

The Back Page

with Executive Director Angela Gonzalez

LIBRARY BUILDING AND GROUNDS NEWS

Check out the new weathervane on the buggy shed out back. Thanks goes out to the Friends of Penn Yan Public Library for purchasing this appropriate embellishment.

There will be news soon about how the Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning overhaul project is progressing this spring at PYPL. Visit our website and social media sites to find out when we anticipate having to be closed for a few days in order to accommodate having our electricity or heat turned off.

NEW DVDS coming soon

21 Bridges
Bombshell
Charlie's Angels (2019)
Clemency
Color Out of Space
Frozen 2
Spies in Disguise
Uncut Gems
Vienna Blood
The Affair *Final season*
Crashing *Season 3*
Titans
Complete season 1 & 2
Years and Years



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Library Link NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2020

MARCH 2020 EVENTS CALENDAR

CLASSICS IN RELIGION

Mondays, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 11am-12pm
For info on this month's programs, see <https://cobblestonesprings.org/>.

CHIP RING CHALLENGE

Monday, March 2, 3:00-4:00pm
Put your engineering and teamwork skills to the test when you try to build a freestanding ring out of potato chips. No registration is required for this free program, which is for ages 10 to 18 years old. (Any chips that survive the challenge will be available for snacking.)

STORYTIME

Wednesdays, Mar. 4, 11, 18 & 25, 10 or 11 am
Best for children ages 5 years and under, with a caregiver, this storytime helps pre-readers develop the skills that will help them succeed in reading and writing later in life. This is an active storytime full of movement, rhymes, bubbles, parachute games, and more! Older siblings are welcome. Both storytimes are the same; please choose the one that best fits your schedule.

BABY STORYTIME

Thursdays, Mar. 5, 12, 19 & 26, 10:00-10:20 am
You're invited to a special storytime just for the tiniest library patrons! It's never too early to begin to build early literacy skills, so join us for stories, songs, and rhymes. Best for ages 3 and under, with a caregiver.

FAMILY BOARD GAME NIGHT

Friday, Mar. 6, 5:00-7:00pm
Bring the whole family to enjoy one of the library's many board games, or bring one of your own. Healthy snacks will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. No registration is required for this free program.

COMMUNITY READ DISCUSSIONS

Fridays, Mar. 6, 13, 20 & 27, 6:00 - 7:00pm
The Penn Yan Action Coalition sponsors a community-wide read of *The Line Becomes a River*, a

[events calendar continues inside](#)

**CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION:
INFORM YOURSELF**

A new year of civics events aims to lay out how ordinary citizens can take action in our democracy.

This month, join a discussion of the factors that keep us from being reliably informed.

Free & Open to the Public
March 12, 2020 - 6:00-8:00 pm

YOUR PUBLIC LIBRARY:
THE PEOPLE'S UNIVERSITY

**FAMILY
READING
NIGHT**

Be a reading role model and enjoy free pizza, too. Bring the whole family to the library to read together! Drop by any time between 5 and 7pm and find a comfy spot to read. Bring your own books or reading devices, or choose one of our thousands of books for all ages. We can even help you download free books on your tablet or smartphone! Pizza will arrive at 6pm and healthy snacks will be available, too.

Monday, March 30, 5-7:00pm

COMMUNITY READ - MARCH 2020

THE LINE BECOMES A RIVER

BY FRANCISCO CANTU

GET YOUR COPY AT LONG'S CARDS & BOOKS
OR PENN YAN PUBLIC LIBRARY

LIBRARY SERVICES

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- Reference & Research Services
- Early Literacy Education
- Youth Services
- Community Outreach
- Local History & Genealogy
- State-Appointed Public Access Law Library for Yates County
- Books, Magazines, DVDs, Video Games, CDs, Audiobooks, and more
- Programs for All Ages
- Handicap Accessible
- Reservable Meeting Room
- Book Drop
- Bicycle Repair Station
- Copy & Fax Service
- Horse & Buggy Parking
- Tax Forms
- Delivery to the Homebound
- Annual Book Sale
- Friends of the Library Group

MARCH 2020 EVENTS CALENDAR

haunting memoir touching on both sides of the border crisis debate, by Francisco Cantu. If you've been reading along, attend these facilitated discussion sessions for a deeper engagement with the issues and with your fellow community members. The book is available at a special discount price at Long's Cards and Books.

SATURDAY STORYTIME

Saturday, March 7, 9:30-10:00 am

Start your weekend with stories, bubbles, and songs! This storytime is appropriate for all ages, and folks are welcome to stay for Tail Waggin' Tutors at 10am.

TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

Saturday, March 7, 10:00-11:00 am

Reading to a certified therapy dog is a relaxing way to boost literacy skills, plus it's just plain fun! Folks of all ages are invited to read to and/or spend time with these gentle companions.

TODDLER DANCE PARTY

Monday, March 9, 9:30-10:30 am

Put on your dancing shoes and blast out of this world at our popular Toddler Dance Party! Stories, music, games, and more, best for ages 5 and under, with a caregiver. Caregiver participation is encouraged!

OPEN PLAY TIME

Tuesday, March 10, 9:30-11:00 am

Kids 5 and under, bring a grownup to the library and play! There will be toys, puzzles, costumes, instruments, and more! No registration is required for this free program.

GENRE 101: WESTERN

Tuesday, March 10, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Yee haw! Bring your ten-gallon hat as we delve into the wild world of westerns. Bring your spurs and something to write with.

VIVE LA FRANCE CLASSES

Wednesdays, March 11 & 18, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Basic French language classes the second Wednesday of the month; French cultural explorations the

EVERY WEEK

Technology Counseling by appointment

Knit Together Thursdays, 1-3pm

Fridays Unplugged Fridays, 12-7pm

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS

Friends of the Library

Thursday, March 5
4:00pm

Library Board of Trustees

Thursday, March 19
6:30pm

third (no special language skills needed). Please call us at 315-536-6114 if you're interested in either.

BABY CAFE

Thursdays, Mar. 12 & 26, 9:30-11:00 am

Meet with Certified Lactation Counselors and other experts from local health organizations! Bring your questions about breastfeeding, parenting, child development, and so much more. Baby cafe is a great place to meet other new parents, too!

CITIZENSHIP IN ACTION

Thursday, March 12, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Ours is a government "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Live up to our founders' expectations with this series of presentations that demonstrate how you can take an active role in our democracy. This month, join us for an informal discussion of some of the factors limiting our ability to reliably inform ourselves, from news deserts to fake news. Get empowered to act!

ART JAM

Friday, March 13, 10am-2:pm

Try out three different art projects: wax paper stained glass, collage, and penny spinners! This program is for ages 5 to 18. Youth under 10 must have an adult with them. Drop by any time between 10am and noon and stay for as little or as long as you like.

LANGE'S LOCAL CLASSICS

Fridays, March 13 & 20, 1:00 - 2:00(ish) pm

Enjoy history presentations recorded and made available to posterity by Jerry Lange of Dundee. This month: Harriet Tubman and Susan B. Anthony.

COMIC SWAP

Saturday, March 14, 12:30 - 2:30 pm

PYPL invites you to an old-fashioned comic swap! Bring the comics and graphic novels you're done with to trade with other collectors. You never know what treasures might appear. Open to all ages; children should be accompanied by an adult.

TEEN LEADERSHIP CLASS

Monday, March 16, 3:00-4:00pm

INFO TO COME

BLINDFOLDED CANDY TASTE TEST

Tuesday, March 17, 12:30-1:30pm

What do you know about different flavors and how you taste them? How sensitive are your taste buds? Put them to the test with the Blindfolded Candy Taste Test! For youth ages 5 to 10 years old, with a caregiver. No registration is required for this free program.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Tuesday, March 17, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Registration is required. To register for a class call 800.272.3900.

FAMILY RESEARCH SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, March 17, 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Bring your questions and experiences to this gathering of fellow family history explorers. You could learn something new about navigating your family tree, or—better yet—you might teach someone a new technique. We're joined this month by Lisa Harper of the Yates County History Center.

AG LITERACY WEEK EVENT

Wednesday, March 18, 4:00-4:30pm

This year Agriculture Literacy Week takes place March 16-20. Volunteer readers will be visiting with youth serving organizations to discuss agriculture and read the book *Right this Very Minute*, highlighting what farmers do every day to put food on our tables.

APPLE USER SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday, March 19, 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Are you a Mac user with questions about getting the most out of your devices? Bring them to this self-directed information-sharing session where you can trade tips and expertise with fellow Apple aficionados.

KEUKA WRITES WORKSHOP

Saturday, March 21, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Share your work with Keuka Writes and its community of local writers for feedback! Email a copy of your piece to aandrasik@pypl.org by 3/18. Depending on the number of participants, you may receive a packet of writing to review for your thoughts ahead of the session.

TABLE DE CONVERSATION

Saturday, March 21, 5:00 - 6:00 pm at Water Street Wine Bar, 130 Water Street

Parlez-vous français? Join a basic conversation circle for beginner to moderate French speakers. Free and open to all.

TEEN BOOK FEST BOOK CLUB

Monday, March 23, 3:30-4:30pm

Get excited for Teen Book Fest 2020 (May 16 in Rochester) by reading books by authors who will be at the festival! Read whatever book(s) you like from any of the authors listed at <https://www.teen-bookfest.org/authors/> and come to the book club prepared to discuss what you read--and enjoy snacks and time spent with friends. This informal

book club is for folks ages 12 to 18 years old.

TECH TOPICS: FIGHTING FAKE NEWS

Wednesday, March 25, 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Election season is upon us again, and it is essential that each of us becomes a savvy consumer of news media. Learn what to do before you click "share" and what to watch for to verify that the news you consume is accurate. This is the number one most important skill for 21st-century citizens to develop. No registration is necessary for this free event.

FAMILY MOVIE MATINEE

Saturday, March 28, 10:00am-12:00pm

Please contact the library for specific title information.

PALM OF THE HAND MEMOIRS

Saturday, March 28, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Join a group of writers in practicing local writer Michael Czarnecki's popular memoir method, which helps distill a formidable project—telling the story of your life—into a focused and attainable process. All are welcome to participate, and no sign-up is required.

FAMILY READING NIGHT

Monday, March 30, 5:00-7:00pm

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GOURMET GRILLED CHEESE

Tuesday, March 31, 2:30-4:30pm

Design and cook the ultimate grilled cheese. All supplies will be provided and no registration is required for this free program for ages 10 to 18 years.

GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, March 31, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Join us for quarterly explorations of the American experience, as told through a uniquely American artform - the graphic novel. Each session will cover three works dealing with a particular theme; read any of the books you wish and then take part in a discussion about how these topics were addressed through the graphic medium. This month, we explore the civil rights era through the eyes of iconic activist and legislator John Lewis via his three-part graphic memoir, *March*. See Alex about reserving copies, or call 315.536.6114.