Free Programs for Children, Families, Teens, Parents, and Adults

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Olde Saratoga Paranormal Investigators
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MISSION STATEMENT
Saratoga Springs Public Library is a source for information, inspiration, and entertainment, which sustains and enhances the quality of life in our community by providing access to resources and experiences to help all of our residents satisfy their curiosity about the world and participate fully in civil society.

The library is chartered to serve the residents of the Saratoga Springs Enlarged City School District (pop. 49,070). It is governed by a five-member board elected by district residents. Funds to operate the library come primarily from school district property taxes, and district residents must vote upon increases in local tax support.

The current 58,626 square foot building, which opened in 1995, is located in downtown Saratoga Springs one block east of Broadway between Henry and Putnam Streets.

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PROGRAMS FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Parent/Child Workshop
Mondays, 9/9 - 12/2 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.
& 10:45 a.m. - noon
Children ages 0-36 months and a parent or caregiver will participate in interactive hands-on play, visit learning stations, and enjoy circle time with song and movement activities. Register online through our Events Calendar, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Preschool Storytime
Mondays, 9/9 - 11/25 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
Thursdays, 9/12 - 11/21 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.
Children ages 2 to 5 years of age will enjoy interactive read aloud picture books and movement activities led by a children's librarian. Register online through our Events Calendar, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Toddler Storytime
Mondays, 9/9 - 11/25 (no 10/14 or 11/11) 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.
& 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Tuesdays, 9/10 - 11/26 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays, 9/11 - 11/27 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
Thursdays, 9/12 - 11/21 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
Children ages 24-42 months and their parent or caregiver will be introduced to pre-literacy skills through stories, rhymes, and songs they can enjoy together. Register online through our Events Calendar, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Move and Play
Tuesdays, 9/10 - 11/26 (no 10/15) 10:15 - 11:00 a.m.
Children ages 2-5 will develop Kindergarten readiness gross and fine motor skills as they participate with their parent or caregiver in different activities. Please register online, in-person or by calling 518-584-7860. ext. 305 starting August 28th. (H. Dutcher Community Room)
PROGRAMS FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Baby Music
Tuesdays, 9/10 - 11/26  10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Babies ages 0-17 months and their parents or caregivers will engage together in musical play, sing bouncing and rocking songs, play parachute games, experiment with scarves, musical instruments, and more. Saratoga Springs City School Districts residents may register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. Non-residents may register beginning September 3rd. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Drop-In Storytime
Wednesdays, 9/11 - 11/20  10:15 - 10:45 a.m.
Children of all ages and their caregivers are welcome to join us for stories, songs and activities each week. Join us when you can! No registration required. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Library Babies
Saturdays, 9/14 - 11/16  10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
An informal playgroup for babies under the age of 24 months with a parent or caregiver. No registration required (Crawshaw Story Room)

Library Babies: Baby Sensory Play
Fridays, 9/20 - 11/15  10:30 - 12:00 p.m.
An informal playgroup for babies under the age of 24 months with a parent or caregiver. There will be rhymes, stories and songs during the first 15 minutes followed either by free play or sensory activities. No registration required. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Library Goes to Town
Fridays, 9/27, 10/18, 11/15, & 12/6  11:00 - 11:45 a.m.
We will read stories, sing songs, and have a wonderful time at different locations in Saratoga Springs. For children ages 2-5 with their caregivers. Siblings are welcome. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860 ext. 305 beginning August 28th.

Sept. 27:  Pitney Farms
Oct. 18:  Lake Avenue Fire House
Nov. 15:  The Tang Museum
Dec. 5:  Saratoga Springs Hilton

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Preschool Parachute Play
Thursdays, 10/3 - 11/7  2:00 - 2:45 p.m.
Children ages 31/2 - 5 will enjoy a fun-filled parachute playtime for with their parents or caregivers. Music, rhymes, games, and lots of fun shakin’ the ‘chute! Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860 ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Preschool Story/Art
Fridays, 10/18 - 11/8  2:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Children ages 42 months - 5 years will enjoy stories and a craft activity each week led by a children’s librarian. No registration required. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Where in the World: Food & Fun!
Wednesdays, 9/11, 10/9, & 11/6  4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Children in grades 3-6 are invited to join a monthly club that will explore different cultures! Listen to a story, do an activity or craft, and eat a snack enjoyed by people around the world. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28. Countries are listed in the online calendar. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Paws4Reading
Quinn (Newfoundland)
Thursdays, 9/19 - 12/5 (no 10/31 or 11/28)  4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Buck (Schnoodle)
Saturdays, 9/14 - 11/16  2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Our Paws4Reading partners are certified therapy dogs who are happy to sit quietly and listen appreciatively to any story you wish to read. Dates are subject to change. Please call 518-584-7860, ext. 305 the day of the program to schedule a 10-minute appointment. (Crawshaw Story Room)
School Yard Recess & Game Night
Thursdays, 9/12, 10/10, & 11/7          6:30 - 7:15 p.m.
Parents, revisit your childhood and enjoy old-fashioned recess games like hopscotch and giant steps. All ages are welcome, but some activities will be geared towards children 5-12 years of age. Please register each child individually online, in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Saturday Family Storytime
Saturdays, 9/14 - 11/23          11:30 a.m. - noon
A children’s librarian will read stories and lead songs and rhymes with children ages 2-5, and their parent or caregiver. Siblings are welcome. No registration required. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Family Lego Night
Tuesdays, 9/17, 10/22, & 11/19          7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Bring your imagination, and we’ll provide the Legos! Check out some of our Lego building books for ideas or invent your own. For families and children in grades K-5. Younger children must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required. (The Children’s Room)

Apron Making
Saturday, Sept. 21          3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Children in Grades 2-6 can come and decorate aprons that will be kept at the library with our new Charlie Cart. Please note: These aprons will be used by any child during future cooking classes and will not belong to an individual child. Please dress in clothes that can get marker/paint on them. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860 ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Children’s Storytime Yoga
Mondays, 9/23 - 10/28 (no 10/14)          4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Children ages 4-6 are welcome to join yoga teacher Sami Gowan as she explores yoga postures through story and song. Age appropriate yoga postures, breath and concepts will be discussed. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860 ext. 305 beginning Aug. 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Yoga Kids
Tuesdays, 9/24 - 10/29 (no 10/15)          4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Children ages 6-10 are invited to join yoga instructor Sami Gowan as she explores yoga sequences, breathing, and mindfulness techniques. All concepts are age appropriate, demonstrated through movement, games, discussion, and song. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860 ext. 305 beginning Aug. 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

SSPL Goes to the Saratoga Farmers’ Market
Wednesdays, 9/25 & 10/30          3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 9          9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Come to the Farmers’ Market and make a craft with a children’s librarian. No registration required. (The Saratoga Farmers’ Market in High Rock Park)

Can You Tell The Difference?
Wednesday, Sept. 25          4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Children in Grades K-2 will use their 5 senses to guess the differences between various apples and oranges. Which one will be your favorite? See if your friends agree with you. A parent or caregiver is welcome to stay and help. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning Aug. 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Family Sensory Dance and Movement Activities
Thursdays, 9/26, 10/24, & 11/21          6:30 - 7:15 p.m.
Join Leslie Kettlewell of the National Museum of Dance to enjoy sensory movement and dance activities. Nella, our Paws4Reading Dog will also participate and listen to readers. For children ages 4 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext 305. (H. Dutcher Community Room)
PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Explore the Hidden World of Congress Park
Sunday, Sept. 29 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Join Environmental Educator George Steele for a tour of Congress Park where he will introduce you to the hidden world of the plants, trees and animals that call this patch of city green their home. Participants will meet in the Crawshaw Story Room of the library before heading outdoors. Please dress for the weather as the program will take place rain or shine. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Family Bingo Night
Mondays, 9/23 & 10/28 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Bring your family to the library for action packed bingo excitement. This program is appropriate for families with children ages 5 and up, and winners will receive prizes! Please register each child individually online, in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860 ext 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Design Your Own Board Game
Tuesday, Oct. 1 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
We’ll read a story and use it as inspiration to design your very own board game. This program is for children age 5 and up with an adult. Siblings are welcome. Please register children online, in-person or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Fall Scavenger Hunt
Monday, Oct. 14 11:00 a.m. - noon
Walk to Congress Park for a Scavenger Hunt led by an Environmental Educator from Wilton Wildlife Preserve & Park. For children ages 4-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Rain or shine activity. Please dress for the weather. Register online, in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext.305. (Crawshaw Story Room)

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Big Bubble Bonanza
Monday, Oct. 14 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Jeff Boyer takes bubbles to the max in this one-man bubble extravaganza. Mixing comedy, music and interactive bubble-magic, he engages and delights audiences of all ages. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Beginner Sewing
Wednesdays, 10/23 & 10/30 4:15 - 5:15 p.m.
Children in grades 4-6 will learn basic sewing skills in this 2 week series. Week 1-threading a needle, tying knots, and learning the blanket stitch; week 2-make a case for your phone or sunglasses. Please note you need to attend the first session to make the project. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Maple Avenue Drama Club Presents
Once Upon a Shoe
Saturday, Oct. 26 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Students from the Maple Avenue Middle School Drama Club will delight audiences with this new take on old Mother Goose classics. For all ages. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Family Art Night
Monday, Oct. 7 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.
Let’s get creative and make some art as a family! This program is intended for children age 5 and up, but siblings are welcome. Register in-person, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Registration for Gingerbread House Workshops
Saturday, Nov. 2 All Day
Registration begins for December Gingerbread House Workshops for children in grades K-6. For Saratoga Springs City School District residents ONLY. Register in-person in the Children’s Room. Select ONE date only: Sat Dec 7 at 9 - 10:30 or noon; Tues Dec 10 at 430 or 630pm; Thurs Dec 12 at 430 or 630pm; or Sat Dec 14 at 9, 1030 or noon.
Leap into Space:
A STEAM Program with Lili Loveday
Tuesday, Nov. 12 4:15 - 5:30 p.m.
Children ages 6-9 will enjoy movement games such as Cross the Galaxy and Lost Planet. They will also learn how to make a camera obscura, listen to electronic music, and make a take-home space collage. Register in-person, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Winter Program Registration Begins
Wednesday, Nov. 20 All Day
Registration for winter childrens programming begins. Please visit our online events calendar for details. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305.

String Art
Wednesday, Nov. 20 4:15 - 5:15 p.m.
Children in grades 4-6 can learn how to make a simple string art creation to keep or give as a gift. Register online, in the Children’s Room, or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Family Art Night: Let’s Use Stuff Up!
Monday, Nov. 25 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.
Let’s use up some leftover art supplies for a smorgasbord art night! This program is intended for children ages 5 and up, but siblings are welcome. Please register each child individually online, in-person or by calling 518-584-7860 ext 305 beginning August 28th. (Crawshaw Story Room)

WiiU, Wii, & PS3 Gaming
Wed., Fri., & Sat., 9/3 - 11/30 All Day
Bring your friends and pull up a chair to play a variety of games on the library’s Wii, Wii U or Playstatation 3. For grades 7-12 during open hours Tuesdays, Fridays & Saturdays in the Teen Room. No registration required. (Teen Room)

Teen Trivia
Thursdays, 9/5 - 11/21 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Students in grades 7-12 are welcome to attend Out of this World Teen Trivia. Trivia sheets will be handed out from 3 - 4:30 p.m. and the teen with the most correct answers will win a $5 Bread Basket gift card and other special surprises! No registration required. (Teen Room)

Hangin’ with My Dogs!
Fisher (Golden Doodle)
Thursdays, 9/5 - 11/21 5:45 - 6:45 p.m.
Stop by the Teen Room and hang with our certified therapy dogs. Grades 7-12. No registration required. (Teen Room)

Dungeons & Dragons
Thursdays, 9/5 - 11/21 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Join us every week for our ongoing Dungeons and Dragons 5th Edition campaign. This program is for teens and adults ages 13+. Beginners are welcome. Materials will be provided and registration is not required. (Susman Room)

Learn to Skateboard
Thursday, Sept. 12 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Students in grades 6-12 are invited to learn how to skateboard or improve their skills with pro skateboarding instructor Benj Gleekman. Registration is not required, but participants must bring a completed recreation card application, your own skateboard, protective gear and water. The application for this FREE program is available through a link in our online events calendar.
TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Guitar Classes
Tuesdays, 9/17 - 10/29
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Learn to play guitar or improve your style with Jeff Budge, local guitarist and musician. For grades 6-12. Bring your own guitar or use one of ours - first come, first served. No registration required. (Glasby Room)

Fun Food Fridays
Fridays, 9/20, 10/18, & 11/15
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Join us in the Teen Room on the third Friday of the month, for Fun Food Fridays. We’ll be doing a fun structure challenge and enjoying snacks. No registration required. (Teen Room)

Olde Saratoga Paranormal Investigators Series
Tuesdays, 10/1 & 10/15
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Teens 13+ and adults are invited to meet on Oct. 1st to learn the basics from the team at Olde Saratoga Paranormal Investigation, register for the Canfield Casino Casino investigation (see below), and then reconvene at the library on Oct. 15th to go over footage to see what was captured. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Tuesday, Oct. 8
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Teens 13+ and adults are invited to join us for a very special hands-on investigation at the Canfield Casino with team members of the Olde Saratoga Paranormal Investigators. Be prepared to wear comfortable shoes and walk up and down stairs at the casino. Registration is required, and limited to 15. Others will be put on waiting list. (Canfield Casino)

National Novel Writing Month Programs (NaNoWriMo)
Please see page 22 in the Adult Programs section.

Breaking Point: Coping Skills for Teen Stress
Monday, Nov. 4
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Please see page 12 in the Parenting Section.

Registration for Teen Gingerbread House Workshops
Monday, Nov. 4
All Day
Registration begins for the December 8th Gingerbread House Workshops for Teens. For Saratoga Springs School District Residents ONLY. Register in-person in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305.

Fight Like A Girl for Teens & Adults
Wednesday, Nov. 20
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
This workshop for girls entering grades 6 and up will address techniques for verbal de-escalation, boundary-setting, dealing with confrontations, and social situations. Program offered by Certified Defensive Tactics Instructors, partnered with ACE Certified Group Exercise Instructor and Personal Trainer, Laura Dooley. Please bring your own water bottle, and wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Register online or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 260. (Teen Room)

Family Board Game Night
Thursday, Nov. 21
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Families of teens grades 6-12 are invited to the Teen Room for a very special family board game night! Choose from dozens of games, enjoy some snacks and have a great time. Games are provided and registration is not required. (Teen Room)
PARENTING PROGRAMS

Parenting from Love: Mindfulness Practices to Enhance Your Parenting Efforts
Tuesday, Oct. 15       6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Kristin Brenner of Integrity Mind Body will lead parents in meditation and then host an interactive session to help parents incorporate mindfulness practices into their relationship with their children, approaching discipline with intention and flexibility. Register online, in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (Crawshaw Story Room)

Supporting LGBTQA Youth: A Program
Monday, Oct. 21       6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Join the Pride Center of the Capital Region for an interactive workshop about lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning and asexual youth. We will talk about coming out, integration in school and community, dealing with stress and depression, what to do if bullying occurs. Register online, in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (Susman Room)

Essential Oils Make and Take for Parents
Tuesday, Oct. 22       6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Join Teresa Alger and learn how to use Essential Oils to help focus your child’s behavior and help her achieve balance at home and at school. Participants will learn how to tailor the oils to their specific needs and make a little something to take home. Register online, in the Children’s Room or by phoning 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (Glasby Room)

Registration for Parent & Teacher Gingerbread House Workshops
Monday, Nov. 4       All Day
Registration begins for the December 8th Gingerbread House Workshops for Parents and Teachers. For Saratoga Springs School District Residents ONLY. Register in-person in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305.

Breaking Point: Coping Skills for Teen Stress
Monday, Nov. 4       6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Is stress pushing your teen to the breaking point? View a screening of the 30 minute film, Breaking Points, and join Patty Kilgore of Prevention Council for a follow-up discussion. Register online, in the Children’s Room or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 305. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

ADULT PROGRAM SERIES

Song Swap with Jeff Walton
Tuesdays, 9/3, 10/1, & 11/5       7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Local favorite, singer-songwriter, Jeff Walton will lead an all acoustic song swap. Bring your guitar, ukulele, or harmonica, or just come and listen! All abilities and ages are welcome. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Caffè Lena Poetry Open Mic
Wednesdays, 9/4, 10/2, & 11/6       6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Join us for this librarian-led poetry discussion from 6-7 p.m. before the Caffe Lena Poetry Open Mic. We will be discuss works from the poets listed below. Handouts will be made available. Don’t forget to bring your SSPL library card to check-out selected books from our poetry collection. No registration required. (Caffè Lena)

Guided Mindful Meditation
Wednesdays, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 11/6, and 11/20       12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Take a break from the daily grind and clear your mind with guided Mindful Meditation led by professionals from One Roof Holistic Health Center. Sessions are free, open to the public, and will be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month. No registration required. (Susman Room)
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**Essential Oils for Our Four Legged Friends**  
**Thursday, Sept. 19**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Many people swear by using essential oils as part of their wellness routine, and are curious about their use with the animals in their lives. In this presentation, you will learn about effectively integrating essential oils into your animal care routine. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**What to Plant in the Fall with Suzanne Balet-Haight**  
**Thursday, Sept. 26**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Fall is a perfect time for planting. Cooler air temperatures are easy on both plants and gardeners, but the soil is still warm, allowing roots to grow until the ground freezes. Plus, the late season can be a good time to find bargains on perennial plants and shrubs. Join gardening expert Suzanne Balet-Haight of Balet Flowers & Design for ideas on refreshing your gardens. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Fall Book Buzz**  
**Thursday, Oct. 3**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Join us to discover new and upcoming titles that will be released this fall into winter. Librarians Trevor Oakley and Caitlin Sheldon will share a sneak peak at books that are getting some buzz right now. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Eating for a Healthy Brain**  
**Thursday, Oct. 17**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Emerging research shows that what you eat impacts the health of your brain. This presentation will highlight dietary and other health suggestions that are now thought to decrease your risk of Alzheimer’s disease and other forms of dementia. Recipe demonstration and samples provided. Please register through our online calendar or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 247. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Refashioning Saratoga**  
**Thursday, Oct. 24**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Librarian and historical costumer Caitlin Sheldon reveals the Victorian dress that she recreated from one of the historic images in the library’s Saratoga Room, and explains the process from image to pattern to wearable garment. Saratoga Arts made this program possible with an Individual Artist Grant funded by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Haunted Saratoga Springs History**  
**Thursday, Oct. 31**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Join us this Halloween to discover the haunted history of Saratoga Springs with ghost hunter, author of “Haunted Saratoga,” and proprietor of Haunted Saratoga Tours, Joe Haedrich. The Spirits of Saratoga are alive and well, and you’ll get to know the city’s “ghostly DNA!” No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Cut the Cord and Ditch Cable TV**  
**Thursday, Nov. 7**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Back by popular demand! Join us for a roundtable discussion about cutting your cable TV and finding good content elsewhere. We will swap tales of what worked (and what didn’t) with streaming and antenna options, and discuss strategies to find your favorite programs. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Journey to Tahiti and French Polynesia**  
**Thursday, Nov. 21**  
Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Rob Fischer joins us once more to present one of his exciting travel videos. The destination this time... Tahiti! Experience French Polynesian culture while sailing in a four-masted schooner to the Society and Tuamotu Islands of French Polynesia. Explore the rich ecosystems and snorkeling in the clear turquoise lagoons with colorful fish, all set to the music of the islands. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)
ADULT PROGRAM SERIES

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LITERACY & ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING

Saratoga Springs Public Library offers FREE English Language Learning classes and invites speakers and readers to learn at their own pace in a friendly and supportive environment. Registration is required. All students are requested to schedule and English level assessment. (Glasby Room)

Beginning English Language Learning
Mondays, 9/9 - 11/25 (no 10/14 or 11/11) 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Intermediate English Language Learning
Fridays, 9/6 - 11/20 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Advanced English Language Learning
Wednesdays, 9/11 - 11/20 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Improve Your Reading & Writing
Mondays, 10/7 - 11/4 (no 10/14) 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Are you an adult who would like to build confidence in your reading and writing skills? Taught by an experienced SSPL volunteer literacy teacher, rad, then write about short stories in a fun and safe environment. Please register.

Life is Short - Short Story Reading & Discussion
Fridays, 9/6, 10/4, & 11/1 10:30 – Noon
Join librarian Dan Hubbs in our ongoing short story reading and discussion program. Pick-up this month’s selection from the Reading Group shelf or a packet left at the Information Desk. Read and ponder the stories, and attend the meeting to discuss what you have read. Please check our events calendar for monthly selections. No registration required. (Susman Room)

Wellness Series

Posture and Balance with Kristin Brenner
Friday, Sept. 6 Noon - 1:00 p.m.
The health of the spine plays a vital role in wellness. There are many challenges to a healthy spine in our culture: regular driving, computer and cell phone use, television viewing, and low activity levels. Join us in exploring yoga as an antidote! Please register through our online calendar or call 518-584-7860, ext. 247. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Movement for Life with Lili and Corry Loveday
Friday, Oct. 25 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Participants will learn physical expressions common within all cultures combining posture, balance and coordination. Each session is designed to build a sense of community which is essential to longevity and mental health. Live music accompaniment. Register thorough our online calendar or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 247. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Mah Jongg Class
Mondays, 9/9 - 10/7 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Rhona Koretsky returns to teach a 5-session Mah Jongg class. The format will be beginner instruction and playing in small groups. Intermediate players are welcome to join us to hone their skills. No registration required. (Susman Room)

Better Off Read Mystery Book Group
Tuesdays, 9/10, 10/8, & 11/12 11:00 a.m. - noon
This monthly book group meets to discuss mysteries, thrillers and suspense titles. Books can be found on the shelves, reserved or requested from other libraries. See a librarian for information. Please register through our online calendar or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 210. (Glasby Room)

Sept. 10: Case Histories by Kate Atkinson
Oct. 8: The Affair of the Mysterious Letter by Alexis Hall
Nov. 12: And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie
**Artists in Action Series:** Join the Saratoga Springs Public Library and Saratoga Arts for Artists in Action, as we bring area artists to the Library to demonstrate their work in progress and answer your questions. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Handprinted Scarves with Kathy Klompas**  
Wednesday, Sept. 11 Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Kathy Klompas will demonstrate how she creates monoprint silk scarves using a palette of thickened dyes and a wide range of marking tools, and show a technique for printing patterns and textures with acrylic paint.

**Contemporary Still Lifes with Robin Rosenthal**  
Wednesday, Oct. 2 Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Robin will demonstrate oil painting, using the color wheel to create contemporary still lifes with the goal of capturing the light and local color of her subjects while maintaining a freshness in her work by painting from life and working alla prima.

**Pastels with Pam Short**  
Wednesday, Nov. 6 Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
Short finds inspiration in almost everything from the mountains to the ocean, farm to the city, snow to sand, pets and more. She is drawn to light, shadows and atmosphere.

**Craftatoga Series:** Join us on Wednesdays this fall for our adult craft classes. All materials are provided. Register online through our website calendar or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 248. (Susman Room)

**Embedded Letter Tile Zentangles**  
Wednesday, Sept. 11 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Lisa Fedele will guide us in creating embedded letter tile Zentangles, using repetitive patterns.

**Felt Wreath**  
Wednesday, Oct. 9 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
This month we will be making a fall-themed felt wreath.

**Scandinavian Ornaments**  
Wednesday, Nov. 13 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Sandy Salada of Sandy’s Fiber Arts returns to teach a hands-on workshop in creating woven Scandinavian ornaments, including a woven felt heart and a kissing ball made from maple strips.

**Join the Saratoga Springs Public Library and Saratoga Springs Heritage Area Visitor Center for this very popular series focusing on local history. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)**

**The Travers: 150 Years of Saratoga’s Greatest Race**  
Thursday, Sept. 12 Noon - 1:00 p.m.  
The Travers is the oldest stakes race for 3-year-old thoroughbreds in the United States. Co-authors Brien Bouyea and Micheal Vietch will discuss the race’s history and its importance to Saratoga. No registration required.
ADULT PROGRAM SERIES

Brown Bag Lunch Series continued...

Thursday, Oct. 10 Noon - 1:00 p.m.
City Supervisor Matthew Veitch will discuss the City’s Urban Renewal Program, including the origins of the program, how it was executed and how it shaped the modern City of Saratoga Springs. Rarely seen photos of areas of the City before Urban Renewal will be shown. No registration required.

Saratoga History, As Told by the Bolster Collection
Thursday, Nov. 14 Noon - 1:00 p.m.
The Saratoga Springs History Museum is the proud owner of the famous George Bolster Photographic Collection of Saratoga Springs which contains about 325,000 images. About 15,000 of those images tell the story of the people, buildings and streets of old Saratoga Springs. Museum Executive Director Jamie Parillo and local historian Charlie Keunzel will present a brief history of the City using some of the rarely seen images from the collection. No registration required.

Poetry Café: Three Poems and a Prompt
Thursdays, 9/12, 10/10, & 11/14 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Poetry Cafe attendees will have the opportunity to closely read selected poems, and discuss them with others who enjoy poetry. At our autumn meetings, we will be looking at list, prose, and persona poems, then starting our own poems from those examples. Poem handouts will be available at the Information Desk prior to event. No registration required. (Susman Room)

Sustainability Series
Wednesdays, 9/18, 10/16, & 11/20 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Each month a new topic and presenter will focus on environmental, social or financial sustainability. Please see full descriptions and register online through our Events Calendar. (Glasby Room)

Sept. 18: Energy Efficiency with Peter Hoffman, LEED AP, National Grid
Oct. 16: Community Solar with David Wells, Nexamp

Books And Tea Reading Group:
Thursdays, 9/19, 10/17, & 11/21 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.
Books and Tea is a monthly library book discussion group. Multiple copies of each month’s selection are kept in the Reading Group Choices collection on the second floor. Books may also be put on hold and borrowed through Interlibrary Loan on our online catalog or at the Information Desk. No registration required. (Susman Room).

Sept. 19: The Great Believers by Rebecca Makkai
Oct. 17: The Feather Thief by Kirk Wallace Johnson
Nov. 21: Don’t Skip Out on Me by Willie Vlautin

Books & Brews
Thursdays, 9/19, 10/17, & 11/21 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Meet us at Harvey’s on Phila Street to discuss what 20 and 30-somethings are reading today. Copies of each month’s book selection can be found on the shelf at the library, or by placing holds on the online public catalog. Stop by the library Information Desk for any assistance. No registration required. (Harvey’s Restaurant and Bar)

Sept. 19: My Year of Rest and Relaxation by Otesa Moshfegh
Oct. 17: The Lady from the Black Lagoon by Mallory O’Meara
Nov. 21: The Tsar of Love and Techno by Anthony Marra
**ADULT PROGRAM SERIES**

**TED Talk Discussions**
Fridays, 9/20, 10/11, & 11/8   10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Join us for a morning of listening and thoughtful discussion inspired by TED Talks. TED Talks are short, powerful talks about “ideas worth sharing.” We will view and discuss a TED Talk (or two) from TED.com as a way to learn and explore new ideas. No registration required. (Susman Room)

Sept. 20: Daring to Admit You’re Wrong
Oct. 11: Our Need for Privacy
Nov. 8: Delayed Gratification: Don’t Eat the Marshmallow

**Bagels and Barks!**
Fridays, 9/20, 10/25, & 11/22  10:30 a.m. - Noon
Stop in for a bite to eat, and meet & greet with several Therapy Dogs International (TDI) dogs and their owners. Socialize with humans and canines while taking part in activities, and learn about the TDI certification process. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Grim Readers: Book Club from the Dark Side**
Mondays, 9/30, 10/28, & 11/25  7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Grim Readers is a book club for those of us who prefer to keep things scary. Each month’s book selections will be representative of what's trending in the world of horror & weird literature, and will certainly appeal to your inner-ghoul! We’ll also order us up some grub to go along with the ghosts. (Glasby Room)

Sept. 30: *We Sold Our Souls* by Grady Hendrix
Oct. 28: *Inspection* by Josh Malerman
Nov. 25: *Cabin at the End of the World*
by Paul Tremblay

**Olde Saratoga Paranormal Investigators Series**
Please see description on page 10 in the Teen Programs Section.

**National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo)**
NaNoWriMo’s goal is for participants to write fifty thousand words, and with encouragement, will help you get started on the journey towards that novel inside you. No registration required.

**Yes, There Really IS a Novel in You!**
Tuesday, Oct. 22  6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
**Bag Lunch Kick-Off**
Friday, Nov. 1  Noon - 2:00 p.m.
**NaNoWriMo Write-Ins**
Mondays, 11/4 - 11/25 (no 11/11)  6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**OTHER ADULT PROGRAMS**

**National Voter Registration Day**
Tuesday, Sept. 24  9:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
The League of Women Voters of Saratoga County is registering voters and answering voter registration questions as part of National Voter Registration Day. (New and Popular Reading Area)

**Rambles to Remarkable Rocks:**
*An Explorer’s Hiking Guide with Russell Dunn*
Tuesday, Sept. 24  7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Russell Dunn is a former New York State Licensed Hiking Guide and author of nine regional waterfall guidebooks, four regional paddling guidebooks, eight regional hiking guidebooks, and eleven 3D photobooks of stereographic images. Dunn’s presentation will focus on amazing boulders and natural rock formations as wonderful hiking destinations. Co-sponsored with Adirondack Mountain Club. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Cars, Cigars, and Birding in Cuba**
Wednesday, Sept. 25  7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Richard Guthrie, expert birder and host of WAMC Radio’s “Bird Talk,” recently traveled to Cuba, now one of the most sought-after destinations by American birders and home to 368 species of birds. He’ll also provide a glimpse at the everyday life of Cuban residents, including vintage cars, meticulously maintained through many ingenious means to keep them running. Co-sponsored with Southern Adirondack Audubon. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

**Using Essential Oils with Your Pets Workshops**
Wednesday, 10/2 & 10/16  1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
This two-part workshop will provide in-depth instruction on properly using essential oils with your pets. The first workshop will focus on usage and safety and the second workshop will include actual demonstration. (Glasby Room)
OTHER ADULT PROGRAMS

The Unfinished Work of the Women’s Suffrage Movement
Wednesday, Oct. 16
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Please join Sally Roesch Wagner, a nationally recognized lecturer and author of The Women’s Suffrage Movement, for a program that gives voice to the unsung women who helped shape the suffrage movement, including African American suffragists who faced racism within the movement, and Iroquois women whose society influenced suffragists. There will be a book signing at the program’s conclusion. Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Job Fair
Wednesday, Oct. 30     11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Meet representatives from several local businesses who are searching to grow their work force. Participating recruiters are listed on our online Events Calendar. Apply for jobs on the spot and use the library computing and printing area to work on your resume. Co-sponsored by the Saratoga County Department of Employment and Training Department. Registration is encouraged through our online events calendar or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 247. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Civil Air Patrol: Who They Are and What They Do
Wednesday, Nov. 6       6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
As an Auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, the Civil Air Patrol members are volunteers who work closely with many national agencies, and can assist state and local missions. CAP members will discuss their mission, answer questions, and display some equipment that is typically used. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Qigong & Tea Ceremony
Friday, Nov. 8            Noon - 2:00 p.m.
Join us for a gentle qigong workout with Dr. Qiong Wang followed by a lovely tea ceremony with Hayley Stevens owner of Saratoga Tea and Honey. Register through our online events calendar or by calling 518-584-7860, ext. 247. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

OTHER ADULT PROGRAMS

Community Film Screening of The Public
Wednesday, Nov. 13          7:00 PM
In recognition of Homelessness Awareness Month and to welcome the New York Library Association to town, the Friends of Saratoga Springs Public Library will sponsor a special screening of The Public, the fictional story of homeless patrons taking shelter in a Cincinnati Public Library in the face of bitter cold weather. The film tackles some of our nation’s most challenging issues - homelessness and mental illness - setting the drama inside one of the last bastions of democracy-in-action, the public library. Tickets will be $20, and proceeds will benefit the Shelters of Saratoga (SOS) Code Blue Shelter. Ticketing information to come. (Bow Tie Cinemas - Railroad Place)

Repair Café
Saturday, Nov. 16          Noon - 3:00 p.m.
In partnership with Sustainable Saratoga, volunteer coaches will help you fix your beloved but broken items in order to extend their life, keep them out of the landfill, and foster an appreciation for the art of repair. Bring what you can carry, limit 2 items per person. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)

Fight Like A Girl for Teens & Adults
Wednesday, Nov. 20          5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
See page 11 in the Teen Programs section for details.

The Hudson River School and American Environmentalism
Thursday, Nov. 21        7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Landscape paintings by 19th-century Hudson River School artists celebrate the majestic beauty of the United States and helped shape an emerging American identity. Patrick Stenshorn of the Albany Institute of History and Art will provide insights into the Hudson River School and its impact on the conservation movements of the late 19th and 20th centuries. Co-sponsored by the Adirondack Mountain Club and The Southern Adirondack Audubon Society. No registration required. (H. Dutcher Community Room)
FREE FALL COMPUTER CLASSES

- Telephone and online registration starts Friday, September 6 and is ongoing until classes fill.
- All classes are taught by Kathy Handy unless otherwise noted.

Telephone Registration Procedures:
Call 518-584-7860, ext. 257 and leave a message with your first and last name, phone number, e-mail address, and specific class requests. Your message will be returned within one week.

Online Registration Procedures:
Visit www.sspl.org and click “Events Calendar.” Navigate to click on any class (in orange). Scroll to the bottom of the screen and complete the online form.

Both Phone and Online Registrants:
Please Note: If you include an e-mail address, our system first asks your permission to send both confirmation and reminder e-mails in the future, so please read your e-mail carefully and respond as necessary. Check your spam and junk folders if you do not receive a confirmation e-mail.

Anyone age 16 or older may register for classes regardless of residency, unless otherwise indicated. For a small printing fee, optional handouts are available to accompany each class, but most handouts are available online at guides.sspl.org/computerclasses.

Students with disabilities are welcome to enroll and are asked to bring along a volunteer assistant. Otherwise, please contact the library in advance an if a volunteer is available, the library will provide one. For additional details, please contact Kathy Handy at 518-584-7860, ext. 257.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Intro to Apple iPads for Absolute Beginners
Mon. & Tues., 9/30 & 10/1 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: John Manley & Kathy Handy
In this two-day course, learn basic gestures and terminology associated with iPads, as well as maintenance. Gain an understanding and improve your comfort level with the iPad. Learn settings including wifi and blue tooth, understand your Apple I.D. and password, the App Store, and more.

Apple iPhones: The Basics
Register for one of these sessions:
Monday, Sept. 23 1:30 - 3:30 a.m.
Monday, Oct. 7 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Learn the basics including settings, finger gestures, wifi settings and security, and more. Please bring a working Apple iPhone and any necessary passwords, log-in information, and charging wires.

Intro to Computers & MS Windows for Absolute Beginners
Register for one of these two session courses:
Wed. & Thurs., Sept. 25 & 26 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Wed. & Thurs., Oct. 16 & 17 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 7 & 8 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
For students with little or no computer experience, this two session course offers an introduction to computer terminology and computer use. Participants use the mouse, keyboard, and programs such as Solitaire and various tutorials with Windows 10 as the operating system.
NEW! FAMILY COMPUTING PROGRAMS
For youth ages 10-15 accompanied by an adult.

Take a Look at Brainfuse
Wednesday, Sept. 25 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Instructor: Kali Nagler
Brainfuse is a web based resource found right on the library website which offers live tutoring, a flashcard making app, a library of learning videos and lessons, as well as resources for English language learners, including test prep for Citizenship, the GED, and so much more.

Take a Look at Online Resources
Thursday, Sept. 26 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Instructor: Kali Nagler
This hands-on workshop introduces the basics of some of the library’s most helpful online databases for educational materials, journal and periodical searches, language learning, grant writing, job searching, test prep, historical newspapers, digital magazines and more. A mini demonstration for each resource, and time for participants to explore is part of the presentation.

Learning MS Word 2016 Basics
Wed., Oct. 23 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Learn MS Word Basics necessary for writing reports, letters, journals, and more.

Learning MS Excel 2016 Basics
Thurs., Oct. 24 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Learn MS Excel Basics necessary for creating budgets and charts; formulas are introduced as well.

Android Smart Phones: The Basics
Wednesday, Oct. 2 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Friday, Nov. 22 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Learn the basics including settings, finger gestures, wifi settings and security, and more. Please bring a working Android Smartphone and any necessary passwords, log-in information, and charging wires, or just observe.

Intro To Cloud Computing & Storage for Beginners
Wednesday, Oct. 2 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Understand cloud computing tools such as iCloud, Dropbox, and many more! Have access to storage or software use on “other” computers besides your own. Understand the concept of “syncing” devices to these tools, and learn the pros and cons of using such tools for data storage and retrieval.

Intro to Google Chromebooks I for Beginners
Register for one of these sessions:
Thursday, Oct. 3 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Students must bring their own Chromebook, or just come and observe. Participants learn basic navigational skills on their device while using wifi to get on the Internet to work in “the cloud.” Understanding the Google Chrome OS (operating system) is a main goal in the class, as well as learning where documents and photos reside.

Intro to Apple MacBooks for Beginners
Wednesday, Oct. 9 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
This course provides students with an introduction to the Apple laptops including MacBooks, MacBook Airs, and MacBook Pros. Learn to use wifi, the dock, browsers including Safari, file and folder structures, PC equivalents and more. Participants must bring their own Apple laptop.

Intro to the Internet Safety Basics & Security
Wednesday, Oct. 9 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Learn to navigate the Internet using safe navigation techniques while using different Internet browsers. Discover the difference between a search engine and a browser. Some Internet security issues are included in the presentation.

MacBooks: Pages, Sheets, and Keynote
Thursday, Oct. 10 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Learn the basics of using Apple’s suite of office programs: Pages (like Microsoft Word), Sheets (like Microsoft Excel) and Keynote (like Microsoft PowerPoint). Questions are welcome. Participants must bring their own Apple laptop.

Buying Items on Ebay for Absolute Beginners
Tuesday, Oct. 15 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Learn about an auction-style sale as well as a “Buy-It-Now” sale. Discussion includes registering on the eBay site, how to research prices to set a fair market price, times of the year that are best to buy, and more. Briefly compare buying on eBay vs buying on Craigslist or Amazon or Facebook Garage Sales.
BEGINNER CLASSES

Selling Items on Ebay for Absolute Beginners
Friday, Oct. 25  9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Learn how to post an auction-style sale as well as a “Buy-It-Now” sale. Discussion includes registering on the eBay site, preparing photos, and planning for postage and packaging of your material, how to research prices to set a fair market price, times of the year that are best to sell, customer satisfaction, and more.

NEW! Smartphone Texting Basics & Beyond
Tuesday, Nov. 12  6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
For both Android phones and Apple iPhones (and other smartphones -- not flip phones), this class focuses on how to send and receive text messages including the basics and beyond.

Gmail Basics
Friday, Nov. 22  9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Focusing on Gmail, Google’s Email tool, students gain a basic understanding of how to send and receive email messages, how to send attachments, and create a group email and work with labels (folders) while exploring settings and options. Email safety and etiquette is covered. Students have an opportunity to create a free email account with Google if they have not already done so.

INTERMEDIATE CLASSES

Intermediate User: Someone who has good mouse and keyboard skills and who can open and close applications, but needs further instruction with applications such as email, word processing, or other office software. Intermediate courses prepare you for advanced level courses offered by the library.

Please Go Away! Planning Your Vacation Online
Register for one of these sessions:
Tuesday, Sept. 18  10:00 a.m. – Noon
Monday, Nov. 18  10:00 a.m. – Noon
Instructor: Rhona Koretzky, Reference Librarian
The Internet has become a common tool for vacation planning. This class helps students learn how to navigate and identify travel deals online.

INTERMEDIATE CLASSES

Microsoft Office Programs

MS Excel 2016 for Windows or Mac - Part I
Register for one of the four-session courses:
Mon. & Tues., Sept. 23, 24, 30 & 10/1 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Wed. & Thurs., Nov. 13, 14, 20, & 21  1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
This four-session course focuses on creating spreadsheets in MS Excel 2016. Students learn to use formulas, functions, charts, creating, deleting and relating and relating sheets within workbooks, PivotTables, and more, with each day building on the previous.

MS Word 2016 for Windows or Mac
Wed. & Thurs., Oct. 23 & 24  9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
This two-session course focuses on MS Word 2016 for Microsoft PC users, and the ribbon user interface. Students learn to insert online pictures, create tables and columns, and use features including tabs, columns, mail merge, and proofreading documents with track changes.

MS PowerPoint 2016
Mon. & Tues., Oct. 21 & 22  6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Students in this two-session course learn to make a slideshow using pictures, movies, sound, text, and special effects. Bring your own pictures and videos, headsets, and/or music on CD if you wish.

Apple iPhones: Beyond the Basics
Register for one of these sessions:
Tuesday, Sept. 24  1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8  6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
As a follow-up to Apple iPhones: The Basics, this “Beyond the Basics” class covers additional settings and apps to give you a stronger and more confident mastery of your Apple iPhone.

Android Smartphones: Beyond the Basics
Thursday, Oct. 3  9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Monday, Nov. 25  1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Discover helpful apps, the camera and photo features, and more. Please bring a working Android Smartphone and any necessary passwords, log-in information, and charging wires, or just observe.
Google Chromebooks II
Friday, Oct. 4 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Students must bring their own Chromebook. As a continuation of the Google Chromebooks: Part I offered at the library, Google Chromebooks: Part II offers more of an in-depth understanding and use of Google Chrome OS, and how to navigate the web and your cloud storage, and how to use Docs, Sheets, and Slides, and shortcuts. Questions are a welcome part of the class.

Apple iPads & iPhones: Safari, Internet, & Bookmarks
Monday, Oct. 7 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: John Manley & Kathy Handy
Learn about Safari, the Apple iPad/iPhone native browser, the Internet and other browsers, favorites or bookmarks, and general Internet use.

Apple iPads & iPhones: Contacts & E-Mail
Tuesday, Oct. 8 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: John Manley & Kathy Handy
Learn about managing your E-Mail on your iPad or iPhone, and how to handle contacts including adding and deleting contacts.

Genealogy: Research
Thursday, Oct. 10 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: Genealogist, Lisa Dougherty, and Librarians Dan Hubbs and Zoë Nousiainen
Start tracing your family tree by searching census records and other sources available through the library’s website. The class focuses on Ancestry Library Edition. Genealogist, Lisa Dougherty, also shares research tips and can address some questions.

Help Protect Saratoga Hemlock Trees
Tuesday, Oct. 15 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.
The New York Natural Heritage Program’s Invasive Species Database Program, together with partners at the Hemlock Initiative and the Capital Mohawk PRISM is leading an effort by volunteer citizen scientists to identify infected hemlock trees as early as possible using a smart phone app.

Google Drive & Google Docs Basics
Wed. & Thurs., Oct. 16 & 17 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Learn to create, access, and share files using Google Drive on a PC, Mac, Chromebook, iPhone, iPad, or Android device from anywhere in the world. Discover free software including Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, and more.

Intro to Apple iPads & iPhones: Calendar App
Tuesday, Oct. 22 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: Stephen Rameriz & Kathy Handy
Bring your own Apple device and I.D. to this course and learn to use your device’s calendar to help you manage your busy life in this course. Learn about syncing and making entries, including holidays, birthdays, anniversaries, and more.

Managing Digital Pictures
Friday, Oct. 25 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
This course gives students hands-on practice with transferring digital images from the camera to computer. Students learn the pros and cons of different methods to manage, archive, and backup digital images. Windows 10 is the main program discussed.

Apple iPads & iPhones: Camera & Photos
Mon. & Tues., Oct. 28 & 29 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: John Manley & Kathy Handy
Learn to use the camera portion of your iPad or iPhone -- learn about selfies, flash, HDR, Live, video, portrait, square, and panorama as well as some of the editing tools in your device.

Apple iPhones: Apple Wallet
Tuesday, Nov. 12 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: Stephen Rameriz & Kathy Handy
Apple Wallet is considered to be a safe and efficient tool from which you can pay for items once you connect the Apple Wallet App in your Apple iPhone to a bank account. Learn how to use this tool, and how to connect financial accounts to it.

Strategies for Internet Searching Success
Thursdays, 11/14 & 11/21 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Instructor: Mary Ratzer, Reference Librarian
If you are ready to upgrade your skills in making the Internet work for you, attend these two sessions. Using what the web insider knows about strategically searching for relevant and useful information, the class personalizes ways to solve problems and get smarter on the web. Shifts in Google and other search engines are updated, along with insight to how they package your search results for their business goals. Alternative search tools and highly authoritative resources, some of which are based in the “Deep Web” are sampled and analyzed.
INTERMEDIATE CLASSES

Copying Pictures from Smart Phone or Tablet to a Windows PC or Device
Friday, Nov. 15 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Bring a smartphone or tablet and their charging wires to connect phone to USB ports. You may also bring a Windows-based PC laptop, an external hard drive, a cloud storage location, or a flash drive as a destination for your images. Learn the difference between manually copying pictures to back them up vs using a backup tool.

NEW! Create a Video with Windows 10 Photo App
Mon. & Tues., Nov. 18 & 19 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
This video creation component allows you to add photos and video, trim video, add titles and music, control timing of each item you include, and also provides ways to save your creation for use and sharing in a variety of modes including for a computer, television, Facebook, and more.

Adobe Photoshop Elements 15 Series
Instructors: Dave Cordts & Kathy Handy
Register for one of these sessions:

Full Edit Mode
Mon. & Tues., Nov. 18 & 19 6:30–8:30 p.m.
This two-session course covers how to use basic photo editing tools including levels, selection tools, including the magic wand to both select, and alter images in greater detail. Focus is mainly on JPG images and familiarization with Photoshop tools.

Layers
Mon. & Tues., Dec. 2 & 3 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Learn a more efficient way to preserve your original images by using a technique with layers to make photo adjustments.

Learn to Use Tinkercad
Monday, Nov. 25 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Learn what 3D printing is all about using a free, browser-based software tool called, “Tinkercad.com” Using Tinkercad, participants create a free account to build their own models online, which can be downloaded and made into a 3-dimensional object such as a keychain or small statue. Arrangements can be made to print creations at a later date for a fee.

ADVANCED CLASSES

Apple iPads & iPhones: Apps in General
Tuesday, Nov. 26 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Instructors: John Manley & Kathy Handy
Learn how to download, use, and delete apps using the Apple App Store. Bring your iPad or iPhone, and your Apple I.D. (email address associated with your device) and its password to fully participate in the session. A discussion of which apps work well and why is included.

Endless Bookshelf:
Advanced Online Tools for Avid Readers
Wednesday, Sept. 18 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Instructor: Trevor Oakley
Increase your ability to research, locate, and acquire digital and print books. We also cover tools allowing readers to track and organize their reading history. Participants should already be comfortable with web browsing, installing apps, and downloading digital books. Please bring any device you use for reading, such as an Apple or Android Tablet, a smartphone, laptop, or any digital reader such as a Kindle Fire.

CLASSES FOR ALL ABILITY LEVELS

Library eBooks for Your eReader One-on-One
Register for one of these sessions:
Thurs., Sept. 26 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 18 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Get one-on-one assistance with downloading library eBooks. Learn the basics of downloading a book from the library system collection as well as how to connect to wifi. Walk-ins are welcome, but preference will be given to those who have registered, and attendance is limited to five people per session.

Fitbit Forum
Monday, Oct. 21 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Learn more about how to manage your Fitbit or comparable device, and sync to Smartphones or Tablets. The class is structured as a forum, so people can share information and learn from each other as well as from the brief presentation and demonstration.
CLASSROOMS FOR ALL ABILITY LEVELS

Computer Crafts:
Make Greeting Cards with Your Photos
Wednesday, Nov. 20 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Instructors: Janice Clark & Kathy Handy
Create greeting cards using your own digital pictures and the library's inkjet printer with free online software and special paper and supplies. Ribbon is included to bundle your creations.

Half-Hour Resume or Job Searching One-on-One
Friday, Oct. 18 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Instructor: Kali Nagler
Informal 30-minute session for you to start, revise, or update your resume. If you have a resume, bring it on paper, a flash drive, or email attachment. Assistance is also provided for job seekers who do not have a resume who can use the session to explore job opportunity websites.

NEW! Smartphone & Digital Camera Photography
Monday, Oct. 28 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Learn the basics, as well as some neat tricks for either device. Camera features, options, menus, resolution, compression, and types of image storage are covered. Students also learn how to get photos from camera to computer, flash drive, or "cloud".

NEW! Photography Enthusiasts Meeting
Tuesdays, 10/29 & 11/26 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Something new at Saratoga Springs Public Library! An informal, monthly program on the last Tuesday of the month (except December) for anyone interested in digital photography.

COMPUTER HELP & PRACTICE SESSIONS
Half-Hour Computer or Device Help One-On-One

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Computer/Device Practice Sessions
Thursday, Sept. 19 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 27 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Practice Times for former beginner, intermediate, and advanced level students. Prerequisite: Must have taken a library computer class or be taking a class to enroll.

LIBRARY HOURS
Monday–Thursday .............................................. 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Friday .................................................................... 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Saturday ........................................................... 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
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SARATOGA ROOM HOURS

Local History Collection
Monday ..................................................................... 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday .................................................................... 5 – 9 p.m.
Wednesday ........................................................... 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Thursday .................................................................. 5 – 9 p.m.
Friday ...................................................................... 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday ................................................................... 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Or by appointment 518-584-7860 ext. 255 or 254
E-mail Saratoga Room Questions: sar-history@sals.edu

TEEN ROOM HOURS
Open to students in grades 7-12
Monday–Thursday .............................................. 2 – 7 p.m.
Friday ...................................................................... 2 – 6 p.m.
Saturday ................................................................... 1 – 5 p.m.

THE FRIENDS BOOK SHOP HOURS
Used Books for Sale, Operated by Friends of Saratoga Springs Public Library. 518-584-7860 ext. 333
Monday–Thursday .............................................. 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
Friday ..................................................................... 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday ................................................................... 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Sunday ..................................................................... 1 – 4 p.m.

BREAD BASKET BAKERY CAFÉ HOURS
Monday–Saturday .................................................. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday ..................................................................... CLOSED

AUTUMN HOLIDAY HOURS
Sept. 2 ................................ Labor Day .................................................... CLOSED
Sept. 13 ................................ Staff Development Day .......................... CLOSED
Oct. 14 ................................ Columbus Day ..................................... Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Nov. 11 ................................ Veterans Day ........................................... CLOSED
Nov. 27 ................................ Thanksgiving Eve ................................. Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Nov. 28 ................................ Thanksgiving Day ................................. CLOSED

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