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Annual Online Auction

The Annual Online Auction is almost here. The Best Friends group of the library have begun their search for donations, and great buys to make this one of the best auctions ever. The auction will run from Nov 24 – Dec 9. If you've never participated in an online auction, there will be volunteers at the library to instruct you on how to place your bids. It's easy, it's fun and you'll be surprised at some of the great buys you might find.

The library needs your help to make our Online Auction a success! Would you consider donating a new item for our auction? Deadline for donations is November 17th.

The Auction will take place at biddingowl.com

Donations can be dropped off at

Ripley Library

64 W. Main St

Ripley, NY

Or call

716-736-3913

Thank you!

Suggested Donations

New items or homemade

Gift cards

Themed baskets

Monetary



Library Board Meeting Wednesday, November 22nd @ 6:30pm
Best Friends Fund Meeting Wednesday, November 1st @ 6:30pm
& Saturday, November 18th @ 12:30pm
PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES & DATES FOR BFF!

Writer's Group
Mondays @ 1pm

Knitting & Crocheting
Tuesdays noon-3:30pm

Sewing Group
Thursdays noon-3pm

Book Club-Noble Winery
1st Sundays 1pm

DIY Story Time
New craft the 1st of the month

Exercise Class
M-W-F @ 10:30am
Th @ 6pm

Ripley Writer's Group

Mondays @ 1pm



*Hold in your hands the book
in your heart.*

We're back! Come join us!

Knitting & Crochet Group meets
Tuesdays, noon until 3:30. All levels
welcome.



Sewing Group meets Thursdays,
noon until 3p.m.

Quilters and sewers of all
levels are welcome.



Noble Book Club



1st Sunday of every month,
1pm, at Noble Winery, Hard-
scrabble Road, Westfield, NY
(subject to change for holidays)

DIY Story Time

Each month a new story and Do-It-
Yourself craft will be available for par-
ents to do with their child.

Arm Chair Exercises Are Back!

Join us for chair exercises, dancing, all
kinds of movement!

Among Friends

At our last Best Friends on October 21st the Friends discussed the following:

The Friends approved the one time expenditure to have the carpets professional cleaned. After that we will look into purchasing a heavy duty carpet cleaner. The Friends also approved a large payment to NuWood to pay off the amount due them for the renovation of the library.

The Friends sponsored Halloween party was a great success! Look for photos in this month's Bookworm. A library cookbook was discussed and tabled for future discussion.

The Vendor/Craft Fair planning is in the works and all table space on the main floor has been reserved. Space is still available on the mezzanine if you know of anyone who may be interested. The Friends will have baked goods and food for sale in the foyer. (We need bakers!) The Fair is Saturday, December 9th during the Christmas in Ripley day.

The Online Auction is coming up fast! Get your donation letters and send them out to prospective donors. Donations should be received by November 17th. The auction takes place on biddingowl.com from November 24th through December 9th. Help is available to log into biddingowl.com at the library.

Some of our members have conflicts with Saturday meetings, so we decided to hold TWO BFF meetings a month! The 1st Wednesday at 6:30pm and the 3rd Saturday at 12:30pm. Hopefully this will give everyone an opportunity to be more involved. You can attend one or both meetings! The library needs the help the Friends provide, both monetarily and man-power (or woman-power), to help keep the library neat and clean.

The next BFF meetings will be: Wednesday, November 1st @ 6:30pm and
Saturday, November 18th @ 12:30pm



Noble Book Club

Sunday, November 5th @ 1pm

Held at Noble Winery, Westfield, NY

We will be discussing

Usher's Passing

By Robert McCammon



*Come join us and
wine a bit...*

Travels in Kenya

With Karin Cockram

Karin Cockram, an occupational therapist in Chautauqua County, is also a church musician and the Gallery director for the Lakeshore Center for the Arts. She was also a Teen Program Specialist for Patterson Library and was former President of the Patterson Society.

In 2022 she took a mission trip to Kenya and was so interested in the people and country, that she made a return trip in 2023 as a volunteer for special needs. She will speak at the Ripley Library on Tuesday, November 21 at 6pm.

Authors Night

Presents

The Reluctant Widow

By Anita Donofrio

Please join us at Ripley Public Library on Tuesday, November 7th at 6pm for a presentation by local writer and 7th Cavalry historian, Annie Donofrio.

"The Reluctant Widow" tells the tragic story of Grace Bernard Harrington, the widow of the 7th Cavalry's Lt. Henry Harrington, who was killed with George Armstrong Custer in the Battle of the Little Bighorn. Since Henry's body was never found, Grace believed her husband was alive and coming home until the days she died.



Nutrition with Molly

Thursday, November 2nd @ 11am

Tuesday, November 14th @ 6pm

Molly Harvey, a SNAP-ED Nutritionist from the Cornell Co-Op Extension, visits the Ripley library twice a month to share recipes that are not only yummy, but healthy and inexpensive.



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DIY STORYTIME

Ripley Library has come up with a new way to entertain your children. Every month the library will have special children's books on display along with a craft they can make. These books and crafts will be available to read and assemble in the library, or you can take them home and do it at your leisure. This program will begin on Nov 1st.



Bottle and Can Collection



The Library has a collection bin in the lobby for returnable cans and bottles. Don't throw out those water bottles and pop cans! Donate them to the library.

Please be sure all bottles and cans are empty before you place them in the bin.



Diamond Art on Tuesdays

from 4:30 til close.



Spend some "me-time" with friends on Tuesday evenings doing Diamond Art projects. Trial size available for free. After that, purchase the kits you like.

Library Cards—Your Passport to Adventure

If you need a library card, come see us and we will help get you into the IN crowd.

Welcome to a world of adventure!



Ripley Library is looking for Local Authors

Ripley Library is looking for local authors who would like to join us for our Local Author's night. We invite published (including self-published) writers to come and speak to our audience, telling us a little bit about yourself and your book. This is generally followed by a Q&A period and a book signing. Call the library now and we'll set up a date. 716-736-3913

Wanted:

Lego pieces and Lego sets

We will gladly accept any used or new Lego items to add to our collection. Please drop them off at the library. Thank you.



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Be a Library Supporter!

Would you like to show your support for the Ripley Public Library in a tangible way? A \$5 per month donation will give you space for a personal message or business card in The Bookworm, letting people know you are helping to make our library great!

You can scan a business card or write a message and send it to:

thebookworm14775@gmail.com and checks can be made to Ripley Public Library, P.O. Box 808, Ripley, NY 14775. Call the library at 716-736-3913 to arrange drop off.

Exercise Classes are Back!

Thanks to the generosity of many people, a new television has been purchased for the library. As a result, low-impact armchair exercises will meet again on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10:30am and Thursdays at 6pm. For those who want a more strenuous workout, additional exercise videos will be available.

Just for Fun from Home Remedies We'd Rather Forget! Please do not try this at home!

When I was a little girl and got an earache, my dad would cup his hand around my ear and blow smoke in. I don't know if it was the smoke or the heat, but it gave instant relief.

Later when I was a secretary, I got such an earache that I asked my boss, a smoker, to blow smoke in my ear, as my dad had. My boss never heard of such a thing and looked at me rather oddly. But he finally did it, and again, I had instant relief!

Barbara Sims

Ripley Public Library Has Become a Safe Place Location

What is a Safe Place Location, you might ask. A Safe Place works with the Safe House out of Jamestown and is part of Chautauqua Opportunities, Inc. This is a program for runaway or homeless youth under the age of 18. If this youth needs help, all they do is enter the facility displaying the yellow sign that reads SAFE PLACE. They let someone in charge know they need help. The person in charge will contact the Safe Place Agency and someone will come out. This counselor will talk with the youth, provide shelter and transportation if necessary.

Stop into the Library for more information or pick up a brochure.



Community Table



The Ripley Public Library welcomes community groups who would like to set up a table in our lobby to promote their business or group. Examples: VFW Poppy sales, Girl Scout cookie sales, as well as distribution of pamphlets or information about your group or activity. The library staff will not be responsible for the manning of these tables, and the table cannot be left unattended. A representative for the table must be present for items to be displayed.



Reservations must be made to establish specific dates and times. There is no cost, it's just our way of giving back to the community. 716-736-3913

1st Annual Library Halloween Party!

Some of the great costumes at the library Halloween Party...sorry to those of you who didn't get included in the photo montage...



New Book List for November 2023

ADULT FICTION

Anthony/Charlotte
Benison/Twelve Drummers Drumming
Blumberg/Righting the Hourglass
Emma/The Amish Bible Story Series: Book 1-3
Escobar/The Swiss Nurse
Frank/The Last Original Wife
Harmel/The Paris Daughter
Heywood/Daughters of Sparta
Hoover/Too Late
Johnson/Johnson
King/Holly
LaBan/Not Perfect
Lewis/The Orchard
Lowe/The Money Club
Macomber/Christmas in Alaska
McFadden/The Coworker
Patterson/23 ½ Lies
Rosenfelt/Deck the Hounds
Santopolo/Everything After
Steel/The High Notes
Strout/Lucy by the Sea
Walker/The Stars Don't Lie

NONFICTION

Ash/Dark, Salt, Clear
Hiser/From Burned out to Beloved
Macintyre/Agent Sonya
Ross/The First of Everything
Varelas/How Money Became Dangerous
Walsch/The Essential Path

YOUNG ADULT

Frazier/The Garden of Second Chances
Hocking/Frostfire
Lapite/Goddess Crown
Walters/Vern: Custodian of the Universe

JUNIOR BOOKS

Downing/The Adventures of the Flash Gang
Holyoke/Skyriders
Sampson/You Can Be a Paleontologist
Soontornvat/Diary of An Ice Princess
Starbuck/Lion Rescue: True-Life Stories
Who Was Series: Who Is Babe Ruth?
Who Was Jacques Cousteau?
What Is the Panama Canal?
What Was Ellis Island?
Where Is Chicken Itza?
Where Is Machu Picchu?
Yu/Get in the Game: Secondary Success

EASY READERS

Barr/The Story of People
Cotner/For Every Little Thing
Joven/Basketball Break
Julian/Ten Twinkly Stars
Nelson/The Night Sky
Numeroff/If You Take a Mouse to The Movies
Robertson/The Perfect Present
Sully/Penguins Can't Fly

MOVIES

Big Daddy
8 Mile
Friends with Benefits
The Scorpion King
Scrooge
Sleepers



Best Friends of the Ripley Public Library

We Need Your Help!

Ripley Library's BFF group (Best Friends Fund) is looking for more members to join us to help with fundraising and program support for our library.

Dues are just \$5 per year. All we ask is that you attend monthly meetings as often as you can, and occasionally help with fundraising events. Funds raised by BFF are used for library equipment and supplies, upgrades, etc.

There are many things to be proud of in Ripley, and our beautiful library is one of those things. Please call 716-736-3913 for more information.

Best Friends of the Ripley Public Library

Ripley Library Best Friends Fund Application

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town/ZIP: _____

Phone Number: (Home) _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

Dues are \$5 annually in January

Print this portion and return it to the library, or pick up a form at the library desk.

Ripley Public Library Mission Statement

The mission of the Ripley Public Library is to promote life-long learning for all community residents, providing unrestricted free access to all printed and recorded material from its own collection as well as that of the Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System. The Library will endeavor to create a community center that provides so much more than information for all of those who ask questions and seek answers.

BEST FRIENDS

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The health of our civilization, the depth of our awareness about the underpinnings of our culture and our concern for the future can all be tested by how well we support our libraries. —
Carl Sagan

Join a Board Meeting

Ripley Public Library Board of Trustees meetings are open to the public. Check the schedule in The Bookworm for times and dates.

New Activities & Classes

Is there an activity or class you'd like to see offered at the library? Can you teach a class or give a talk about a topic? Let the library know if there is something new you'd like to add to the many programs and classes already offered.
716-736-3913

Ripley Public Library Board of Directors Meetings for 2023



Nov 29
Dec 27

Meetings are open to the public, in person or via Zoom, and will be held at 6:30 p.m. Dates and times subject to change.

Ripley Public Library is Open for Business

Mon. Wed. Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tue. Thu. 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please note: all letters and/or emails to the Library and staff **MUST** be signed. Those without a signature will not be recognized. Names will be omitted, to protect privacy, if published.

November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 DIY Story Time; Arm Chair exercise 10:30am; BFF Mtg 6:30pm	2 Nutrition w/ Molly 11am; Sewing noon; Armchair Yoga 6pm	3 Armchair exercise 10:30am	4 Shadow Box Craft 10am
5 Noble Book Club 1pm	6 Armchair exercise 10:30am; Writers 1pm	7 ELECTION DAY; Knitting noon; Diamond Art 4:30; Local Author 6pm	8 Armchair exercise 10:30am	9 Sewing noon; Armchair Yoga 6pm	10 Armchair exercise 10:30am; Closed for Veterans Day	11 VETERANS DAY
12	13 Armchair exercise 10:30am; Writers 1pm	14 Knitting noon; Diamond Art 4:30pm; Nutrition w/ Molly 6pm	15 Armchair exercise 10:30am	16 Sewing noon; Armchair Yoga 6pm	17 Deadline for Online Auction donations; Armchair exercise 10:30am	18 BFF Mtg 12:30pm
19	20 Armchair exercise 10:30am; Writers 1pm	21 Knitting noon; Travels in Kenya 6pm	22 Armchair exercise 10:30am	23 THANKSGIVING	24 Online Auction begins; Library Closed; Town Tree lighting 5:30pm	25 Library Closed; Online Auction
26 Online Auction	27 Online Auction; Armchair exercise 10:30am	28 Online Auction; Knitting noon; Diamond Art 4:30pm	29 Online Auction; Armchair exercise 10:30am; Library Board Mtg 6:30pm	30 Online Auction; Sewing noon; Armchair Yoga 6pm		

Join our Supporters of the Ripley Public Library!

When visiting these businesses or individuals, please thank them for their support of the Ripley Public Library!

We are highlighting some of our great library supporters, as shown by their business cards in The Bookworm.

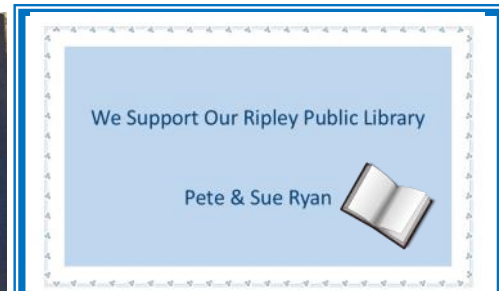
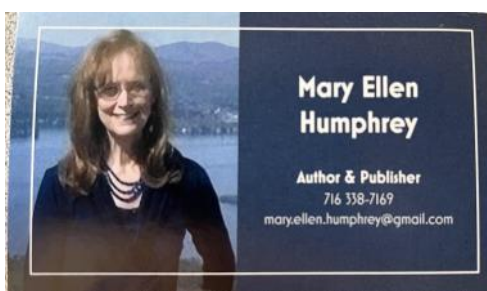
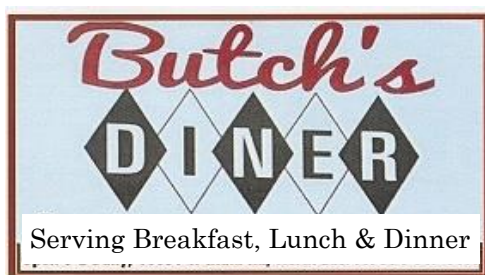
Main Street Pizza is our featured supporter this month.

Sisters Patty Edwards and Nancy Goldstein signed the papers to buy Main Street Pizza the day the world shut down. The Covid-19 pandemic forced many businesses to close their doors for good, but the pizza shop not only stayed open, but has grown beyond their expectations in the last three years.

The shop is busy every day of the week, and any given weekend you'll find the staff at Main Street Pizza rushing even more to fill all the phone-in orders as well as the dine-in customer's orders.

One of the cornerstones of Nancy and Patty's business acumen is their community spirit. They not only provide food for the fire fighters when on a long call, but they donate to school events, the library, and fund raisers for various groups and individuals. Their spirit of giving was instilled in them by their mother, Thelma MacDonald, who herself has donated countless cakes throughout the years.

Thank you Patty and Nancy for being such a vital part of our Ripley community!





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