

Job Seekers series kicks off in April

An upcoming career series at the library is designed to give job seekers the skills and information they need to get their professional lives heading in the right direction. The first program, **Free Resources for Job Seekers**, takes place Wednesday, April 19, with the series continuing into May.

These programs are supported by funds from the New York State Library's Adult Literacy Library Services Program.

⑤ Free Resources for Job Seekers

Wednesday April 19 • 7pm

Learn about free alternatives to office software and where to find resume templates, along with other free resources that can help your application stand out. Presented by Sarah McFadden with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County.

⑤ Art and Science of Getting a Job

Tuesday May 9 • 7pm

Learn the importance of network building and research, and get some tips on working in public service and being prepared for a job offer. Presented by Evelyn Neale, president of Successful Change, Inc. and director of the Colonie Town Library.

⑤ Resume Tools

Wednesday May 10 • 7pm

Tips, tricks and one-on-one help formatting a resume and cover letter. Presented by Sarah McFadden with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County.



Fashion finds

Project Runway: Go Green Edition

The library's popular fashion design and sewing challenge for teens gets a new twist this year: Participants are required to alter discarded clothing or create an outfit using recycled materials.

Teens are invited to design and create an original look over the course of six weeks, culminating in an Earth Day fashion show to highlight their talents.

Sewing machines and a serger will be available at each session, but sewing machine knowledge is not necessary to participate.

Come to as many sessions as you can. Sewing and cutting help will be available. **Signup is required to participate.** Attendance at the March 11 introductory session and the April 22 fashion show is mandatory; if you can't make it but would still like to participate, contact Tori at tori@bplteens.org or 439-9314 ext. 3034.

- Saturday March 11 • 3pm (Intro)
- Friday March 24 • 3:30pm
- Thursday April 6 • 3:30pm
- Wednesday April 19 • 10:30am

● Project Runway Fashion Show

Saturday April 22 • 3pm

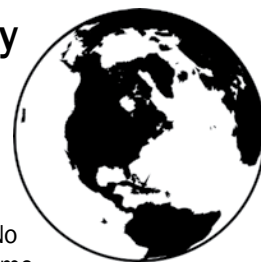
A fashion show and reception marks the end of Project Runway's Go Green challenge. See what styles the teens have created using recycled materials. All ages are welcome!

● World Tai Chi and Qi Gong Day

Saturday April 29 • 10am

The library and the Asian Arts Group Tai Chi Center of Albany invite you to join people all over the world as they gather to practice tai chi and qi gong.

This event will take place on the Green, weather permitting, with the Community Room as a rain location. No experience is necessary, and all ages and abilities are welcome.



Coffee & Conversation returns! See page 4 for details.

The library needs you



Nominating petition forms and informational packets will be available at the library Information Desk beginning February 27 for candidates interested in serving on the Bethlehem Public Library board of trustees. One seat with a term of five years is up for vote, with incumbent trustee Mary Redmond seeking re-election.

Petitions will need at least 52 signatures of voters residing in Central School District No. 6 of the towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. Petitions must be filed with the District Clerk, Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., Delmar by 4:30 p.m. on April 17. A Meet the Candidates Night is scheduled for April 26. The election will be held Tuesday, May 16.

● Meet the Candidates

Wednesday April 26 • 6pm

Stop by and learn more about the candidates running for the library's Board of Trustees.

Listening Parties

Thursdays at 7pm

March 16
Women's History Month Music

groups formed and led by women who wrote and performed their own music

April 20
Erik Satie

French composer influential to jazz, pop and other classical composers

listen to great music, discuss and share your opinions

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Book Discussions

Spring 2017

DayBooks

Mondays • 1:30pm

March 13

The Bishop's Wife
by Mette Ivie Harrison

April 10

The Things We Keep
by Sally Hepworth

May 8

Fates and Furies
by Lauren Groff

June 12

The Illegal
by Lawrence Hill

AfterDinner Books

Wednesdays • 7pm

March 8

Eileen by Ottessa Moshfegh

May 10

Circling the Sun by Paula McLain

AfterDinner Too

Tuesdays • 7pm

April 11

Girl at War: A Novel
by Sara Novic

June 13

The Soul of an Octopus: A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness
by Sy Montgomery

New members welcome. Copies are available at the information desk.

Audio, large print and downloadable copies may be available.

● DayWriters

Mondays • 1:30-3pm

March 27 and April 24

Spend an hour writing with the final half hour for optional sharing and feedback. Open to anyone interested in writing; all abilities and genres are welcome.



A Little Sunday Music

Sundays at 2pm

March 5

Cellist Will Hayes

music by Bartók, Grieg and Brahms, accompanied by piano

sponsored by

Friends of Bethlehem Public Library

Final concert of the season!

📍 How to Use Your New iPad

Thursday March 9

10am-noon or 2-4pm

We'll show you how to use that brand-new iPad. Bring your iPad, cables and your Apple ID and password. Questions? Call Natalie at 439-9314, ext. 3023. Sign up for one session.

📍 Intro to MS Word

Mondays • March 6 and 13

10am-noon



Learn the basics of using Microsoft Word 2010 in this two-session program.

📍 Topics in Microsoft Excel

Monday April 10 • 10am-noon

Take your Excel knowledge to the next level as you learn how to merge an address list onto labels or envelopes, sort and filter your data, and more.



- 📍 sign up online or call
- no sign up necessary

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- Monday March 13 • 6pm
- Monday April 10 • 6pm

friends board

Monday April 17 • 6:30pm

library hours

weekdays 9-9 • Saturdays 10-5
 Sundays 12-5

holiday hours

- April 16 CLOSED Easter

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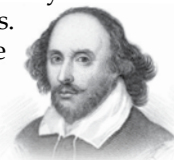
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The Bard abridged

William Shakespeare was a prolific playwright, but you can enjoy his complete works – humorously abbreviated – in one sitting. Gaslight Theater Company of the Capital Region is bringing this popular comedy, which enjoyed a nine-year run at the Criterion Theatre in London, to the library for three performances. The show uses just three actors and some clever parody to tell the Bard’s tales. It’s Shakespeare for fans and neophytes alike.



Gaslight Theater Presents:
‘The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)’

Thursday and Friday, March 30 and 31 • 6:30pm
 Saturday April 1 • 2pm

* Doors will open 15 minutes prior to each performance.



Trivia Night for Adults

Thursday March 2 • 7pm

Have some fun and show off your knowledge as you sign up alone or as a team to match wits with others in a written-answer format! *Prizes donated by the Friends.*

Meaningful Retirement Workshop

Tuesday March 21 at 7-8:30pm



Explore the changing definition of retirement and how to make the transition from full-time work to your life’s next chapter. A presentation and panel discussion will feature experts in the field, including Jon Allen and Audrey Seidman. **Co-sponsored by Town of Bethlehem Senior Services and Community Caregivers Inc.*

Harry Potter Trivia for Adults

Thursday April 13 at 7pm

Test your knowledge and see if you are a wizard or a muggle. Questions will come from all seven books in the series. *Prizes donated by the Friends.*



“Libraries store the energy that fuels the imagination.”

— Sidney Sheldon

NOW PLAYING
showtimes at 2pm
Sunday Cinema
March 12: Arrival
 (Paramount, PG-13, 116 min.)
April 9: The Light Between Oceans
 (Walt Disney Studios, PG-13, 132 min.)
 * titles subject to DVD release dates

Monty Python Appreciation
 Sunday April 30 • 2-3:30pm
 If you’re a fan of Monty Python, come on down to watch some of your favorite sketches and then act them out karaoke-style. Props provided; silly walks encouraged.

sign up online or call
no signup necessary

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

**co-sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc.*

● To Life! Part II – Friday April 7 • 1-3pm

Presenter Richard Feldman returns with more beloved selections from popular American musicals. Celebrate life with songs from Jerome Kern, Cy Coleman, Jerry Herman, Rodgers and Hammerstein and more.

● Theories of Laughter – Friday April 14 • 1-3pm

What makes something funny? Skidmore professor Beck Krefting examines the history, theory and function of laughter using contemporary comedy as a backdrop.

● The Extraordinary Mr. Edison – Friday April 21 • 1-3pm

Elizabeth Lafergola, of SUNY Poly CMOST, will share some slides and artifacts that will illuminate Edison's life and inventions.

● Shakespeare in the Garden – Friday April 28 • 1-3pm

Cathie Gifford, of the Cornell Cooperative Extension, will examine the symbolism and mystic meanings conveyed by Shakespeare's choice of flora in his writing.

● Amelia Earhart and Flight – Friday May 5 • 1-3pm

Learn more about "The Flying Feminist" and world-famous aviator through slides, music and artifacts courtesy of SUNY Poly CMOST. This year marks the 80th anniversary of her disappearance.

● Jia-yi He – Friday May 12 • 1-3pm

This unique musical performer and harmonica virtuoso has played in concerts worldwide, as well as on "America's Got Talent."

● JFK and Camelot – Friday May 19 • 1-3pm

Marking what would have been the 100th birthday of John F. Kennedy, Professor Eric Martell will discuss his presidency and the "Camelot" years.

Hourlong program is followed by a coffee hour featuring beverages and light refreshments.



● Qi Gong

Fridays • 10am

March 17 and April 28

Learn the gentle art that combines physical movement with breathing and intention to promote health and wellness. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Qi Gong is suitable for all abilities.



Family establishes library tech fund

Bethlehem residents Joe and Naomi Storch are committed to making cutting-edge technology available to the community through the library. They recently founded the **Krakower-Storch Family Technology Fund** to help in that area.

The money will be used to purchase items for the collection that use technology to inform, educate or entertain. Over the next five years, the Storch family has pledged to match up to \$1,000 per year of other donations to the fund, which is given in honor of Naomi and Joe's parents and grandparents.

The library is grateful to the Storch family for the establishment of this fund to strengthen and extend our current spending in the area of new technologies for public use. **For more information, contact Library Director Geoffrey Kirkpatrick at 439-9314, ext. 3022.**



Fun and Games for Grownups

Mondays • 6-8:30pm

March 6 and April 3

An adults-only gathering where you can play games, including chess, color and socialize. Snacks served!

● Fingerknitting: Link Scarf

Tuesday March 14 • 6:30-8:30pm

Make a link scarf using your fingers and some yarn. Bring two different skeins of color-coordinated fine, medium or bulky yarn. No experience necessary.



● Knit One, Purl One

Sundays • 2-3pm

March 26 and April 30

If you're an experienced knitter, bring your current project. If you're a beginner, bring size 8 knitting needles; we'll provide yarn and get you started. **For adults, teens and kids age 9 and up.**

- sign up online or call
- no signup necessary

S Sew It Yourself: Drawstring Bag

Monday March 27

2:30-3:30pm or 7-8pm

Bring 1/2 yard of fabric to create a simple drawstring bag for holding knitting or stitching projects and other small items. Basic sewing machine knowledge recommended. Sign up for one session.

S Open Sewing

Mondays • 6-8pm

March 6 and 20

April 3 and 24

The library's sewing machines will be available for independent projects. Bring your own supplies. Volunteers may be available to assist you. Sign up for one or more two-hour sessions.

S Quilting: Striped Table Runner

Thursday March 23 • 6:30-8:30pm

Create a stunning yet simple table runner. Bring at least 1 yard of 100% cotton fabric with a lengthwise striped repeat and 1 yard coordinating fabric for the back. Basic sewing machine knowledge recommended. See events calendar for image. Questions? Call Natalie at 439-9314, ext. 3023.

● Wings and Wonders of the Adirondacks

Wednesday March 29

6:30-8:30pm

Photographer Warren Green will share some of his newest work in digital photography, focusing on birds and other natural wonders of the Adirondacks.

*Co-sponsored by the Audubon Society.



● True Wilderness

Sunday April 23 • 2pm

Multimedia presentation will provide a glimpse of the Adirondacks in all four seasons through the eyes of Erik Schlimmer, author and creator of the 235-mile Trans Adirondack Route.

*Co-sponsored by Friends of the Trans Adirondack Route.

All Ages Poetry Contest

April is National Poetry Month!

Celebrate by trying your hand at writing a poem for our poetry contest. Submissions will be accepted April 1-30. First-place winners in each age group (grades K-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12 and adult) will get a prize and have their poem displayed in the library in May.

● Play with Poetry

Tuesday April 4 • 2-3:30pm

Have fun with unscrambled poetry, magnetic poetry, blackout poetry, book spine poetry and more. Share your favorites in the last half hour.

● Spring Into Service

Friday March 3 • 4-5pm

grade 6-12

Contribute to our community. Create spring-themed crafts for our neighbors at Good Samaritan Village Senior Community.

● Teen Tech Week: Ear Buds & Smart Gloves

Monday March 6 • 6:30-7:30pm

grade 6-12

Add some bling to your ear buds and turn your gloves into smart gloves that will work with your phone's touchscreen. Bring your own gloves and meet in the Teen Area.



● Green Screen for Teens

Thursday April 20 • 2-3pm

grade 6-12

Drop in and try out the library's green screen background. Strike a pose and then superimpose your image on a custom background!

● Teen Poetry Slam

Thursday April 27 • 4-4:45pm

grade 6-12

Perform or read the poem you entered in our poetry writing contest (**more details**) or read one that you love that was written by somebody else, or just come to hear some great poems.



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What's new at the library?

Recently added services and collection items:

- Wi-Fi hotspots
- Virtual reality headsets
- Karaoke machines
- Mango Languages
- Binoculars
- Ozobots



April is National Poetry Month!

Poetry writing contest for all ages.
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● Kids Poetry Slam

Friday April 28 • 4-4:45pm

Perform or read a poem you wrote for our contest or one written by someone else, or just come to hear some great poems.



● Origami Club

Fridays • 3:30pm

March 17 and April 14

Create a project with us, bring something you want to work on, or just brush up on the basics. *For kids and families.*

● Paws to Read

Thursdays • 3:45-4:45pm

March 9 and 23

April 6 and 27

Bring a book and read to a gentle dog who loves stories. *Grade 1-5.*



● Lego Club

Thursdays March 16 & April 13 • 4pm

Wednesday March 22 • 7pm

We supply the Legos; you supply the imagination. Build structures and make friends. *For kids and families.*



● Chess Club

Tuesdays • 6:30-7:30pm

March 7-April 25*

Sign up for one or all sessions and try your hand at chess with our teen volunteers. All experience levels welcome. *For kids in grade K-5.*

* No sessions March 21 and April 11.

- sign up online or call
- no signup necessary

Hatch!

Let's count our chickens before they hatch. And carefully tend to the eggs and learn about chick embryo development, too! You can help us raise a brood of chicks inside the library this spring with guidance from environmental educator George Steele. Once they hatch, our chicks will hang around for a week or so before heading to the farm. *For kids and families.*

● Which Came First?

Saturday April 29 • 2:15pm

Meet a rooster and a hen while learning how an egg incubator works.



● Inside the Egg

Sunday May 7 • 2:15pm

See how our eggs are doing and learn about the embryo development process.

● STEM Challenge: Newspaper Chairs

Tuesday March 28 • 3:45pm (for grade 1-5) —

Make a chair out of newspaper and see if can support your weight.



● LittleBits Build Workshop

Monday April 17 • 2pm (for grade 1-4) —

Make electric circuits that control lights, sounds, movements and more with LittleBits magnetic building blocks.



● Llama Live!

Tuesday April 18 • 10:30am (for kids up to age 6 and families) —

Listen to stories with Teri Conroy and a llama guest from Wunsapana Farm.

● Pokémon Go(es) to the Four Corners

Tuesday April 18 • 2-4pm (for kids and families) —

Meet with your Pokémon Go app ready to play and get free WiFi using the library's mobile hotspots as you walk to the Four Corners looking for Pokémon. *Adults must accompany children*



● Solve a Rubik's Cube

Wednesday April 19 • 2-3:30pm (grade 3 and up) —

Learn to solve the original 3-by-3-by-3 Rubik's cube, the classic 1970s brainteaser. Rubik's cubes will be provided.

● Green Screen Fun

Thursday April 20 • 10-11:30am (all ages) —

Superimpose your image on a funky new background using the library's green screen background and iPads! You can also bring your own cameras and props.

● Vacation Cinema: Moana

Friday April 21 • 10am (for kids and families) —

The box office hit will transport you to a Hawaiian paradise. (PG, 113 min.)

● STEM Challenge: Chenille Towers

Tuesday April 25 • 3:45pm (for grade 1-5) —

Build the highest tower – with some challenges thrown in!



—storytimes and more—

early literacy @ the library

Tiny Sign

Mondays at 9:30am • March 6-May 15*
Songs, stories and play incorporating American Sign Language for children up to age 35 months with caregiver.
*except April 17

Family Sign Storytime

Mondays at 10:30am • March 6-May 15*
Songs, stories and play incorporating American Sign Language for children up to age 6 with family.
*except April 17

Tiny Tots

Tuesdays at 9:30 and 10:30am
March 7-May 16*
Stories, songs and fingerplays for children up to age 35 months with caregiver.
*except April 18

Family Storytime

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9:30am
March 1-May 11*
Stories, songs and activities for children up to age 6 with family.
*except April 19-20

Family Playtime

Wednesdays at 10am • March 1-May 10*
Free play and socialization with toys, blocks, balls and more. Up to age 6 with family.
*except April 19

Just for Me NEW!

Thursdays at 2pm • March 2-May 11*
Children age 3-6 can get ready for kindergarten with a story, song and activity or craft while parents wait at nearby cafe tables.
*except April 20

Time Out for Tales

Saturdays at 11am • March 4-June 24*
Stories and fun for children up to age 6 with family.
*except May 27



Nurture your child's love of books through music, movement and stories while helping to develop their language, motor and social skills!

parents, please note

• All abilities are welcome. • No signup is required, but space is limited and storytimes begin promptly; please arrive early. • When Bethlehem schools are closed or delayed, all storytimes are cancelled.



● Seussabration

Friday March 3 • 10am
Celebrate Dr. Seuss's upcoming birthday with crafts, stories, and more. For kids and families.

Creation Station

Monday-Friday 9:30am-8:30pm
Saturday 10:30am-4:30pm
Sunday 12:30-4:30pm
March 6-12 — *Balloons in the Sky*
April 3-9 — *Spring Wreath*

● Music & Movement

Fridays • 10am
March 10 and April 7
Combining songs, instruments, dancing, learning and fun! **Children age 3-6 attend by themselves in the Story Room, while babies and toddlers attend with a caregiver in the community room.**



● Pajama-Rama

Wednesday April 12 • 7pm
Wear your PJs and bring a stuffed friend to enjoy some fun and stories before bedtime. Up to age 6 with family and friends.



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Library exhibits

March

- Bob Lynk – watercolors
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April

- Bethlehem Central School
District student artists

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Sip and sightsee with Friends

The library Friends are sponsoring a Finger Lakes bus trip and winery tour Saturday, May 13.

The trip will include stops at three wineries in the Finger Lakes region, lunch, and a visit to a cheese shop and Mennonite store. The bus will depart the Delmar Park and Ride at 6:30am and return around 9pm.

Your check is your reservation; there are no refunds unless your seat is sold.

Cost is \$135. For more information, call Elissa Zwiebach at (518) 573-7184.

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