

Rush Library News

June & July 2019

Submitted by:

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

Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

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Dear Neighbors,

“Reading is a discount ticket to everywhere.” Mary Schmich, American journalist. Stop in and plan your “journey” this summer with us!

Hometown Fest: If this newsletter reaches you before **June 1st**, there is still time to make plans to come to **Hometown Fest from 1-5:00 PM at Veterans’ Park** on that date. We are offering live music by Keith Baker Band and then Val Fowler in the gazebo, food for sale from Montesano’s, Colby’s, & Creekside Inn, and wine-tastings from Gallery Vineyards (all **LOCAL** establishments!) There will be face-painting, crafts to make, and games. We hope you will come out to support our lovely town and all that it has to offer!



Photo by Mark Goho

Summer Reading Program: Our New York State Summer Reading Program runs the month of July. This year’s title is *A Universe of Stories*, a space-themed reading program that ties in with the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 Moon Landing, with lots of activities and books about space to enjoy. The benefits of summer reading programs for children:

- Children develop positive attitudes about reading, books, and the library.
- Children maintain their reading skills during summer vacation.
- Children have access to experiences that further their sense of discovery.
- Children have access to experiences through which they can learn to work cooperatively.

We’ve planned lots of activities around this theme in order to entice **everyone** to keep reading during summer vacation. **We have prizes and incentives for kids donated by the Rush-Henrietta Rotary Club, local businesses and the Friends of the Library;** select the events that interest you and your family from the list below, and **register online in advance** because some programs fill up very quickly!



Foreign Language Database: We continue to subscribe to **Pronunciator!** It is a language-learning database that you, as a Rush resident, can access from home, on any browser or any device, with your library card! 80 languages are available for English-speakers to learn and 50 languages for ESL speakers. Not only can you prepare for a trip abroad or help your high school student, you can also track your progress, perform pronunciation drills & analysis, prepare for a citizenship test, take a 6-week immersion class for healthcare providers, learn workplace-specific exercises, watch subtitled foreign movies, *and so much more*. **Start at our own website:** www.RushLibrary.org to click on Pronunciator and get started today learning a new language, or perfecting an old one!



Library Card Update: Please remember to bring your card with you to the library when you check out books & movies. We make fewer mistakes when we can scan your actual card barcode, rather than searching our database for your name. Replacement cards are free! **You can also put your library card on your smartphone** (via the app called **MCLS-To-Go**) and we can scan that.

V.I.P. Museum Passes: We have partnered with several local museums & arts organizations for a program that allows you to check out a pass with your library card, and then receive a discounted admission rate when you arrive. We have passes for **Genesee Country Village, The George Eastman Museum, Rochester Museum & Science Center, NY Museum of Transportation, The Susan B. Anthony House, Geva Theater, The Empire Pass, and more**. These are great if you have company coming, or are planning a staycation!

Holiday Closings: We will be closed:

- **Memorial Day Weekend: Saturday, May 25- Monday, May 27**
- **Independence Day: Thursday, July 4**
- **Firemen's Parade: Closing early at 5:00 PM on Friday, July 12**

Remember, Rush Library items are never due on a day we are scheduled to be closed, but you may have items from other libraries due on a day we are closed if they are open. Check your receipt or online account to verify all of your due dates.

Looking forward to seeing you...

Kirsten

Upcoming Events at the Rush Public Library for June and July, 2018

Submitted by Joan Celentano, Children's and Adult Services Coordinator

Lego/Duplo Club for kids ages 3-10 on **Tuesday, June 4th** from **3:45-4:30 PM**. Here are some skills that are improved by playing with Lego *in a group setting*: teamwork, communication,

patience, constructive problem-solving, fine motor dexterity, focus, spatial awareness, and experimentation. And it's fun! Please register in advance for a place at the table.



The Know Thyself Perspective, Part One: A lecture series by Spiritual/Relational Life Coach and author, **Adrien Fiorucci**, on **Wednesday, June 5th at 7:00 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Mr. Fiorucci will be discussing the importance of *Authentic Personal Power* and how few of us truly understand what that is. He will point out how we view and interact with the world, and suggest a few ways to get in contact with this part of ourselves and cultivate it in our surroundings. A Q & A session will conclude the talk. Please register in advance for this informative class.

Drop-In Story Time: For our little patrons ages 2-5 and a parent or caregiver on **Thursdays, June 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th from 11:30 AM-Noon**. Children will listen to fun stories with a different theme each week, chosen especially for this age group. **Note:** Some Story-Times will be held outside in our Gazebo, weather permitting.



Watercolor Class for Adults: Join us on **Thursday, June 6th from 1:00-2:30 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion for a relaxing time learning to paint your own watercolor masterpiece. No experience is needed, and all materials will be included. We require a minimum of at least 6 patrons to hold this class. There is a \$10.00 materials fee, which includes your canvas. Class taught by artist **Susan Micciche**. Please register in advance.



Knit Chicks: Our friendly fiber crafters meet twice per month to work on their projects on two **Saturdays June 8th and 29th from 10:30-noon**. Come make new friends, and share patterns and inspiration. No registration necessary; coffee and snacks provided.



Art Class for Kids: (Re-scheduled from April) for kids ages 6-10 on **Tuesday, June 11th from 3:45-4:30 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Students will have great time learning about geometric and organic shapes, drawing, and slime. Students will create a drawing based on their slime's contour lines, and each student will also get to take home some slime. Please register your child in advance.



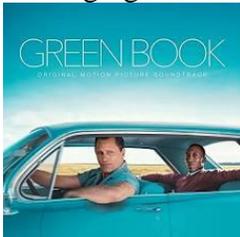
Wine Tasting: Sip Into Summer! Sparkling wine is not just for New Year's Eve, it's the perfect summer sipper. Join wine enthusiast, **Joan Meyers on Wednesday, June 12th at 6:30 PM in the William Udicious Pavilion** for an evening of delightful sparkling wine tastings, paired with seasonal fruit and other light hors d' oeuvres. **There will be a \$6.00 tasting fee at the door.** Please register in advance. You must be 21 to attend & we will check identification.



Magna-Tiles: Kids ages 5-10 can stop in to play on **Tuesdays, June 18th and 25th from 3:45-4:30 PM.** Magna-Tiles are flat, colorful, magnetic mosaic shapes used for creating 3-D structures. Children will become familiar with ideas in geometry through play; they'll learn about design and architecture, patterns and visualization, teamwork, spatial skills and more! Please register your child in advance.



Movie Matinee: Join us on **Thursday, June 20th from 1:00-3:00 PM** for the screening of this year's Oscar-winning movie, **Green Book**, starring Viggo Mortensen and Mahershala Ali. "Dr. Don Shirley, world-class African American pianist, is about to embark on a tour in the Deep South in 1962. He recruits Tony Lip, a tough-talking Italian bouncer to be his driver and protector. Despite their differences, the two develop an unexpected bond, in an era of racism and segregation." Coffee, tea and snacks will be served. Please register in advance.



Crafter's Corner for Teens and Adults: Tuesday, June 25th at 2:00 PM in the William Udicious Pavilion. Teens 16+ and adults: make yourself a **summer scarf** out of an upcycled t-shirt! This is a no-sew project but you will need to bring **good pair of sharp scissors** and a **large cotton blend T-shirt**. Bring your own t-shirt, or scour the thrift stores for one with an interesting print. Please register in advance online or by calling the library.



The Know Thyself Perspective, Part Two: Author and Life Coach Adrien Fiorucci will explore the topic of *Anxiety* on **Wednesday, June 26th from 7-8:00 PM in the William Udicious Pavilion**. Why does anxiety seem to be an epidemic of our modern age? Mr. Fiorucci will discuss the deep inner origins of anxiety, why it may be increasing with our technological advancements, and how we might deal with it, whether for ourselves or to help someone we know. A Q & A session will conclude the talk. Please register in advance for this informative class.

Rush Readers' Book Club: This month's selection will be *The Orchid Thief* by Susan Orlean. "This nonfiction work you will hold you utterly spellbound; like many orchids it is a beautiful hybrid. It is part crime story (about orchid poaching), part exotic read (about a society of flower breeders). The plot is led by charismatic plant smuggler, John Laroche." Join the author as she follows Laroche through the swamps of Florida into this fascinating and mysterious culture. Join us on **Thursday, June 27th or July 11th from 7:00-9:00 PM**. Coffee and dessert will be served. Please register in advance.



NYS Summer Reading Program:



"*A Universe of Stories*" is the Summer Reading theme this year. Our program begins **Friday, June 28th through Wednesday, July 31st**. These events will fill up fast; please register in advance, and give us a courtesy call us if you cannot attend a program for which you registered - we often have patrons who are waiting to join a full program. Thank you.

- **Children:** Avoid falling behind in school by continuing to read during summer vacation. You can win prizes for reading & completing our game cards. The more you read, the better the prizes!

- **Teens in grades 6-12:** Check out and read any *Rush Library* book, then fill out an entry blank to become eligible for a prize. Two prize winners will be chosen at random each week; enter as many times as you wish. The more you read, the better your chances!

Teen Crafting: Get ready for *A Universe of Stories* on **Thursday June 27th from 3-4:00 PM** by making a glow-in-the-dark galaxy t-shirt or pillowcase. We'll supply everything. We will be using fabric paint outside on the lawn, so wear old clothes for this craft. Please register in advance so we have enough supplies on hand for this free class. *If weather is bad that day, our rain date is Thursday, July 11th at 3:00 PM.*



Summer Reading Kick-Off Event! Explore *A Universe of Stories* with Mad Science of Western New York on **Friday, June 28th at 7:00 PM in the William Udicious Pavilion.** Future space explorers in grades 3-5 and their families are invited to go on a trajectory from Earth to the outer reaches of our solar system. There will be hands-on activities, a space suit to try on, and other out-of-this world experiences. Come celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Moon Landing, and pick up your **Summer Reading** packets. Please register in advance for this exciting evening, **made possible by the Rush-Henrietta Rotary Club.**



Watercolor Class for Ages 13 and Up: Join us on **Tuesday, July 9th at 2:00 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion for a fun time learning to paint your own *Cosmic Galaxy* masterpiece with friends. No experience is needed, and all materials will be included. We require a minimum of at least 6 patrons to hold this class. All supplies are included including your canvas. Class taught by artist Susan Micciche. Please register in advance. A sample will be on display in the library.



Storytime with Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes: Drop in to meet your local representative and listen to a fun selection of stories with her on **Wednesday, July 10th at 1:30 PM in the library.** No registration required.



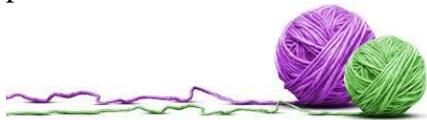
Project Learning Tree: For children ages 5-10 and their families on **Thursday, July 11th at 2:00 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Meet **Betsy Ukeritis**, Environmental Educator from the NYS Department of Conservation. She will be taking kids on a small-scale color/shape safari behind the library and involving them in a game and teaching how to make a monocular (an optical instrument for viewing objects with one eye). Space is limited and children must be registered in advance.



Backyard Lunar Lander Demo: On **Thursday, July 11th from 5-7:30 PM**, come meet local engineer, **Barry Nobles**, who has built a half-size model of the Apollo 11 Lunar Module that landed Armstrong & Aldrin on the moon. **At 6:00 PM will be his presentation for all ages, with a chance to win a souvenir for those attending.** This is a passion project for him and he wants to share it with the community for the 50th anniversary of the lunar landing. No need to register, just drop by, outside the library.



Knit Chicks: Too hot to knit at home? Cool off in our meeting room and share your projects with your friends. Join us on two **Saturdays, July 13th & 27th at 10:30 AM**. Snacks will be provided.



Movie Matinee for Kids: *Fly Me to the Moon* (animated feature) on **Tuesday, July 16th from 1-2:30 PM**. “Nat the fly loves listening to his grandfather’s stories of his youth. Desperate to experience some adventures of his own, Nat convinces two of his friends to stow-away on Apollo 11, resulting in this fun space-bound cartoon caper!” Snacks and drinks will be provided. Please register in advance.



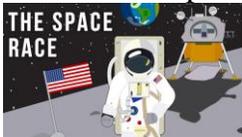
Dream Bikes: **Tuesday, July 16th at 6:00 PM**. *Dream Bikes* is a non-profit organization that strategically places used bicycle stores in low-to-moderate income neighborhoods to provide hands-on paid job training for teens. Come and meet shop owner **Eric LaClair** who will teach patrons of all ages how to repair a flat tire, how to adjust their bicycle’s gear systems and shifting, and how to adjust brake systems to ensure a safe, smooth riding experience. This **FREE** clinic will be held in the William Udicious Pavilion. Please register in advance



Art Class for Kids: For kids ages 6-10 on **Thursday, July 18th at 2:00 PM**. Join instructor **Jennifer Martin** in the William Udicious Pavilion for a painting class using modern splatter and spray techniques to create an outer space scene. Kids can let their creativity blast out of the universe! Space is limited; please register in advance.



Movie Matinee: *The Space Race: (1957-1975)*: Join us for a 45-minute documentary for all ages on **Tuesday, July 23rd from 3:30-4:30 PM**. This video chronicles the highs and lows of the era beginning when the Soviet Union launched Sputnik. The space race ended in a joint mission between the United States and the Soviet Union. Segments include; *U.S Soviet Rivalry, NASA, Path to the Moon, Armstrong Air and Space Museum, and Space Feats after Apollo*. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Space is limited; please register in advance for a seat.



Babysitter Training: **Thursday, July 25th from Noon-5:00 PM in the William Udicious Pavilion.** EPIC Trainings will teach this class **for boys and girls ages 11 and up**. Kids will learn the roles and responsibilities of a babysitter, including accident prevention, first-aid, and choking. Each student will receive a certificate upon completion. **Please bring a self-addressed stamped envelope and a bagged lunch. The presenter requires a minimum of 6 students in order to hold this class. The fee is \$30.00 per student, payable to the instructor on the day of the class with cash or a check. Register online on the Rush Library website only.**



Ice Cream Sundaes on Tuesday! All children and families who participated in our Summer Reading program are invited to make their own ice-cream sundae on **Tuesday, July 30th from 1-2:00 PM** in the William Udicious Pavilion. Come celebrate your reading achievements with us! Please register in advance so we know how many people to expect.



Rush Readers' Book Club: We will be taking the summer off; enjoy your leisure reading!

Thank you to all of our Summer Reading Prize Sponsors. A full list will appear in the next newsletter!

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