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Newsletter of the New City Library  
Winter 2018/19

**BUDGET VOTE & TRUSTEE ELECTION:**  
**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12 • 9 AM – 9 PM (Snow date: Dec. 19)**

## *Winter is Coming*

You don't have to be a Game of Thrones fan to sense the ominous tones wafting off that sentence. Less daylight, colder temps, hazardous driving conditions, snow, layers of bulky clothing, winter weight gain ... yikes! Who would blame you if you ran away to escape the impending gray days and long nights?

Sure, that suggestion might sound a bit flippant. Most of us have family, social, or work obligations that prevent us from just impulsively jetting off to more pleasant places whenever we are facing bleak weather or the daily doldrums. But getting away is not as difficult as you might think. Try reading.

Reading is the ultimate escape: no luggage to pack, no money to spend, no new clothes to buy, no new language to learn, etc. Simply crack open a book and within minutes you are transported to another place, another time, another life. With every turn of the page, you are further away from daily demands and the sometimes wearying experience of your 21st-century existence.

Think of librarians as your travel agents. Describe to them where you would like to go and they will confidently make arrangements by recommending titles that will take you there. Do you want to meet interesting people? Do you want to visit a faraway land unlike your own? Do you want to be entertained by masterful language or intriguing plots? Do you want to learn something new? Just like real-life

travel, we all have personal proclivities that guide us in our selection of reading destinations. Our librarians are well-practiced in the art of helping you discover them, but they can also suggest other points of interest you may have overlooked.

If you're someone who prefers group travel, why not join one of our book groups? Sometimes having fellow travelers enhances your journey because you are exposed to other perspectives that deepen your appreciation of the experience. We have book groups that focus on fiction, non-fiction, mysteries, speculative fiction, local history, even cookbooks. Look further inside this newsletter and see which titles our book groups will be reading this winter. Maybe you'll find one that will compel you to share the trip with others.

One last thing before you embark on your reading journeys: please be sure to stop by the library on Wednesday, Dec. 12, anytime between 9 AM and 9 PM, to vote on our annual budget. Your dedicated library trustees continue to maintain their commitment to sound fiscal management by producing a budget within the state-mandated 2 percent tax levy limit. Details may be found on our website or in the library at the public service desks.

Now hit the road (I mean the pages) and enjoy a little getaway!

— Marianne Gallagher, Director



### **WINTER READING CLUB • Jan. 2 – Feb. 5**

This year's theme will be *Cozy Crafts*. Look inside for a listing of creative classes that will add color and warmth to the drab winter season. Come in to find a great book, then fill in a review bookmark to earn a weekly prize and be entered in our raffle!

# BUDGET VOTE & TRUSTEE ELECTION:

Wednesday, Dec. 12 • 9 AM – 9 PM (Snow date: Dec. 19)

## Budget Vote

Registered voters residing in the Clarkstown Central School District may vote on the combined New City/West Nyack Library proposed fiscal-year-2020 budget. If you have not voted in an annual or special election in the last four calendar years, please register at the District Clerk's office weekdays from 8:30 AM until 3:30 PM through Dec. 5. Call 639-6455 for further registration information.

The annual budget referendum being put forth by the New City Library Board has a proposed 2 percent tax levy increase. This modest increase reflects our commitment to controlling spending while still

offering superior library service.

**The budget hearing will be at the West Nyack Library on Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 7 PM.**

## Trustee Election

Three positions on our nine-member board are open. Registered voters residing in the service area of the library are eligible to vote. Candidates' information is available at the library or on our website. The trustee election is held in a room separate from the budget vote.

Applications for absentee ballots will be available Nov. 19 through Dec. 11 at the library and on our website. For more information on voting by absentee ballot contact Kelly Corrado at 634-4997, ext. 112.

## WHERE TO VOTE?

Areas 1, 2 and 3 of the school district vote at New City Library, and Area 4 votes at West Nyack Library. If you are unsure where to vote, visit <https://tinyurl.com/rocklandpoll>.

## Winter Reading Club is Back!

This year's theme will be *Cozy Crafts*.

Let's create our own warmth this winter by making bath bombs, decorative luminaries and succulent terrariums. Try your hand at mosaic sticker art and learn to paint birch trees and owls. You can also knit or crochet strips for our yarn bombing project.

All the while, you can read and review to win weekly prizes and be entered in our raffle drawing. This year's basket will also be craft themed to give you a good start on a creative spring!

Review bookmarks will be available at the adult reference desk starting Jan. 2. You can submit as many reviews as you want; each review is a single raffle ticket. You can also get bonus entries by attending any of our adult crafting programs. The raffle will be drawn at our Annual Baking Competition on Tuesday, Feb. 5 (Snow Date: Thursday, Feb. 7).

## By Hook or by Needle! Yarn Bombing at the Library

A warm and fuzzy type of graffiti, yarn bombing has taken off across the world. Creative spirits have decorated public spaces from the famous Wall Street bull to the common parking meter with festive fiber arts.

To participate, knit or crochet a 6" by 12" strip in any

yarn you'd like and bring it to the adult reference desk. If you prefer to create with friends, join one of our knitting/crochet groups that meet on Mondays 1 – 3 PM or the first and fourth Thursdays of the month at 7 PM.

Come spring, we will piece the the strips together to cover our concrete orbs in the parking lot in a colorful riot to celebrate the return of warm weather (hopefully!). If you have questions, you can write to: [newcityyarnbombing@gmail.com](mailto:newcityyarnbombing@gmail.com).



## 4th Annual Baking Competition Tuesday, Feb. 5, 7 PM

(Snow date: Thursday, Feb. 7)  
Enter the competition, or volunteer to be one of our judges! Contestants will bring their entries (sliced up for easy tasting) and receive an entry

number. Everyone in attendance will get three tickets to drop in the jars of their favorite entries. The entry with the most tickets will win. Prizes will be awarded and delicious food will be shared.

**If you would like to enter the contest, call 634-4997, ext. 139, starting Jan. 22. If you would like to be a judge, call the same number starting Jan. 28.**

# December

## **CONCERT: Broadway & Hollywood Saturday, Dec. 1, 2 PM**

The Florian Schantz Jazz Combo performs classic anthems and lively show tunes from the golden era of American theater and movies. **Limited seating: first come, first served.**

## **Poets Look At War from World War I to the Iraq War Tuesday, Dec. 4, 3 PM**

Honor the 100th anniversary of the armistice that ended World War I by exploring the poetry of soldiers, both male and female. Educator Alice Twombly will look at how their attitudes and feelings changed from the time they began serving until their participation ended.

## **Planting a Seed for Health Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2 PM**

Marlene Stefanelli, manager of New City Body & Brain Yoga, talks about how to get fired up about the possibilities of a long and happy life by tapping into your own ever-evolving vitality, mental agility and passion.

## **Gluten-Free Holiday Guide Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7 PM**

Blogger Danielle Addimandi shares tips, recipes and a food sampling geared towards enjoying the season despite dietary limitations. **Registration required.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

## **Individual Career Counseling Thursday, Dec. 6, 6 – 8 PM**

Counselor Eileen Grimm will offer individualized advice during private 30-minute sessions. **Currently registering.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

### **CALLING ALL ARTISTS!**

Patrons are invited to submit artwork to be considered for our community wall exhibit in April. We welcome any work that is display ready, including, but not limited to, paintings, drawings, photographs, needlework or quilting. **Deadline for submissions is March 1. For more information call 634-4997, ext. 139.**

## **CREATIVE CLASSES**

### **Adult Paint-by Sticker & Coloring**

**Friday, Dec. 7, 11 AM**

**Monday, Jan. 7, 1 PM**

**Wednesday, Feb. 6, 10 AM**

Try out the latest popular art craft or relax with the tried-and-true method of coloring! All materials supplied. Light refreshments. **No registration necessary.**

### **Adult Paint Workshop: Owl Landscape Monday, Dec. 10, 10 – 11:30 AM**

Owls are amazing nocturnal creatures that have inspired many artists. Learn about the artist James John Audubon with an instructor from Art Kids Academy, as you create your own owl design using oils and pastels. An extra half-hour of studio time has been added to the class.

**Registration is required starting Dec. 3.**

Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

### **Luminaries**

**Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2 PM**

Create a beautiful, seasonal candle holder by using a flameless LED candle, seasonal napkins, and a glass jar. **No registration required.**

### **Garden Arts: Succulent Terrariums Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2 PM**

Learn about these interesting varieties of low maintenance plants that are easy to grow and care for. Then design your planter with glass beads, garden rocks, dried mosses and more. All materials will be supplied.

**Registration is required starting Dec. 19.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

### **Adult Paint Workshop: Birch Landscape Wednesday, Jan. 23, 10 – 11:30 AM**

Take a look at some of the amazing folk artwork of Grandma Moses with an instructor from Art Kids Academy. Then, using birch trees as your inspiration, create a winter landscape painting in watercolors. An extra half hour of studio time has been added to this class. **Registration is required starting Jan. 9.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

### **Bath Bombs**

**Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2 PM**

Make your own scented, moisturizing, fizzing experience that will enhance any hot bath on a chilly winter's night. **Registration is required starting Jan. 15.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

# January

## ***The Best Worst Tank & the Ship That Wasn't***

**Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2 PM**

Author Paul Mitura, an Army officer with over 30 years of service, shares his book about historic military topics.

## **How to Jumpstart Your Business**

**Wednesday, Jan. 9, 7 PM**

Life coach Natasha Nurse returns to discuss business organizations, logistical planning, mindset tips, social media and marketing, as well as available resources for small businesses.

## **Cheeses of the World**

**Tuesday, Jan. 15, 6:30 PM**

Chef Nate Gross will bring five distinct cheeses and talk about their origins and flavoring processes. Learn what best to pair with each to enhance their tastes. Samples will be provided. **Registration is required starting Jan. 2.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

## **CONCERT: Mitchell's Mellow Madness**

**Sunday, Jan. 13, 2 PM**

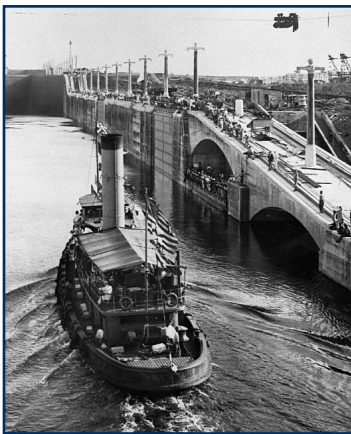
This talented, local group of experienced professionals plays beautiful, upbeat and creative jazz in many styles including swing and Latin. Led by Mitch Shedlarz.

**Registration is required starting Jan. 2.**

Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

## **Building the Panama Canal: 1880-1914**

**Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2 PM**



The Spanish thought about it. The French drew plans for it. In the end though, it took a revolution, technology, money, determination and grit to complete the Panama Canal. On this unique journey, learn about the epic struggle to carve a nautical shortcut from

one ocean to another. Examine the canal's construction and its impact on world history, commerce and medicine.

## **Genealogy Society: Current Research Issues**

**Tuesday, Jan. 22, 7 PM**

Watch a lecture from the National Genealogical Society's Family History Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

## **Defensive Driving**

**Saturday, Jan. 26, 9 AM – 3:30 PM**

The American Safety Institute offers this one-day course for drivers of all ages. The cost is \$30 per person.

**Registration is required, starting Jan. 14.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

### **LOCAL HISTORY**

## **The Nyack Record Shop Project**

**Monday, Jan. 7, 7 PM**

Author and artist Bill Batson will share highlights from the Nyack Record Shop Project, an oral history project in which organizers collected spoken stories from the African American community for a week. The original portion of the project was launched last January. This winter, a new round of oral histories is being collected as the archive continues to grow.

## **Hudson Valley Homicide**

**Monday, Jan. 14, 7 PM**

Local author and investigator Linda Zimmermann presents some of the Hudson Valley's chilling true-crime stories.



## **A History of the Rockland County Courthouse**

**Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2 PM**

The Honorable Alfred J. Weiner will discuss this important institution and its significance for New City and the county.

**Thursday Afternoon at the Movies • Every Week at 2 PM**

# Technology @ Your Library

Unless otherwise noted, for all technology classes register online or call 634-4997, ext. 139, beginning one week prior to the class.

## Overdrive eBook and Digital Library Help Monday, Dec. 3, 11 AM Thursday, Jan. 10, 10 AM Saturday, Feb. 16, 10 AM

Drop in anytime during this two-hour session for help with downloading eBooks from Overdrive and accessing digital content, including streaming media, from your library.

## Social Qs: Facebook Privacy Settings Monday, Dec. 3, 2 – 3 PM

Who can see my profile and my photos? Can I make my profile private? How do I change the audience for my statuses? Get answers to these questions and more as we explore privacy settings on Facebook in this hands-on class. *Attendees must have an activated account and should be comfortable Facebook users.*

## Open Hours Maker Space Wednesdays, Dec. 5 – Feb. 27, 6 – 8 PM

Come try our 3D printer, take a self-guided coding course, tinker with circuits in our mini-maker space, or come share your makerspace work with fellow makers. No registration needed.

## Introduction to Microsoft Office Word Monday, Dec. 10, 7 PM

## Introduction to Circuitry Thursday, Dec. 13, 2 – 3 PM

Learn the beginnings of circuitry using Tinkercad.com.

## Introduction to Coding Friday, Dec. 28, 2 – 3 PM Monday, Jan. 28, 7 – 8 PM Thursday, Feb. 28, 7 – 8 PM

Learn about the different resources available to teach yourself to code and get started in this class.

## New City Codes: Scratch Thursdays, Jan. 3 – Feb. 28, 3:30 – 4:30 PM

A coding group to develop knowledge in the language of Scratch. Learn the block-based programming language at your own pace with Scratch, developed by MIT. Great for teens and beginners. Come to one or all classes.

## 3D Design for Beginners Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2 – 3 PM Thursday, Feb. 21, 7 – 8 PM

A walk-through demonstration on designing 3D objects.

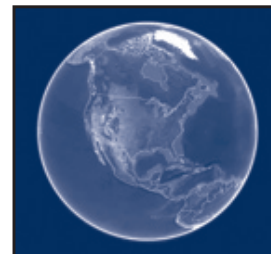
## iPads for Beginners Wednesdays, Jan. 9 – 30 11 AM – 12:30 PM

This four-week, hands-on workshop for beginners will teach you the basics of using your iPad. From receiving email to sending photos, we've got you covered. You must be able to attend all four classes and bring your own iPads. Register online or call 634-4997, ext. 139 starting Dec. 19.

## Introduction to Microsoft Office PowerPoint Monday, Jan. 14, 7 PM

## What is Microsoft Office? Thursday, Jan. 31, 10 AM

Get a hands on orientation to the program suite that includes Word, Powerpoint, and Excel. .



## Meet Google Earth Wednesday, Feb. 6, 7 PM

In this hands-on class, explore the globe and go sightseeing right from your desk! Learn about Google's free and fun map software.

## Social Q's: Using Facebook Pages Tuesday, Feb. 19, 7 – 8 PM

Facebook Pages allow businesses and organizations to maintain a professional presence on Facebook. Learn more about what they are and how to use them in this hands-on class. *Attendees must have an activated account and should be comfortable Facebook users.*

## Introduction to Microsoft Office Excel Tuesday, Feb. 26, 7 PM

# February

## Oreo Taste Test

**Sunday, Feb. 3, 2 PM**

The traditional Oreo is an all-time favorite, but what about the numerous varieties that are out there? Come and sample some of the unique flavors Oreo is producing. See if you can guess what they are and vote for your favorite! Enjoy a cold glass of milk or a warm cup of tea/coffee as you nibble your way through the selection. Learn some fun facts about this American staple and its history. **Registration is required starting Jan. 14.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

## 4th Annual Baking Competition

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## Resonance: A Multimedia Concert

**Sunday, Feb. 10, 2 PM**

Pianist Carolyn Enger performs contemplative and healing music by Bach, Satie, Caroline Shaw, Nico Muhly and others. Natural imagery will accompany the music. **Registration is required starting Jan. 28.** Call 634-4997, ext. 139.

## Art Belongs to the Streets

**Monday, Feb. 11, 7 PM**

A spontaneous movement of local artists transformed the face of the city in the 1970s. Photographer Jerry Kleiman shares his images of these New York City streets as he takes you on an exploration of the neighborhoods and themes that were part of this vibrant, grassroots outdoor art show. The photographs will be on exhibit in the meeting room for the month of February.

## Age of Exploration & Discovery

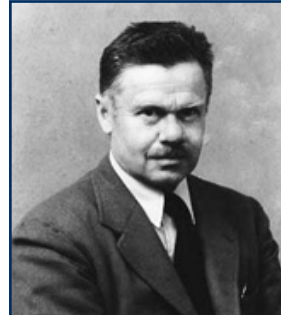
**Wednesday, Feb. 20, 7 PM**

Historian Dr. Walt Brown discusses the curiosity and ambition that drove people, from long before Columbus' time to the colonial empires, during this entertaining and informative talk.

## Genealogy Society: Current Research Issues

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## RECOVERING HENRY VARNUM POOR

Environmental educator Chuck Stead examines the work and life of renowned American artist Henry Varnum Poor, who built a stone-and-wood farmhouse (Crow House) off South Mountain Road to nurture his art and raise his family. Poor (1887-1970) was a successful architect, painter, sculptor, muralist, and potter, as well as an author.

## Man Made Houses

**Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2 PM**

Discover Crow House: where Poor married art to architecture by infusing the structure with ceramic doorknobs and tiled windowsills, sinks and toilet, and with stone and ceramic inlays both inside and out. Stead will also share images of other houses Poor designed and worked on along South Mountain Road.

## Oil Paintings

**Wednesday, March 6, 2 PM**

A leading figure in the art pottery movement during the 1920s, Henry Varnum Poor began to concentrate more on painting in the 1930s. Explore Poor's development in oils and find out how his fresco art informed this body of his work.

**AARP Tax Aide • Tuesdays & Saturdays • Feb. 2 – April 13, 10 AM – 1 PM**

Volunteer tax professionals will assist you with your 2018 tax returns.

Preference is given to those 60 and older.



# BOOK DISCUSSIONS

## "He Said, She Said" Memoirs 1st Monday monthly, 7 PM

- Dec. 3 *Hungry Heart: Adventures in Life, Love and Writing* by Jennifer Weiner  
Jan. 7 *The Astor Orphan* by Alexandra Aldrich  
Feb. 4 *10% Happier: How I Tamed the Voice in My Head* by Dan Harris

## Chapters 2nd Tuesday monthly, 7:15 PM

- Dec. 11 *Burial Rites* by Hannah Kent  
Jan. 8 *Little Bee* by Chris Cleave  
Feb. 12 *A Constellation of Vital Phenomena* by Anthony Marra

## Cookbook Club 2nd Thursday monthly, 7:30 PM

- Dec. 13 *Soup Swap: Comforting Recipes to Make and Share* by Kathy Gunst  
Jan. 10 *Prune* by Gabrielle Hamilton  
Feb. 14 *Soul: A Chef's Culinary Evolution in 150 Recipes* by Todd Richards

## Chronicles 3rd Monday monthly, 2 PM

Please note: Chronicles is moving to the afternoons!

- Dec. 17 *Ladies' Lib — How Rockland Women Got the Vote* by Isabelle K. Savell  
Jan. 28\* *Within These Gates* by Daniel DeNoyelles  
Feb. 25\* *Ragtime* by E.L. Doctorow  
\* Please note: Alternate date due to holiday

## Investigating Mysteries 4th Monday monthly, 7 PM

- Dec. 17\* *Widows of Malabar Hill* by Sujata Massey  
Jan. 28 *The Dry* by Jane Harper  
Feb. 25 *IQ* by Joe Ide  
\*Please note: Alternate date

## Facts 3rd Wednesday monthly, 2 PM

No meeting in December

- Jan. 16 *Leadership in Turbulent Times* by Doris Kearns Goodwin  
Feb. 20 *21 Lessons for the 21st Century* by Yuval Harari

## In Other Worlds Wednesdays, 7 PM

- Dec. 19: *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia Butler  
Jan. 16: *Good Omens* by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett  
Feb. 20: *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel

## NEW! Rise & Read 4th Thursday monthly, 10 AM

Our newest book club is exclusively for morning people! Why wait until the afternoon or evening for an in depth discussion about a great book? Each month a different librarian will choose the book and lead the club over a round of coffee and tea.

- Dec. 27 *Amity and Prosperity: One Family and the Fracturing of America* by Eliza Griswold  
Jan. 24 *Behind Closed Doors* by B.A. Paris  
Feb. 28 *Burn Baby Burn* by Meg Medina

## EXHIBITS

### December & January

**On the Walls & In the Cases: The Heritage Quilters of the Palisades**

### February

**On the Walls & In the Cases: Street Art**

Photographs taken by Jerome Kleiman in New York City during the 1970s.

Complementary program: Monday, Feb. 11, 7 PM

# TEENS

**Grades: Must be in 7 & up**

## Teen Advisory Board Meetings

All meetings: 7 – 8 PM

Tuesday, Dec. 4; Wednesday, Jan. 9;  
Tuesday, Feb. 12

Help plan events, find out about volunteer opportunities and earn community service hours. New members are always welcome. Snacks!

## Movie & Laser Tag Nights

Fridays, 4:30-7:15 PM

Dec. 21 – Registration starting Dec. 10

Jan. 25 – Registration starting Jan. 14

Feb. 15 – Registration starting Feb. 4

All participants must be at least 12. Waivers, which are required to play laser tag, are available at the adult reference desk. **We will need several adult volunteers for this program.** There will be pizza and soda during the movie. **All participants must be picked up promptly at 7:15 PM. Limited enrollment.**

## PAINT PARTIES

Saturday, Dec. 15, 1 – 4 PM

Limited registration starts on Dec. 3.

Sunday, Feb. 24, 2 – 5 PM

Limited registration starts on Feb. 11.



In these three-hour workshops, teens can paint their own pictures or follow the video instructions to create attractive winter scenes. Snacks!

## BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Fridays, 5 – 6 PM

Great snacks and door prizes!

Dec. 14

*Wink Poppy Midnight* by April Genevieve Tucholke  
A timeless tale of love and hate with extravagant characters.  
**Book available starting Nov. 26.**

Jan. 11

*Spill Zone* by Scott Westerfeld & Alex Puvilland  
A gripping sci-fi graphic novel set in Poughkeepsie.  
**Book available starting Dec. 24.**



## PREPARING FOR COLLEGE

### Free Practice ACT

Saturday, Jan. 5, 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Snow date: Jan. 26

Take this four-hour practice ACT from the Princeton Review and see how you score on college admissions tests. Bring #2 pencils and a calculator. You may also bring snacks and covered drinks. Your scores will be sent directly to you. **For high school students only.** Registration starts on Dec. 17.

### Free Practice SAT

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Snow date: Jan. 19

Take this four-hour practice ACT from the Princeton Review and see how you score on college admissions tests. Bring #2 pencils and a calculator. You may also bring snacks and covered drinks. Your scores will be sent directly to you. **For high school students only.** Registration starts on Jan. 2.

## College Night for Parents & Students

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 7:30 – 9:30 PM

College advisor Josh Marber will give an overview on the admissions process and answer any questions you have.

## FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD!

### Chocolate Workshop

Wednesday, Feb. 13, 7 – 8 PM

Make some tasty treats for friends, family and yourself. Chocolate hearts, roses, and dipped pretzels will be featured. **Limited registration starts on Feb. 4.**

### Chop Challenge

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 4 – 6 PM

Teens will work in teams with one hour to prepare an entree and dessert. “Baskets” of ingredients will be provided as well as a few “pantry” items. Teens must be able to cut food items and cook on burners. All food items will be vegetarian. Judges will select the winner on creativity, presentation and taste. **Limited registration starts on Feb. 4.**

Open Hours Maker Space • Wednesdays, Dec. 5 – Feb. 27, 6 – 8 PM



# CHILDREN

## Programs for Young Ones

### Romper Room

**Ages: Babies – young children**

**Saturdays, 10:30 AM**

**Dec. 1 & Feb. 2**

**Wednesdays, 9:30 or 10:30 AM**

**Jan. 9 – Feb. 13**

Get an admission ticket at the children's reference desk one half hour before each session. **Limited tickets, one adult per child.**

### Wee Ones

**Mondays, 9:30 or 10:30 AM**

**Dec. 3 – Feb. 25**

No classes Dec. 24 & 31; Jan. 21; Feb. 18

An interactive program for one-year-old walkers with an adult. **Registration required.**

### Terrific Twos

**Thursdays, 9:30 or 10:30 AM**

**Dec. 6 – Feb. 28**

No class Dec. 27.

A 45-minute program for two-year-olds and their adults working together. **Registration begins Nov. 15.**

### Fab Four

**Thursdays, 1:30 PM**

**Dec. 6 – Feb. 28**

No classes Dec. 20 & 27; Feb. 7 & 14

Preschoolers ages 4 & 5 explore stories, concepts and activities. **Class is currently full. All new registrants will be placed on a waiting list and be notified when space becomes available.**

### Just Threes

**Fridays, Dec. 7 – Feb. 22, 12:30 PM**

No classes Dec. 21 & 28.

A program designed for three-year-olds and their adults. **Registration begins Nov. 15.**

### Patty Cake Club

**Wednesdays, Dec. 12 & Feb. 27, 10 AM**

An unstructured time to meet with your neighbors, have a chat and let the little ones get some socializing time in! Parents must supervise their children.

## Drive-In Movies

**Tuesdays, Jan. 8 – 29, 11 AM**

Preschoolers will watch their favorite picture books come to life on the big screen while sitting in a cozy cardboard coupe. Each feature will run approximately 30 minutes. **No registration required.**



## Baby & Me

**Ages: Babies**

**(3 – 12 months, pre-walkers) w/adult**

**Tuesdays, Jan. 8 – Feb. 12, 10 AM**

Stories, playtime and songs!

## Musical Programs

**Mr. Kurt Concerts! • Ages: 1 & up**


**Mondays, 10 AM**

**Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4**

**Wednesdays, 6 PM**

**Jan. 23, Feb. 27**

Sing and dance along with every toddler's favorite performer! **Limited to one adult per child.**



Did you know that children develop most of the language and critical thinking areas of their brains in their first year of life? Studies have shown that reading to your infant/toddler is the best way to guarantee future school success. All you need to do is read to your child! Register at the children's desk and start reading today.

**Birth – Pre-K**

**A valid New City or West Nyack library card must be presented at all indoor programs.**

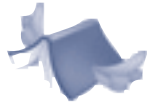
## Story Programs

**Imagination Station • Ages: 3 & up**  
**Tuesdays, 1:30 PM**

**Dec. 4 – 18; Jan. 8 – 22; Feb. 5 – 19**

A different theme and activity each week. Stories, songs, crafts, music, etc.

**All Aboard! Storytime at the Congers Train Station • Ages: 3 & up**  
**Friday, Dec. 14, 10 AM**



**Sensory Storytime**  
**Saturdays, Dec. 22, Jan. 26, 10 AM**

Join Miss Amy for a program that thoughtfully considers the developmental needs of children on the autism spectrum. Enjoy stories, music, movement, and playtime in a safe and accepting environment. This program is open to all families. **No registration required.**

**Winter Pajama Storytime • Ages: 3 & up**  
**Thursdays, 6:30 PM**

**Dec. 27, Jan. 31, Feb. 28**

Come in your pajamas for stories, puppets, music and fun!

**Storytime with Special Guest Jacob!**  
**Ages: 3 & up**

**Tuesdays, 1:30 PM**

**Jan. 29 & Feb. 26**

Hear some fun stories read by Mrs. B. and sing along with Jacob and his guitar!



## Book Clubs

**Boys' Book Club • Grades: 3 – 6**  
**Thursdays, 6:30 PM**

**Dec. 13, Jan. 10, Feb. 14**

Read whatever you want then meet for lively discussion, fun activities and your favorite snacks! **Register online.**

**Book Buddies • Grades: K – 1**  
**Tuesday, Dec. 18, 4:30 PM**

Read a book with Mrs. B, make a craft and have a light snack. **Register online.**

**Graphic Novel Book Club**  
**Grades: 3 & up**  
**Thursdays, 6:30 PM**

**Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 21**

There's more to graphic novels and comics than superheroes! Learn more about this form of storytelling and create some stories of your own. **Register online.**



**Girls' Book Club • Grades: 4 – 6**

**Thursdays, 4 PM**

**Dec. 27, Jan. 31, Feb. 28**

Read the chosen book and then enjoy a group discussion. **Registration begins two weeks prior to each session, online, in person or by phone.**

## Fun Activities

**Drop-in Chess Club • Ages: 7 & up**  
**Fridays, Dec. 7, Jan. 4, Feb. 1, 4 PM**

Boards, opponents and basic instruction provided. No experience necessary. **No registration.**

**Sewing for Kids • Grades: 5 – 7**  
**Fridays, 4:15 – 5:30 PM**

**Dec. 7, Jan. 11, Feb. 8**

Learn to use a sewing machine and make a simple project. **Register online.**

**PAWS for Reading**  
**Saturdays**

**11 AM – 12:30 PM**

**Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9**

Children read to certified therapy dogs. **Call to reserve your**

**15 minute time slot one week prior to session.**



**LEGO Builders • Ages: 7 & up**

**Mondays, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, 4 PM**

An exciting building challenge! **No registration.**

**LEGO Junior Club • Ages: 3 – 6**

**Mondays, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, 4 PM**

We'll build with Duplo bricks. **No registration.**

**Homework Help • Grades: K – 6**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, 4 – 5 PM**

**Jan. 8 – Feb. 28**

Teen volunteers from Clarkstown high schools will help tackle assignments. **No Homework Help when school is not in session.**

## Special Programs

**School's Out Movie: *Incredibles 2***

**Friday, Dec. 28, 2 – 4 PM**

Rated PG. 111 minutes. **No registration.**

**Family Noon Year's Countdown**

**Monday, Dec. 31, 11:30 AM**

Celebrate the arrival of 2019 —it's midnight somewhere!

## Young Writers' Workshop

Grades: 4 – 6

**Mondays, Jan. 7 – Feb. 4, 4:30 – 6 PM**

No session Jan. 21

Howard Whitehouse, author of *Zombie Elementary*, will help you to create your own stories in this four-week class. **Limited registration begins Dec. 15.**

## Create a Zine

**Wednesday, Jan. 9, 6 – 7:30 PM**

Help make a page or two for our homemade magaZINE.

Write a story or create some artwork. **Limited registration begins Jan. 2.**

## Gadgets & Gizmos • Grades: 2 – 6

**Wednesday, Jan. 30, 6:30 PM**

Activities building or using electronic gadgets and gizmos. **Registration begins Jan. 2.**

## 3D Printing for Kids • Ages: 9 & up

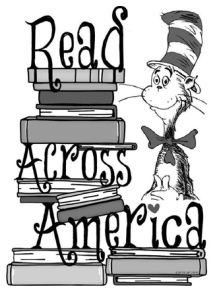
**Wednesday, Feb. 6, 4 PM**

Use software to design projects which will be printed and ready for pick up later. **Registration begins Jan. 15.**

## Family Fun Night

**Friday, Feb. 22, 5:30 – 6:45 PM**

Teens will be setting up life-size Chutes and Ladders and Candyland games. Bring the whole family!



## Read Across America Day

Ages: 3 & up

**Friday, March 1, 4:30 PM**

Celebrate children's books and share our love of reading! We'll have a special guest and a treat too!

## Crafts

### Seasonal Jars • Ages: 5 & up

**Wednesday, Dec. 5, 6:30 PM**

'Tis the season for giving! Decorate jars and give them as presents or use them as beautiful gift packaging.

### Stars

Ages: 8 & up

**Wednesday**

**Dec. 12, 6:30 PM**

Make a beautiful decoration for the winter season.



## Gingerbread Houses

**Friday, Dec. 14, 4 PM**

Use graham crackers, frosting and loads of fun candy decorations!

**Register online beginning Dec. 1.**



## Sew a Quilted Pillowcase

Grades: 4 – 6

**Saturday, Dec. 15, 10 AM – 12:30 PM**

Create patchwork pillows on our sewing machines.

Previous experience using a sewing machine is necessary.

**Limited registration begins Dec. 1.**

## Soap-Making Class • Grades: 2 – 6

**Wednesday, Dec. 19, 6:30 – 7:30 PM**

Melt some glycerin soap base, add fragrance and pour it into molds. Then, make a pretty case for the soap.

**Limited registration begins Dec. 1.**

## Paper Beads • Grades: 3 – 6

**Friday, Dec. 28, 11 AM**

Make a beautiful necklace. **Limited registration begins Dec. 15.**

## Winter Magnets • Ages: 7 & up

**Wednesday, Jan. 9, 4:30 PM**

Use clear gems to create your own winter keepsake.

**No registration needed.**

## Kids Create • Grades: 2 & up

**Friday, Jan. 18, 4 PM**

Inspired by the work of a well-known artist, kids will create their own masterpieces.

## Hub Cap Art • Grades: 3 – 6

**Saturday, Jan. 19, 3 PM**

Recycle a hubcap and give it an awesome makeover.

**Limited registration begins Jan. 2.**

## Drop-In Preschool Valentine's Day Craft

Ages: 3 – 6

**Wednesday, Feb. 13, 6 PM**

## Quilt Block Project • Grades: K – 6

**Saturday, Feb. 16, 3 PM**

Design and paint a quilt block. The quilt squares will be sewn together and the final product will be displayed at the library! Because we are using fabric paint, wearing old clothing is recommended.

**Limited registration begins Feb. 1.**

A valid New City or West Nyack library card must be presented at all indoor programs.

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### Become a Permanent Part of Your Library

You can enhance our beautiful outdoor space (to the left of the entrance) with a customized paver featuring a personalized engraving. Buy a paver to celebrate a joyous occasion, honor someone special or declare your love of the library! **For more information contact Kelly Corrado at [kcorrado@newcitylibrary.org](mailto:kcorrado@newcitylibrary.org) or call 634-4997, ext. 112, or go to [newcitylibrary.org/paver](http://newcitylibrary.org/paver).**

### Volunteers Needed: Prepare Taxes at Local Libraries with AARP

No previous tax knowledge is needed, just familiarity with using a computer. Be trained in basic tax law. Each volunteer will work two four-hour sessions per week at a local library. **If interested, call Warren Kaufman at 845-323-2794.**

### WINTER HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

#### Christmas

**Monday, Dec. 24: Closing at 1 PM**

**Tuesday, Dec. 25**

#### New Year

**Monday, Dec. 31: Closing at 1 PM**

**Tuesday, Jan. 1**

#### Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Monday, Jan. 21**

#### Presidents Day

**Monday, Feb. 18**

Winter weather closures, cancellations and delays will be posted on our website and recorded on our phone message.

The New City Library Board of Trustees meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7 PM.  
The public is welcome to attend.