

Winter Crafts for Kids

Gingerbread House

with Debbie

• ages 7 to 12 • COMMUNITY ROOM

Wednesday • December 4 • 6pm

Decorate an edible "Home Sweet Home"

Limit 12 | Registration required



Polar Express PajamaTime

with Marybeth

• ages 3 to 7 • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Thursday • December 19 • 6pm

Sip hot chocolate in your jammies, listen to a reading of *The Polar Express* and make a fun craft

Limit 12 | Registration required



BabyTime

with Marybeth

• under 16 months
• STORYCRAFT COTTAGE

Fridays • Dec 27 + Jan 3 to 17

• Feb 14 + 28 • 10:30 am

Rhymes, puppets + songs

Limit 8 | Must register



Winter PajamaTime

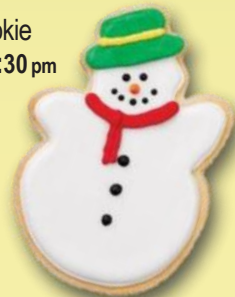
with Marybeth

• ages 3 to 6 • STORYCRAFT COTTAGE

Thursday • January 23 • 6pm

Wear your jammies and bring a stuffed pal while you enjoy stories and make a winter craft

Limit 12 | Registration required



Valentines for Veterans

• ages 3 to 13 • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Wednesday • January 29

Thursday • January 30 • 11am - 6pm

Honor a military veteran's service by creating and sending them a special handmade valentine

Just drop in



Valentine Treats

with Debbie

• ages 7 to 12 • COMMUNITY ROOM

Wednesday • February 12 • 6pm

Sweets for the sweet!

Make confections to show your affection.

Limit 12 | Registration required

Valentine PajamaTime

with Marybeth

• ages 3 to 6 • STORYCRAFT COTTAGE

Thursday • February 13 • 6pm

Listen to stories and make a Valentine for a family member or BFF

Limit 12 | Registration required



Blauvelt Free Library
541 Western Highway
Blauvelt, NY 10913

Flake
News



Winter begins
Saturday, Dec. 21
11:19 pm

Residential Customer

Blauvelt, New York 10913

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The LIBRARY will be CLOSED

Tuesday | Wednesday December 24, 25 • Christmas Eve/Day

Tuesday | Wednesday December 31, January 1 • New Year's Eve/Day

Monday February 17 • Presidents' Day

CELEBRATE AT THE LIBRARY



The Blauvelt Free Library Players

Saturday • December 14

It's our 7th Annual Holiday Show, staged in the style of the original, featuring guests, and former stars. The show is a continuation of the continuing life of the Blauvelt Free Library. Guest star, Alex Carver, who had to bow out at the 11th hour despite hopes of a timely recovery. We offer our sincerest apologies — with an invitation to the 2020 Olde Time Radio Holiday Celebration, No. 7½.

NEWS FLASH

We regret to announce the cancellation of this year's Holiday Show. Several of our cast had conflicts that made it necessary to find replacements or do without, and the final blow was a tonsillectomy suffered by our guest star, Alex Carver, who had to bow out at the 11th hour despite hopes of a timely recovery. We offer our sincerest apologies — with an invitation to the 2020 Olde Time Radio Holiday Celebration, No. 7½.

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THE JOY OF GIVING

A Season of Carols

with the Friends of the Blauvelt Free Library

Did you know that South Orangetown has its own food charity? *Neighborhood Pantry** works with SOSCD to identify those who can benefit from the generosity of fellow South Orangetowners. In keeping with this spirit, *The Friends of the Blauvelt Free Library* present *A Season of Carols*. Nosh on winter treats and sip hot cocoa while you enjoy classic interpretations of *A Christmas Carol*, Charles Dickens' immortal yuletide tale. Donate a non-perishable food or hygiene item (including diapers) and get a stub for the *Season of Carols Raffle*, where you could win a \$60 gift card to *AMC Cinemas* in a drawing on Friday, December 27th.

Magoo's Yule Rules

Mr. Magoo's Christmas Carol (1962) 53 min.
Thurs • Dec 5 • 7 pm • Ask at front desk for location

With a worldview skewed by poor vision and mistaken intentions, Mr. Magoo is a natural Scrooge. While this adaptation is burdened with somewhat crude animation, it boasts the most memorable tunes of any version.

Simply Scrooge

Scrooge (A Christmas Carol) (1951) 86 min.
Thurs • Dec 12 • 7pm • Ask at front desk for location

Previous Scrooges seem pinched and papery compared to Alistair Sim's big-boned, bellicose Ebenezer. His Christmas transformation from gimlet-eyed tightwad to gleeful Good Samaritan is a pure joy.

**Neighborhood Pantry* is a 501(c)3 charitable organization partnered with Rockland Community Foundation, the only fund-based non-profit in Rockland. Bring your non-perishable food or hygiene donations to qualify for the "Season of Carols" drawing (movie or Kruk Show attendance not required).

DECEMBER 2019 | JANUARY + FEBRUARY 2020

News from the Blauvelt Free Library

OTHER PROGRAMS

OPEN MAH-JONGG / CANASTA

Wednesdays • 6:30 pm

On Wednesday nights when the Community Room is not hosting a library program, we welcome mah-jongg and canasta players.

Please confirm room availability weekly

TOASTMASTERS meet on the first and third Mondays of the month, from 6:45 to 8:45 pm with a goal of helping people develop public speaking and leadership skills. Call 914 924-8636 for more information.

FIELD GOODS • Locally grown non-GMO veggies and artisan foods from small farms at www.field-goods.com • Order on Monday, pick up at the library on Thursday

2020 CENSUS • The Blauvelt Free Library will offer guidance for participating in the 2020 Census, beginning April 1st

More info in our Spring Newsletter

Library Board of Trustees

Trustees meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month (except July/August) at 7pm in the library's Community Room. Meetings are open to the public.

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As announced in our Fall Newsletter, *Master Storyteller*, Jonathan Kruk, will bring "Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*" to the Library in December. Please note the date has changed from Friday the 13th to **Saturday, the 21st**. This program is full, but we are taking Wait List registration only.

Call the Library at 845 359-2811 to get the most up-to-date information on seating availability

programs

All programs are in the Community Room unless noted



Become a Friend!

Friends provide for programs, raise funds, manage book sales, and support the library in countless ways.

Call or email *Friends* President, Alice Ryan: (845) 398-3590 ryanahr@aol.com



CLASSIC FILMS

Tuesdays • 12 noon

MOVIE TUESDAYS *Classic Films* with Paul Kaufman

- **December 10**
With a Song in My Heart 1952 (NR) 1 hr 57 min
Susan Hayward, Rory Calhoun, Thelma Ritter, David Wayne | 1 Oscar
- **January 14**
Big 1988 (PG) 1 hr 44 min
Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins, Robert Loggia
- **February 11**
Somewhere in Time 1980 (PG) 1 hr 43 min | Christopher Reeve, Jane Seymour, Christopher Plummer

DISCUSSION

Wednesdays • 7pm

BOOK + AUTHOR CHAT with Evelyn Murphy • OFFICE SUITE

- Read, discuss, and enjoy snacks related to the readings. Books are at the front desk at the beginning of the month.
- Call Evelyn at 845 480-4165 to register for December's meeting • Call the library if you wish to attend in January and/or February.
- **December 18**
Cookbook Party: Call Evelyn for details
 - **January 15**
Olive Kitteridge | Elizabeth Strout
 - **February 19**
Auntie Poldi and the Sicilian Lions
Mario Giordano

INSTRUCTION

Tuesdays • 4-6pm

MASTER DRAWING CLASSES with Chris Raccioppi

- 2-hour sessions | 4 or 8 weeks of class
- Instruction with a classically trained sculptor and draftsman. Four weeks of *Drawing Fundamentals* followed by a four-week *Master Class in Anatomy Drawing*. Register for either or both.
- Fundamentals of Drawing*
• **January 7** | 14 | 21 | 28
- Master Class in Anatomy Drawing*
• **February 4** | 11 | 18 | 25
- Call 359-2811 to register for either or both programs • Teens welcome

\$ SAVE \$



DEFENSIVE DRIVING with Arthur Aldrich

Saturday • January 11 • 10 am - 4 pm
Snow date: January 18

Make winter productive with a class that can boost auto insurance discounts up to 10%. Open to all motorists and learner's permit holders with vehicles insured in NY State.

Call 845 359-2811 to reserve a spot • A class not sufficiently enrolled may be subject to cancellation • Bring a \$30 cash or check payable to Arthur Aldrich on class day

FAMILY PORTRAIT

EDWARD HOPPER and the BLAUVELTS with Laura Grunwerg

Sun • Feb 9 • 2 pm

Many people know that Edward Hopper, creator of the famous "diner" painting, *Nighthawks*, was a "son" of Nyack. Few are aware that he was also a *Blauvelt*. This fascinating presentation traces all branches of the tangled family tree that bore fruit in an American Master.

Laura Grunwerg is the Director of The Blauvelt Free Library • Please register at 845 359-2811

LIVE THEATRE

Born Yesterday at ELWMOOD PLAYHOUSE

with the Friends of the Library

Saturday • April 4 • 2 pm

Grab one of 25 seats reserved at the final matinee of this 1947 comedy about a corrupt junk dealer who goes to Washington with bribery on his mind. When Harry hires a tutor to class-up his chorus-line girlfriend, Billie, he gets more than he bargained for.

Bring \$24 cash or check to the Library to reserve a ticket • Patrons provide own transport to Elmwood Playhouse, 10 Park Avenue, Nyack NY

POTENT POTABLES

Hidden Gems of Southern Italy with Janet Wheeler CSW

Sunday • January 26
Two Seatings:
1pm + 3:15 pm

"Being half-Italian is one reason for my love of wine," enthuses Janet Wheeler, CSW (Certified Wine Expert), returning for our 9th Annual Winter Winetasting. This year, we will sample tasty, lesser known wines from southern Italian regions, which may include Molise, Sicily, Basilicata, Campania, Apulia and/or Sardinia. *Saluté!*

- Registration required, advise session choice
- Seating on first registered, first served basis
- Ages 21 + up (IDs checked) • 845 359-2811

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

SOLDIERING ON VETERANS WRITING WORKSHOP

8 Weekly Sessions • Spring 2020

The Library partnered with Bridges, the County's Independent Living Center, to bring the *Veterans Writing Workshop* to Blauvelt. The VWW gives free writing instruction to veterans and active-duty service members. Students learn in a supportive environment, and can write about anything — military oriented or not. Exercises elevate newbie and practiced writers alike to higher levels of skill. The program ends with a reception and public reading of stories.

Every veteran has a story. What's yours? Space limited • Info/registration 845 359-2811 Submissions may be collected and published

TEEN WRITERS

SCRAWL 2020 Rockland Teens Write

The Teen Librarian Division of the Library Association of Rockland County is proud to announce publication of *Scrawl 2020*, the 5th annual collection of poetry, fiction and non-fiction. The contest is open to kids in grades 6-12 who live in Rockland County, and is juried by published authors. A book launch party comes in the spring. Submissions must be no more than 2500 words, graphic novels no longer than 5 pages. There is a separate contest for cover art.

DEADLINE: **Tuesday, January 21, 2020**
SUBMIT TO: rocklandteenswrite@gmail.com
Include name, phone, email, grade, school, community, genre and title. You will receive a confirmation email and parental consent form.

Kid stuff

at the Blauvelt Free Library



Sign kids up for library cards now!



Twist + Shout • 6 months to 3 years

Wednesdays • either 10:15 am OR 11:15 am
December 4 + 11 | January 8 to February 26 • Please register
Join Marybeth for stories, puppet play, songs, and movement



StoryCraft • ages 2½ to 5 • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Every Wednesday + Thursday • 2 - 3 pm
December 4 + 5, 11 + 12 | January 8 to February 27
Join Fran or Nicole for stories, puppets, songs, and a craft



Move + Groove with Fran • 5 years and under

Thursdays • February 13 + 27 • 10:30 am
Music, movement, sign language and lots of fun! • Limit 25 | Must register



Pre-School Art with Fran • ages 2 to 5

STORYCRAFT COTTAGE
Mondays • January 13 | February 24 • 4:30 pm

• ages 3 + up
double feature

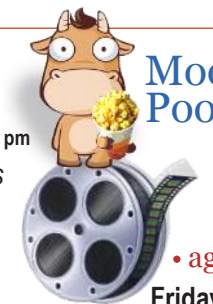
Friday
December 6 • 1 pm

A Charlie Brown Christmas
TV-G | 30 m

plus
How the Grinch Stole Christmas
NR | 30 m

• ages 5 + up
Friday
January 17 • 1 pm
101 Dalmations
G | 79 m

• ages 6 + up
Tuesday
February 18 • 1 pm
Ice Age: Collision Course
PG | 94 m



Moovies + Poopcorn

• ages 8 + up
Friday
December 27 • 1 pm
Abominable
PG | 98 m



Family Game Nite • all ages • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Thursday • February 20 • 4 to 7:30 pm • Drop in
Play board games, cards, solve puzzles with the whole family

VOLUNTEERS

• Grades 7 + up

Volunteer to help your library twice a month and earn Community Service hours

Mondays • 4 - 7 pm
Dec 16 | Jan 13 | Feb 10

Thursdays • 4 - 7 pm
Dec 19 | Jan 23 | Feb 13

Ask for Marybeth at the Youth Services desk or call 845 359-2811

Family Origami with Myrna

• all ages • CHILDREN'S ROOM
Wednesday • February 12 • 4:30 pm
Fold paper to make cool stuff
Limit 20 | Must register

Paws for Reading with Buster and Paco

• grades K to 5 • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Mondays • January 27 | February 24
• 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Therapy Dogs love to hear kids read!
Register for one of eight 15-minute slots

Knit + Crochet with Arlene

• ages 9 + up • CHILDREN'S ROOM
Tuesdays • December 3 + 17
January 14 + 28 | February 11 + 25
• 4:30 - 6 pm

Use colorful yarns to create a project for yourself, a family member or a BFF
Limit 6 | Must register



HEAD of CHILDREN'S + YOUNG ADULT SERVICES
Marybeth Damobid

STORYTIME ASSISTANTS
Francine Roesemann
Nicole Bermudez

TO REGISTER for PROGRAMS
Call Marybeth at 845 359-2811
or email → mdarnobid@rcls.org

MUSIC SPECIAL

Sing + Dance with
Mr. Kurt • ages 1 to 7 • COMMUNITY ROOM

Monday • February 10 • 4:30 pm
Funny songs, wacky props...and bubbles!
Please stop in or call the library to register

SCIENCE + ART

STEAM Workshops • CHILDREN'S ROOM

- ages 3 to 5 • Limit 12 | Must register
Mon • Dec 16 | Fri • Jan 10 | Mon • Feb 10 • 2 pm
 - ages 6 to 9
Mon • Dec 30 | Wed • Jan 22 | Feb 26 • 4:30 pm
- Fun with Science, Tech, Engineering, Art + Math

GAMING CLUB

Dungeons & Dragons

with Ben Perez • grades 5 + up

Thursday • Dec 19 • 5 to 8 pm (more dates TBA)
Choose a character, join a group and play with a Dragon Master • Please register

KITCHEN CREATE

Making Healthy Snacks with Corinne • COMMUNITY ROOM

• ages 6 to 10
Wednesday • January 29 • 4:30 pm
• ages 3 to 5
Tuesday • February 25 • 2 pm
Limit 10 each class • Must register



LEGO CLUBS

Legomania • ages 5 + up

Tuesday • December 10 | Monday • January 13
Thursday • February 13 • 4 - 6 pm • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Bring your own Legos to the library or use ours

Legos for Littles • ages 5 + under

Monday • Dec 16 | Thursdays • Jan 9 + Feb 13
• 11am - 3 pm • CHILDREN'S ROOM

Have fun building with Duplo blocks
• Please drop off Lego donations to Marybeth



FREE NOTARY SERVICE
Walk-ins welcome, appointments are recommended. Ask for Barry, Kyle or Tonie. House calls too! 845 359-2811