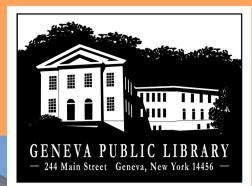
GENEVA PUBLIC LIBRARY



2022 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



244 Main Street Geneva, NY 14456

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 7 pm Saturday 9 am - 2 pm

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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

SOLDIERS

MEMORIAL

Since joining the Geneva Public Library as Executive Director last November, it didn't take me long to realize how essential the library is to the Geneva community. It is unmistakable that GPL, along with most public libraries, has changed significantly over recent years. It is a place to bond with your toddler during story hour, a computer lab to receive resume-building assistance, a technology hub to borrow an Internet hotspot, and so much more.

SAILORS

LIBRARY

Of course, you can always go to public libraries for the latest best-seller or hot box office hit. We now aim higher, offering hands-on workshops for adults, interactive story times for preschoolers, and direct technology sessions for anyone in need. Staffed with passionate professionals and offering a broad spectrum of collections, services, and programs to serve all ages, interests, and conditions, the Geneva Public Library is here for you.

Though 2022 saw much change, I am excited to turn the page and begin this new chapter in GPL's epic story with all of you. Driven by the amazing people of the Geneva community, I am energized by the endless possibilities of what we can achieve together.

I look forward to seeing you at the library!

Frank Sykes Executive Director



Girls Who Code

COMPROMISO CON LA INCLUSIÓN

The Geneva Public Library welcomes our Hispanic neighbors and is working to offer more services, collections, and programs to make them feel at home.

We have a growing collection of books, graphic novels, and videos in Spanish. If you need help, our staff can help you, especially Vía, our Spanish-speaking clerk.

Every Wednesday is bilingual messy story hour for toddlers and preschoolers, the first of many programs for our Spanish-speaking patrons of all ages.

Viannely Ramirez, Spanish Speaking Library Clerk



Dia de los Muertos

CHAMPIONING FOR EARLY LEARNING

Girls Who Code

This past year we received funds and supplies to start a Girls Who Code after-school program. This program looks to close the gender gap in employment in the computing sector by teaching computer and coding skills.

Summer Finale

So much fun was had to celebrate the end of "Oceans of Possibilities" summer reading program. There was cotton candy, a magician, pizza tasteoff, inflatable archery, numerous hands-on activities, and reading prize giveaways! Be sure to look for information on this summer's events!

Classes

One of our favorite teen activities was the ceramics classes. Christine from the Art Farm is always a great teacher and the attendees learned so much.

Trunk or Treat

Wow, what a turnout for Trunk or Treat this Halloween with over 350 participants! The library partnered with 17 community organizations to bring tons of fun and activities.

Programs, Programs, Programs!

The library offers so many new events and fun programs for ages birth through high school. Be sure to check out the library's website for more information.

Brandi Rozelle, Youth Services Librarian



Trunk or Treat

CONNECTING GENEVA TO A WORLD OF INFORMATION

2022 was a busy year in the Reference Department. We started by bidding a bittersweet farewell to longtime Reference & Technology Librarian Kelsey Hibbard-Baker, who left to take a position at OWWL Headquarters. Over the summer, the staff did an amazing job of holding down the fort until late August, when Jessica Winum stepped into Kelsey's role.

Over the course of the year we held 70 one-on-one technology sessions, offered eleven classes on topics ranging from learning the Libby app to cutting the cable cord and everything in between, including learning genealogy.

At the reference desk, we answered 603 reference, research, and genealogy questions; handled 910 computer assistance requests; helped with 1,595 copies, faxes, and printing jobs; and responded to 687 other types of requests.

In 2023, we are looking forward to another exciting year of serving patrons. Of course we will keep on offering the services you love - individualized technology instruction, assistance with job applications, and genealogical and business grant research help. But we also have plans for more! More classes on technology and job skills, more classes on genealogy research skills, and even a new book discussion group!

We are also working hard to increase our presence in the community and to build a program to help our small business owners find grants, connect with each other, and grow their businesses.

Looking forward to seeing you on the second floor!



Jessica Winum, Reference & Technology Librarian



Adult Craft

CREATING MEMORIES & ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY

Programming through the pandemic was extremely difficult for libraries across the country. I found it particularly hard because I find the human interaction to be the best part of any program. 2022 is when I truly saw a shift back to normal in participation with programming at the library.

Over 250 people attended our craft programs, over 200 attended book clubs, nearly 400 attended musical performances, 150 people attended a yoga class, and over 500 people had their taxes done or attended a Driver's Safety Course. That may not seem like a lot, but we only saw a fraction of that in 2020 and 2021.

One of our largest attended programs was Mingle with Kringle, which was born from the pandemic. When the Geneva Rotary Club was unable to hold their Santa Train event, we brought Santa to the library and made sure everything was free because so many children in our area never get to see Santa during the holiday season because their parents simply can't afford to pay for an event of that nature.

With the help of the Geneva Rotary Club, Geneva Interact Club and library staff, we hosted over 200 people at this event. I am proud of its success and look forward to holding it every year.

For 2023, I hope to bring even more programming to our library. I have recently started a Silver Series for our patrons over 55, have doubled our craft programming, and have a BYO Book Club in the works. We have so much to offer at GPL and we are happy to take suggestions at any time. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Susie Flick, Assistant - Adult Services

Genealogy Research Roundtable

GET TO KNOW YOUR

Times Community Used Meeting Room 602

Library Programs and Attendance

Events 443 Attendance 2,942

Total
Collection
93,432 items

Total Check Outs

- Print 57,126
- Audio Books 4,163
- Videos 9,409
- Libby 17,709
- Other 30,853

Public Computer Usage 6,948

Library Card Holders 5,148



Budget

Benefits, Insurance,
Wages, Development \$774,335
Facilities \$114,250
Materials and Collections \$87,000
ervices & Contracted Expenses \$19,875
Programs and Events \$11,652
Supplies \$8,221
Capital Expenses \$5,00
Total Expenditures \$1,020,333
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GENEVA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

With Frank Sykes (Executive Director), Brandi Rozelle (Youth Services Librarian) and Jessica Winum (Reference and Technology Librarian) joining our fantastic veteran staff this past year, the Geneva Public Library is poised to build on its already impressive and creative set of programs. Having such a wonderful staff makes the task of the Board of Trustees remarkably easy. This was brought home forcefully recently when staff and Foundation members pitched in cheerfully and efficiently to cope with the challenges posed by the heavy rains and resulting flooding of the Community Room. It was a testament to teamwork, as well as a demonstration of enormous dedication to the library and its place in the community. We all know that Geneva is full of wonderful spaces. events. and opportunities. Those of us at the library take great pride in knowing how many of those spaces, events and opportunities are found within our walls (or, when the weather cooperates, on our grounds).

Judith McKinney, President





Mingle with Kringle



Musical Moments

FOUNDATION FOR GENEVA PUBLIC LIBRARY

In its eleventh year, the Foundation engaged in a successful appeal to Library donors and patrons. At the close of the campaign on March 1, we had raised \$26,865 from 141 donors, which averaged \$190.53 per donor. A portion of these funds enabled the Foundation to increase its effort to continue accumulating an Endowment Fund. Our spring book sale raised \$5,100. In October 2022, our fall book sale brought in \$6,121.70.

A gift from Jane Crumlish has again assured the long-term stability of Musical Moments, one of our most popular programs.

The Foundation was established in 2011 as a vehicle for investment while our focus remains on long-term financial support. Each year our undertakings evolve to meet both the library's current needs and the skills of the organization's leadership and volunteers.

Nancy Bauder, President

Summer Finale

FOUNDATION FOR GENEVA PUBLIC LIBRARY 2022-2023 ANNUAL APPEAL DONORS

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