



Summer 2024

in the loop

Library news, programs and more!



RECURRING YOUTH PROGRAMS

Wild Kids

Wednesdays
1-3:30 pm

*all youth (under 8 w/
caregiver)*

Dungeons & Dragons

Tuesdays
4-6:30pm
ages 8-18

Sensory Exploration & Open Play

Thursdays
July 11th, 25th; Aug 8th
10:30am-12pm
ages 0-4 & caregivers

Outdoor Play Group

Thursdays
July 18th; Aug 1st, 15th
10:30-12
*all youth (under 8 w/
caregiver)*

S.T.E.A.M. Team

Thursdays
2-3pm
ages 5-12

Story Time @ Naples Community Park

Fridays
10:30am-12pm
ages 0-5 & caregivers

We have many more programs
than what is listed here! Visit
owl.libcal.com/calendar/napleslibrary
or our Facebook page for a
full listing of our events

RRLC Public Library of the Year

FROM EVERYONE AT NAPLES LIBRARY

We are delighted to announce that Naples Library was selected as the Rochester Regional Library Council Public Library of the Year! Thank you to our dedicated staff, Board of trustees and Friends of the Library who all work together towards a shared vision and mission. It is our pleasure to serve YOU, our community!

To learn more about the award visit:
<https://bit.ly/RRLCAward>



Summer Library Program 2024



We are so excited to be participating in this year's Summer Theme: **Adventure Begins at Your Library**. It's a perfect theme for our community! This year, we are doing things a bit different from past years. For the first time ever, we will be offering programming for ALL AGES! That's right! **That means ADULTS are welcomed to participate too!** We have also begun incorporating a variety of all-ages and intergenerational programs, so more folks are eligible to attend & engage together!

Read, attend programs, and complete activities for books, prizes, and raffle tickets for big-basket items! (Raffle Prizes will be drawn at **Summer Bash** on 8/17.)

Come to our **Kick-Off Party** on **June 28th** to learn more!

How does it work?
Glad you asked!
Use this website or
QR code to access
all of the details:

Still have questions?
Call, email, or stop
in to chat!



<https://bit.ly/4ewmaEr>



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Youth Programs

BY ALLYSON MAKEPEACE
YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

Another great summer line-up for Youth Programming this year! Come and join us for all kinds of engaging programming! Our recurring programming always includes over-the-top **Story Times at the Community Park** for ages 0-5 with their caregivers. Make s'mores with us, go on a treasure hunt, enjoy a splash and bubble party- and more! Explore local wild spaces along Naples Creek- like Grime's Glen and the Digger with our **Wild Kids** program. Play outside with all your friends at our **Outdoor Play Groups**. Make art outside during **Plein Air Painting Week**, and attend programming presented by **Canandaigua Lake Watershed Association**, like Flower Foraging, and Macroinvertebrate Discovery.

Curious about adventure, but looking to stay indoors? Come to our **Toddler Play and Baby Sensory Exploration** hosted in the playroom. For friends 5-12, Mrs. W. will be providing **STEAM Transportation Adventures Through Time!** Make your own skate park, cars, and things-that-go! Enjoy a **Mario Kart Tournament** on our first generation Wii. Act as different characters and go on fantastical adventures by joining our **Dungeons and Dragons Club**. Learn how to play a new instrument in our **Ukulele Classes** taught by Rick Constantino- and so much more! So much adventure awaits you- and it begins at your library!

Adult Programs

BY MORA MUNDT
ADULT SERVICES COORDINATOR

We are so excited to be welcoming ALL ages into the Summer Library Program this year. Our programs are for everyone, so of course all the fun of SLP should be too!

Following the theme **Adventure Begins**, we are offering lots of opportunities to both learn more about and spend time in the nature that surrounds us. Take a hike with us to see the huge, sprawling views or take a peek at the tiniest macroinvertebrates.

Additionally, we are excited to introduce a lineup of self-explorative and wellness programs as a part of the **Adventures Within** series! This will feature programs like yoga, manifestation journaling, discussions on trauma, forest bathing, etc.

Finally, there will be a number of history programming on the calendar as a part of the **Adventures Through Time**. These will bring us back in time to the Vietnam War, the construction of the Erie Canal, the Native American villages in our valley, and so much more.

RECURRING ADULT PROGRAMS

Homesteaders Club

First Mondays
@ 6pm

Book Club

Third Mondays
@ 5pm

Archive Open Hours

Tuesdays
10:30am-12pm

The Lounge

1st & 3rd Tuesdays
10:30am-12pm

Writers Group

Tuesdays
5:30pm-7pm

Mahjong

Wednesdays
10am-12pm

Drama Club

2nd & 4th Wednesdays
6pm-7pm

Plant Share

Third Saturdays
10am-2pm

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WELCOME, NEW TRUSTEES!

KATY, TIM, AND BROOKE



From the Director

BY KENDYL LITWILLER-SUTHERBY

Since the completion of our Accessibility and Expansion Project, our Board of Trustees has been hard at work recruiting new members and working on our 2025-2028 Long Range Plan. This year we welcome **Katy Matthews**, **Tim Williams** and **Brooke Finley** as our newest Trustees. We are also saying farewell to **Paul Lambiase**, **Kim Torpey** and **Deidre Dutcher** as their terms will end in June. Their contributions were many, and we will miss them greatly from our team. We are making great progress on our 2025-2028 Long Range Plan and expect to complete this project by the end of 2024. We began in October of 2023 at our annual Trustee Retreat, where the Board brainstormed ideas for strategic goals. We also made a significant effort to collect community feedback by doing one-on-one interviews as well as hosting four Community Conversation sessions, many thanks to those that participated! This feedback is incorporated into our new strategic goals, and I look forward to presenting this information to community members when the work is complete.

I would also like to take a moment to thank our community for taking the time to participate in the annual budget vote and trustee election in May. Our vote passed with 199 in favor and 57 opposed. Your participation is greatly appreciated, and we are all looking forward to continuing to provide our community with new materials, services and programming for the years to come.

Kindly,
Kendyl

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to participate in the budget vote and trustee election.
Our levy proposition passed with 199 in favor and 57 opposed.

We are also delighted to welcome our new Library Trustees:

Katy Matthews
Brooke Finley
Timothy Williams

We look forward to bringing you new materials, services and programming for the years to come.



FRIENDS of NAPLES LIBRARY

The Friends of Naples Library support library programs and special projects throughout the year. This year, **the FoNL will be donating \$8,000** towards library programs and to help us build our Library of Things. The FoNL are currently planning their annual Grape Festival Basket Raffle. For more information on the Friends of Naples Library or to learn how to join visit;

<https://napleslibrary.org/friends-of-naples-library/>

Naples Library
*Small Town Charm.
Worldwide Access*

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Tues. & Thurs. ...10am-7pm
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Sunday ...CLOSED

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