

Rush Library News

April & May, 2018

Submitted by:

Kirsten Flass, Library Director

Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:00 - 8:00 PM

Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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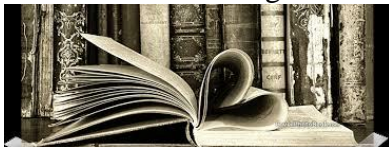
Dear Neighbors,

“Spring is made of solid, fourteen-karat gratitude, the reward for the long wait. Every religious tradition from the northern hemisphere honors some form of April hallelujah, for this is the season of exquisite redemption, a slam-bang return to joy after a season of cold second thoughts.” — Barbara Kingsolver

Spring is here! We’ve missed all of our “snowbirds” and are glad to see our friendly patrons coming out of hibernation. Welcome back!

Book Donations: Spring cleaning is underway! If you are interested in donating items to the Friends’ Book Nook we are always grateful, and can issue you a receipt for your taxes, but **we’d like to remind you that we have limitations on what we can accept.**

- **We will accept up to 4 boxes per family per week, due to space limitations.**
- **We cannot accept encyclopedias, magazines, VHS Tapes, or textbooks** because they do not sell and create a burden for volunteers and staff with respect to storage and disposal.
- **Please don’t bring dirty or musty/moldy books due to health hazards for the book sorters; but you can recycle any unreadable book in your recycle bins at home.**
- **And please bring in donations during our open hours.** Thank you for your understanding!



Adopt-an-Author: Do you love novels by **Dan Brown, Debbie Macomber, Brad Thor, or Gillian Flynn**? These are just *a few* for the authors up for “adoption” here in Rush. If you commit to making a tax-deductible \$15 donation to the library every time *your* adopted author publishes a book, we will create a bookplate for each book in your honor, and best of all, **you’ll be the first patron to read the novel**, bypassing *all* of the holds in the county. This fundraiser helps support our book budget; for a complete list of adoptable authors, go to [RushLibrary.org](http://www.RushLibrary.org) and click on our Books page. Thanks for your support!

Tax Forms: A limited number of federal forms and instruction booklets are still available in the library **until April 17th**. If you require an uncommon form, or we have run out of the form you need, our clerks can download it from the federal or state government web sites. Printing costs 15¢ per page. Or you can visit a larger public library or the following links: <http://www.irs.gov> or <https://www.tax.ny.gov/>.



Smart Start Family Literacy Kit: Thanks to a national grant coordinated through Monroe County Library System (MCLS), we have a great tool for helping families teach their children about **financial** literacy; it's **a tote bag full of family games, DVDs, toys, and activities** that will help kids learn about money matters in fun and engaging ways. Come check it out!



Holiday Closing: We will be **closed all of Memorial Day Weekend, May 26th-28th**. When we open on Tuesday, May 29th, we will backdate the book drop to Thursday. Our books and movies are *never due* on days we are scheduled to be closed, but if you have borrowed items from other libraries you have to abide by *their* due dates; as always, please refer to your check-out receipt for your due dates.



Looking forward to seeing you,
Kirsten Flass

Upcoming Events at the Rush Public Library for April and May, 2018

Submitted by Joan Celentano, Children and Adult Services Coordinator

We try to make services and programs available to patrons of all abilities, including those with disabilities. Please let us know in advance of any special needs you may require so that we can accommodate you or your child. ~ Library Staff

April Events:

Celebrate the Earth! Environmental Educator, **Tina Verno Stevens**, will teach us about **Monroe County's Solid Waste and Recycling Program**. This is for kids ages 6 and up on **Tuesday, April 3rd at 2:00 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Join us as we learn about the three R's: **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle**; find out why they are important to all of us AND our community (just in time for Earth Day on April 22nd.) We will read a poem and create a fun fortune-teller filled with recycling facts. Please register in advance.



Drop-In Story Time: For children ages 2-5 (accompanied by a caregiver) on **Thursday mornings, April 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th from 11:30 AM-Noon**. Books are chosen especially for this age group with a different theme each week. **Children of all abilities are welcome in our group!**

The Lego Ninjago Movie rated PG, for kids ages 6 and up on **Thursday, April 5th from 1:00-3:00 PM**. This is a computer-animated martial arts comedy film focusing on Lloyd Garmadon, a teenage ninja, as he attempts to accept the truth about his villainous father, while a new threat endangers his homeland. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Please register your child in advance. Parents who wish to remain with their child must also register for a seat.



View Finders: Show off your photo skills on **Monday, April 9th and Wednesday, April 11th from 2:30-4:30 PM**. Please bring **three** photographs on a flash drive or printed out to share, and you'll receive feedback in a friendly environment. This month's *optional* theme will be: ***Before and After Editing***. All skill levels are welcome, and we serve coffee and dessert. Please register in advance.

Movie Month for Teens! Hungry for ***Hunger Games***? Bring your blanket & pillow; we are going to be showing all four of the movies on our big screen TV in April. **Join us on Monday evenings, April 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th at 5:00 PM**. This program is open to anyone ages 13-18. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Please register in advance online.



Eastman to Go! **Tuesday, April 10th at 2:00 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Join the ***Ginastera String Quartet*** from the Eastman School of Music as they focus on the quartets of Mozart, Dvorak, and Alberto Ginastera; these students demonstrate and play as they teach us how a string quartet performs together. This is a free concert, but please register in advance online or by calling the library; bring your friends and neighbors!



Friends of the Rush Library: will meet on **Tuesday, April 10th at 7:00 PM.** We will discuss new ideas for future fundraisers, and ways to improve our library. New members are welcome, and we have no dues!

Film Noir for Adults: **Thursday, April 12th from 1-3:00 PM.** This month's selection will be *The Razor's Edge* (1946) starring Tyrone Power, Gene Tierney, Anne Baxter and John Payne. Author Somerset Maugham's novel comes to life in this story about a returning WWI veteran who searches for spiritual meaning in his life. Along the way he encounters a spoiled rich girl who falls for him, but can't give up her social status in the name of love. Refreshments will be served. Please register online for a seat.



Medicare Program for Baby Boomers: **Thursday, April 12th at 7:00 PM.** Learn about the complexities of Medicare and the use of private insurance to cover medical expenses not covered by Medicare- also known as Medigap Coverage. You'll understand the challenges that long-term care expenses can have on someone's assets, and the various types of insurance available to protect them. This program will be presented by **Patrick Kelly**, Swiss Bank Financial Advisor. Please register in advance.

Knit Chicks: We meet for crafty fun on **Saturdays, April 14th & 28th at 10:30 AM** in the library meeting room. Show off your latest project, and get ideas for your next one. No registration necessary.



Family Finders: Looking for ancestors is all the rage these days! Let us help you with your search. Come and meet our facilitator, **Cathy Frank** on **Thursday, April 19th from 1:00-2:30 PM.** Please register in advance.

Rush Readers Book Club: In keeping with the **Rush Bicentennial Celebration**, this month's selection will be the *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte, published 200 years ago in 1818. Emily Bronte's only novel endures as an English literature's classic masterpiece- a gripping novel of love, propriety and tragedy. Set on the bleak Yorkshire moors, we meet the gypsy founding Heathcliff, and learn of the tempestuous events that turn him into a tortured romantic hero and of his intense love for the well-bred Catherine Earnshaw. Join us on **Thursday, April 26th or Thursday, May 3rd from 7:00-9:00 PM.** Coffee and dessert will be served. Register in advance.



May Events:

Harmonious Harps! As part of the **Rush Bicentennial Celebration**, join us for an evening of music from the studio of **Roxanne Ziegler** on **Monday, May 7th at 7:00 PM** in William Udicious Pavilion. Adults and teens comprise this harp group, and will perform familiar light classical selections, American folk songs, popular standards, Celtic tunes, and beloved hymns. The sights and sound of so many harpists is a true delight! Please register in advance online or by calling the library.



Lego Club for children ages 6-10 will resume on **Tuesdays, May 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th from 3:45-4:40 PM**. Come and build with one of our kits or build something new from your own imagination. All Legos will be supplied.



Tips from an Executrix: *What to do with their stuff when they're gone?* Join **Janet Olexy** on **Tuesday, May 8th at 7:00 PM**. Janet and her twin sister were caregivers to their parents for over a decade until their parents' deaths. Afterwards, the twins sorted through a lifetime of their parents' saved possessions. Learn their multistep process for dealing with estate items, and gain resources and creative ideas to honor your loved ones and their treasured belongings. Please register in advance online.



Toddler Story Time: Engaging stories with a different theme each week for the younger set, ages 2-5 (accompanied by a caregiver) on **Thursdays, May 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st from 11:30 AM-Noon**. No registration needed. This is a nice opportunity to make some new friends.



Movie Matinee for Adults: will be held on **Thursday, May 10th from 1:00-3:00 PM.** This month's selection will be ***Murder on the Orient Express.*** Johnny Depp, Michelle Pfeiffer, Penelope Cruz, Judi Dench and Kenneth Branagh star in this stylish 2018 version of the suspenseful and thrilling mystery, based on the best-selling novel by Agatha Christie. Refreshments will be served. Space is limited, register online or call us to reserve a seat.



Social Security Class for Baby Boomers: will be held on **Thursday, May 10th at 7:00 PM** by popular demand. You'll learn what Social Security is, how to enroll, what a survivor benefit is, how payout is calculated, and how to determine what is right for each individual. This educational program will be facilitated by **Patrick Kelly**, Financial Advisor at Swiss Bank. Please register in advance online or by calling the library.

Knit Chicks: Join our fiber artists on **Saturdays, May 12th & 19th*** at **10:30 AM** in the library meeting room (**note the date change due to Memorial Day weekend closings.*) Share your patterns and ideas! No registration necessary.



Rush Ladies' Annual High Tea will be held on **Saturday, May 12th from 3-5:00 PM.** The Friends of the Rush Library invite you to their annual **High Tea Fundraiser** to be held at the library. Wear your fancy hat or fascinator, and bring your favorite china tea cup if you wish; enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors for this charming afternoon social. **This year, to honor the *Rush Bicentennial Celebration*, we have invited Susan Mee, Rush Town Historian, to come in period dress and regale us with stories from the year 1818!** High Tea includes sweet and savory delights. **(Bringing your favorite cookies or dessert to share is also an optional, lovely tradition at our Tea.)** Tickets are **\$15.00 per person** (on sale at the library beginning April 2nd.) **Proceeds benefit our Summer Reading Program for kids.**

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View Finders: Our photography group meets on **Monday, May 14th and Wednesday, May 16th from 2:30-4:30 PM.** Please bring **three** photographs on a flash drive or printed out to share, and you'll receive feedback in a friendly environment. This month's optional theme will be *Playing*

with Food. All skill levels are welcome. Coffee and dessert will be served. Please register in advance.



Escape the Stress for Teens: Are you feeling stress & anxiety at the end of the school year? Come join us on **Monday, May 14th at 6:00 PM** for a night of fun games, crafting, coloring, learning stress management skills, and delicious snacks. This program is open for 13-18 year olds. Please register in advance online. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Family Finders: Meets on Thursday, **May 17th from 1-2:30 PM.** Join our genealogy guru, Cathy Frank, for ideas on how to track down your ancestors. Coffee, tea, and a snack will be available; please register online.

My Family Tree

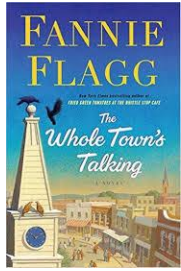


Art Class for Kids will be held on **Thursday, May 17th from 3:45-4:45 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Children ages 6-10 will have great time learning about geometric shapes! There will be games, drawing and slime. Students will create a drawing based on their slime's contour lines, and each child will get to take home some slime! Please register your child in advance for a spot.



Fidelis Care: This is a free informational session about health insurance on **Tuesday, May 22nd at 7:00 PM.** Fidelis Care provides health insurance coverage through Qualified Health Plans, Child Health Plus, Essential Plan, and Medicaid - available through the NY State of Health Marketplace - as well as through the Medicare Advantage, Dual Advantage, and Managed Long Term Care programs. There will be giveaways for attendees (while supplies last.) Please register in advance online or by phone.

Rush Readers' Book Club: This month's selection will be *The Whole Town's Talking*, by Fannie Flagg. "Elmwood Springs is a small town like any other, but something strange is happening at the cemetery. Still Meadows, as it's called, is anything but still." In the tradition of Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*, this is the story of a Swedish couple, their neighbors and descendants as they live, love, die, and carry on in mysterious ways! Join us on **Thursday, May 24th or Thursday, May 31st from 7:00-9:00 PM.** Coffee and dessert will be served. Register in advance.



We welcome your ideas for programs and your feedback. Call or email the library director anytime: kflass@libraryweb.org