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General Information

Adirondack Memorial Library
93 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
(845) 485-3445
Mon-Thurs: 9 am-9 pm
Fri & Sat: 9 am-5 pm
Sun: 2-5 pm
Parking and easy access off Nason Street.
GPS locator: 22 Nason Street.

Boardman Road Branch Library
141 Boardman Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
(845) 485-3445
Mon-Thurs: 9 am-9 pm
Fri & Sat: 9 am-5 pm
Sun: Closed

Location Key
ARD – Adirondack
BRD – Boardman Road
Friends’ Book Store
141 Boardman Rd, at rear of Library
(845) 485-3445 x 3423
Turn, Thurs, Sat: 10 am-4 pm

Donations: See poklib.org/Your Library

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The Poughkeepsie Public Library District will have vibrant libraries where people want to be. It will meet the needs of a diverse and growing community by providing services and partnering with other community organizations. The Board of Trustees and the staff will work together to serve the public and to respond to the changing nature of library services.

Registration
Most adult programs require registration. When specified, please register at poklib.org/Events/Calendar or (845) 485-3445 x3707.
Most youth programs require registration. When specified, please register at poklib.org/Events/Calendar or (845) 485-3445 x3200.

When registered for a virtual program, you will receive a link via email to access the event.

Some programs are recorded and made available for viewing on the Library District YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/user/poklib01

Cancellation Notifications
There are times when the Library District needs to cancel a program due to weather or presenter/room conflicts. The Library District will post building closings and program cancellations at cancellations.com. Patrons can get immediate email notification of closings and cancellations by registering at cancellations.com.

Photography Policy
The Library often photographs or videotapes programs for use in publicity materials. By being present during these activities, you consent to use of your appearance or likeness without written approval from the photographed subject, parent or legal guardian.

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National Library Week
National Library Week celebrates everything that libraries are – from inspiration to education, personal development to community-building, books to programs, and more. Libraries exist to serve YOU! Stop by April 5–10 and see what’s new.

Scavenger Hunt in the Library
Our Family Scavenger Hunt might surprise and intrigue you…or even win you a prize! Ask at the Circulation Desk at either location for your Scavenger Hunt guide. Pick up a Library Lover coloring page for the youngsters, too! See page 18.

7 Books for the Pandemic: The Power of Literature in Times of Crisis

Tuesday, April 6, 7 pm, Virtual
Throughout history, we have often turned to great writers for their insights in times of crisis. Join New York Times Book Review Editors’ Choice author and Bard College Literature Professor Joseph Luzzi as we discuss how some of the world’s greatest books can stimulate our thoughts and widen our perspectives. We will explore beloved classics – past and present – as we discuss how the challenges of life during a pandemic and even find hope for moving forward. Books discussed will include Boccaccio’s Decameron, Camus’ The Plague, Bronte’s Jane Eyre, as well as works by George Orwell, Margaret Atwood, and more. Registration required.

Getting Started with Libby
Libby by Overdrive is a popular app that provides easy access to thousands of ebooks, audiobooks, and now over 3,000 digital magazines in the library catalog. If you’d like to take advantage of our digital collections but don’t know how to begin, these sessions have you covered! Registration required at http://bit.ly/NGb40R

Session 1: Getting Started
Thursday, April 8, 9-9:30 am, 9:30-10 am, 10-10:30 am
(same information covered at each), Virtual
This virtual session will get you up to speed on everything you need to know about Libby – the one-tap reading app, including finding your library and signing in, navigating the app, browsing and searching for titles, borrowing titles and placing holds, managing holds and notifications, and more.

Session 2: Libby Deep Dive
Thursday, April 8, 10:30-11 am, Virtual
Already familiar with Libby but still have a few questions? Want to learn what new features have been added to the app? Join the OverDrive experts for this virtual Q&A session to get even more out of your library’s digital collection.

Spring Closures
Easter: Sunday, April 4
Memorial Day Weekend: Saturday-Monday, May 29-31

National Library Worker’s Day Salute - April 6
On behalf of the Library District’s Board of Trustees and the greater Poughkeepsie community, I want to thank the hard-working and dedicated staff for the past year’s service. From an abrupt closure on March 16 to a steady and successful reopening beginning on May 26, the staff responded with the utmost professionalism. We are, indeed, fortunate to have such a great workforce. – Dianne Blazeck, President, Board of Trustees
Celebrating our Earth

Vegetable Gardening for Beginners
Select Mondays, 6 pm, Virtual
Please register for each class in the series individually. You will receive an email with log-in instructions. Presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Dutchess County

April 5: Starting a Vegetable Garden
This presentation covers lots of what you need to know when starting a vegetable garden: site selection, variety selection, growing beds, crop rotation, and watering.

April 12: Cool Weather Veggies
Many vegetables grow best in spring and fall. Learn how to grow all types of peas, most leafy greens, and many root vegetables that can be planted as soon as the soil can be worked in spring. Harvest salads by June and enjoy harvesting your fall crop until November!

April 19: Veggies That Need the Heat
Northeastern gardeners have a shorter growing season for hot weather veggies like tomatoes, peppers, beans, squash and cucumbers. Learn how to get the best harvest for each of these veggies, and how to prepare your site, mulch, and water for success.

Series: On Becoming Nature’s Best Hope
Select Wednesdays, 6 pm, Virtual
Inspired by Doug Tallamy’s book Nature’s Best Hope, this series explores practical ways to apply Tallamy’s research and vision to our region and our private properties. Local guest experts will join the discussion. Participate in one event or the entire series. Separate registration required for each event.

April 7: Climate Smart Communities
What is this initiative, which local towns are involved, and how can we support the effort? Guest: Susan Kanes Hecht, Town of Poughkeepsie CSC Task Force.

May 12: How to Plant Native
What plants to select and where to get them. Guest: Peter Munro, Native Landscapes and Garden Center, Pawling

May 26: 30 by 30 Initiative
Learn more about the global effort to preserve 30 percent of the earth’s natural ecosystems by 2030. Guest: Mush Kenfield, Director of Sustainability, Vassar College

Let’s Get Sustainable!
Select Tuesdays, 7 pm, BRD
In this monthly series of programs, we learn to repurpose products to make other more environmentally-friendly products! Registration required.

April 13: Clothespin Flower Pot
Turn an ordinary tuna can into a flowerpot! Please bring a clean tuna can with the label removed. All other materials will be provided.

May 11: Bird Feeder
Turn a milk or juice carton and/or a plastic soda bottle into a bird feeder. Please bring a clean carton or bottle; all other materials will be provided.

June 8: Tin Can Outdoor Lantern
Turn a tin can into a beautiful outdoor luminary. Please bring a clean can with the label removed and all other materials will be provided.

Creating a Garden for Pollinators
Thursday, April 22, 7 pm, Virtual
A “bee-friendly” backyard can support a lot of pollinators and beneficial insects, which can only make your garden more beautiful! Learn how to design your garden to give pollinators the shelter and variety of foods they need, and gain a perspective on the “when, why, and how” of pesticide use. Presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Dutchess County. Registration required.

Walking Club
Please bring water and wear sneakers or walking shoes. Light rain (if it is not too cold) or shine. Registration required.

Walkway Over the Hudson from Poughkeepsie Side
Fridays, April 2-November 19, 10-11:30 am
Park at Parker Avenue parking lot and meet at the entrance to Walkway.

Walkway Over the Hudson to Morgan Lake
Wednesdays, April 7-November 17, 10-11:30 am
Park at Parker Avenue parking lot and meet at the entrance to Walkway.

Hiking Club
Select Sundays, 9 am, weather permitting, subject to change
Interested in hiking but not sure where to go? Join us as we explore some great local hiking spots! Please bring your own water/snacks and wear proper clothing/footwear. Registration required.

April 11: Hackett Hill Park
Please meet in the parking area located at 59 E Market Street, Hyde Park. Hike will be approximately 1 mile with some elevation changes and uneven paths.

May 16: Bowdoin Park
Please meet in the parking area nearest the Main Office at 85 Sheafe Road, Wappingers Falls. Hike will be approximately 2 miles with some elevation changes and uneven paths.

June 6: Red Wing Recreation Area
Please meet at the side-of-the-road parking area located on Velie Road, a left turn off of eastbound Route 55 in Lagrangeville. The nearby address is 120 Velie Road. Look for the trail head on the right side of the road. Hike will be approximately 2.5 miles with some elevation change and uneven paths.

Earth Day in the Park
The Libraries of Dutchess County are celebrating Earth Day (April 22) with seed packet giveaways and a month of programs celebrating our Earth. On Saturday, April 24, Poughkeepsie Public Library District is collaborating with Bowdoin Park in Wappingers Falls for a fun day of fresh air and fun. Rover the Roving Library will be parked at Pavilion #5 in Bowdoin as a hub for some Story Times, owl pellet examination, and a Tree Hugger Nature Hike. See page 19 for more information.

Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads.
– Henry David Thoreau
Books and More

Books and Brew Book Club
Monthly, select Wednesdays, 7 pm, Virtual
Contact Kisa Thompson at (845) 485-3445 or kthompson@poklib.org with questions. Registration required.
April 21: Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic by Alison Bechdel
Cartoonist Bechdel's poignant and funny graphic novel memoir about living in the town's funeral home, coming out to her family, and negotiating shifting family dynamics.

May 19: An American Marriage by Tayari Jones
A study of a promising marriage stressed beyond repair when the young husband is wrongfully imprisoned.

June 16: How to Do Nothing by Jenny Odell
A field guide to dropping out of the attention economy; learning to rethink and guard one's focus and one's wallet.

Graphic Novel Book Club
Select Thursdays, 7 pm, Virtual
Join us for our virtual graphic novel book club for teens and adults! Registration required.
April 15: Redbone: The True Story of a Native American Rock Band by Christian Staebler
Brothers Pat and Lolly Vegas were talented Native American rock musicians that took the 1960s by storm. They influenced The Doors and jammed with Jimmy Hendrix.

May 20: Pulp by Ed Brubaker
Max Winters, a pulp writer in 1930s New York, finds himself drawn into a story with the plot and characters of the mystery thriller he's been writing.

June 16: Y: the Last Man, Vol. 4: Safeword by Brian K. Vaughan
Yorrick Brown is the last human left alive in a world of women. On the run from Amazon extremists, Yorrick's friends leave him in the care of Agent 711, who turns out to be more sinister than expected.

A Virtual Visit with Lemon Andersen in Honor of National Poetry Month
Thursday, April 22, 7 pm, Virtual
Lemon Andersen is a Tony Award-winning playwright, poet, performance artist, youth empowerment activist, brand creative, and television writer. Join us for an evening exploring poetry, the impact of the spoken word, and the importance of libraries to today's youth. Registration required.

Meet Author C.J. Box
Wednesday, April 21, 7 pm, BRD and Virtual
C. J. Box is the New York Times bestselling author of 27 novels including the Joe Pickett series. His most recent work is Dark Sky. He won the Edgar Allan Poe Award for Best Novel in 2009 with Blue Heaven. Box is a Wyoming native and avid outdoorsman who has worked as a ranch hand, surveyor, fishing guide, a small town newspaper reporter and editor. He also owned an international tourism marketing firm with his wife Laurie. He and his wife Laurie live on their small ranch in Wyoming. Registration required.

Meet the Author: William Fietzer
Saturday, June 19, 2:30 pm, ADR
William Fietzer has relocated from Minneapolis to the Hudson Valley with his wife and Norwegian forest cat. Fietzer is the author of occult thrillers that combine the tone and setting of the paranormal with the plot and characters of the mystery thriller to explore what “thin veil of experience” which makes up our inner self and separates it from death and the afterlife. He is the author of Escape from the Immortals series. Registration required.

Explore Writing, Reading, & Poetry
Registration not required.

Exercise Your Writing!
First Sundays, May 2, June 6, 2 pm, ADR
Need some inspiration? Exercise your writing with prompts and group sharing. Please bring a notebook and preferred writing implement.

Write, Write, and Re-Write
Third Sundays, April 17, May 15, June 19, 10 am, ADR
Bring copies of your work(s) in progress and receive feedback from your peers. All genres.

An Evening of Poetry
Monthly, Third Thursdays, 7 pm, ADR
Featured poet followed by open mic.
Registration required.

April 15: Lea Graham and Friends — Lea Graham is the author of two poetry collections and an associate professor of English at Mariet College. She will be accompanied by some of her students in honor of National Poetry Month.
May 20: Gordon Riggs — The Hudson River Valley is the grand and pleasant land Gordon calls home for his drift wood art and prose-inspired poetry.
June 17: Janet Stewart

Poetry Writing Workshop: The Art of Ekphrasis
Saturday, May 8, 10 am, Vassar College, Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center
Come explore the treasures of the Art Center and write poems about the art in your midst. We will spend an hour and a half writing, then gather to read our poems in front of the pieces of art we selected. The Loeb is also home to a beautiful sculpture garden outside. Registration required.

What’s Cooking? A Blog!
The Library District’s cookbook collection is very popular, but we rarely hear about the culinary adventures they inspire. Are you willing to share? How’s that new bread recipe? Has ‘at home’ pandemic time turned you into a vegetarian chef or a sweet desertian?

In her blog post, PPLD reference librarian Bridget O’Donnell shared some sweet memories of family holiday pies that prompted her to bake her own. She says, “In my opinion, Pie Camp provides a good overview with simple instructional pictures for a neophyte like myself. It includes variations on the ‘traditional’ apple pie for the practical novice, pies for those with dietary restrictions (i.e. vegan and gluten free) and more advanced recipes for artisan bakers. Similar to other pie cookbooks, Pie Camp also showcases recipes creatively adapted to fit a variety of pie dishes and includes a guide to dropping out of the attention economy; learning to rethink and guard one’s focus and one’s wallet.

In addition, Deb Weltsch graciously took time out to provide our first cookbook review highlighting Thai-style Coconut Curry with Chicken and Zucchini About The Classic Zucchini Cookbook: 225 Recipes for All Kinds of Squash. Deb says, “Its simplicity and focus on squash as a main ingredient for the recipes was exactly what I was looking for at the time! I also discovered references to the Puddledrums Farm Project in some of the text, which was a delightful surprise.” For the Thai-style curry dish, “I use the ‘lite’ version of the Coconut milk, and I’m sure the full fat version would be even richer and tastier.”

To read the complete blog posts, go to our website and search under Books and More. And please – share your successes, your flops, and photos if you have some! To submit your cookbook or recipe review to be included in our blog, visit bit.ly/PPLD_What___Cooking

If registration is required, see page 2 for details.
Library Galleries

Mary Wojtecki Rotunda Gallery, Adriance
March 30-May 16
Felicidada Dukes: Liquid Art
May 18-July 8
Paul Kmiotek: The Hudson Valley in Ink

Mary Wojtecki Rotunda Gallery, Boardman Road
May 18-June 27
Felicidada Dukes: Liquid Art

Art Connections
ADR: Adriance  BRD: Boardman Road

Dimensions Art, Adriance Display Cases
March 2-April 13
Nicole Jurin: The Jupiter Collection
April 15-May 26
Robert Lechterman: Exploration of Light, Color and Form in Glass
May 28-July 14
Barbara Bravo: Inspired by Nature

Boardman Road Gallery
March 2-May 4
Claudia Gorman: Crows Along the Hudson
May 5-July 6
Les Muldor: Every Mile a Memory

Friends Gallery in the Book Store
April 1-June 3
Nate Ciraulo: Chronicles

Art of Collage
Saturday, April 10, 10 am, ADR
OR Saturday, May 15, 2:30 am, ADR
Learn about Chinese and American collage techniques and make your own masterpiece. Work with different papers and textures. All materials supplied; however, if you have a favorite pair of scissors or an image or a layout in mind that you want to work from or personal pictures, please bring them. Registration required. Please sign up for only one date.

A Younger Matisse at the Met, 1869-1906
Saturday, June 12, 2:30 pm, Virtual
Henri Émile Benoît Matisse (1869-1954), an artist famed for his original use of line and color, compared his artistic development to the growth of a seed. He came by the seed metaphor naturally - he was the son of a seed merchant in a northern French town. This presentation traces the early years of Matisse’s artistic growth using the collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. We will leave Matisse as he becomes a leader of the “Wild Beasts” (whose paintings expressed emotion in wild, often dissonant colors), wishing him well for the remaining 48 years of his career. Registration required.

Virtual Movie Club
Select Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Virtual
Grab some popcorn and your favorite beverage and join us from the comfort of your home. You will need one internet-connected device such as a laptop or tablet with microphone capabilities. Registration required.

April 1: Half Nelson (Rated R)
Dan Dunne (Ryan Gosling) is a history teacher at a Brooklyn school. Though well-liked by his students and colleagues, he secretly spends his evenings hopping bars and getting high.

May 6: The Farewell (Rated PG)
In this funny, uplifting tale based on an actual lie, Chinese-born, U.S.-raised Billi (Awkwafina) reluctantly returns to Changchun to find that, although the whole family knows their beloved matriarch, Nai Nai, has been given mere weeks to live, everyone has decided not to tell Nai Nai herself.

June 3: The Skeleton Twins (Rated R)
Following many years of estrangement, twins Milo (Bill Hader) and Maggie (Kristen Wiig) have an unexpected reunion after a set of near-tragedies. The situation forces them to confront how their lives became so broken.

Take & Make Crafts for Adults
Learn how to up-cycle old book pages with these unique crafts! Most supplies will be provided and links to instructional videos will be sent to registrants. Quantities limited. Registration required. For adults 18 and up.

Book Page Magnolia Wreath
Available for pick-up beginning Monday, June 7, ADR & BRD
Make a “Magnolia leaf” wreath using book pages. You will need your own scissors. Liquid glue is provided, but you may find it easier if you have a hot glue gun.

Bigfoot Sighings in New York and Connecticut
Thursday, April 8, 7 pm, Virtual
The last place you’d think to hear of Bigfoot sightings is New York and Connecticut, right? Actually, New York is fifth in the nation for the most reported sightings, and Connecticut is not far behind. Join paranormal investigator Barry Pirro as he tells stories of local sightings of Bigfoot, and discusses theories about this elusive, hairy beast. Participants will also have a chance to ask Barry questions about his experiences as a ‘ghost hunter’ and share their own Bigfoot sightings. Registration required.

Trivia Tuesdays at Home
Select Tuesdays, 7 pm, Virtual
Join us for trivia from the comfort of your own home.
Registration required. Participants must have two internet-connected devices (laptop, smartphone, etc.).

April 20: Baseball
May 18: Game of Thrones
June 15: Classic Literature

Make Your Own Gift Bags Using Book Pages
Available for pick-up beginning Monday, May 3, ADR & BRD
Make and decorate your own petite gift bags out of book pages – perfect for gift cards, or other small gifts. You will need your own clear tape (like Scotch tape) and scissors.

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Money Smart Week

How to Dramatically Cut Costs in Difficult Times
Saturday, April 10, 2-3 pm, Virtual
Learn to drastically cut costs when investing, buying insurance, cars, and other big-ticket items, or reducing property taxes. Hundreds of money-saving websites will be discussed. Registration required.

Shred Free Day @ Your Library
Friday, April 16, 9-11 am, ADR
Friday, July 16, 9-11 am, BRD
What can I shred? Personal documents with staples, paper clips, binders, record or accounting books, small amounts of discs and CD-ROMs, and credit cards. Thank you to HV Legal Shred. Three bags/boxes maximum per person.

Secrets That Wall Street Does Not Want You to Know
Saturday, April 17, 2-3 pm, Virtual
Learn to invest with or without a financial planner. After this course, you will have the confidence to invest on your own or be able to interview financial planners who work for you. Richard Nathan is a consumer advocate, adjunct professor, and not affiliated with any corporation or financial product. Registration required.

Media Overload? Not Sure Which Messages to Trust?
Thursday, April 8, 7-8:30 pm, Virtual
This Media Literacy 101 workshop briefly touches on facts vs. opinions, bias, satire, propaganda, hoaxes/scams/rumors, advertising, editorial cartoons, how to verify sources, and the importance of being a good digital citizen. Guest presenter Mary Miller is Education Services Director with New York News Publishers Association in Albany. Registration required.

AARP Tax Aid Prep
BRD: Tuesdays, 9 am-3 pm, thru April 13
ADR: Thursdays, 9 am-3:30 pm, thru April 15
Call 211 for appointment.

Defensive Driving
Select Saturdays, April 17, May 8, and June 5, 9:30-3:30 pm, BRD
Completing the course may provide a 10% discount on your auto insurance as well as the elimination of up to 4 points from your NYS license. Cost: $25/person, cash or check. No credit cards accepted. Pay the day of the class. Bring your own lunch. Registration required. Instructor: Staci Cussick.

Knitting Groups
Fiber Friends Stitch & Chit Chat
Thursdays, 6-7:30 pm, Virtual
Stitch Your Heart Out
Fridays, 10 am, BRD
Pick Up Stitches
Saturdays, 10 am, BRD

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Health and Family

Your Health, Your Values: Honoring Your Family’s Wishes for Care
Thursday, April 15, 6 pm, Virtual
Information, resources, and support for immigrant families to help ensure their family member receives medical care that is aligned with their values. The workshop focuses on supporting older adults and their families, but all are welcome. Q & A included. Guest presenters are Tida Beattie and Roshni Karate, consultants for End of Life Choices New York. Tida Beattie is Thai-American and is training to be an eldercare consultant and end of life doula. Roshni Karate is Indian-American and is a palliative care nurse. Registration required through Eventbrite: https://bit.ly/ppkd-values

Keeping Children Safe: Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse
Third Tuesdays, April 20, May 18, June 15, 10-11 am or 5-6 pm, Virtual
Learn the signs a child will show when they are being abused, and what you can do to stop it. Note: this is not the NYS Mandated Reporter training course. Presenters is Rick Keller-Coffey, Community Education Facilitator for the Centers for the Prevention of Child Abuse. Registration required through Eventbrite: https://bit.ly/ppkd-safe
Learn more about the goal to end child abuse: thecpca.org/projectprotect2021/

Narcan Training
April 7, 6-7 pm, Virtual
May 11, 1-2 pm, Virtual
June 9, 6-7 pm, Virtual
The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health offers three one-hour online training sessions (each covers same material) to explain why Narcan works to reverse an opioid overdose, what to do when an opioid overdose is suspected, and how to administer Narcan. While there is no age minimum for the training, only those 18 and older are eligible to receive a free Narcan kit post-training. Kits will be available from Martha Farrell at Adriance Memorial Library. Registration required.

All about Family

Exploring Your Family Tree
Friday, April 16, 3-4:30 pm, Virtual
An introduction to genealogical research. Registration required.

Researching African American Ancestors in Poughkeepsie
Wednesday, June 16, 7 pm, Virtual
African Americans made up 10% of the population of Poughkeepsie in 1790, but we know very little about them prior to 1850 because the early censuses only recorded the names of the heads of households. Additionally, most African Americans didn’t have gravestones or family Bibles; their stories were intertwined with the history of the wealthier families for whom they “worked.” Local genealogist and author Joan dVries Kelley will discuss some of the lesser-known resources specific to researching African Americans in this area that she found useful in her research of an extended African American family that moved to Poughkeepsie during the Civil War. Registration required.

Medicare Options
Saturday, June 5, 10 am, ADR
Get greater clarity on what Medicare is, how and when you should sign up, and why it is important to review your options every year. Learn the differences between Supplemental Plans, Medicare Advantage Plans, and Prescription Drug Plans. Guest presenter is Debora DeLucia, a local Independent Medicare Consultant. Registration required.

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The Psychic Highway: History of the Erie Canal
Thursday, April 1, 11 am, Virtual
Author Michael T. Keene, frequent guest speaker at New York libraries and historical societies, presents a pictorial documentary on the Erie Canal. His book of the same title weaves together the history of the Canal itself with the social, religious, and historical issues of the day. Registration required. Recorded available later as well.

At Home and Abroad

Great Decisions
Select Mondays, 7 pm, BRD
A monthly discussion of world affairs facilitated by scholars. Reading material is available at both libraries for interested patrons. Registration required.

April 12: The Two Koreas
The Korean Peninsula is facing a defining era. Attempts by South Korea and the U.S. to repair the rift between North and South have lost momentum as Pyongyang continues to test long-range missiles for its nuclear weapons program. As the breach between the U.S. and China grows further, South Korea may end up in the middle of the two superpowers. What does the future hold for the U.S.-Korea relationship? Facilitator: Martin Chumiej.

May 10: The Fight over the Melting Arctic
Former U.S. President Donald Trump left many scratching their heads when it was rumored that he was looking to purchase the large island nation of Greenland from Denmark. While any potential deal seems highly unlikely, the event shows the changing opinion within the U.S. government toward engagement with the Arctic region. Because of climate change, large sheets of Arctic ice are melting, exposing vast stores of natural gas and oil. With Russia and China already miles ahead with their Arctic strategies, can the U.S. catch up? Facilitator: Jean-Claude Fourie.

Public Computer Center

The Public Computer Center offers drop-in lab time and free classes to address all your technology needs. Registration required for all classes. All classes are in-person at Adriance, except one lab at Boardman Road.

Personal Assistance

Microsoft Office
These classes are 90 minutes and require participants to complete some online lessons before attending the in-person class at ADR.

Word 101
Monday, April 5, 2:30 pm
Wednesday, April 7, 6:30 pm
Monday, June 14, 2:30 pm
Prerequisite: basic computer skills

Word 102
Monday, April 12, 2:30 pm
Wednesday, April 14, 6:30 pm
Monday, June 21, 2:30 pm
Prerequisite: Word 101 or equivalent

Word 103
Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 pm
Monday, June 28, 2:30 pm
Prerequisite: Word 101 & 102 or equivalent

Excel 101
Saturday, April 17, 1:30 pm
Monday, April 26, 2:30 pm
Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, June 16, 6:30 pm
Prerequisite: basic computer skills

Excel 102
Saturday, April 24, 1:30 pm
Monday, May 9, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, June 23, 6:30 pm
Prerequisite: Excel 101 or equivalent

Excel 103
Monday, May 10, 2:30 pm
Wednesday, May 12, 6:30 pm
Wednesday, June 30, 6:30 pm
Prerequisite: Excel 101 & 102 or equivalent

Technology

3D Printing Services Intro
Tuesday, April 6, 3:30 pm

Creating a Website
Tuesday, May 18, 3:30 pm
Prerequisite: Internet 101 or equivalent

Navigating the Medicare Website
Wednesday, May 26, 9:30 am
Led by staff from the Dutchess County Office for the Aging

The following classes are 90 minutes and require online lessons before attending the in-person class at ADR.

Introduction to Ancestry.com
Saturday, May 15, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: Internet 101 or equivalent

Google Drive & Docs
Saturday, June 19, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: Internet 101 or equivalent

Basics

Classes are 2 hours in-person at ADR.

PC Basics
Tuesday, April 13, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, June 23, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: basic computer skills

Mouse & Keyboard
Tuesday, April 20, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, June 9, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: basic computer skills

Email
Tuesday, April 27, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, June 16, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: basic computer skill

Online Security and Common Scams
Tuesday, May 17, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: Internet 101 or equivalent

Internet 101
Tuesday, May 4, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, June 23, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: basic computer skills

Internet 102
Tuesday, May 11, 3:30 pm
Wednesday, June 30, 1:30 pm
Prerequisite: Internet 101 or equivalent

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Before Jackie Robinson - African Americans in Baseball
Thursday, April 29, 7 pm, Virtual
Arnie Sterok, 20-year supporting member of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, provides a history of baseball within the context of the Negro Leagues. He will discuss prominent players who never got to play in the Major Leagues and prominent Major League players who got their start in the Negro Leagues. Lecture will be followed by Q&A. Registration required.

Local History Presents: Great Houses of the Hudson Valley
Wednesday, May 12, 7 pm, Virtual
This presentation by historian Shannon Butler showcases some of the great houses of the Hudson Valley - those that have stood the test of time, those that are long gone, and some of the great houses of the Hudson Valley - those that have stood the test of time, those that are long gone, and some of the influential people who called these places home. Registration required.

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Sábados de Aventuras a Pie en Sitios Históricos

¡“Basta”, vamos a jugar! Viernes, 30 de abril, 6-7:30 pm, Virtual

Asistencia Tecnológica Individual Martes y jueves, del 13 de abril al 10 de junio, 9-10:30 am, ADR

La Cultura Digital Jueves, 3 de junio, 6-7 pm, ADR Eva Woods Peiró, profesora de Estudios Latinoamericanos de Vassar College, conversa con nosotros acerca de la utilización de los aparatos digitales en nuestra vida cotidiana.

Encuentro de Mujeres: conversando con el género

Sábado, 9:30 am-1:30 pm, ADR Tertulias Literarias y más

Disfruta de uno de los placeres de la vida: la comida. Comparte recetas y la manera de prepararlas, acompañadas de memorias, tradiciones, secretos y consejos propios y heredados. En cada reunión los participantes aportan una receta de su país de origen.

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Asistencia en español para llenar la Solicitud de Información sobre Vacunación del Condado de Dutchess Si usted requiere llenar su formulario para recibir la vacuna, nosotros podemos proveerle asistencia telefónica en español y ayudarlo con el llenado de la Solicitud de Información de Vacunas del Condado de Dutchess. Para recibir asistencia en español, comuníquese con Elva Margarita Corbaton al 845-485-3445 ext. 3321.

Semana Nacional de la Biblioteca

Tertulias Literarias y más Sábado, 9-30 am-12:30 pm, ADR

Programas presenciales y virtuales en español

Información e inscripciones con Elva Margarita al (845) 485-3445 x 3321 o ecorbaton@poklib.org.

Los programas virtuales requieren inscripción previa para obtener el enlace de conexión a Zoom.
Teen programs are at Adriance or Virtual

Take & Make

CRAFTING KITS AVAILABLE! Limit 2 per family, registration required. Pick up materials at Adriance Memorial Library Teen Room on specified Wednesday.

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Vision Board
Envision life without COVID and create your personal vision board with all your dreams, hopes, and memories. Bring photos or we can print them.

May 4:
VR Experience
Try our Virtual Reality headsets to explore national parks or socialize in an arcade room!

May 11:
DIY Personal Calzone
Make your own cheesy calzone with your choice of stuffing here in the library.

Teen programs for ages 12-18 require registration unless otherwise noted. To register, go to poklib.org/programs or call (845) 485-3445 x3320.

Teen Room Hours: Monday-Thursday: 2-8 pm, Friday, Saturday & Sunday: 2-5 pm

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Early Childhood (Birth-Preschool)

The Library District supports early literacy through high-quality programs and resources. We’ll help you find the answers you need as you raise the next generation of citizens. For these programs, children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. For the Spring 2021 session, registration will be required.

Programs at Adriance

Free parking and easy access available from the Noxon Street Parking Lot (GPS Locator: 22 Noxon Street). Story times are weekly series.

Toddler Time

Tuesdays, April 6-May 18, 10:10-10:30 am
A story time for two-year-olds with books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music.

Romp & Read

Wednesdays, April 7-May 19, 10:10-10:30 am
This story time for infants, older babies, and their caregivers features songs, rhymes, bounces, and books, and highlights early literacy development for little ones.

For ages birth-24 months.

PLC-Preschool Learning Center Story Time

Fridays, April 9-May 21, 10:10-10:30 am
Books, flannel board stories, and music for children ages 1-5.

Programs at Boardman Rd

Story times are weekly series.

Preschool Story Time

Mondays, April 5-May 17, 10:10-10:30 am
Stories, songs, action rhymes, and a small craft for 3-5 year olds. Parents and siblings welcome.

Baby Rhyme & Play Time

Tuesdays, April 6-May 18, 10:10-10:30 am
Features songs, rhymes, finger plays, and stories. For birth to 18 months.

Walk & Wiggle

Wednesdays, April 7-May 19, 10:10-10:30 am
This language enrichment program serves as a transitional story time for walkers as they prepare for toddler story times. The program features songs, rhymes, finger plays and stories. For ages 18-24 months.

Toddler Time

Thursdays, April 8-May 20, 10:10-10:30 am
A story time for two-year-olds featuring books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music.

Toot & Scoot

Thursdays, April 8-May 20, 10:10-10:30 am
Movement and music program featuring songs, instruments, rhymes, and interactive play for children ages 1-5.

Songs and Stories: Bilingual Story Time

Mondays, April 5-May 17, 10-10:30 am
Books, flannel board stories, and music enhanced with Spanish vocabulary for ages 2-5.

Canciones y Cuentos

Lunes, 5 de Abril al 17 de Mayo, 10:10-10:30 am
Libros, historias sobre el fieltro para niñas de 2 a 5 años.

PLC-PreSchool Learning Center Story Time

Fridays, April 9-May 21, 10-10:30 am
Books, flannel board stories, and music for children ages 1-5 followed by guided play.

PLC After Hours

Spring Flowers

Wednesday, May 12, 4-4:50 pm
Join us for 30 minutes of story time followed by a take-home spring flower craft. For PreK.

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**Children's Programs**  (Grades K-6)

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**At Adriance**

**International Children’s Book Day Celebration Story Time**
*Tuesday, April 6, 4-4:45 pm*

Since 1967, International Children’s Book Day has been celebrated on or around Hans Christian Andersen’s birthday (April 2) to inspire a love of reading. Listen to a few stories from the Outstanding International Books list and make a craft based on the stories. Grades K-3.

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**What’s Hatching at the Library**
*Thursday, April 8, 4-4:45 pm*

Learn about the journey from egg to chicken and help us hatch our own chicks. Grades K-5.

**Jelly Bean STEM Structures**
*Monday, April 12, 4-4:45 pm*

Build your own jelly bean structures! Grades 1-6.

**DIY Lollipop Bouquet**
*Thursday, April 15, 4-4:45 pm*

Celebrate spring with a colorful and delicious lollipop bouquet! Grades 4-7.

**Celebrate National Poetry Month**
*Tuesday, April 20, 4-4:45 pm*

Celebrate National Poetry Month with some fun poetry activities including acrostics, paint chip poetry, and ice cream poetry. Grades 2-5.

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**Play-Doh World**
*Thursday, April 22, 4-4:45 pm*

Learn about the different layers of our Earth, then make a layered Earth out of play-doh! Grades 2-6.

**STM Racing with Sphero Minis**
*Tuesday, April 27, 4-4:45 pm*

Come try your hand at racing our brand new Sphero Minis! Use an iPad just like a game controller to race your Sphero through our obstacle course and see who comes in first place! Grades 3-6.

**Mexican Folk Art Birds**
*Thursday, April 29, 4-4:45 pm*

In anticipation of the annual Cinco de Mayo celebration (May 5), we’ll be celebrating Mexican culture by sculpting a popular folk art figure. Grades 1-5.

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**Star Wars Day Celebration**
*Thursday, May 4, 4-4:45 pm*

May the 4th be with you! Celebrate Star Wars day by performing Jedi and Sith challenges with us. Character dress-up is encouraged! Grades K-5.

**Glass Gem Sun Catcher**
*Thursday, May 6, 4-4:45 pm*

Here comes the sun! Celebrate spring by making a glass gem sun catcher! Grades K-5.

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**Family Fort Night**
*Thursday, May 13, 5:30-7 pm*

Celebrate National Family Reading Month with local storyteller Lorraine Hartin-Gelardi! Build a blanket fort with the family and enjoy some night-time reading. End the night with a to-go S’mores bar! Come in your favorite PJ’s and bring extra blankets/pillows to spruce up your fort. Grades K-5.

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**At Boardman Road**

**Grass Heads**
*Monday, April 19, 4-4:45 pm*

Make a funny grass head. Grow some real grass for hair and then give it a haircut! Grades 1-6.

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**Earth Day Celebration in the Park!**

**Saturday, April 24, 11 am-3:30 pm, Boardoin Park, Pavilion 5, Wappingers Falls**

Rover the Roving Library will be parked and open for visitors. Stop by and pick up a free seed packet (while supplies last), see the new bookmobile, and meet our mascot Rover!

11 am and 11:30 am: Tree Hugger Story Times

Enjoy some fun nature-themed books in the great outdoors! All ages welcome.

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**Virtual & Take Home Programs**

**Take and Make Craft-A-Palooza**
*Wednesday, April 21, Pickup at ADR and BBD*

Sign up to get your take-home mystery craft bag! All ages.

**Make a Magic Monkey Banana**
*Grades K-3*

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**Battle of the Books is Back!**

Hey kids – do you like reading and trivia games? If so, check out our Battle of the Books program! The Poughkeepsie Public Library District is now recruiting students in grades 5-8 to compete in the Mid-Hudson Library System’s annual Battle of the Books competition, held virtually this year. Our team spends the summer reading six terrific books, practicing book-related trivia for the battle, and having lots of fun! The competition may be intense, but the team enjoys the entire experience!

Battle of the Books is a nationally recognized literature contest in which students answer trivia questions based on specific titles that they have read. Young people are introduced to great literature, build a strong team as they get to know their teammates, and then compete with teams from other local libraries. Tides will be reading in the summer of 2021:

**All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook**
by Leslie Connor

**Awkward** by Svetlana Chmakova

**Blended** by Sharon M. Draper

**Freakabola** by Lana Krumwiede

**The Night Diary** by Veera Hiranandani

**Ungifted** by Gordon Korman

For more information about this program, contact Youth Services Librarian Jolie Hamer-Conroy in the Children’s Room at Adriance Memorial Library at (845) 485-3445 x3364 or jhamer-conroy@poklib.org.
Mystery Mondays:
Exotic Settings

Monthly, select Mondays, 11 am, Virtual
Registration required.

April 26: *A Walk through the Fire*
by Marcia Muller
While investigating sabotage on a movie set in Hawaii, private investigator Sharon McCone discovers a violent world of long-buried family secrets, drug dealing, political machinations, and murder.

May 31: *The Dry*
by Jane Harper
Federal Agent Aaron Falk returns to his boyhood home in the midst of the worst drought Australia has seen in a century. Falk and a local detective investigate the suspicious death of Falk’s friend, uncovering old grudges, lies, and secrets.

June 28: *The Case of the Missing Servant*
by Tarquin Hall
Quirky private investigator Vish Puri relies on disguises and Delhi’s secret network of corrupt Indian bureaucracy to find clues about the missing, and likely dead, maid of a local lawyer.

Hudson Valley History
Reading Festival

Saturday, April 17, 1 pm, Virtual
The Friends are proud to once again sponsor the annual Hudson Valley History Reading Festival, hosted by the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum. The festival is completely virtual this year (Link: youtube.com/FDRLibrary).

Beginning at 1 pm, authors of recently-published books on Hudson Valley history will present talks followed by live Q&A. Signed copies of the authors’ books will be for sale through the Library’s online store: estore.archives.gov/roosevelt. Scheduled authors are:

- **Vincent T. Dacquino** – *Patriot Hero of the Hudson Valley: The Life and Ride of Sybil Ludington*
- **David Levine** – *The Hudson Valley: The First 250 Million Years: A Mostly Chronological and Occasionally Personal History*
- **Judith Linville** – *Reflections: Staatsburg: “Not Just a Place to Live” A Collection of Interviews with Community Members*
- **Anthony P. Musso** – *Hidden Treasures of the Hudson Valley - Volume 3*

New Art Quilt in Our Store!

Betty Bakker, a longtime Friends volunteer, made this fantastic book-themed art quilt for the Book Store. Look for it the next time you are in. Thank you Betty!