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Leprechaun Traps Program Returns

A March tradition – Leprechaun Traps – returns to the library **from 5 -6 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in the downstairs meeting room.** SPL provides everything children

need to make an effective leprechaun trap. There will also be snacks for the trap makers! We always love seeing the children's engineering creativity.

New Changes Rolling Out At SPL



Changes are underway at the Syracuse Public Library! Hanna will step into the role of patron services librarian.

Going forward, Hanna stated, "The library is going to be focusing on increasing our educational programs."

She further noted that the library hopes to collaborate with the community on future

programs, too.

"Patrons can expect to see new programs roll out in April, including a chess club and a jam circle for community musicians."

Hanna noted fellow SPL librarians will also be meeting the community in ways that they're passionate about, too.

Hanna encourages local nonprofits, organizations and businesses interested in collaboration to contact her at hkunkel@syracuse.lib.in.us.

Go Digital

Sign up for the Syracuse Public Library's monthly and/or weekly e-newsletters to receive the latest library news and learn more about events – including new events scheduled after the newsletter is printed.

Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3rHS49y>.

Be sure to check your spam folders because sometimes the emails go into there.

Scan to Sign Up!



Staff Day Closing

The Syracuse Public Library will close Tuesday, March 18, for a staff training day.



Children & Tweens

Art Club Spring Session

This art club session will mark Miss Megan's last children's program (excluding homeschool class)!

This session of art club is limited to 18 children (ages 7+). Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SPLSpringArtClub>.

A 4 p.m. each Monday, starting March 24, registered children will work on creating a painting just like the one pictured. Since each session builds on the last, it is important to commit to attending each Monday. The session will tentatively wrap up on Monday, April 28. Younger siblings can join as supplies are available.



Let's Dissect March

The Homeschool Class launches a new dissection unit in March!

Children will take turns dissecting owl pellets and dissection kits, including a frog and snake. During these activities, children will fill out worksheets about their discoveries!

Classes meet **at 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday**.



For information, contact Megan at mdaumen@syracuse.lib.in.us.

'Weird' And Wonderful Women

Children will learn about "weird" and wonderful women from history during the next Weird History Club meeting **from 3-4 p.m. Monday, March 31, in the children's department**.

From the wrestling princess Khutulun to medieval powerhouse Olga of Kyiv and more modern women Nellie Bly, Marie Curie, and Bessie Coleman, the group will learn about the impact of women on history.



Storytime

Come for stories, a craft and play during Storytime **at 10:30 a.m. each Wednesday in February**.

Children will also learn some American Sign Language and Spanish.



General Library News

Friends Meetings Resume

The Friends of the Syracuse Public Library will resume their monthly meetings after a winter break. Join the Friends **at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 6, in the downstairs meeting room**. Since this meeting occurs before the library opens, knock on the southernmost Harrison Street door (near the staff parking lot) to enter.

All-Ages Chess Club Arrives in April

Syracuse Public Library is excited to announce the US Chess Trust has provided us with official sets and boards, plus one demo board for group instruction!

This April, our new all-ages chess club will use these sets. Robert will oversee the club, and more details will come soon.

We look forward to uniting the generations at the chess tables.



Last Winter Coffee Social

The Friends of the Syracuse Public Library will hold their last coffee social of the season **from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, in the upstairs sitting area!** Enjoy free coffee and treats while finding community at the library.

Submit Your Feedback

The Syracuse Public Library wants to hear from our patrons! We've launched a new communications survey available at <https://forms.gle/aL11nPCq89GQ52hM9>.

This survey will help determine where our patrons pick up information and news, so we can reach the most people with programming information and library news.

Survey participants can also sign up to help the library with its mission of lifelong learning by offering to participate in promotional materials or participate in Syracuse Public Library's website testing.



Or scan this QR



Young Adults

Meet The New YA Librarian: Amber!



Join us for a special Young Adult Open House **from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 10, in the Rosalyn Jones Room.** Teens can meet new young adult services librarian Amber Cox and learn about exciting future plans!

This low-key event will feature music, board games, coloring, paper for crafting, and snacks!

Learn To Play Everdell



Everdell is a streamlined worker placement game that features a detailed world realized through stunning artwork. Utilizing a tableau-building mechanic, players will work to build a city of critters and constructions. Everdell is easy to learn yet offers satisfying strategic depth and endless replayability.

Join Amber and learn how to play **from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, in the Rosalyn Jones.** The library will even provide snacks.

YA Board Game Night explores new games each month!

Enjoy These Additional Programs

YA VIDEO GAMING

4-7 p.m. | March 6 | Rosalyn Jones Room
Play games on the library's Nintendo Switch.

ANIME CLUB

6-7:30 p.m. | Thursday, March 27 | Downstairs Meeting Room
Watch anime (TV 13+ and below) on Crunchyroll while learning about Japan's islands, such as Cat Island and Rabbit Island.

COZY CARTOONS & COLORING

4-5 p.m. | Friday, March 28 | Rosalyn Jones Room
Unwind with cartoons and coloring book pages.

NOTE:

YA Writing Club will be on break in March. The next meeting will be **at 3:30 p.m. Friday, April 11, in the Rosalyn Jones Room.** There will be caramel brownies.

Digital Resources

Use Wowbrary To Uncover New Material!

Wowbrary
The newest stuff at your library

Wowbrary connects subscribers with the newest stuff at your local library! If you want to know about all of



SPL's new materials (books, movies, etc.), you'll want to subscribe to the weekly Wednesday newsletter at <https://wowbrary.org/signup.aspx?email=&l=8724>.

Did You Know?

SPL saved the community an estimated **\$1,228,067 with materials checked out!** That is **approximately \$583.96 per patron.** This figure doesn't even include SPL's hotspots, board games, seed library, public computers, puzzles, or our free Wi-Fi! It also doesn't factor in our educational programs.

With that \$583.96, patrons could buy **a drone, a new TV, or even 79 large caramel lattes from a local coffee shop!**

Source: Syracuse Public Library's 2024 Annual Report and lovelibraries.org



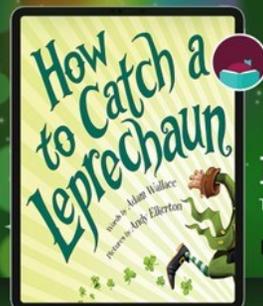
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Literacy for Kids

Designed to engage reluctant readers and struggling learners



You don't need luck to **catch a fun read**



Libby.
The library reading app



Adults

March's Book Club Pick

SPL's adult book club will read "The Woman They Could Not Silence" by Kate Moore.

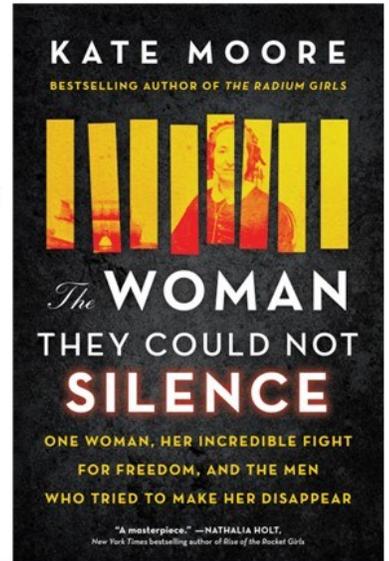
Braving the confines of an oppressive mental asylum, Elizabeth Packard defied all odds as she fought for her freedom and the rights of countless other women confined against their will. With relentless determination, she became a voice that resonated across the nation, igniting a movement for change.

The discussion occurs **at 1 p.m.**

Thursday, March 27, in the downstairs meeting room.

Copies of the novel are available at the Syracuse Public Library. A digital e-book and audiobook may be available on the Libby app. The e-book is also on Hoopla.

For information or to recommend a future book club pick, email Hanna at hkunkel@syracuse.lib.in.us.



Mahjong: Everyone Welcomed



Play mahjong at 1 p.m. on **Mondays and Wednesdays in the downstairs meeting room.** All players, including beginners, are welcome at the tables.

Sign Up To Create Beaded Bracelets



Crafters will make beaded bracelets during the next Craft & Sip **from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13, in the downstairs meeting room.** Since supplies are limited, participants will need to register.

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SPLBeadedBracelets> (or scan the QR code). A staff member can also sign you up.

For information, contact Hanna at hkunkel@syracuse.lib.in.us.



NOTE

The Workshop (adult writing group) will not meet in March because of a staff training day closing (March 18). The group's next meeting is at 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 15, in the downstairs meeting room. During that meeting, the group will focus on showing versus telling.

In The Garden: The World Of Fungi



In the Garden will continue its exploration of the world of mushrooms **at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 20, in the downstairs meeting room.**

Also, mark your calendars for a **Becky's Garden workday at 1 p.m. Thursday, April 17.**

For information, email Sarah at swright@syracuse.lib.in.us.

Trees & Teatime: RootsTech Presentation



Sarah will virtually attend FamilySearch's RootsTech 2025 at the beginning of March. She'll share information from classes during the next Trees & Teatime program **from 2:30-3:30 Friday, March 21.** Sarah looks forward to the sessions about artificial intelligence's potential as a genealogy research assistant.

As always, a cornucopia of teas will be available to enjoy!

For information, email Sarah at swright@syracuse.lib.in.us.

Coming Soon: Seed Library



The Seed Library returns to the Syracuse Public Library by mid-March! Each family can "check out" 10 seed packets – only 1 packet per variety of seed (ex. one type of carrot). Don't have a library card? You can still "check out" seeds; we have a special library card for the seed catalog.

Library Hours

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday

12-8 p.m. Tuesday

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday

12-8 p.m. Thursday

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday

March 2025

Syracuse-Turkey Creek Township Public Library

Embark on Lifelong Learning



Online Calendar & Registrations
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2	3 Mahjong: 1 p.m.	4	5 Storytime & Homeschool (C): 10:30 a.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.	6 Friends Meeting: 11 a.m. YA Video Gaming (T): 4-7 p.m.	7	8	1 Teen Art Contest Deadline!
9	10 Mahjong: 1 p.m. YA Open House (T): 3:30-4:30 p.m.	11 Leprechaun Traps: 5-6 p.m.	12 Storytime & Homeschool (C): 10:30 a.m. Coffee Social: 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.	13 Craft & Sip (R): 4:30-5:30 p.m.	14	15	21 Trees & Teatime: 2:30-3:30 p.m.
16	17 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Board Meeting: 5:45 p.m.	18 Library Closed for Staff Training	19 Storytime & Homeschool (C): 10:30 a.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.	20 In the Garden: 1 p.m. Board Game Night (T): 5:30-7:30 p.m.	21	22	28 Cozy Cartoons & Coloring (T): 4-5 p.m.
23	24 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Art Club (C): 4 p.m.	25	26 Storytime & Homeschool (C): 10:30 a.m. Mahjong: 1 p.m.	27 Adult Book Club: 1 p.m. Anime Club (T): 6-7:30 p.m.	28		
30	31 Mahjong: 1 p.m. Weird History Club (C): 3 p.m. Art Club (C): 4 p.m.						



Calendar Key
 (C)= Children's program
 (R)= Registration Required
 (T)= Teen program

