



CONNECTION

December 2023 • January & February 2024

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 Registration required; visit manliuslibrary.org

Great Decisions

Wed • 10:30am beginning February 21

In this distinguished program from the Foreign Policy Association, read a short chapter from the 2023 Briefing Book, then join others for a discussion facilitated by Lorie Finger. Registration opens January 2 and is free, with briefing books available for pickup in mid-January. In person; refreshments will be served.

Healthy & Wealthy in 2024

Wednesdays • 5:30pm • Jan 24 & 31

Start 2024 with a bang by gaining new knowledge to increase your health and wealth in the new year! Enjoy presentations followed by Q&As with a certified Integrative Nutrition Health Coach and Wealth Manager. Visit our website for more details.

1/24 (via Zoom): **Plant Based with Christina Major**

1/31 (in person): **Q&A with Wealth Manager Sean Becker**

Yoga

Wednesdays • 10:30am

Start your day with a relaxing and invigorating vinyasa flow with Glenda. All skill levels are welcome! Please register.

How to Sell Your House

Wed., Jan. 17 • 6:30pm

Join Terry Quigg of Hunt's Real Estate for this informative seminar and learn tips for successfully selling your house. Please register.

Disaster Preparedness

Fri., Feb. 23 • 1pm

The Citizen Preparedness Corps is an Emergency Preparedness program to provide residents the knowledge and tools to prepare for emergencies and disasters, respond accordingly, and recover as quickly as possible. Please register.

Capturing Winter's Beauty Photography Contest

This winter, let us showcase what is beautiful about winter in central NY! Please submit entries to lmajor@manliuslibrary.org between Dec. 21 and Jan. 25 at 9pm. Visit our website for more details!

Adult Winter Reading

Mon., Jan. 8 - Fri., Mar. 15

Welcome to Manlius Library Adult Winter Reading! There are two tracks for prizes: Winter Reading Classic, and Winter Reading Bingo. Prize winners will be randomly selected on Monday, March 18.

Winter Reading Classic: Report each book you complete this winter. Every five books earns you a virtual raffle ticket, which can be used to enter drawings for raffle prizes.

Winter Reading Bingo: Complete fun winter challenges to earn tickets for the chance to win this year's Grand Prize, a basket of books and Manlius Library goodies. A ticket is earned for each completed line.

Arts & Crafts for Adults

Paint & Chat

2nd Mondays • 6:30pm

Paint along and paint together! A different project every month. Adults, please register.

Snowball Bath Bombs

Thursday, December 7 • 6pm

Stop by to make a fun and seasonal bath bomb! Great for a gift or for yourself. (While supplies last.)

Holiday Cookie Decorating

Tuesday, December 12 • 6pm

Drop in to decorate some delicious holiday cookies! Limit 6 per person. While supplies last. All ages are welcome.

Hooks & Needles

Fridays • 10:30am

Crochet, knit, crewel, embroidery... all fiber arts welcome! Bring your own project to work on, or use our supplies to learn and practice basic stitches.

Featherweight Sewing Club

1st Saturdays • 10am - 4:30pm

Bring your Featherweight machine and enjoy some sewing fun! (12/2 & 1/6)

Crafting Corner - No Sew Blankets

Monday, January 22 • 6:30pm

Drop in and learn how to make a no-sew fleece blanket. Project Linus will have the supplies and instructions to make a blanket to donate to kids in need.

Tech Programs

Open Tech Q & A

Wednesdays • 3-4pm

Stop by to ask a librarian your tech questions.

Tech Time at the Senior Centre

Fridays • 11am - 12pm

Make an appointment at the Manlius Senior Centre for 1-on-1 tech help with a librarian.

Jigsaw Puzzles!

Jigsaw Puzzle Derby

Saturday, January 20 • 2:30pm

Sign up your team of up to 4 people and race to see who can finish their puzzle first!

Puzzle Swap

Saturday, February 3 • 10am-4:30pm

Out with the old, in with the new. Accepting donations from January 13th-day of swap. You do not need to donate to take puzzles home. See you there!

Kids & Family Events

Jigglebugs

Mondays • 10:30am

Join Miss Windy in the Story Time Room for some music fun! Appropriate for toddlers to preschool, but all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Toddler Story Time

Tuesdays • 10:30am

Join Miss Karen in the Story Time Room. Appropriate for toddlers, but all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Preschool Story Time

Wednesdays • 10:30am

Join Miss Karen in the Story Time Room. Appropriate for preschoolers, but all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver.

Kids Paws & Read

2nd Wednesdays • 4 - 5pm

Sign up your child for a one-on-one, 15-minute session with a registered therapy dog from Pet Partners. Encourage a reluctant reader and build your child's confidence through reading to a furry friend.

Family Story Time

Wednesdays • 6:30pm

With Miss Windy in the Story Time Room. Family Story Time focuses on early literacy skills to meet the growing needs of our young friends and their families. (No Story Time 12/27)

Lil Explorers

Thursdays • 10:30am

With Miss Windy in the Story Time Room. Sensory and discovery play for toddlers and preschoolers. Children must be accompanied by an adult caregiver. (No session 12/21 & 12/28)

Kids Talking Hands

Did you love the Talking Hands sessions this past summer, and you are ready for some new signs? Be sure to check out the Manlius Library YouTube channel for new content released on Fridays for six weeks beginning January 19.

Snap the QR code to visit the Kids Talking Hands playlist on YouTube!



Tween Writer's Box

2nd Mondays • 6:30pm

Join Miss Anna in this space to create your own stories with tips and quick solutions to inspire great writing! Ages 9-13.

Snack Attack Book Club

1st Mondays • 4pm • Ages 9-13

Join Miss Windy in creating snacks inspired by a book. Tweens who register will receive a free copy of the book!

12/4: Newsprints by Ru Xu

1/8: Ban This Book by Alan Gratz

2/5: Athlete vs. Mathlete by W. C. Mack

Kids LEGO Challenge & Free Play

Wednesdays • 3 - 6pm • Tween Tables in the Kids Room

Stop by to create and design with Legos. Share your creation with Miss Windy & Kids Desk Staff for display too!

The Kid's Table

Saturdays • 10:30am

A space to connect with your child(ren), make memories and make special time together a priority. Registration is preferred; walk-ins will be welcomed if space allows.

Jan. 6 • Project Linus : Color a Quilt Square

Feb. 3 • Snow Party



Magic of the Holidays

Sat, Dec. 16 • 10:30am

Join us in the Village Auditorium for a special event with a magical story with Miss Karen & Miss Windy and The Amazing Cookie Show by Jeff the Magic Man.

Holiday Concert

Sat, Dec. 16 • 2pm

Join us and our friend Aaron in the Story Time Room for some holiday inspired songs and dancing. All ages welcome!

Events for Teens

Snack & Study

2nd & 4th Sundays • 2-4pm in the Teen Room

Teens enjoy a quiet space to study for their homework and projects, with snacks and online study resources. (No registration required).

*No Snack & Study Dec. 24th

Teen Theatre Intensive 13+

3rd Thursdays • 6:30 pm • Ages 13-19

Formerly known as Teen Improv Workshop 13+, teens now will learn and grow in their theatre skills for teens ages 13-19! Guest artists will go over different theatrical techniques to strengthen your craft. No experience needed. (Registration Required)

Teen Craft House: Cozy Edition

Thursdays (1/11, 1/25, 2/8) 6:30-7:30pm in the Storytime Room

Teen Craft House is back and this time it is cozy! Join us for a craft perfect for staying cozy this winter! Please register for each session separately.

Jan 11th: Snowmen Clay Earrings

Jan 25th: Dip Dye Mugs

Feb 8th: Macrame Heart Coaster

Super Smash Bros Ultimate Tourn.

Thursday, February 22 • 6pm Grades 5 and up, please register.

Join us for a Super Smash Bros Ultimate Tournament, hosted by Twitch affiliate Zack Worden. In this bracket style competition, you'll battle it out for a chance to win a Nintendo eShop Gift Card!

Book Clubs

All groups are open to new members.
Books available for checkout at the front desk.

Bookmarks Book Club 1st Tues. • 1:30pm
December 5, January 9 (2nd Tuesday!), and February 6
Titles to be decided at the December meeting!

Connect with the Classics 3rd Mon. • 6:30pm
Dec. 18 (final meeting!) : *The Left Hand of Darkness* by Ursula K. LeGuin

Mystery Lovers Book Club 4th Mon. • 10:15am
December 18, January 22, and February 26
Titles to be decided at the December meeting!

Thrills & Chills 4th Thurs. • 6:30pm
No meeting in December
Jan. 25 & Feb. 23: *Titles to be determined*

Films

Monday Matinees & 2nd Showings
A newly released, popular film every Monday at 2pm & Thursday at 1pm.
Check our online calendar or at the front desk for film titles.

Feel Good Flicks
Enjoy a feel-good favorite with others every Tuesday at 6:30pm. Check our online calendar or at the front desk for film titles. Snacks included.

Classics at the Manlius Cinema
1st Wednesdays from 2-5pm at the Manlius Cinema
Join us for this special screening at the Manlius Cinema, then go next door to A.W. Wander for a discussion of the film. Movie tickets are just \$5 at the door! Food and drink are available for purchase. Co-sponsored by Manlius Library and Fayetteville Free Library.

December Book Sale

Throughout the month of December, fill a Manlius Library totebag with books from our booksale shelves for just \$10. A great way to stock up on winter reading or find books perfect for gift giving! While supplies last.

Language & Writing

Manlius Library Writers Thurs. • 3:30pm & 2nd Sat. • 2pm
Join other creative minds to share your work for constructive feedback. All genres and experience levels are welcome! Email any submissions (10 pages or less) to zstvan@manliuslibrary.org for printing before each meeting.

German Conversations 2nd & 4th Fridays • 2-4pm
Join German Conversations and enjoy some chat and culture in the German language. No registration necessary.

Words on Stage Tuesdays (12/5, 1/9, 2/6) • 6pm
A gathering of local writers and performers. Join in to make words come alive through live stage readings in a casual setting. You don't have to participate to attend; audience members are always welcome.
Email afrost@manliuslibrary.org with submissions or inquiries.

Free English Classes Tues. & Thurs. • 9:30am
NEW Classes! Mon. & Wed • 5:30pm
All adults are welcome to practice their English skills. Sponsored by OCM BOCES.

Clases de inglés gratis Martes Y Jueves • 09:30 am
Todos los adultos pueden practicar sus habilidades en inglés. Patrocinado por OCM BOCES.

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Random Acts of Kindness Week

February 12-17
Celebrate Random Acts of Kindness week with us! Pay it forward with our anonymous raffle, share your ideas & enjoy a fun take and make craft (while supplies last).

Please include this form with your donation.
Name (as you would like it to appear in our acknowledgement):

Address:

Comments:

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Make checks payable to Manlius Library.
For credit card donations, visit the library, go to manliuslibrary.org/donate or call 315-682-6400.

2023
Annual
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Drive

Manlius Library
1 Arkie Albanese Ave.
Manlius, NY 13104

Hours

Monday - Thursday:
10 am - 9 pm
Friday & Saturday:
10 am - 5 pm
Sunday:
1 pm - 5 pm

Holiday Closings

Christmas:

Saturday, December 23 -
Tuesday, December 26

New Year:

Saturday, December 30-
Monday, January 1

Martin Luther King Day:

Monday, January 15

President's Day:

Monday, February 19

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Village of Manlius Tree Lighting

Sun., Dec. 3 • 4:30pm

Come see Miss Windy and friends as part of the annual Village of Manlius Tree Lighting event and Parade of Lights.

Please note: Manlius Library will close at 4pm on Sunday, December 3

Syracuse Stage: Commanding Space

Saturday, February 17 • 11am • Village Auditorium

In this true story of dreams, hardships, and self-determination during the Civil Rights Movement, Annie Easley becomes one of the first African-American human computers at NASA. Commanding Space is an important story about a persistent and intelligent woman whose desire to succeed in science and technology proved stronger than the prejudice that would have denied her.

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See our public meeting schedule at manliuslibrary.org.

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Our Past, Our Present, Our Timeless Story

In a partnership with the village, we are joining the other areas around town who have received these beautiful pieces of art, painted by Mark Nobel. The mural depicts where the library first started (Trinity Presbyterian Church reading room in 1915), and shows the progression of buildings that housed us through today. We are thankful to have had this opportunity.

Stop in and see our mural!

Collecting for the Community

During the month of December, we will be collecting new socks and underwear (all ages/genders) for Grace Abounds.

In January, we will collect household cleaning items for PEACE, Inc.

Visit our website for more information.



Hot Chocolate Day is January 31st!
Happy National Hot Chocolate Day! Stop by the Bookmark Café to grab a free cup.