms. Carly to read two classic witchy stories by author Margie Palatini. Follow along with grouchy Gritch the Witch as she searches for something scrumptious to eat in *Piggie Pie!* and shops for a new flying broom in *Zoom Broom.* Each session will include a read aloud and a craft activity. Register separately for each week.

**Magic Milk**
Thursday, November 30 at 4:30pm
Grades 4-8. Are you ready for some colorful science? We will learn how the magic milk experiment works!

**Spaghetti and Marshmallow Tower Challenge**
Tuesday, December 5 at 4:15pm
Grades 3-5. With marshmallows and uncooked spaghetti, let us see who can build the tallest tower!

**FEED THE BIRDS**
Monday, November 20 at 5:00pm
Grades 2-5. Join us as we use honey, birdseed, and Cheerios™ to make a few bird feeders using math patterns to keep our feathered friends happy all winter. (Note—we will get a bit messy so please wear old clothes or bring a smock.)

**COOKING CHALLENGE!**
Thursday, November 30 at 4:30pm
Grades 4-8. Are you ready to try your hand at a cooking challenge? Get ready to break up into teams to solve some mystery recipes. Let the best team win! (Please inform the library of any food allergies when registering.)

**Registration for our Winter programs begins on January 2 for Nyack School District patrons. Registration for out-of-district patrons begins January 16.**
TEEN CORNER Call or visit valleycottagelibrary.org to register

TEEN PROGRAMS ARE FOR GRADERS 6-12 ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

Dungeons & Dragons
Mondays at 6pm
September 25, October 2, October 9, October 23
Will our Adventurers be able to uncover the darkness that has fallen over Ebensbane? Or will they succumb to the same fate as those that dwell behind its walls? Join our Adventuring party in a 5th level adventure for new and veteran Dungeons & Dragons players alike! Led by David Shuman.

Teen Programs are for grades 6-12 only unless otherwise specified.

Choosing the Right College
Wednesday, October 4 at 7pm
Joshua Marber, MS.Ed., will advise teens and their families on the college admissions process. He will provide helpful information on how to apply to colleges; when to visit them; and how to write a great college essay. Joshua has almost 25 years of experience in the college field having worked in Admissions, Financial Aid and Athletic Departments. He also sits on Counselor Advisory Boards at colleges and universities.

Paying for College
Tuesday, October 17 at 7pm
Joshua Marber, MS.Ed., will advise teens and their families on how to pay for college; how to fill out the FAFSA and other financial aid forms; and how to get the most scholarships and aid.

Teen Movie Nights
Select Mondays at 6:30pm
November 13: The Super Mario Bros. Movie (PG)
December 18: The Hunger Games (PG-13)

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Super Smash Bros. Tournament
Monday, November 27 at 7:00pm
Come test your skills and smash the competition! Play Switch games on the big screen and eat pizza.

Middle School Graphic Novel Club
Select Tuesdays at 4:30pm
September 19, November 14, December 12
All middle schoolers are invited to participate in our graphic novel club! We all bring our favorite graphic novels and discuss them. Snacks will be provided.

Faux Stained Glass Craft
Thursday, November 16 at 3:30pm
Come create your own version of a stained glass window using glue and paint! Register to choose which design you would like to paint.

Library Laser Tag Lock-In
Friday, December 8 at 4:45pm
Have you ever played Capture the Flag? Have you ever played it in the library after dark with a laser? Now’s your chance! Pizza will be provided. *Permission Form Required*

National Voter Registration Day
September 19
Are you registered to vote?
If not, stop in and get registered! We'll help you find out if you’re eligible to vote, provide voter registration forms and assistance in filling them out.

National Voter Registration Day is a day of action across the country to register eligible voters and raise voter registration awareness.

Celebrating the Right to Read with Libby!
Valley Cottage Library users of all ages are invited to celebrate the right to read during Banned Books Week (October 1-7) with us by checking out our limited-time “unrestricted access” (no holds necessary!) We Read Banned Books collection on Overdrive/Libby, featuring eBook and audiobook titles for all ages selected by Valley Cottage librarians. The no-holds digital collection of banned and challenged titles will remain available to cardholders through the month of October.

Now Accepting Nominations!
The call for nominations for the 2024 I Love My Librarian Award is now open. Nominate your librarian by Saturday, September 30, and they could receive $5,000! Nominate the librarian you love.

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**Virtual Author Talk Series**

Visit valleycottagelibrary.org under the “Events” tab for more information and a complete list of speakers.

_Brought to you in partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium_

- **Rick Steves, European Travel Tips and Tools**
  - Tuesday, October 10 at 4:00pm

- **Ruth Ware, Zero Days**
  - Wednesday, October 18 at 2:00pm

- **John Irving, A Lifetime of Writing**
  - Thursday, October 26 at 7:00pm

- **John Stamos, If You Would Have Told Me: A Memoir**
  - Wednesday, November 1 at 8:00pm

- **Tiffany Aliche, Get Good With Money, Made Whole**
  - Thursday, November 9 at 2:00pm

- **Joy Harjo, Catching the Light**
  - Thursday, November 16 at 4:00pm

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**Sunday Concerts at 1:30pm**

- **Sunday, October 8**
  - Young Masters Recital Series
  - Erik & Marya Lawrence with David Budway

- **Sunday, November 12**
  - Young Masters Recital Series
  - Michael Noble & Colin Brooks

- **Sunday, December 10**
  - Young Masters Recital Series
  - Kyle Walker

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**HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR**

Saturday, December 2
10am - 4pm

We are still seeking artisans and craftspeople! Items must be self-made and unique! Submit at least 10 digital photos of your work for consideration to cpape@rcls.org.

No phone calls please. Submission deadline is Monday, October 2. If accepted, the price for a space is $30.

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**Library Lock-In**

Friday, December 8 at 4:45pm

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  - Young Masters Recital Series
  - Michael Noble & Colin Brooks

- **Sunday, December 10**
  - Young Masters Recital Series
  - Kyle Walker
Valley Cottage Library
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Library Hours:
Monday-Thursday
10am-9pm
Friday & Saturday
10am-5pm
Sunday
12-4pm*

Holiday Closings:
Thanksgiving Eve, close at 1:00pm
Thanksgiving Day, closed
Christmas Eve, closed
Christmas Day, closed
New Year’s Eve, closed
New Year’s Day, closed

Resident

Weather Related Closings
Closings due to inclement weather will be announced on the library’s answering machine (845-268-7700) and our website valleycottagelibrary.org

Board of Trustees Election
The Valley Cottage Library Board of Trustees invites you to apply to become a Valley Cottage Library trustee. As a seven-member volunteer Board of Trustees, each year one or two trustees’ 5-year terms end at which time the incumbent can run again and an eligible Association member can also apply. An eligible Association member is any registered voter residing in Valley Cottage. One seat will be open for election at the Annual Association meeting scheduled for January 17, 2024 at 7:30pm.

Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to the attention of Melissa Roy, Board Secretary at vcltrustees@rcsl.org. Letters of interest and resumes received by October 13 will allow for the candidate to meet the Board at an upcoming Board meeting. The final deadline for letter of interest and resume submission is December 31, 2023. All candidates will be emailed an informational packet. If you need further information, please call Christy Blanchette, Library Director, (845) 268-7700.

In Our Gallery
OCTOBER:
BANNED BOOKS TRADING CARDS PROJECT

NOVEMBER:
SIMON JERUCHIM:
Topsy Turvy

DECEMBER:
ELIZABETH SAYLES
An Illustration Retrospective

Contact Caroline Siecke-Pape at cpape@rcsl.org if you are interested in exhibiting in the Library Gallery.

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The Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet October 18, November 15, and December 20 at 7:30pm. The public is invited. Visit valleycottagelibrary.org to confirm the dates in the event of a schedule or venue change.