RHF Memorial Scholarships Awarded

The 2019 Robert H. Finkelstein Memorial Scholarships were presented by Sheldon Horowitz, president of the Safe Harbour Group, and Rena Finkelstein, president of the Friends of the Library, at the July board meeting. This year's winners are Jana DeVera and Hima Iype.

Jana, who works in the information technology department, is entering her senior year at SUNY New Paltz, majoring in communications. Hima, a page in the youth services department, is enrolled at Rockland Community College, majoring in chemistry.

The scholarships not only represent Mr. Finkelstein's deep belief in the value of education and the importance of the library in the pursuit of education, but also the commitment by Mr. Horowitz to support and continue the cultural and educational work begun by Mr. Finkelstein.

We wish Hima and Jana all the best in their future endeavors.

Library Construction Funding Announced

Assemblywoman Ellen Jaffe and Senator David Carlucci announced that the New York State Education Department has approved construction projects for Finkelstein Memorial Library, Nyack Library and Pearl River Public Library. Finkelstein Memorial Library was awarded $432,398 for HVAC replacement, security upgrades and a generator.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Presentation on Suicide Prevention
Tuesday, Sept. 17, 6 – 7 PM
An opportunity to learn what you can do to save a life.
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ADHD Education for Parents
Tuesday, Sept. 24
6 – 7:30PM
The Rockland County Department of Mental Health and the Westchester Independent Living Center will present an educational seminar on ADHD with Isabel Ebrahimi, certified ADD/ADHD coach and parent coach. This event will explore the latest research, risk factors, tools and strategies for success and will also focus on making effective decisions in various courses of treatment for children with ADHD.
Registration begins on Sept. 6. For more information and to register, call (845) 352-5700, ext. 244.

English Classes
Clases de inglés
Oct. 14 – Feb. 19
Registering now.
Enregistrarse ahora.
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Visit us on the web at www.finkelsteinlibrary.org
For Adults

Knitting & Crocheting Circle
Tuesdays, 1 – 3 PM
Sept. 3 – Oct. 1 &
Oct. 15 – Nov. 26
Enjoy the company and experience of fellow yarn crafters.

Financial Literacy Seminars, “Money-Nomics”
Sponsored by Concrete Rose Leadership, Inc.
Thursdays, 7 – 8:30 PM
Sept. 12 & 26; Oct. 3 & 10;
Nov. 7
Saturdays, 3 – 4:30 PM
Sept. 21, Oct. 26, Nov. 9
Presenter: Deidre-Ann Frater,
Licensed educator
Learn about resources and assistance available to improve your finances. For information and to register call (914)996-8841 or email: Crlinfo1@gmail.com

Information for Seniors
Wednesday, Sept. 18 &
Thursday, Nov. 7
12 – 2 PM
Rockland County Office for the Aging will provide information on the many services available in Rockland County. Join us in the lobby area on the first floor to find out about:
• Long Term Care (NY Connects)
• Home Energy Assistance • Health Insurance Information • In-Home Services • Caregiver Respite
• Senior Employment Opportunities
... and more. Both sessions are the same.

Public Hearing & Medicare 101
Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2 – 4 PM
The Rockland County Office for the Aging will hold a public hearing about their targeted goals for 2019. A presentation will follow for those who are new to or soon to be eligible for Medicare, and for those who are still confused about Medicare. HIICAP and NY Connects staff will be there to help with program applications. Currently registering.

What’s Up with the Bees?
Thursday, Sept. 19, 7 – 8:30 PM
Presenter: Principal Beekeeper Bill Day, Pfeiffer Center, Chestnut Ridge
Is it true that the honeybees are in peril? Why? We’ll cover the amazing facts of life in the honeybee colony and discuss what we humans can do to make life better for this essential insect. Currently registering.

The Friends of the Library present
Irving Berlin,
An American Institution
Sunday, Sept. 22, 2 PM
Lecturer Marty Schneit shares photos, videos and behind the scenes stories about this great song writer. During his lifetime, Berlin published over 1,500 popular songs, including such classics as I Hate to Get Up in the Morning, God Bless America, and White Christmas. Light refreshments will be served.
In the Fielding Room, 3rd floor.

Fall Book Discussions
Fridays, 10 AM – 12 PM
Sept. 27: Our Mutual Friend
by Charles Dickens
Oct. 25: A Book of Common Prayer
by Joan Didion
Nov. 22: The God of Small Things
by Arundhati Roy
Dr. Neal Kreitzer, Ph.D., leads these literary explorations. Books will be available at the 2nd floor reference desk.

The Space Race: 1957 – 1975
Thursday, Oct. 24, 7 – 8 PM
Presenter: Kevin Joyce,
Author, photographer and lecturer
Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing! Relive the dramatic events from the pioneering Mercury and Gemini flights to the first of the Apollo Moon landings. Registration begins Sept. 23.

Identification & Management of Common Invasive Plants
Tuesday, Oct. 29, 7 – 8:30 PM
Instructor: Master Gardener Ann Barry, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County
Learn to identify some of the most common invasive plants and the least toxic methods of managing them. Registration begins Oct. 2.

Business Plan Writing
Presented by the U.S.
Small Business Administration
Wednesday, Oct. 30
2 – 3:30 PM
Presenter: Man-Li Lin, Economic Development Specialist, SBA
Learn the format and contents of a profitable business plan and the resources/assistance available from SBA’s partners. Registration begins Oct 2.

The Vampire Poet
Thursday, Oct. 31, 4 – 4:45 PM
Performance: 4:30 – 4:45 PM
This Halloween, the actor Jorge Ramos will perform Edgar Allan Poe’s The Raven in costume as the vampire Nosferatu. The performance will be in the lobby area on the first floor.

Job Corps Training
Careers begin here! Take part in a free education and career training program offered in a variety of fields for low-income young people ages 16 – 24. Contact Jasmin Ramos, outreach and admissions counselor, for more information: (347) 564-1341.
Performances on a Sunday Afternoon

Doors to the meeting room open 15 minutes before performance.

Flamenco Music, Song & Dance
Sept. 15, 2 – 3 PM
Discover flamenco, a passionate and seductive Spanish art form. Featuring: Greg Melnik on flamenco guitar, Mario Rincon singing and Julissa Cadenillas dancing.

An Afternoon of Edgar Allan Poe
Oct. 6, 2 – 3:30 PM
The Nyack Village Theater performs Edgar Allan Poe works with great visuals, sound effects, and costumes. Directed by Richard Quinn. The finale features vampire Nosferatu reading “The Raven.”

Ridgewood Gilbert & Sullivan Opera Company
Oct. 27, 2 – 3:30 PM
This non-profit performing group presents a concert version of the comic operetta “The Gondoliers;” or, “The King of Barataria.” (Performed in ordinary attire with only a few props, all musical numbers are included, but there is no dialogue.)

Blarney Stew
Nov. 17, 2 – 3:30 PM
Enjoy a concert of Irish rock, pub tunes and Celtic traditional music. Featuring Ken Harten on the fiddle, Perry Paletta on mandolin, Bill Reiner on guitar and vocals, Vin Warner on stand-up bass, and Pete Dunphy on drums and percussion.

Digital Photography Workshops
Tuesdays, 6 – 8 PM
Nov. 5, 12 & 19
Instructor: Collette Fournier, Professor of photography, RCC
Learn about digital cameras in this three-week workshop with an emphasis on composition, accessories and tips for creating more meaningful photographs. Please bring your digital camera and laptop with Photoshop software. An assignment will be given to explore pre-visualization, composition and storyboarding. While commitment to all three sessions is required, first session is a must. Limited to 16 participants. Registration begins Sept. 23.

Six-Hour Defensive Driving Course
Wednesday, Nov. 6 & Thursday, Nov. 7
5:45 – 8:45 PM
Open to drivers of all ages. Drivers are eligible to save 10 percent on liability, personal injury protection and collision insurance for three years and reduce four points on their driving record. Must attend both sessions. For more information and to register call Ian Prastien at 201-522-5892. (Fee: $25)

World War I: The Great War 100 Years After
Thursday, Nov. 14, 7 – 8:30 PM
Presenter: Tom DeStefano, teaches American History at Bergen Community College
Explore the causes of World War I and the opposing alliances — the Triple Entente and the Triple Alliance. Consider how the United States, originally a neutral nation, got involved. Learn about the role of trench warfare and how new military weapons affected the outcome of the war. Registration begins Oct. 10.

Job Search Help
Provided by RCLS
One-on-One Counseling
Wednesday, Oct. 16
11 AM – 1 PM or
Wednesday, Nov. 13, 6 – 8 PM
Registration for half-hour sessions begins Sept. 16.

CREATIVE CLASSES
Each class requires a materials fee.
(Cash only, payable to the instructor on the day of class.)

Mosaic a Picture Frame
Thursday, Sept. 12
7 – 8:30 PM
Instructor: Elyse Stoller, Crafty librarian
Learn how to work with broken china. Take home supplies and inspiration to continue your new skills. Materials fee: $5. Limited to 12 participants. Currently registering.

The Thrill of Action on Paper
Wednesday, Nov. 13
6:30 – 8:30 PM
Instructor: Marilyn Benkler, Art teacher
How do you create action on a piece of white paper? Learn the concept, then create an action picture using colored paper, scissors and glue. Materials fee: $3. Limited to 16 participants. Registration begins Oct. 16.

What if You Can Draw?
Wednesday, Nov. 20
6:30 – 8:30 PM
Instructor: Marilyn Benkler, Art teacher
Draw a recognizable simple object with lights and shadows creating the appearance of dimension using paper and pencil. Materials fee: $2. Limited to 12 participants. Registration begins Oct. 16.
Movie Matinees

WEDNESDAYS, 1 PM
Sept. 11, 25; Oct. 23; Nov. 6, 20

Movies will be announced two weeks ahead of the show dates. To find out which film is scheduled, check for the posted flyer at the library or on the library calendar of events online, or call us at the reference desk, ext. 244.

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
Clases de inglés otoño

Multilevel & Intermediate Class
(Niveles Multiples & Nivel Intermedio)
Tuesdays & Thursdays
(martes & jueves)
Oct. 10 – Dec. 19, 6 – 9 PM

English Level 1 for Spanish Speakers
(Inglés nivel 1 para hispanohablantes)
Mondays & Wednesdays
(lunes & miercoles)
Oct. 7 – Jan. 15, 6 – 9 PM

Register at the 2nd floor reference desk. For more information call Literacy Solutions’ Academic Coordinator Ana Diaz at 845-825-6141.

Para Inscribirse favor de ir al segundo piso al Servicio de Adulto o llamar a la coordinadora de Literacy Solution Ana Diaz al 845-825-6141.

U.S. Citizenship Preparation Class
For citizenship class information please call Lisa Delmonico at 845-358-3420.

For Adults

Health & Wellness Programs

Zumba® for Adults:
4-Week Course
Tuesdays, 7:30 – 8:30 PM
Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24
Licensed instructor: Arianna Pallens
A fusion of Latin and international music provides a motivating fitness workout. Beginners are welcome. Wear sneakers, bring a water bottle and a towel. Participants should be capable of moderate aerobic exercise.

Meditation on the Inner Light
Monday, Sept. 9, 12 – 1 PM
*Currently registering.

Registration began.

Hatha Yoga for Beginners
Mondays, 7:15 – 8:30 PM
Session I: Sept. 9, 16, 23, Oct. 7
*Registration began.

Healthy Tai Chi
Suitable for seniors & non-seniors
Session I:
Mondays, 9:30 – 10:30 AM
Sept. 9, 16, 23, Oct. 7
*Registration began.

Session II:
Fridays, 1 – 2 PM
Sept. 13, 20, 27
*Registration began.

Session III:
Mondays, 9:30 – 10:30 AM
Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 18, 25
*Registration begins Oct. 1.
Instructor: Master Ted Peng, Tai Chi 7th level
Slow individual movements are taken from elements of regular Tai Chi. Wear loose fitting clothes and sneakers.

Hatha Yoga for Beginners
Saturdays, 1:30 – 2:45 PM
Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26
Instructor: Carolyn Iannone, RYT-200
Practice the breathing and movement known to strengthen, energize and bring balance to mind and body. All levels invited. Please bring a yoga mat and towel.

Healthy Living:
Brain & Body
Tuesday, Nov. 5, 11 AM – 12 PM
Presenter: Jody Addeo, MPA
Rockland County Alzheimer’s Association
Learn the four areas of lifestyle habits of healthy aging: Cognitive activity, exercise, diet/nutrition and social engagement. Find out about current research, as well as what we can do now to improve or maintain overall health in each area. Registration begins Oct. 10.

To register call 845-352-5700, ext. 244 or stop by the 2nd floor reference desk. Check with your healthcare professional before starting any exercise regimen.

* You may register for any class, they are all the same.
Family Programs

Movie: Toy Story
Ages: K – 6, with families
Saturday, Sept. 28, 2 PM OR
Sunday, Oct. 6, 2 PM
Refreshments will be served after the movie. Registration begins Sept. 14.

Family Game Night
Ages: 5 & up
Thursdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Oct. 24 & Nov. 21
Disconnect from the screen! Enjoy a night of fun-filled games with your family! No registration required.

Story Time Programs
Books, music, crafts, feltboard, playtime and more! Children must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required, unless noted. Limit of 20 children per session.

Ready, Sit, Read!
Ages: 2 – 3 year olds
Tuesdays, 10 – 10:45 AM
Oct. 1, 15, 22, 29; Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26 (No session Oct. 8)

Toddler Time
Ages: 2 – 4 year olds
Wednesdays, 10 – 10:45 AM
Oct. 2, 16, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 20 (No session Oct. 9)

Baby & Me
Ages: Babies, 0 – 18 months
Mondays, 10 – 10:45 AM
Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28; Nov. 4, 18, 25; Dec. 2

School-Age Programs

Homework Help
Grades: 1 – 6
Mondays – Thursdays
4 – 5:45 PM
Oct. 2, 3, 7, 10, 15 – 17, 21 – 24, 28 – 30; Nov. 4, 6, 7
(No sessions Oct. 1, 8, 9, 14, 31; Nov. 11, 25 – 28)

There are no sessions when students have a half day or school is closed, or the library is closed. Students must be accompanied by an adult. Registration at the youth services desk is ongoing.

Lego Club
Ages: 6 – 12
Tuesdays, 6 – 7 PM
Sept. 24; Oct. 22; Nov. 19
Meet other kids and build something cool with our Legos! Suggested projects each week. Limit of 15 children per session.
No registration required.

Adventures with Cubetto, The Friendly Robot
Ages: 4 – 5
Sunday, Oct. 27, 2 – 3 PM
Listen to a story and then learn how to move Cubetto on the story map. Registration begins Oct. 13.

Once Upon a Time: Steam Events
Ages: 8 – 10
Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Oct. 29; Nov. 12
Listen to classic fairy tales, and use arts and crafts items to solve a problem in the story. Registration begins two weeks before each program.

To register for children’s programs call 845-352-5700, ext. 237.

September is library card sign-up month featuring the characters from the Toy Story movies! Sign up, receive a gift, and be invited to a showing of one of the movies. Already have a library card? You are invited too! Visit the children’s department starting Sept. 14, show your card, and receive a ticket to the show!

Mother Nature tried to rain on our parade (our country fair) this year, but that didn’t stop us — we moved inside! All three floors of the library were filled with happy smiling faces, some of them painted! Our Jug Band didn’t miss a beat, our jugglers juggled, our golfers still golfed, our bakers baked, balloons got shaped, games got played and prizes were won by all! See you next year!

Photographs taken by staff member Chris Coleman.

2019 COUNTRY FAIR SCRAPBOOK
**Suicide Prevention Posters & a Presentation on the Topic**

**Sept. 7 – 26**

Brigid Pigott, LCSW of the Rockland County Department of Mental Health, will exhibit suicide prevention posters and make a presentation on the topic. The selected posters are the finalists from a graphic arts suicide prevention competition for students at Rockland Community College.

The presentation, which addresses the balance between risk and protective factors that can help someone stay safe, will be on **Tuesday, Sept. 17, 6 – 7 PM**. Poster viewing and Q&A will follow.

Registration for the presentation will start on Sept. 6. Call (845) 352-5700, ext. 244. The poster viewing and presentation is open to teens and adults.

**Glue Things to Magnets!**

**Ages: 12 – 18**

**Wednesday, Oct. 2, 7 – 8 PM**

Make your own locker decorations and more with an assortment of fun items to choose from. All materials will be provided. **Registration required.**

**Beyond Books**

**Ages: 12 – 18**

**Mondays, 6 – 7 PM**  
**Oct. 7 & Nov. 4**

Enjoy some book-themed fun! Share what you’re reading while making decorations for the teen room. Each meeting is one hour of volunteer credit. **Registration is required.**

**Escape the Stranger Things**

**Ages: 12 – 18**

**Wednesday, Oct. 30, 6 – 8 PM**

Welcome to the Upside Down! Can you solve our Stranger Things-themed escape room? Sign up in advance for your time slot with up to seven friends to solve a series of clues and puzzles. **Registration begins Oct. 16.**

**Random Fandom**

**Ages: 12 – 18**

**Thursdays, Oct. 17 & Nov. 14**

Do you love pizza? What about movies, games and crafts? Then this program is for you! Pizza is first come, first served, and must be eaten at the program. **No registration required.**

**Glue Things to Magnets!**

**Ages: 12 – 18**

**Saturday, Oct. 26, 2:30 – 3:30 PM**

Light refreshments will be served. Your entire family is invited!

Please note: Art displays cannot be viewed when the room is in use for a program.

**THE FRIENDS’ BOOK SALES**

We are accepting donations of gently used materials. You may leave up to 10 books at the circulation desk. Please call David Eig for larger donations: 845-352-6124. Tax receipt provided on request.
Computer Workshops

You may now register for computer workshops online! Visit the library’s webpage for more details. Or call (845) 352-5700, ext. 294 to register. Registration opens one week before each class. Registering for the part I class in each session automatically enrolls you in the part II class in the same session. Please have your library card number available when registering.

Basic Computer Concepts
October Sessions
Part I:
Monday, Oct. 21, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Wednesday, Oct. 23, 6:30 PM
November Sessions
Part I:
Monday, Nov. 4, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Wednesday, Nov. 6, 6:30 PM
In part one, we will review the physical computer parts, how to turn it on and off, the desktop, start menu, and how Microsoft Windows works. In part two, we will review the keyboard commands, left-clicking, double-clicking, and right-clicking. We’ll also navigate the computer and software: start menu, managing Windows, other programs and software. We will also spend time learning how to use the mouse. No experience with computers necessary.

Email Basics(# @)
October Sessions
Part I:
Monday, Oct. 14, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Wednesday, Oct. 16, 6:30 PM
OR
Part I:
Monday, Oct. 28, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Wednesday, Oct. 30, 6:30 PM
Part one will review the basic features of an email program, how to create an email account, and how to send and reply to an email. Part two will cover forwarding, attachments, redirecting mail and other advanced features.

PowerPoint for Beginners (#)
Wednesday, Oct. 23, 10 AM
This class will explain not only the basics of starting a presentation; choosing a design, adding and editing text, pictures, videos, charts and animation to your slides but how to “think-through” your entire presentation for the best results.

Intro to Microsoft Word (#)
Tuesday Sessions
Part I:
Tuesday, Oct. 15, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Tuesday, Oct. 22, 6:30 PM
Thursday Sessions
Part I:
Thursday, Oct. 17, 2:30 PM
Part II:
Thursday, Oct. 24, 2:30 PM
Part one will cover how to create, format, and edit a document with a picture. In part two, create a business letter with a letterhead and a table.

Intro to Microsoft Excel (#)
Tuesday Sessions
Part I:
Tuesday, Nov. 5, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Tuesday, Nov. 12, 6:30 PM
Thursday Sessions
Part I:
Thursday, Nov. 7, 2:30 PM
Part II:
Thursday, Nov. 14, 2:30 PM
Part one will cover creating a worksheet and a chart. In part two, we will cover formulas, functions, and formatting.

Intro to Publisher (#)
Part I:
Tuesday, Nov. 19, 6:30 PM
Part II:
Tuesday, Nov. 26, 6:30 PM
Explore the user interface. Learn how to use text boxes and images to create flyers, posters or brochures.

Building Websites with Google Sites for Beginners(# @)
Wednesday, Nov. 20, 10 AM
Need a website? Even better, a free one? We can show you how to build a basic website using Google Sites. This class will explain not only the basics but how to “think-through” the whole process for the best results.

Please note: All library computers shut down a half hour prior to library closing.

The Technology Center provides computers configured for patron use during workshops. The use of patrons' personal computers and/or laptops during workshops is prohibited.

Classes with # after them require the ability to use the mouse and keyboard.
Classes with @ after them require basic familiarity with the Internet.
FINKELSTEIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY’S

Fall 2019 Newsletter

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Labor Day
Monday, Sept. 2, CLOSED

Rosh Hashanah
Sunday, Sept. 29, CLOSED
Monday, Sept. 30, CLOSED

Yom Kippur
Tuesday, Oct. 8, OPEN 9 AM – 1 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 9, CLOSED

Veterans Day
Monday, Nov. 11, CLOSED

Thanksgiving
Wednesday, Nov. 27, OPEN 9 AM – 1 PM
Thursday, Nov. 28, CLOSED
Friday, Nov. 29, OPEN 9 AM – 1 PM

HOURS

Monday – Thursday
9 AM – 9 PM

Friday
9 AM – 6 PM

Saturday
1 – 5 PM

Sunday
1 – 5 PM

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Fridays, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1
OPEN 11 AM – 6 PM

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Board Meetings
Wednesdays, 6:30 PM
Sept. 25, Oct. 23, Nov. 20

Director: Laura Wolven