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Monday 10am-5pm
Tuesday 10am-7:30pm
Wednesday 10am-5pm
Thursday 10am-7:30pm
Friday 10am-5pm
Saturday 9am-2pm

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ripleylibrary.org

SPRING
Craft & Vendor Sale
plus OUR ANNUAL PLANT SALE!

SATURDAY, MAY 25
9AM TO 4PM

In addition to hosting local crafters and vendors,
the library will be FUNDRAISING by selling:
WALKING TACOS
BAKED GOODS
PLANTS, PLANTS, PLANTS! - annuals, perennials,
vegetables and house plants priced from \$1 to \$10!

RIPLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
64 West Main St - Ripley, NY



Library Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 22nd @ 6pm
Best Friends Fund Meeting: Saturday, May 18th @ 12:30pm

Coming up in May

Mother's Day
Sunday, May 12th



Paint Day
Saturday, May 4th
10:30am

Book Club
Meets the 1st Monday of the month at 5:30pm
May Discussion: Demon Copperhead
by Barbara Kingsolver

Stay & Play
Back by popular demand
Tuesday mornings at 10:30a.m.

Diamond Art
Tuesdays @ 4:30pm

Nutrition with Molly
Thursday, May 9th @ 11am
Tuesday, May 28th @ 6pm

Local Author
Catherine D'Agostino
Tuesday, May 21st @ 6pm
Presenting:
Braided Lies, A Thousand Islands Castle Mystery

Stay and Play

At Ripley Public Library

Every Tuesday at 10:30

For Babies and Toddlers age 0-4 years.

Join us for lots of fun, toys, books, socializing and refreshments.

**For more details call
716-736-3913**



Work is currently underway on our new play area! The "back room" is being converted into an area specifically for our little ones, with a larger play area, more toys and equipment, and books for ages 0-12.

If you'd like to volunteer, let us know! The more the merrier!

Nutrition with Molly

Thursday, May 9th @ 11am

Tuesday, May 28th @ 6pm

Molly Harvey, a SNAP-ED Nutritionist from the Cornell Co-op Extension, visits the Ripley library twice a month to share recipes that are not only yummy, but healthy and inexpensive.



Book Club

May 6th

1st Monday of the month

5:30 @ the library

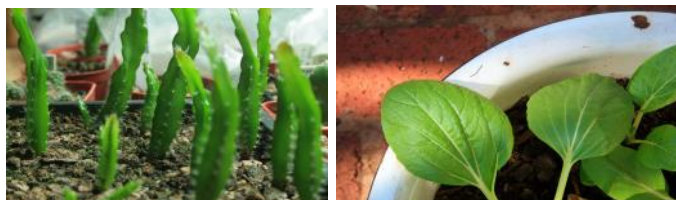
April discussion:

***Demon Copperhead*
by Barbara Kingsolver**

Spring plant sale

Plant those seeds now for plants to be donated and sold at our annual plant sale in May!

The Annual Spring Craft/Vendor Fair and Plant Sale is coming May 25th! For those of you with green thumbs, please consider donating some vegetable or flower plants for our sale. This is always a great fund-raiser, and much appreciated by those who purchase those starter, or fully grown, plants.



FROM the DESK of the RIPLEY TOWN HISTORIAN

by Doc Hamels

Fun quiz from 99 years and 199 years ago!

- 1. What occurred on January 24, 1925?
A. Stock market crashed
B. Total eclipse of the sun
C. Local resident, Charles Mann Hamilton announced his candidacy for US President
- 2. Who traveled through Stateline into the

- Town of Ripley on June 3, 1825?
A. Former President Thomas Jefferson
B. President John Quincy Adams
C. Major General Marquis de Lafayette
D. Chief Cornplanter

- 3. The earliest usage of what took place on November 17, 1825?
A. Ripley Fire Department
B. US Coinage
C. Quincy Post Office
D. Ripley Library

Answers on Page 11

Your Voice Matters!

The Ripley Public Library would like you to share a few minutes of your time by giving us your feedback through a short survey at our website, ripleylibrary.org. It will help us to un-

derstand your needs while providing a solid inventory of materials including fiction/ non-fiction for adults as well as children, computers, meeting places, programming and so much more. Thank you.

Among Friends

Hey Friends! We need VOLUNTEERS!!! The Vendor/Craft/Plant/Bake Sale is coming up on the 25th of May and we need help manning tables for the Plant and Bake sales. Can you give a hour or two from your Saturday to help out? Give Stephanie a call at 716-736-3913 to reserve a time to help.

The next Best Friend's meeting is Saturday, May 18th at 12:30pm. We hope to see you there to work out a final volunteer schedule.

Knitting & Crochet Group meets Tuesdays, noon until 3:30. All levels welcome.



Sewing Group meets Thursdays, noon until 3p.m.

Quilters and sewers of all levels are welcome.

Diamond Art meets Tuesdays @ 4:30

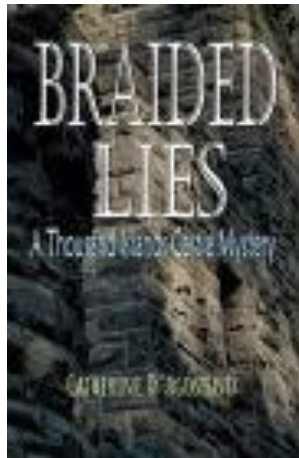
Trial size available for free, then purchase the kits you like.



DIY Story Time

Each month a new story and Do-It-Yourself craft will be available for parents to do with their child.





Catherine D’Agostino is the Ripley Library Local Author for May.

No bodies. No witnesses. No evidence. Presumed drowned.

Her novel, Braided Lies, takes place in the Thousand Islands region of New York State, and blends mystery and suspense into depths of betrayal, revenge, and murder.

Come hear her presentation on **Tuesday, May 21st at 6 p.m.**

Join us for Paint Day on Saturday, May 4th at 10:30 a.m.

Follow along with Michelle the Painter on video and create your own masterpiece. Bring your own canvas or purchase a 12x16 canvas from the library for \$5. Paint and brushes supplied.



Molly Harvey, a SNAP-ED Nutritionist from the Cornell Co-op Extension, visits the Ripley library twice a month to share recipes that are not only yummy, but healthy and inexpensive. Taste testing is always a component of her visits, and oftentimes she brings little goodies such as insulated grocery bags, measuring spoons, or refrigerator temperature indicators. If you’ve never been, give it a try. Each session is different and always a rollicking good time!



Thursday, May 9th @ 11am
Tuesday, May 28th @ 6pm

Need an easy way to donate to the Ripley Library? Bottle and Can Collection



The Library has a collection bin in the lobby for returnable cans and bottles.

Don't throw out those water bottles and pop cans! Donate them to the library.

Please be sure all bottles and cans are empty before you place them in the bin.



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Hours

Monday - Friday. 9AM - 6PM

Saturdays 9AM - 4PM & Sundays 9AM - 2PM

Please consider dropping off your returnable cans and plastic bottles in our name at Can Kings in Fredonia at 112 East Main Street. Just let them know you are donating the redemption money to the Ripley Library. They will count the cans and bottles, if you haven't already done so, and the money will go directly to the library! Easy!

Ever want to branch out to a new author or book but don't know what to try?

WE CAN HELP!

Request a personalized

Book BUNDLE

FOR ADULTS



Answer a few questions and our staff will put together a bundle of 3-5 books for you to try!



DIY Storytime



Each month we will have a new craft and stories available. Families are welcome to do the craft, read a story, or do both!

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Ripley Public Library Has Become a Safe Place Location

What is a Safe Place Location, you might ask. A Safe Place works with the Safe House out of Jamestown and is part of Chautauqua Opportunities, Inc. This is a program for runaway or homeless youth under the age of 18. If this youth needs help, all they do is enter the facility displaying the yellow sign that reads SAFE PLACE. They let someone in charge know they need help.

Stop into the Library for more information or pick up a brochure.



Community Table



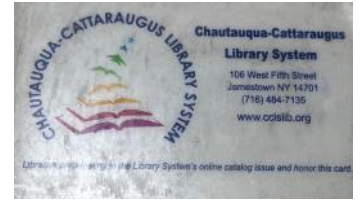
The Ripley Public Library welcomes community groups who would like to set up a table in our lobby to promote their business or group. Examples: VFW Poppy sales, Girl Scout cookie sales, as well as distribution of pamphlets or information about your group or activity. The library staff will not be responsible for the manning of these tables, and the table cannot be left unattended. A representative for the table must be present for items to be displayed.

Reservations must be made to establish specific dates and times. There is no cost, it's just our way of giving back to the community. 716-736-3913

Library Cards—Your Passport to Adventure

If you need a library card, come see us and we will help get you into the IN crowd. If you haven't renewed your card, we can take care of that too!

Welcome to a world of adventure!



Ripley Library is looking for Local Authors

Ripley Library is looking for local authors who would like to join us for our Local Author's Night. We invite published (including self-published) writers to come and speak to our audience, telling us a little bit about yourself and your book. This is generally followed by a Q&A period and a book signing. Call the library now and we'll set up a date. 716-736-3913

Wanted:

Lego pieces and Lego sets

We will gladly accept any used or new Lego items to add to our collection. Please drop them off at the library. Thank you.



Be a Library Supporter!

Would you like to show your support for the Ripley Public Library in a tangible way? A \$5 per month donation will give you space for a personal message or business card in The Bookworm, letting people know you are helping to make our library great!

You can scan a business card or write a message and send it to:

thebookworm14775@gmail.com and checks can be made to Ripley Public Library, P.O. Box 808, Ripley, NY 14775. Call the library at 716-736-3913 to arrange drop off.

Thank you for being there for your Ripley Library!

New Book List

May 2024

ADULT FICTION

- Arama/Extreme Vetting
- Bowen/In Farleigh Field
- Brown/The Sandcastle Hurricane
- Carlyle/Enemy Patriots
- Daniel/A Life Twice Given
- Davis/The Wishing Tide
- Dye/Courage to Stand
- Everhart/When the Jessamine Grows
- Frantz/The Seamstress of Acadie
- Hart/The Hush
- Henry/When Light Breaks
- Hurst/The Guestbook
- Jance/Nothing to Lose
- Lowe/The Accident
- Macomber/The Best is Yet to Come
- Moore/Blue Man
- Otten/A Place in your Heart
- Pataki/Finding Margaret Fuller
- Silverman/The Wall, the Mount, and the Mystery of the Red Heifer
- Wilson/The Chemistry of Love

NONFICTION

- Phelps/We Thought We Knew
- Preston/The Monster of Florence
- Osterholzer/A Midwife in Amish Country

LARGE PRINT

- Alford/Amish Country Ransom
- French/The Searcher
- Monk/The Huguenot Connection Trilogy

YOUNG ADULT

- Otten/The Solace of Denim
- Patterson/The Fall of Crazy House
- Yang/Lunar New Year Love Story

JUNIOR BOOKS

- Berrow/Princess Celestia and the Summer of Royal Waves
- Buvaraghan/The Secret of the Kelimutu Volcano
- Granted/Jeanie & Genie: The First Wish
- Gutelle/Baseball's Best
- Higgins/Good Dog
- Hughes/Little Kids First Big Book of Dinosaurs
- Jackson/The Lemonade Escapade
- Schusterman/The Dog's Meow

EASY READERS

- DaVeiga/Rocket Red
- Fang/Dim Sum Palace
- Isadora/Jake At Gymnastics
- Kaye/I Do Not Like the Rotten Egg Scent in Yellowstone National Park
- Lakshmi/Tomatoes for Neela
- Larson/If I Were a Kangaroo
- Robertson/The Song That Called Them Home

Best Friends of the Ripley Public Library

We Need Your Help!

Ripley Library's BFF group (Best Friends Fund) is looking for more members to join us to help with fundraising and program support for our library.

Dues are just \$5 per year. All we ask is that you attend monthly meetings as often as you can, and occasionally help with fundraising events. Funds raised by BFF are used for library equipment and supplies, upgrades, etc.

There are many things to be proud of in Ripley, and our beautiful library is one of those things. Please call 716-736-3913 for more information.

Best Friends of the Ripley Public Library

Ripley Library Best Friends Fund Application

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Town/ZIP: _____

Phone Number: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Email Address: _____

Dues are \$5 annually in January

Print this portion and return it to the library, or pick up a form at the library desk.

Ripley Public Library Mission Statement

The mission of the Ripley Public Library is to promote life-long learning for all community residents, providing unrestricted free access to all printed and recorded material from its own collection as well as that of the Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System. The Library will endeavor to create a community center that provides so much more than information for all of those who ask questions and seek answers.

BEST FRIENDS

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Notes & Things

Email Newsletter

We rely on email to get our newsletter out. Each month you will receive 2 emails, The Bookworm and About Town. For a monthly copy, send your email address to: thebookworm14775@gmail.com

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***Also now available—The Bookworm and About Town on the library website <https://www.ripleylibrary.org>**

Without libraries, what have we? We have no past and no future.

– Ray Bradbury

Answers to quiz on page 5

1. B
2. C
3. C

Attend a Board Meeting

Ripley Public Library Board of Trustees meetings are open to the public. Check the schedule in The Bookworm for times and dates.

New Activities & Classes

Is there an activity or class you'd like to see offered at the library? Can you teach a class or give a talk about a topic? Let the library know if there is something new you'd like to add to the many programs and classes already offered. 716-736-3913

Ripley Public Library Board of Directors Meetings for 2024



Meetings are open to the public, in person or via Zoom, and will be held at 6p.m. Dates and times subject to change.

May 22nd

Ripley Public Library is Open for Business

Mon. Wed. Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tue. Thu. 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please note: all letters and/or emails to the Library and staff **MUST** be signed. Those without a signature will not be recognized. Names will be omitted, to protect privacy, if published.

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Sewing 12	3	4 Paint Day 10:30
5	6 Book Club 5:30	7 Stay & Play 10:30; Knitting 12; Diamond Art 4:30	8	9 Nutrition w/ Molly 11: Sewing 12	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14 Stay & Play 10:30; Knitting 12; Diamond Art 4:30	15	16 Sewing 12	17	18 BFF meeting 12:30
19	20	21 Stay & Play 10:30; Knitting 12; Diamond Art 4:30; Local Author 6	22 Library Board meeting 6	23 Sewing 12	24	25 Spring Craft/Vendor / Plant sale 9-4
26	27 Memorial Day Library CLOSED	28 Stay & Play 10:30; Knitting 12; Diamond Art 4:30; Nutrition w/Molly 6	29	30 Sewing 12	31	



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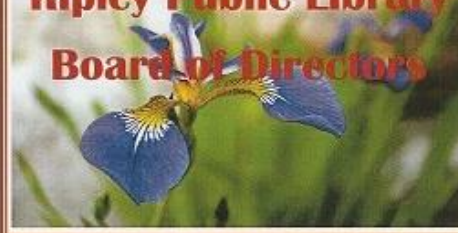
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