WAVERLY FREE LIBRARY

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Valentine's Crafts by Etty

Heart Craft and Valentine's Gnomes

Thank you to our guest artist, Etty Bruer for teaching a fun painting class and heart craft class!

Etty will be teaching another one stroke painting class, this time making sunflowers, in March.



Story Times

Thursdays 10:30 a.m. Toddler Time 12:00 p.m. Story Time

Join Miss Becky and friends for two chances to attend our popular story time events. We offer a Toddler Time with a target audience of preschoolers.

Toddler Time introduces young patrons to books, music, and art. We read two short books and enjoy music and movement.

Story Times are at their new slot of noon. This sessions is geared for older children, but all ages are welcome! We read three books and expand of what was learned at Toddler Times.

New families are always welcome!







Winter Reading

Winter reading concluded on February 28th. Thank you to all you participated in our reading program. Spring Reading will begin on April 1st.



Kids Art Programming

Kids Art Class currently meets once a month on the first Wednesday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. In March, we will be creating plaster sculptures. To register for this class, email Jae at

jgorski@waverlyfreelibrary.org or call the library at (607) 565-9341.





Sewing with Alice

In April, guest crafter, Alice, will be teaching introductory machine sewing on Tuesdays, April 1 and April 8 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. To register for this course email Becky at director@waverlyfreelibrary.org or call the library at (607) 565-9341.

Jae will be offering a Kids Hand-Sewing Class on Wednesday, April 2 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. To register for this class, email Jae at jgorski@waverlyfreelibrary.org or call the library at (607) 565-9341.

Art Courses

The library provided free watercolor courses to the community last month. We reached approximately fifty individuals, including children, teens, and adults to enhance their art education.

Throughout the course, Jae taught basic watercolor techniques and experimental techniques, focusing on abstract, landscape, and floral paintings.

This course will be offered again on Tuesdays in May, and registration is currently full.

We are excited to offer plaster sculpture courses for children and teens/adults in March, and registration is also full for these courses.

We are thrilled with the overwhelming support for these courses and honored to continue offering free arts education to our local community. In addition, we would like to thank The ARTS Council of the Southern Finger Lakes for making these courses and others possible through the Community Arts Grant.

To join the waitlist for any of our upcoming art courses, email Jae at jgorski@waverlyfreelibrary.org or call the library at (607) 565-9341.





Chess Club

Each Tuesday an independent group gathers to play chess together, this group is growing and loves having new members.





Writers Club

Twice a month this patron led group meets to discuss their writings and read some classic excerpts all based around a theme for the week. New members are always welcome!

Thank You's:

Thank you to all who donated fabrics and other sewing supplies to kickoff our sewing classes! We have plenty of fabric and appreciate your willingness to help our local community!



How You Can Help:

We are looking for various items for art programming, including sewing, art journaling, and painting using alternative tools.

These items include:

- Felt Sheets (various colors)
- Plastic Weaving Needles
- Magazines with Pictures (appropriate for all ages animals, etc.)
- Scrapbooking Paper
- Stickers
- Stamps & Ink
- Washi Tape
- Buttons
- Ephemera (vintage stamps, postcards, tickets, etc.)
- Squeegees (for paint pull)



Displays

We took time to recognize some lesser known celebrations this month along with some well known ones like the Oscars and Black History.

National Tell a Fairy Tale Day inspired a shelf full of fairy tales and fairy tale retellings. February 17th was Random Acts of Kindness Day and shortly after on February 26th was Pink

Shirt Day in recognition of anti-bullying. Both displays had many wonderful kids books on kindness.

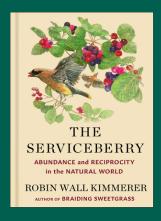
Of course, we also recognize Imbolc and Valentine's Day, but for those who couldn't handle another sappy love story, we also displayed Anti-Valentine's Day books.

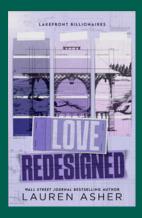






Staff Book Pics







*Magazine, available through the Libby app



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