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Registration Opens June 26!

Registration starts at 10 am. Most programs require registration. Please register at www.poklib.org ▶ Events ▶ Calendar or (845) 485-3445, x3707 for adult, x3320 for youth, x3321 para español. When registered for a virtual program, you will receive an event link via email. Some programs are recorded and available to view at youtube.com/poklib01.

Upcoming Holiday Closures

Independence Day, Tuesday, July 4
Labor Day, Saturday, September 2 – Monday, September 4

Cancellation Notifications

There are times when the Library District needs to close, cancel, or postpone a program due to weather or presenter/room conflicts. The Library District will post building closures at cancellations.com, where patrons can register for immediate email notifications. Program cancellations and postponements will be posted on EventKeeper at poklib.org/Events. Patrons who are registered for affected programs will be notified of changes by email.

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On the Cover: Young patrons meet a red-footed tortoise last summer during a reptile show at the Boardman Road Branch Library. Photo by Public Information Officer Charlotte Tramontana.

About

Adriance Memorial Library (ADR)
93 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
Mon–Thu: 9 am – 8:30 pm
Fri & Sat: 9 am – 5 pm  Sun: 2–5 pm
Free parking and easy access off Noxon Street
GPS locator: 22 Noxon Street

Boardman Road Branch Library (BRD)
141 Boardman Road
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
Mon–Thu: 9 am – 8:30 pm
Fri & Sat: 9 am – 5 pm  Sun: Closed

Sadie Peterson Delaney African Roots Branch Library (SPD), Family Partnership Center
29 N. Hamilton Street, Room 224
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
We are open during FPC construction!
Mon–Fri: 1 pm – 5 pm
Sat: 10 am – 2 pm  Sun: Closed
Hours may be liable to change; we suggest checking our website before a visit if you’re not sure.

Friends’ Book Store x3423
141 Boardman Road, at rear of Library
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Vision

The Poughkeepsie Public Library District will have vibrant libraries where people want to be. It will meet the needs of a diverse and growing constituency 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.
Oaxaca Week 2023
Tuesday, July 25 - Sunday, August 6
Oaxaca is a land rich in tradition, folklore, music, food, color, and friendly people who live their customs with intensity. Within the context of this celebration, we invite you to take part in our second Oaxaca Week, which will take place across the City of Poughkeepsie, with music, costumes, and food!

The Photography of Eric Mindling
Eric Mindling presents photographs of women from Oaxacan villages showing faces marked by tradition, work and time. They depict the historical importance of their role in their communities. The presentations are bilingual. Admission is free. No registration required.

Convey/or Art Gallery (299 Main Street, Poughkeepsie)
Photograph Display: July 6 - August 10, Monday - Friday, 12-4 pm
Opening Reception: Saturday, July 8, 3-5 pm
Talk: Monday, July 31, 2-4 pm

Greig Farm (227 Pitcher Lane, Red Hook)
Exhibit: July 25 - 30, 10 am - 6 pm
Talk & Reception: Sunday, July 30, 2-4 pm

A Taste of Oaxaca
Saturday, July 29, 1-3:30 pm, Mid-Hudson Library System Auditorium (103 Market Street, Poughkeepsie)
As a preamble to the Guelaguetza Festival, this program presents history, art, music, typical dances, original language and gastronomic tastings by authentic restaurants of the region: La Cabañita de Oaxaca, La Catrina, La Charla and Zaachila Bakery; closing with the presentation of the Goddess Centeotl. If you want to know what the Guelaguetza is and the ancestral meaning it has for Oaxacans, you can’t miss this little taste. Bilingual program. Registration required.

Oaxaca’s Patrimonial Treasure
Thursday, August 3, 6-7:30 pm, Virtual
Lorena García Ricárdez, Specialized Librarian at the National Institute of Anthropology and History in Oaxaca, will give a presentation about the anthropological treasures of Oaxaca, considered by UNESCO to be a world heritage site. This is a Bilingual program. Registration is required to obtain the Zoom link.

La Guelaguetza
Sunday, August 6, 1-7 pm, Waryas Park
Join this celebration of cultural significance for Oaxacans, and for all people who admire Mexican culture. Enjoy dances, music, traditional costumes, food, and community interaction. Admission is free to the public. No registration required.

Informeación en español, siga a la página 17.
Adult Program Survey

This survey focuses on adult programming, with “adult” defined as anyone 18 and older. The Library District offers a variety of programs and classes for adult learners in the following areas:

- **Author Talks**: talks by national, regional, and local authors and are usually accompanied by a book signing
- **Arts & Entertainment**: DIY crafts, cooking demonstrations, music and concerts, artist talks, movies, lectures
- **History & Current Events**: Great Decisions, Local History tours and talks, genealogy
- **Sustainability**: Seed Sowing Center, hikes, gardening, plant swaps, sustainable crafts
- **Health & Wellness**: defensive driving, tai chi classes, financial workshops
- **Books & Writing**: writing groups, book clubs, poetry nights, open mics
- **Public Computer Center**: hands-on technology training on a wide variety of software applications

**Q1: In which of the above have you or an adult family member participated in the last 2-3 years?**

- [ ] Author Talks
- [ ] Arts & Entertainment
- [ ] History & Current Events
- [ ] Sustainability
- [ ] Health & Wellness
- [ ] Books & Writing
- [ ] Public Computer Center

Select the option below which best describes the impact participation had on the adults in your family.

- [ ] Positive
- [ ] No Impact
- [ ] Negative

**Author Talks**

**Arts & Entertainment**

**History & Current Events**

**Sustainability**

**Health & Wellness**

**Books & Writing**

**Public Computer Center**

**Comment:**

**Q2: Do you find that it is easy to register for programs?**

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

If you responded no, please provide some thoughts on what you think would make the process easier.

**Q3: Please rate the quality of the Library District’s programming.**

The quality of programming is consistently:

- [ ] High
- [ ] Inconsistent
- [ ] Not very good

Please note some programs that you thought were good and/or some that could be improved.

**Are programs generally scheduled at a time that is convenient for you?**

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

**Q4: Please provide your demographic information.**

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

**Q5: Finally, please share with us some ideas for programs and classes that you would like the Library District to consider.**

**Thank you for taking the time to respond to our survey!** You can fill it out online at poklib.org/survey or follow the QR code on your mobile device. If you’d like to fill out this paper version, tear off the page and submit the completed survey to the checkout desk at any PPLD location, or mail it to:

Adriance Memorial Library
ATTN: Administration
93 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Para español, visita poklib.org/survey
Big Read 2023

Gathering the community around great books.

Get ready for the 2023 Big Read! This year’s selection, *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown, hits close to home as we explore life along the Hudson River. From sports to ecology to local nostalgia and beyond, join us in October and November for a celebration of our beautiful river and its place in national and global history.

This year’s selections for companion titles (pictured) include *The Boys in the Boat: Young Readers’ Adaptation* by Gregory Mone as the Middle Read for grades 6-12, and *River* by Elisha Cooper as the Little Read for elementary-aged children.

Leading up to a talk with bestselling author Daniel James Brown, join us for thematic programming on regattas and boating on the Hudson, ecological concerns faced by our local environment, historical figures who spent time on the Hudson, and so much more!

Celebrate Frederick Douglass Day

*Saturday, July 29, 12–3 pm, College Hill Park*

Celebrating the African Spirit and the City of Poughkeepsie will host the third annual Frederick Douglass Day. The event will be held on the site of Douglass’s 1858 speech, which was given to an audience of 4,000 people when the US was on the brink of Civil War. There will be performances by local youth under the creative direction of Talent Davis. Music, food, and performances will recognize the importance of Douglass’s speech and celebrate the local persons who were in the audience that day.

Please visit celebratingtheafricanspirit.org for more details. **No registration required.**

Staff Spotlight: Bonny Algozzine

Can you describe your position in your own words?

I am the secretary for the Director, a dedicated nagger that keeps the staff apprised of deadlines, and the unofficial Library Morale Officer, which is a title I just made up. I frequently communicate with library staff and I do my best to keep those messages lighthearted and fun whenever I think I can get away with it. Otherwise, I keep busy doing reports, opening the mail, answering phones, and notarizing documents.

What do you like most about your job?

I enjoy the fact that every day is different. I have the privilege of interacting with an amazing variety of people on a daily basis with the goal of doing my best to make as many of them smile as possible. We all have rough days now and then, but life is too short to have too many of them, and sometimes a smile is all it takes to make someone’s day a little bit better.

Can you share a personal fun fact?

When my kids were younger, I liked to make interesting birthday cakes for them. My favorite was a cake with a 3-dimensional barn, a grassy field with a hill, a hay mound, and horses. However, as I had to inform my children when they got home from school, a terrible accident happened. As I was finishing the cake, a car came speeding into the field and up the hill, launched into the air and landed in the roof of the barn. It was still there, sticking out of the roof of the barn when the kids got home from school. Everything was made out of cake and frosting except for the horses.
Books, Writing, & More

For Writers

Exercise Your Writing
Sundays, July 2, August 6, 2 pm, ADR
Exercise your writing with prompts and group sharing. Please bring a notebook and preferred writing implement. Facilitated by Billy Herman. This program will now be held in the Market Street meeting room. No registration required.

Write, Write, and Rewrite
Saturdays, July 15, August 19, 10 am, Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College (124 Raymond Avenue)
Bring copies of your work(s) in progress and receive feedback from your peers. All genres welcome. We are now meeting at the Lehman Loeb Art Center at Vassar College, upstairs. There is an elevator on the ground floor. No registration required.

An Evening of Poetry
Thursdays, 7 pm, ADR
Featured poet followed by an open mic. No registration required.
July 20: Viviana Hall
August 17: Dr. Silvia Lloyd

Meet the Authors

Miriam Yekutiel
Tuesday, July 11, 7 pm, BRD
Author of Between Two Worlds: A Year in the Life of Riverside Park, NYC. A tale of an unlikely relationship, struggle, self-discovery, forgiveness, and healing. In coming to terms with painful pasts, Hanna and George are able to forge new paths for themselves. Books will be for sale. Registration required.

Dr. Craig W. Fisher
Saturday, July 15, 2:30 pm, BRD
In his new memoir, By the Scruff of My Neck, Dr. Fisher tells a captivating story that explores various situations he and his siblings found themselves in while navigating growing up in a children’s home. Books will be available for sale and signing. Registration required.

Marina Cramer
Thursday, August 31, 7 pm, BRD
Marina will read from her new novel, Marfa’s River. Marfa is a Ukrainian refugee living alone in post-World War II Europe. Marfa’s River explores her psychological impact and trauma, while she learns to navigate the bonds of friendship and entertains the possibility of love. Registration required.

Poetry Writing Workshop: The Art of Ekphrasis
Saturday, July 8, 10 am, Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center, Vassar College (124 Raymond Avenue)
Explore the Lehman Loeb Art Center and write poems about the art in your midst. We will spend an hour and a half writing and then gather to read our poems in front of the pieces we selected. Please bring a notebook and writing implement. Registration required.

Crash Course for the Beginning Novelist
Tuesday, August 8, 5 pm, ADR
We’ll go over tools and techniques, the basic blueprint all stories follow, and offer encouragement to help you get started or restarted. Learn skills applicable to all genres of narrative prose. Teens and adults welcome. Registration required.
Join a book club!

Graphic Novel Book Club
Select Thursdays, 7 pm, Virtual
Teens and adults welcome! **Registration required.**

July 6: **Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands** by Kate Beaton
Katie heads out west to take advantage of Alberta’s oil rush, and encounters the harsh reality of life in the oil sands, where trauma is an everyday occurrence yet is never discussed.

August 10: **Seconds** by Bryan Lee O’Malley
Katie’s got it pretty good. Then, just like that, her life goes from pretty good to not so much. What she needs is a second chance.

Books & Brews Book Club
Select Wednesdays, 7 pm, Juan Murphy’s Pub (796 Main Street, Poughkeepsie)
Contact Kira Thompson at x3350 or kthompson@poklib.org for details. **No registration required.**

July 19: **Never Saw Me Coming** by Vera Kurian
When a student in a study on psychopaths is murdered, a dangerous game of cat and mouse begins, and participant Chloe Sevre goes from hunter to prey.

August 16: **Such a Fun Age** by Kiley Reid
*Such a Fun Age* explores the stickiness of transactional relationships, what it means to make someone family, and the complex reality of being a grown-up.

Tailored Titles
Are you stumped about what to read or watch next? Let the friendly librarians of PPLD suggest your next book or DVD choice with our Tailored Titles service! Simply fill out the online form (found on our homepage under “Books and More”) and we’ll work on recommending five titles that you might be interested in reading or watching.

In the form, we ask a few simple questions about your genre interests, authors or movies you’ve enjoyed or not enjoyed, and if there are any topics you’d like for us to avoid. Once the form is filed, we’ll send you a personalized book or movie recommendation list within one week, along with a link to the library catalog to make it super easy to send in your hold request through your My Account online or over the phone.

Try it out and let us know if our suggestions were helpful!

– **Krista Miller, Librarian**

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Summer Reading Bingo for Adults
**Monday, June 26 - Saturday, August 19**
Why should kids have all the fun?! Pick up your game sheet and follow the prompts, then bring it back to any PPLD check-out desk by Saturday, August 19 to be entered to win a $100 Amazon gift card. Ages 18 and up. Other rules apply. With any questions, please consult the back of your sheet, see the webpage via the QR code or poklib.org/summer-reading, or reach out to Charlotte at x3317 or cmarriott@poklib.org.

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Library Assistant Elva Margarita Corbatón (left) and several patrons meet author Javier Zamora (center) after his talk on his bestselling memoir *Solito* at the Boardman Road Branch Library on April 23.
Heroes On the Air
Thursday, July 20, 7 pm, Virtual
This audio-visual presentation puts the spotlight on those heroes who made their way from comic strips and comic books to radio in the 1930s, including Little Orphan Annie, Dick Tracy and Superman, as well as some legendary heroes who began in radio... and went on to conquer the world. Registration required.

The Marta Knapp Show
Saturday, July 8, 2:30 pm, BRD
Marta Elena Knapp is a singer, songwriter, and composer trained in classical vocal technique and repertoire. In this show, she will showcase original songs. She hopes to help inspire a healthier world. Registration required.

Open Mic
Wednesdays, July 12, August 9, 7 pm, ADR
Share your talent – poetry, music, comedy – or just come and watch! Your hosts are Mary Pazienza and Debora Shon. No registration required.

The ____ Was Better
Select Wednesdays, 2 pm, SPD
We’ll compare and contrast a book and its movie adaptation. Please come to the program having read the book; we’ll watch the movie together, and then discuss. Registration required.

July 19: Ghost World by Daniel Clowes (rated R)
August 16: The Cider House Rules by John Irving (rated PG-13)

Summer Movie Nights
Fridays at dark, 8-10:30 pm, BRD
All ages are welcome! Bring your own chairs, blankets, and snacks. No alcohol permitted. In the event of inclement weather, movies will be moved indoors. Please register to be notified of changes due to weather.

July 28: Homeward Bound (rated G)
August 25: The Sandlot (rated PG)

Instrument Drive
Saturday, August 12, 10 am - 2 pm, BRD
Instruments Inspire, a nonprofit run by Carmel High School students, has donated over a hundred instruments to libraries and individuals across the US since 2022. If you have an instrument that you are not using, please consider donating it to this worthy organization, who in turn will donate it to someone in need. Please drop your instruments off at Boardman Road on the day of the event. No registration required.

Interested in Exhibiting?
Local artists and artisans in any medium, please email exhibits@poklib.org with a few samples of your work.
Registration opens Monday, June 26 at 10 am. If registration is required, see page 2 for details.

**History**

**Marconi Crossing the Atlantic**  
*Thursday, August 3, 7 pm, ADR*  
This presentation will discuss Guglielmo Marconi’s “Crossing the Atlantic” leading to the first wireless signals between Europe (England) and America (Cape Cod) in 1903.  
Presenter Andrew Schmidt, Amateur Radio Operator W2BOS, is an officer of the Mt. Beacon Amateur Radio Club, a member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, and a former American Radio Relay League Assistant Director. *Registration required.*

**Ice Tie-Dye Workshop**  
*Saturday, August 26, 2:30 pm, ADR*  
In this workshop, you will learn how to tie-dye with ice and powder color. This non-traditional tie-dye technique is a fun, easy spin on the old fashioned tie-dye we’ve most commonly seen. Using the ice technique gives you more control over where the colors are placed, how rich the colors can be, and how detailed you want your designs to be. For adults age 18+. All materials will be provided. *Registration required.*

**Sabor latino / Latino Flavor**  
*Saturday, July 15, August 19, 10 am, ADR*  
We will prepare Latin recipes perfect for the whole family to enjoy. Bilingual program. *Registration required.*

**Historic Walking Tours with Shannon Butler**  
Walk through some of Poughkeepsie’s historic places. We’ll visit with some of the most fascinating characters in local history and discuss the places we explore. These will be outdoor events with lots of walking, so please dress accordingly with appropriate footwear. *Registration required per tour.*

**Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery**  
*(342 South Avenue, Poughkeepsie)*  
*Sunday, July 2, Wednesday, July 19, 2-4 pm  
Saturday, August 12, 10 am - 12 pm*  
Meet near the bell tower of Christ Episcopal Church.

**125 Years of Adriance!**  
Join us to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Adriance Memorial Library’s original dedication, which took place in October 1898. We will host a day of fun and honor the long and storied history of our beloved library during the Founders’ Day celebration event on *Saturday, October 21.*
Health & Wellness

Free Tai Chi
Free Tai Chi is a public outreach class offered by Complete Reality Tai Chi to promote the health and spiritual benefits of our practice to our community. Facilitated by Karen Abramson. No registration required; due to demand, please only choose 1 session per week.

Outdoor: Tuesdays until August 29 (except July 4, 18), 7:30 am, BRD
Rain or shine; no meeting Tuesdays, July 4, 18.

Indoor: Fridays, 9:15 am OR 10:30 am, BRD
Space is limited; first come, first served. Doors open at 9:45 am.

Virtual Narcan Training
Tuesdays, July 11, August 15, 6-7 pm, Virtual
The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral & Community Health will offer one-hour online training sessions to explain how/when to administer Narcan. There is no age minimum for the training, but only those 18 + are eligible to receive a free Narcan kit post-training. Kits will be available from Martha Farrell at Adriance. Registration with birth date required.

Housing Law: Know Your Rights
Saturday, July 15, 11 am, ADR
This seminar is for all renters in the community who wish to learn about tenant rights and defenses. Presented by the Hudson Valley Justice Center, a local non-profit organization that provides legal advice to low-income families. No registration required.

Defensive Driving
Saturday, August 5, 9:30 am - 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: $30/person, cash (exact change) or check – no credit cards accepted. Bring your own lunch and pen. Pay the day of the class. The instructor is Staci Cussick. Registration required; each person must register separately.

Share Your Professional Experience with Students
The Library District seeks individuals willing to participate in a 3-hour event on Saturday, September 30 from 1-4 pm in which they will discuss their professional background and career experiences with interested high school students.

The goal of this event is to show students that there is no singular path to success or one specific career to have.

If you are interested in participating, please scan the QR code to view the form or reach out to Anne Messley at x3359 or amessley@poklib.org.

Thank you for your interest in inspiring local students!
Green Living

Beekeeping 101
Thursday, July 13, 6:30 pm, BRD
Join Roslye Geuss, president of the Northern Dutchess Beekeepers Club, as they discuss their journey into beekeeping. Topics covered include basic bee information, how honey is made, and Geuss’ own takeaways of their beekeeping experience. **Registration required.**

Shred Free Day @ Your Library
Friday, July 14, 9-11 am, ADR
Offered by Legal Shred. Paper shredding only. Papers can be in boxes, paper bags, or kitchen-size plastic bags – limit 3 per person. **No registration required.**

Tree ID: Beeches
Beeches (members of the genus *Fagus*) are easily identified by their smooth, silvery bark and glossy leaves. Can you tell different species apart?

**American beech (Fagus grandifolia)**
Native to the American northeast, this tree’s Latin name refers to its large green leaves that are dentate (having a toothed edge that points toward the tip) at the margins.

**European beech (Fagus sylvatica)**
The most popular species, possibly because they are more resistant to beech bark disease, *F. sylvatica*’s leaves are usually smaller than those of its American counterpart, with entire (smooth) margins. It’s often called the “common beech” in its native Europe.

**Copper beech (F. sylvatica purpurea)**
The striking purplish foliage of this variety makes it popular in landscaping. It’s not its own species, but a mutation of *F. sylvatica*. At least 99% of copper beeches are thought to descend from one individual in Germany, which was discovered circa 1690 and was still alive in 1910. Most of their offspring will not express this mutation and will be green.

Take to the skies!

Looking for a summer adventure? Here are two destinations among the 40+ Museums, Attractions and Parks available with your library card through PPLD’s MAP Passes. Folks of all ages will find plenty to enjoy!

In the Adirondacks, you can walk above the treetops at the Wild Center in Tupper Lake, NY. Their elevated trail, known as the Wild Walk, is fully accessible with stunning views of the High Peaks region from 30 feet in the air. The Wild Center is anchored by an award-winning nature museum offering guided canoe trips, live animals, and the Pines Wild Play Area for kids, and more.

This spring, the Wild Center added Birdly, an immersive experience which takes your entire body on a simulated flight using a combination of virtual reality and sensory technology. Consider adding Birdly to your trip for $6 per person, in addition to Wild Center admission with a MAP Pass.

Closer to home, near Red Hook, visit the Rhinebeck Aerodrome and Museum (RAM), America’s first flying museum dedicated to preserving aircraft of the Pioneer, WWI, and Golden ages of aviation. You and your family can enjoy a live Air Show on the weekends from 2-4 pm, now through October 15. The Saturday show is the “History of Flight,” and the Sunday show is their WWI dog fight spectacular. On weekdays, tour 4 hangars of vintage airplanes and automobiles – you might even witness a test flight or speak with the mechanics.

All MAP Pass venues are just a day trip away and offer something for everyone’s delight. Passes are available to library cardholders of the City or Town of Poughkeepsie. Visit poklib.org/map-pass to make reservations. – **Janet Bogenschultz, Contributor**

Pictured: Visitors to the Wild Walk take in vistas from the Eagle’s Nest.
Brain Games for Seniors

Office For the Aging
Thursdays, July 13, 27, August 3, 17, 12:30-2 pm, 114 Delafield Street
Work that muscle in your noggin with us! Enjoy memory games, trivia, learn something, share something, maybe even a song! To reserve a free lunch (served at 11:30 am), please call Cindy at the Office For the Aging at (845) 486-2564, at least 24 hours notice is required (Seniors 60+). Registration required.

Town Senior Center
Tuesdays, July 18, August 1, 15, 10:45 am - 12:15 pm, 14 Abe’s Way
Work that muscle in your noggin with us! Enjoy memory games, trivia, learn something, share something, maybe even a song (Seniors 55+)! Registration required.

Brain Games
Fridays, July 7, 14, August 4, 11, 10 am, ADR
An hour of assorted thinking games in a fun group setting.

Paper Crafting
Thursdays, July 27, August 10, 6:30-8:30 pm, ADR
Work on your paper craft with other paper lovers. You can bring your own project and materials and/or use materials the library will provide. No registration required.

Ukulele Strumalong
Tuesdays, July 25, August 22, 6 pm, BRD
Strum with other ukulele enthusiasts in a fun and relaxed environment! Players of all abilities are welcome; please bring your own ukulele. No registration required.

New Registration Policy Effective September 1:
Due to the number of no-shows at our events, which prevent people from participating, you must respond to the email that you will receive 1 week before the program in question to confirm your intent to attend. Your registration is not complete or valid without this verification. If your plans change after that verification, please deregister.
Music for Everyone

Instruments Inspire is a nonprofit organization run by High School Students of Carmel High School based out of Carmel, New York, and they are holding an instrument drive this summer. Instruments Inspire has donated hundreds of instruments and other music materials to thousands of students nationwide. If you have an instrument in your attic, basement, or closet that you are not using, please consider donating it to this worthy organization, who in turn will donate to someone in need. In order to do your part, you can drop your instruments off at the Boardman Road Branch Library on **Saturday, August 12, from 10 am - 2 pm.** *(For additional details, please see page 8.)*

Special thanks to Kristin Perkins, Adult Programs Coordinator of the Millbrook Library, who alerted local libraries of this nonprofit organization. The Poughkeepsie Public Library District applied for and received two brand new ukuleles and a guitar, which are now available at the Adriance Memorial Library in Poughkeepsie. In order to check-out these items, you must: be 18 or older, a resident of the town or city of Poughkeepsie, have a PPLD library card for at least 6 months, and your card needs to be in good standing (no fines). The loan time is three weeks and is non-renewable.

George Boskovski is the coordinator of Instruments Inspire. He delivered the new instruments to our library at the end of April. George was excited to partner with libraries and happy to have libraries as a repository for instruments for patrons to check out. I asked George how his organization got started, and he shared:

“Our organization was founded by a group of high school students led by Christian Yom, who shares a passion for music and the desire to tear down the financial barriers that prevent many students from pursuing music. We started off sitting in Starbucks every week teaching ourselves how to form a nonprofit organization and figuring out precisely what change we sought to make. Over time, as we began to share our goals of music education equity, more and more community members became interested in supporting our cause and joining our team.

“Since those early days back in Starbucks, we’ve donated hundreds of instruments, partnered with our local 4H Chapter to start a free music education program, hosted musical events with Thai Golden and Pied Piper Youth Theatre, and organized instrument drives throughout the community. Next year, as the members of our core team are all attending college across the country, we all plan to expand Instruments Inspire to our new communities.”

The High School students who founded Instruments Inspire are truly inspirational and we thank them for sharing their time and talents with future musicians through the library!

– Debora Shon, Librarian

Movies Under the Walkway

*Select Saturdays at sundown, Upper Landing Park (83 N. Water Street, Poughkeepsie)*

Free parking at Mid-Hudson Discovery Museum and Metro North. Park opens at 7:30 pm. Movies begin at sundown. Sunshine only. Bring blankets or chairs. Scan the QR code or visit facebook.com/moviesunderthewalkway for more information.

**June 24:** *E. T. the Extra-Terrestrial*  
**July 22:** *Black Panther: Wakanda Forever*  
Kids’ superhero costume day – come dressed as your favorite!  
**August 5:** *The Super Mario Bros. Movie*
Public Computer Center

The Public Computer Center offers drop-in lab time and free classes to address all your technology needs. All events are at Adriance and are 90 minutes unless otherwise noted. Registration is required for all classes.

Personal Assistance  Drop-in; no registration.

Computer Lab
Mondays–Fridays, 11 am – 1 pm
Tuesdays, 6-8 pm, ADR; Thursdays, 1-3 pm, BRD

Masks may be required based on local public health conditions. Receive individualized help addressing your computer-based needs. Specific tasks staff can help with include: learning basic computer skills, creating email accounts, performing job searches, filling out job applications, formatting resumes, filing for unemployment, and creating and editing Microsoft Office documents.

Teen Tech Helpers
Saturdays, 9 am – 1 pm
Students are available to answer tech questions and help you feel more comfortable with your device.

Basics  Select Wednesdays. *Prereq: Basic computer skills

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Technology  *Prereq: Internet 101 or equiv; other prereqs noted as applicable.

| Windows 11       | Tuesday, July 18, 3:30 pm |
| Prerequisite:    | basic computer skills     |
| Navigating the  | Wednesday, July 26, 9:30 am|
| Medicare Website| Wednesday, August 23, 9:30 am|
| Online Security & Common Scams | Tuesday, August 1, 3:30 pm |
| Intro to 3D Printing Services | Tuesday, August 8, 3:30 pm |
| Tinkercad 3D Printing Workshop | Tuesday, August 15, 3:30 pm |
| Intro to Ancestry.com* | Monday, August 21, 3 pm |
| Creating a Website* | Tuesday, August 22, 3:30 pm |
| Google Drive & Docs* | Wednesday, August 30, 6:15 pm |
| Internet 101     | Wednesday, August 9, 1:30 pm | Prereq: basic computer skills |
| Internet 102*    | Wednesday, August 16, 1:30 pm |
| Internet 103     | Wednesday, August 23, 1:30 pm | Prereq: Internet 102 or equiv. |

Testimonials
“Betty was clear about each selling site and explained each one so that we came away with understanding or a better understanding of sales online.” (Intro to Selling Online)

“Super useful for home and work to organize myself better both personally and professionally. Thank you, Tino! I learned so much.” (Excel 101)
Preserving Family Legacy with Ancestry.com

I met my great-great-aunt Leonora when I was 8. She was 90, and died a year later. When my mom, Laura, decided we should visit her in 1999, Leonora’s apartment was full to bursting with the artwork of her late husband Thomas, who had died in 1985, and she didn’t know what to do with it.

Thomas Gaetano LoMedico was an Italian-American sculptor of the Federal Art Project generation whose works include the Medal of Valor awarded by the State of Texas to the Apollo 11 crew in 1970; An American Family, which was exhibited at the 1939 World’s Fair representing MetLife; and Six Early Saints, 10-foot reliefs at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC.

As a child of the ’90s, I was never able to meet Thomas. His work was sold into dozens of private collections upon Leonora’s death, though she had expressed a wish for his legacy to be preserved rather than liquidated. They had no children, so it seemed that all hope was lost to reverse their consignment to historical oblivion. But in 2016, I was inspired to try after encountering a façade featuring my late grandfather, who had modeled for Thomas in his youth, on a Manhattan building.

But where to begin? Thomas’ Wikipedia page is fairly robust, though there were very few images of his work. And I could find no record that Leonora had ever existed at all.

That’s when I turned to Ancestry.com. Using my library card to access the premium version (only available onsite at any PPLD location – visit poklib.org/learn/online-resources-databases), I found articles, records, and more. I learned that Thomas had bequeathed a collection of papers to Syracuse University, and ordered copies of everything. I received photographs of art I hadn’t seen since 1999 (or ever), and used what I learned to track down 8 of Thomas’ medals. Because Ancestry also had Thomas’ obituary, I discovered that both he and Leonora had been active members of their local Tappantown Historical Society in Rockland County. I got in touch with several current members who had known them. My mom and I met them in Tappantown in 2018.

I encourage everyone to give Ancestry a try. It’s designed to meet you at whatever level of knowledge you already have. Maybe you have an ancestor who already intrigues you, or maybe not. You never know what (or who!) you might discover! Genealogy can be a slow process, even for someone whose life is well documented, and you will encounter dead ends. I certainly have. But my wealth of information (and art) will continue to grow over the decades of joyful detective work that I hope are still to come. The amount of information Ancestry offers is astonishing and ever-growing. I am deeply grateful to my library for facilitating my discoveries. – Charlotte Tramontana, Designer

Registration opens Monday, June 26 at 10 am. If registration is required, see page 2 for details.
Programas en español

Información e inscripciones con Elva Margarita al (845) 485-3445 x3321 o ecorbaton@poklib.org.

Asistencia Tecnológica Individual

**Martes y jueves, 6 de julio al 24 de agosto, 9-10:30 am, ADR**

Con la ayuda de un instructor, resuelve dudas de correo electrónico, llenado de formatos en línea, envío de documentos electrónicos, envío de fax, escaneo de documentos y aplicaciones de trabajo. Acceso gratuito a computadoras e impresora del Centro de cómputo. **No se requiere cita ni inscripción.**

Mostrador de Referencia en español

**Martes y jueves 11 am - 1 pm, ADR**

Mostrador con personal bilingüe para consultas de información en general y apoyo con llenado de formas simples, no legales.

Notario en español

**Martes y jueves 11 am - 1 pm, ADR**

Servicio de Notario Público disponible (en inglés y en español) en la Biblioteca Adriance Memorial. No requiere cita, pero si desea confirmar la disponibilidad de nuestros notarios en español puede hablar con Elva Margarita (845) 485-3445 x3349. Debe presentar una identificación con fotografía vigente y firmar el documento en presencia del notario.

La Mesa Comunitaria

**Martes, 11 de julio y 1 de agosto, 2-4 pm, Market Fresh Supermarket (690 Main Street, Poughkeepsie)**

Servicio realizado por Elva Margarita, Sandra y Julee, que brinda asistencia e información en general. ¡Acércate, queremos escucharte y platicar contigo! **La biblioteca está cerrada el 4 de julio.**

Asistencia Tecnológica Individual

**Martes y jueves, 6 de julio al 24 de agosto, 9-10:30 am, ADR**

Contamos con clases de alfabetización, primaria y secundaria para personas de 15 años o más. Las clases de alfabetización ya están abiertas. Las clases de primaria y secundaria inician el 10 de agosto. Dirigido a hispanohablantes. Clases y material gratuitos. Presentar acta de nacimiento e identificación con fotografía. **Inscripción en persona.**

Círculo de tejido y manualidades

**Sábado, 8 y 15 de julio, y 5 y 19 de agosto, 2 - 4 pm, ADR**

Reunión informal de adultos que elabran proyectos personales de tejido, costura, bordado o cualquier manualidad de su gusto. Si estas buscando dedicar tiempo para ti, acércate y conoce nuevos amigos. **No requiere inscripción.**

La Importancia de ahorrar e invertir

**Jueves, 13 de julio, 6 - 7 pm, ADR**

Aprenda con Giselle Castillo de KeyBank sobre la importancia que tiene el ahorro y cómo puede preparar su futuro financiero. **No requiere inscripción.**

Sabor latino / Latino Flavor

**Sábado 15 de julio y 19 de agosto, 10 am - 12 pm, ADR**

Prepararemos recetas latinas para disfrutar con la familia. En este programa se vale hablar español, inglés y spanglish. ¡Todos son bienvenidos! Programa bilingüe. **Requiere inscripción.**
Semana de Oaxaca 2023
Del martes, 25 de julio al domingo, 6 de agosto

Oaxaca, tierra rica en tradiciones, folclore, música, gastronomía; con gente amigable que vive sus costumbres con intensidad. Es un privilegio para la Ciudad de Poughkeepsie ser sede anual de La Guelaguetza, donde oaxaqueños y no oaxaqueños celebran esta colorida fiesta. En el marco de esta celebración, te invitamos a participar en nuestros programas de la segunda Semana de Oaxaca.

Estos programas se realizan en colaboración con la Sra. Ellie Charwat, Grupo Folclórico de Poughkeepsie, Steel Imaginations y el INAH.

La Fotografía de Eric Mindling
Eric Mindling presenta fotografías de mujeres de aldeas oaxaqueñas que muestran rostros marcados por la tradición, el trabajo y el tiempo. Representan la importancia histórica de su papel en sus comunidades. La presentación es bilingüe. Entrada libre. No requiere inscripción.

Convey/er/or Art Gallery (299 Main Street, Poughkeepsie)
Muestra fotográfica: del 6 de julio al 10 de agosto, lunes - viernes, 12-4 pm
Recepción: Sábado, 8 de julio, 3-5 pm
Presentación: Lunes, 31 de julio, 2-4 pm

Greig Farm (227 Pitcher Lane, Red Hook)
Exhibición: del 25 al 30 de julio, 10 am - 6 pm
Presentación y Recepción: Domingo, 30 de julio, 2-4 pm

Una Probadita de Oaxaca
Sábado, 29 de julio, 1-3:30 pm, Mid-Hudson Library System Auditorium (103 Market Street, Poughkeepsie)

Como preámbulo al Festival de la Guelaguetza, este programa presenta historia, arte, música, bailes típicos, lengua original y degustaciones gastronómicas por auténticos restaurantes de la región: La Cabañita de Oaxaca, La Catrina, La Charla y Panadería Zaachila; cerrando con la presentación de la Diosa Centeotl. Si quieres saber qué es la Guelaguetza y el significado ancestral que tiene para los oaxaqueños, no te puedes perder esta probadita. Programa bilingüe. Se requiere inscripción.

El tesoro patrimonial de Oaxaca para el mundo
Jueves, 3 de agosto, 6 pm, virtual

Lorena García Ricárdez, Bibliotecaria Especializada del Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia de Oaxaca, México, realizará una presentación sobre los tesoros antropológicos que posee Oaxaca, que son considerados por la UNESCO como patrimonio de la humanidad. Programa bilingüe. Es necesario inscribirse para obtener el enlace Zoom.

La Guelaguetza
Domingo, 6 de agosto, 1-7 pm, Waryas Park

Celebración con significado cultural para los oaxaqueños y para todas las personas que admiran la cultura mexicana. Oportunidad única para apreciar y disfrutar de bailables, música, atuendos típicos, comida, y convivencia comunitaria. Entrada gratuita. No requiere inscripción.

La inscripción comenzará el lunes, 26 de junio a las 10 am.
Teen
For ages 12-18. **Registration is required unless otherwise noted.** Register at poklib.org or call (845) 485-3445 x3320.

**Summer Reading Program**

**Teen Summer Reading Kick-Off Party**
*Monday, June 26, 1-3 pm, ADR*

Try some juggling and VR in the Teen Room and sign up for the summer reading program. Receive a book tote, reading log, and free book. While supplies last. **No registration required.**

**Teen Summer Reading Program**
Sign up starting Monday, June 26. Return your completed reading log and enter our drawing for gift card prizes. **All reading logs are due by Friday, August 18.** The drawing will take place the week of Monday, August 21; winners will be contacted.

**Teen Tuesdays**
*Select Tuesdays, 2:30-3:45 pm, at Adriance unless indicated; registration required unless indicated.*

- **July 11: One Mural, Many Pieces**
  Help us create a mural by adding your own unique piece to it.

- **July 18: Project Giveback**
  Give back to the community by making dog toys for a local animal shelter.

- **July 25: Tomfoolery Games: Virtual & Hands-On**
  Play games together, such as dueling virtual reality, inside lawn games, board games, and group challenges.

  - **August 1: Music Jam & Karaoke**
    Play our instruments, or bring in your own. Or pick your favorite songs and sing karaoke with friends!

- **August 8: Group Sculpture Building**
  Bring in some small recycled materials and help us create a standing sculpture for the Teen Room. You can also create a small one to take home.

- **August 15: Banana Splits**
  Make your own yummy whipped cream to top your ice cream, chocolate syrup, nuts, and bananas!

**LEGO Builders**
*Tuesdays, July 11, August 15, 5 pm, ADR*

Each month, we’ll meet to build LEGO sets and/or create our own LEGO builds. Try out LEGO Technic, Creator Expert, and LEGO Ideas sets.

**International Movie Night**
*Tuesdays, July 18, August 8, 5:30 pm, ADR*

Watch movies from around the globe!

**Anime/Manga Book Club**
*Wednesdays, July 19, August 16, 5 pm, ADR*

Discuss manga and watch an anime together.

**Intro to Anime**
*Wednesday, July 26, 6 pm, ADR*

We will watch the documentary *Enter the Anime* to learn how anime came to be and hear from prominent artists and filmmakers within the genre.

**Crash Course for the Beginning Novelist**
*Tuesday, August 8, 6 pm, ADR*

Learn skills applicable to all genres of narrative prose. **More details on page 6.**

**Video Gaming**
*Mondays and Thursdays, 3-5 pm, ADR*

Challenge your friends on our Nintendo Switch!

Please use the QR code to view details about our several volunteer positions for community service credit and apply to volunteer.
Early Childhood

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. Registration is not required, except where noted. No programs: Tuesday, July 4.

At Adriance

PLC: Preschool Learning Center Story Time
Mondays, July 10 - August 14, 10-11:15 am
Tuesdays, July 11 - August 15, 10-11:15 am
Wednesdays, July 12 - August 16, 2-3:15 am
Weekly themed stories and music ’n movement followed by sensory art activities and developmentally open-ended play in the several centers in our PLC classroom. Registration required. Please register your child for either a Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday session.

Toddler Time
Tuesdays, July 11 - August 15, 10-10:50 am
A story time for 2-year-olds with books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music, followed by play time.

Baby Time
Wednesdays, July 12 - August 16, 10-10:50 am
We’ll play, sing, read, listen to music, and move to help support the development of your baby’s pre-literacy, social, and motor skills. Come early or stay late to play and socialize! Siblings are welcome. For 0 to 24 months.

Music & Movement
Thursdays, July 13 - August 17, 10-10:50 am
Get ready for a wigglin’, gigglin’, toe tappin’, hand clappin’ time! We’ll dance, sing, play instruments, and end with interactive play. For children ages 2 to 5.

Cozy Story Time
Thursdays, July 13 - August 17, 6:30-7 pm
Put on your PJs and bring a stuffed animal friend! For ages 18 months to 4 years. Siblings welcome.

Sensory Lab
Fridays, July 14 - August 18, 10-10:45 am
Enhance fine motor skills through sensory exploration and play. For ages 18 months to 5 years. Dress for the mess!

At Boardman Road

Preschool Story Time
Mondays, July 10 - August 14, 10-10:30 am
Stories, songs, action rhymes, and small craft for ages 3 to 5. Parents and siblings welcome.

Baby Rhyme & Play Time
Mondays, July 10 - August 14, 11-11:45 am
Features songs, rhymes, finger plays, and stories. For birth to 18 months.

Music & Movement
Tuesday, July 11 - August 15, 2-2:45 pm
Get ready for a wigglin’, gigglin’, toe-tappin’, hand clappin’ time! We’ll dance, sing, play instruments, and end with interactive play. For children ages 2 to 5.

Walk & Wiggle
Wednesdays, July 12 - August 16, 10-10:50 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, fingerplays, and stories, followed by a play time. For ages 18 to 24 months.

Toddler Time
Thursdays, July 13 - August 17, 10-10:30 am
A story time for 2-year-olds featuring books, rhymes, flannel board stories, and music.

Toot & Scoot & Play
Thursdays, July 13 - August 17, 10:40-11:30 am
Movement and music program featuring songs, instruments, rhymes, and interactive play for children that are walkers to age 5.

Learn about our Kindergarten Readiness Stations on page 20!
What’s New for Summer Reading?

**Summer Reading Kick-Off Event**  
*Monday, June 26, 10 am - 12 pm, ADR*  
Celebrate the beginning of summer with us! Pick up your summer reading game packet from Rover (our bookmobile) and enjoy fun party activities. **No registration required.**

**Kindness Rocks!**  
Join us at our Summer Reading Kick-Off Party on Monday, June 26 and paint a rock that has a kind message or inspiring drawing on it to remind others that life is more complete when we’re “All Together!” We will spread kindness by leaving our rocks in the garden outside the library doors. Rocks can be painted at anytime in the Children’s Room at Adriance after the Kick-Off Party until August 18. For children and teens only. **No registration required.**

**Illusionist Leon Etienne**  
*Wednesday, July 12, 11 am, ADR*  
Witness the world’s best illusions, award-winning sleight of hand, and hilarious comedy, in an immersive experience! Leon is allergic to rabbits. **No registration required.**

**Paper Heart Puppets Present Cardboard Explosion**  
*Wednesday, August 9, 10:30 am, ADR*  
Four original stories, brought to life using nothing but cardboard and the power of your imagination. Puppeteer Brad Shur transforms simple cardboard shapes into elaborate puppet characters. **No registration required.**

**Dinosaurs Rock!**  
*Wednesday, August 16, 2 pm, BRD*  
Join us for a fun and educational Jurassic Journey with life-size and genuine dinosaur and fossil museum exhibits. It’s hands-on with a fossil dig and a take-home fossil for each child. Visit DinosaursRock.com for more info. This event will be held outdoors weather permitting, indoors if not. **No registration required.**

**Summer Lunches**  
Adriance Memorial Library, in partnership with the Poughkeepsie City Schools, offers a free weekday lunch to children aged 2-18 from 12-1 pm. Lunch is served in the Cavallaro Room on the Children’s Floor at Adriance. **No registration required.**

**Children’s Readiness Stations**  
Starting in late June, the Children’s Room at Adriance Memorial Library will offer a Kindergarten Readiness Station.

The purpose of this Readiness Station is to support the early literacy development of pre-kindergarten children through station activities. Activities will cover early reading and numeracy as well as social and emotional skills needed for entering kindergarten. New activities will be available each season for patrons to explore.

These activities are intended to be used by children, with their parent/guardian, as part of their visit to the library. Please ask for them at the Children’s Reference Desk or call (845) 485-3445 x3320.
Children

These programs require registration unless otherwise noted. Register at poklib.org/Events or (845) 485-3445 x3320. Please check age appropriateness before registering.

Series at Adriance

Our Neighborhood

Let’s create our neighborhood, all together! Beginning at the Summer Reading Kick-Off Party, pick up a building kit and contribute a building to our miniature neighborhood. Make a bakery, auto shop, apartment building, theater, etc. Our neighborhood will be on display in the Children’s Room at Adriance all summer long. PreK to grade 6. While supplies last. No registration required.

DIY Cardboard Arcade

Thursdays, July 6, 13, 5 pm

Do you love Skee Ball, Whack-a-Mole, or Pinball? If so, come in and design, build and decorate your favorite arcade game from different household items and win a prize at our Crazy Cardboard Arcade! Grades 2-6.

Chess Club for Kids

Tuesdays, July 11, 25, August 8, 6 pm

Learn the basics of chess, play against other kids, practice your skills, or pick up tricks of the trade from your opponents. Play on physical chess sets, or hop on an iPad to play virtually! No formal instruction will be provided. For sessions at Boardman Road, see page 22. No registration required.

Representation Matters Story Time

Saturdays, July 15, 29, August 12, 11 am

This weekly series of story times features stories of children who come from diverse backgrounds. All children and families are welcome to attend. Story times will include music and crafts. For sessions at Boardman Road, see page 22. No registration required.

LEGOS Builders

Mondays, July 17, 31, August 14, 4 pm

Love to work with LEGOS? Then come to the library and work on building a LEGO set or create your own! Grades 3-6.

Reader’s Theatre

Tuesdays, July 18, August 1, 3:30-4:30 pm

Bring stories to life by reading aloud and acting out scripts based on children’s books. Grades 2-6.

Wacky Science Wednesdays

Wednesdays, July 19, August 2, 16, 3:30 pm

Unearth your inner mad scientist learning about the “why” behind the wacky when it comes to science by completing different hands-on experiments over the course of 3 weeks! Grades 3-7. Registration is for all 3 sessions.

New Registration Policy Effective September 1:

Due to the number of no-shows at our events, which prevent people from participating, you must respond to the email that you will receive 1 week before the program in question to confirm your intent to attend. Your registration is not complete or valid without this verification. If your plans change after that verification, please deregister.

Registration opens Monday, June 26 at 10 am. If registration is required, see page 2 for details.
At Adriance
Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.

**Summery Lanterns**  
Tuesday, July 25, 4 pm  
Make a glowing lantern out of tissue paper! Grades 2-6.

**Animal Sculptures**  
Tuesday, August 8, 4 pm  
Build your favorite animal out of clay! Grades 3-6.

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover**  
Wednesday, July 26, 6 pm  
Wear your PJs and bring your favorite stuffed friend and listen to bedtime stories while enjoying a snack. At the end, we’ll tuck our friends in for their nighttime adventure in the library! Ages Pre-K to Grade 4.

At Boardman Road
Registration is required unless otherwise indicated.

**Tubular Tie-Dye!**  
Thursday, July 13, 6 pm  
Cowabunga! It’s time to tie-dye, dudes! Ride the wave of creativity and create your dream tie-dye designs. BYO materials or first come-first served for T-shirts to dye. All ages.

**Chess Club for Kids**  
Select Tuesdays, July 18, August 1, 15, 3 pm  
Learn the basics of the game of chess and play against other kids to practice your skills and pick up tricks of the trade from your opponents. Play on physical chess sets, or hop on an iPad to play virtually! No formal instruction will be provided. For sessions at Adriance, see page 21. No registration is required.

**Make Your Own Spinning Pokémon Pop-Up Card**  
Thursday, July 20, 4 pm  
Wind up Pikachu before you put him in the envelope. Then he pops up and spins when someone opens the card! Grades K-6.

**Representation Matters Story Time Series**  
Saturday, July 22, August 5, 11 am  
It is important for every child to see themselves reflected in the stories they read, and those that are read to them. This weekly series of story times features stories of children who come from diverse backgrounds. All children and families are welcome to attend. Story times will include music and crafts. For sessions at Adriance, see page 21. No registration required.

**LEGO and More: Brick Building**  
Monday, July 24, August 7, 4:30 pm  
Join us for a family LEGO mashup. Build creations out of the library’s collection of bricks. Your project will be photographed and displayed on the library’s social media! All ages welcome, best for ages 5+.

**August 18 is Bad Poetry Day!**  
Did you know that being bad at stuff is kind of a superpower? It’s true! Openness to being bad at things gives us a chance to grow in a new skill. It’s helpful to remember that everyone who is good at something now was new at it once, and made mistakes. Give yourself permission to be bad at something new! Why not write a poem without worrying whether it’s “good enough?” You never know where one “bad” poem might take you.
Registration opens Monday, June 26 at 10 am. If registration is required, see page 2 for details.

Read to the Dogs
Tuesday, July 25, 6-7 pm
Children who need practice reading are partnered with a dog for a 10-15 minute session. The child selects a book to read out loud to a dog, or just spend time with a dog relaxing and learning about dogs as pets. The assistance dogs and handlers are volunteers from Visiting Paws Training School. Grades K-5.

Open Art Studio
Tuesday, August 1, 4-4:50 pm
Choose an art project to work on from a selection of materials. This is a drop-off program, but parents are welcome to wait in the Children's Room. Grades 3-6.

Rock Painting
Monday, August 14, 4-4:45 pm
Come and pick out your rock and paint it any way you like. Create a pet rock, garden marker, kindness stone, or paint a character of your choice. Dress for the mess. Grades K-6.

Make your own friendly and fin-tastic shark!

1. Acquire an empty toilet paper tube. Cut a triangle out at one end, and then another one 180° away. This area will be your shark's mouth.
2. Choose a color for your shark, such as gray or silver (or a pattern, such as this lovely damask, as the case may be), by painting or wrapping the tube.
3. Give your shark some eyes.
4. Give your shark some teeth! Cut the ziggiest, zaggiest paper you can and fit it into the shark's mouth. If it looks like chaos, that's okay! Remember that plenty of sharks have rows and rows of teeth.
5. Your shark needs some fins! I glued on the dorsal (back) and pectoral (arm) fins by making a tiny fold on the end that connects to the shark's body.
6. Make a caudal (tail) fin and attach it by gluing it into the tube.
7. You have a shark! Congrats!
8. If fish should go missing from your fridge at night, eye your new creation suspiciously. Sharks get hungry.

At the Sadie Peterson Delaney African Roots Branch Library

Animal Sculptures
Tuesday, July 11, 4 pm
Build your favorite animal out of clay! Grades 3-6.

Tubular Tie-Dye!
Saturday, July 22, 11 am
Cowabunga! It's time to tie-dye, dudes! Ride the wave of creativity and create your dream tie-dye designs. BYO materials or first come-first served for T-shirts to dye. All ages.

S'more Day STEM
Thursday, August 10, 3 pm
On National S'mores Day, we'll use the sun and some homemade objects to create new ways to make this delicious campfire treat. Grades 2-6.

Summer Bug Scavenger Hunt
Saturday, July 1 - Thursday, August 31
Can you find all 9 bugs hidden inside SPD? No registration required – just grab a sheet!
The Friends of PPLD is an independent entity organized to support the Library District. Visit the Friends’ Book Store: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 10 am – 4 pm. (845) 485-3445 x3423 or on Facebook at PoughkeepsieLibraryBookStore.

**Mystery Mondays Book Club**

*Monthly, select Mondays, 11 am, BRD. Registration required.*

**July 31: The Darkest Evening by Ann Cleeves**
Detective Inspector Vera Stanhope discovers an abandoned car in the snow with an infant inside in Northumberland during a blizzard.

**August 28: Wolf Pack by C. J. Box**
When game warden Joe Pickett discovers a herd of elk being stampeded by a drone, he discovers a cartel is responsible for killing the animals. How will he stop the killers known as the Wolf Pack?

**Save the Date!**

**Adriance Honors**

*Monday, October 16*

**Join us!**

The Friends are continuously looking for new Friends! You too can support the Library District by volunteering at the Book Store.

**Looking for rare books or collectibles?**

Titles listed online are typically older, unique, collectible, or signed by authors. Search for something special, or view the collection by clicking “list this seller’s books” from the left-side menu. Visit bit.ly/Friends_PPLD_AbeBooks