



CONNECTION Fall Newsletter

September • October • November 2025 [No. 121]

EVENTS FOR ADULTS



SPECIAL EVENTS

PEACE DAY CELEBRATION FLOWERS

Monday, September 15th at 10:30am

Celebrate the International Day of Peace (9/21) by making a symbolic floral arrangement with Djuna from Tops.

***Registration required**

MURDER MOST FOUL: STORIES FROM THE OAKWOOD CEMETERY

Wednesday, October 22nd from 6-7:30pm

Join historians from the Historic Oakwood Cemetery Preservation Association for stories of dastardly deeds that will chill your soul.

***Registration required**

SPEAK HER NAME WITH MARY JUMBELIC, MD

Wednesday, October 29th at 6pm

Join Mary Jumbelic, MD as she talks about stories from her life as a forensic pathologist and her new book, *Speak Her Name*.

***Registration required**



THE "LET THEM THEORY" COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Thursday, November 13th at 6:30pm

Talk about podcast host and motivational speaker Mel Robbins' newest mantra that took the world by storm: "let them".

***Registration required**



EDUCATION & WORKSHOPS

TED TALK DISCUSSION SERIES

Wednesdays: 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 from 10:30am-12pm

Watch a short talk or documentary and discuss with others.

9/3: Food and climate change • 9/10: Big tech and privacy
9/17: Smartphones and childhood • 9/24: Space technology and the future

***Registration required for each session**

WWII HISTORY SERIES

Thursdays: 9/4, 9/11, 9/18 at 6:30pm

9/4: Eileen Angelini on the Vel d'Hiv Round-Up

9/11: Geoff Clough on the music of WWII

9/18: Bob Searing on war-time industries in Onondaga County

***Registration required for each session**



HOMESCHOOL HELP SERIES

Wednesdays: 9/10, 9/17, 10/15, 11/5 from 6-6:45pm

Interested in homeschooling? Come talk to an expert!

9/10: Basics • 9/17: High school level

10/15: Quarterly reports overview • 11/5: Quarterly reports 911

***Registration required for each session**



DISNEY TRIP PLANNING 101 WITH SMART MOMS TRAVEL

Thursday, October 2nd at 6:30pm

Learn how to get the most out of a Disney trip with Stacy Peios!

***Registration preferred**

NOCTURNAL ANIMAL NIGHT WALK AT GREEN LAKES (ALL AGES)

Friday, October 24th from 7-8pm

See what the animals at Green Lakes are up to at night!

Enjoy a guided walk and learn about nocturnal animals.

***Registration required**



OUTSMART THE SCAMMERS WITH EDWARD JONES

Wednesday, November 5th at 11am Edward Jones

Learn to outsmart scammers with Stefano Selenu.

***Registration required**

MOVIES & GAMES

OUTDOOR MOVIE SCREENING: THE BREAKFAST CLUB (R)

Friday, September 5th at 8pm

Enjoy an outdoor screening of the 1985 classic.

Bring your own chairs and/or blankets.



Movie will be screened in the back parking lot by the garden.

Please note: the building will be closed during this program
and no entry will be possible.



CLUELESS PUZZLE DERBY

Tuesday, September 23rd at 6pm

As if! Sign up your team of 1-4 people and race to see which team can finish their puzzle first.

The winning team gets a Clueless-themed prize basket.

***Registration required for each team**

OUTDOOR MOVIE SCREENING: HOCUS POCUS (PG)

Friday, October 10th at 7pm

Hocus Pocus like you've never seen it before!

Bring your own chairs and/or blankets.

Movie will be screened in the back parking lot by the garden.

Please note: the building will be closed during this program
and no entry will be possible.



MOVIES & MUNCHIES: WHEN HARRY MET SALLY (R)

Thursday, November 6th at 6pm

Eat food straight from the screen as you watch the movie!

This Thanksgiving season, watch & dine with a fall classic.

***Registration required for every attendee**



MONDAY MATINEE

Mondays at 2pm

A newly released, popular film will show every week.



FEEL-GOOD FLICKS

Tuesdays at 5:45pm

Enjoy a feel-good favorite with others. Snacks included!



TECH PROGRAMS

TECH TIME AT THE MANLIUS SENIOR CENTRE

Fridays from 11am-12pm

Call 315-682-7889 to make an appointment for 1-on-1 tech help from a librarian at the Manlius Senior Centre.



PRACTICAL AI WITH IT MANAGER ALEX

Monday, October 13th at 11am

Bring your phone or device and get some hands-on AI experience.



***Registration required**

***Register online at manliuslibrary.org or call (315) 682-6400**

EVENTS FOR ADULTS

BOOK CLUBS

Bookmarks: 1st Tuesdays at 1:30pm

September 2nd: *The Women* by Kristin Hannah

October 7th: *A Well-Trained Wife* by Tia Levings

November 4th: *Dreams of Freedom* by Marilyn Higgins



Forensic Filers: 4th Sundays at 2pm

September 28th: *The Innocent Man* by John Grisham

October 26th: *Adirondack Tragedy* by Joseph Brownell

November 23rd: *Here, Where Death Delights* by Mary Jumbelic

Historically Speaking: 4th Tuesdays at 6:30pm

September 23rd: *The Lost Boys of Montauk* by Amanda Fairbanks

October 28th: *The Engineer's Wife* by Tracey Enerson Wood

November 25th: *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner

Mystery Lovers: 4th Mondays at 10:15am*

*Note: not accepting new members

September 22nd: *Open Season* by Jonathan Kellerman

October 27th: *The Fury* by Alex Michaelides

November 24th: *The Grey Wolf* by Louise Penny



Romance for All: 3rd Mondays at 6:30pm

September 15th: *Heartless Hunter* by Kristen Ciccarelli

October 20th: *Out on a Limb* by Hannah Bonam-Young

November 17th: *Wolfsong* by T. J. Klune

Thrills & Chills: 4th Thursdays at 6:30pm

September 25th: *We Used to Live Here* by Marcus Kliewer

October 23rd: *House of Leaves* by Mark Z. Danielewski

November 20th*: *The Turn of the Screw* by Henry James

*Note date change



LANGUAGE & WRITING

MANLIUS LIBRARY WRITERS*

*Note: not accepting new members

Thursdays (except 9/11) at 3pm and

2nd Saturdays at 2pm



Join other creative minds to share your work for feedback.
For inquiries and guidelines, email zstvan@manliuslibrary.org.

ASPECTS OF WRITING: SOMA MEI SHENG FRAZIER

Thursday, September 11th at 3pm

Join fellow writers in a round table discussion with local author Soma Mei Sheng Frazier, Associate Professor of Creative Writing at SUNY Oswego. Her debut novel *Off the Books* was published in 2024, and she has published essays in several major publications.

Email zstvan@manliuslibrary.org with questions.



WORDS ON STAGE

1st Tuesdays at 6pm

A casual gathering of writers & performers to share their work.

Stories, screenplays, poetry, stage plays, & more.

Email Anna at afrost@manliuslibrary.org
with submissions or inquiries.

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES

Mondays and Wednesdays from 5-8pm

All adult speakers of other languages are welcome to practice their English skills. Sponsored by OCM BOCES.



ADULT ARTS & CRAFTS

Project Linus

PROJECT LINUS COMMUNITY QUILT

Saturdays: 9/6 and 11/4 from 1-4pm

Help the next stage of our community project! Assemble already-prepped quilt blocks & learn to sew with Karen from Project Linus.

All are welcome! Many hands make beautiful quilts together!

***Registration preferred, walk-ins welcome as space allows**

LEARN TO KNIT FOR BEGINNERS



Monday, September 29th from 6-7:30pm

Looking for a cozy hobby for the colder months? Learn to knit!

This class is suitable for absolute beginners. Supplies provided.

Geared towards right-hand knitting. Adults and teens welcome.

***Registration required**



HALLOWEEN CHARM NECKLACES

Wednesday, October 1st at 6:30pm

Make your own spooky charm necklace to rock this Halloween!

***Registration required, walk-ins welcome as space allowed**

MAKE-YOUR-OWN HOCUS POCUS LOLLIPOPS



Tuesday, October 28th at 6pm

Make your own witch lollipop (just like Dani's in Hocus Pocus)!

***Registration required**



HOOKS & NEEDLES: EVENING EDITION

1st Mondays at 6pm (No September session)

An evening edition of our fiber arts drop-in program!

Bring your own project or use supplies provided.



PAINT AND CHAT

2nd Mondays at 6:30pm (No October session)

Every month we will paint together alongside a video tutorial.

***Registration required**



TV & CRAFTING WITH GILMORE GIRLS

4th Mondays from 5:30-7:45pm

Bring a quiet craft project and watch Season 1 of Gilmore Girls! Lights will be on & tables will be set up. Some supplies provided.

***Registration required**

HOOKS & NEEDLES



Every Friday at 10:30am

Crochet, knit, crewel, embroidery... all fiber arts welcome!

Bring your own project or use supplies provided.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

TICK SAFETY TALK WITH CNY LYME ALLIANCE



Wednesday, September 10th at 6pm

Learn to prevent ticks and Lyme disease with Jonah.

***Registration required**



FLU CLINIC

Thursday, September 25th from 9:30-11:30am the Senior Centre

Get ready for flu season with Wegmans.

Please bring your insurance card if you have one.

FALL MEDITATION WITH ANNA



Tuesday, October 14th at 2pm

Join Anna for a special fall-themed group meditation.

***Registration required**

3-WEEK PILATES VIDEO SERIES

Mondays 11/3, 11/10, 11/17 at 10am

Start your day off on the right foot with Pilates at the library.

We will play a video and follow along. Bring your own mat!

***Registration required**

YOGA

Wednesdays at 10am *NEW TIME*

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

Please sign in when you arrive.



EVENTS FOR YOUTH

All children under age 10 attending youth programs must be accompanied by an adult (18+) caregiver.



PRE-K: AGES 0-4

JIGGLEBUGS WITH MISS WINDY

Mondays (except 9/1 and 10/13) at 10:30am

Join Miss Windy for some music and movement fun!

TODDLER STORY TIME WITH MISS KAREN

Tuesdays at 10:30am

Support your toddler's language & social development.

Children are invited to share stories, rhymes, songs, and more!



PRESCHOOL STORY TIME WITH MISS KAREN

Wednesdays at 10:30am

Take your preschooler to the next level! Children ages 2 & ½ to 5 are invited to share stories and social experiences.

LIL EXPLORERS

Thursdays (except 11/6 and 11/27) at 10:30am

Follow your toddler or preschooler as they discover through several sensory exploration stations.



FEATURED STORY TIMES WITH MISS KAREN

SWAN FEST: FAMILY STORY TIME (ALL AGES)

Saturday, September 27th at 10:30am

Story time will be followed by swan crafts!

STORY TIME AND LOLLIPOP WITH A COP

Wednesday, October 1st at 10:30am

A local cop will join after story time, plus enjoy treats in the cafe!



HALLOWEEN STORY TIMES:

Thu. 10/23 at 4:30pm, Brookdale Senior Living in Manlius

Join us for story time and trick-or-treating at Brookdale!



Sat. 10/25, Tue. 10/28, Wed. 10/29 at 10:30am, Story Time Room
Trick-or-treating will follow story time. Costumes are encouraged!

FAMILIES

FAMILY TOGETHER TIME (ALL AGES)

Wednesdays: 9/24, 10/22, 11/19 at 6pm

Join Miss Windy for some family (& friends) fun time.

9/24: School is Cool • 10/22: Halloween Ready • 11/19: Thankfulness



FAMILY LET'S PLAY A GAME DROP IN & PLAY

Saturday, September 6th from 10:30-11:30am

Meet up with friends or bring your family to drop in and play chess or other games during our open play session.



FAMILY LEGO STOP & CREATE

Saturday, September 20th at 10:30am

Stop in and create your own Lego design with your friends and family at our open play session. All ages welcome!



FAMILY DROP-IN CRAFT

Saturday, October 4th at 10:30am

Enjoy creating a simple craft together.

FAMILY SING AROUND THE CAMPFIRE ... LET'S ALL BE

THANKFUL! MUSIC WITH DONNA B.

Saturday, November 1st at 10:30am

Music and movement fun!



FAMILY CONCERT WITH AARON

Saturday, November 15th at 10:30am

Join us with our friend Aaron Druger in a special holiday season kick-off celebrating thankfulness. All ages welcome!



KIDS: AGES 5-8

KIDS PAWS & READ

Wednesdays: 10/8, 11/12 from 4-5pm

Sign up your child for a 1-on-1, 15-minute session with a registered therapy dog from Pet Partners.

***Registration required**

TWEENS: AGES 9-12

TWEEN WRITER'S BOX: *NEW DAY*

Tuesdays: 9/9, 10/21, 11/18 at 6pm

Join Miss Anna in creating stories, with tips and tricks to inspire great writing!

***Registration required**



TWEEN SNACK ATTACK BOOK CLUB: *NEW DAY AND TIME*



Wednesdays: 10/8, 11/12 from 6-6:45pm

Register to receive a free book to read, and prepare to share out during our club meeting. We will enjoy a snack or treat inspired by the monthly book.

10/8: *Doll Bones* by Holly Black • 11/12: *Everything on a Waffle* by Polly Horvath

***Registration required**

EVENTS FOR TEENS

TEEN SNACK & STUDY (13+)

2nd Sundays from 2-4pm

Enjoy a quiet space to study for Regents, with snacks and studying resources through BrainFuse.



TEEN THEATRE INTENSIVE (13+)

3rd Thursdays at 6pm (No November date)

Learn and grow in your theatre skills! Guest artists will go over different theatrical techniques to strengthen your craft.

No experience required!

Sept. 18: Improv Games • Oct. 16: Special Effects Makeup

***Registration required**



GOLDFISH TASTE TEST (13+)

Thursday, September 11th at 6:30pm

Ever wonder which Goldfish cracker flavor is the best?

Join us for this blind taste test!

***Registration required**

20TH ANNIVERSARY TWILIGHT TRIVIA (13+)

Thursday, September 25th at 6pm

Celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Twilight Series by testing your knowledge of the books and movies!

We'll have themed snacks, a photo wall, and prizes!

***Registration required**



FALL PRESSED FLOWER WALL HANGINGS (13+)

Thursday, October 23rd at 6:30pm

Teens stop in and make beautiful wall hangings using Fall foliage!

***Registration required**

KILLER KLOWNS FROM OUTER SPACE WATCH PARTY (13+)

Thursday, October 30th at 6pm

Celebrate the season with the cult classic: Killer Klowns from Outer Space! We will have candy and treats.

***Registration required**



TEEN CRAFT HOUSE: LEFTOVERS (13+)

Thursday, November 13th at 6:30pm

Join us for teen crafts with all Teen Craft House leftovers!

***Registration required, spaces limited**

WICKED PART I WATCH PARTY (PG)

Thursday, November 20th at 5pm

Are you a good witch or a bad witch? Get ready for Wicked: For Good, coming out 11/21, with a Wicked Part I watch party!

Snacks provided. All ages welcome!



Manlius Library
1 Arkie Albanese Ave.
Manlius, NY 13104

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 8pm
Friday & Saturday: 10am - 5pm
Sunday: 1pm - 5pm (starting 9/7)

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Labor Day:

Monday, September 1st

Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus

Day:

Monday, October 13th at 5pm

Staff Development Day:

Friday, October 17th

Veterans Day:

Tuesday, November 11th

Thanksgiving:

Wednesday, November 26th at 3pm

Thursday, November 27th

Friday, November 28th

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Fall is proof that change is beautiful. I wanted to let you know of a personal change for me, a new last name. Let me reintroduce myself as Alyssa Martin! As much as I love summer, I look forward to fall. Here at the library, look out for new items available for checkout in our Library of Things, check out the replacement for the now-retired Manlius Informed program series, and of course a bunch of new programming in October for my favorite holiday. Whether you're embracing the change that's fall with a good book and a cup of coffee, a football game, or pumpkin picking, add a visit to the library to your fall bucket list. See you soon!

-Alyssa Martin, Manlius Library Director

FAYETTEVILLE
MANLIUS



Please check our website, social media, and the collection bin in the library for up-to-date F-M food pantry requests.



SEPTEMBER: LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH

Don't have an Onondaga County library card? Sign up for a new library card and enter a raffle to win one of five \$20 gift cards to a local pizza restaurant!

OCTOBER: FALL FUN BASKETS FUNDRAISER

We have four baskets to win: a Family Fun Basket, Fall Foodies, Banned Boooks, and Sunday Funday! Stop by the library starting 10/6 to see the baskets and enter for a chance to win. Tickets are \$1 each and we will be picking a winner 10/27!

NOVEMBER: AUDUBON COLLECTION 10TH ANNIVERSARY GUIDED TOURS

Check the online calendar or visit the desk for tour times

Celebrate 10 years of our Audubon art collection by booking a guided tour with a librarian.



Manlius Library

Holds Pick-Up
Authorization Form



Scan QR Code for Form

MANLIUS TEEN COUNCIL (GRADES 9+)

Applications due Tuesday, Sept. 30th

We'll meet the 1st Thursdays of every other month from 6:30-7:30pm. Applications can be found on the Manlius Library website or at the front desk. For questions, contact Phoenix at pdurefore@manliuslibrary.org.

IN THE CAFE:

NATIONAL COFFEE WITH A COP DAY: 10/1

10-11am: Coffee hour in the cafe

Come chat with a local police officer over free coffee and donut holes in the cafe!

NATIONAL APPLE CIDER DAY: 11/18

Free cider in the cafe all day!