

NPL NEWS

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LIBRARY SERVICES UPDATE

We continue to be open for curbside service, in-person browsing, and computer use at these times:

Monday 2 pm to 5 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10 am to Noon; 2 pm to 6:30 pm.
Friday and Saturday 10 am to Noon

Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are preferred for both curbside pickup and in-person visits as there is a limit on the number of people we can have in the building. Call or email us to set up a time or if you have questions. Our Basement Book Sale is also open for you to shop during these hours.



LEAVING OUR FINGERPRINTS: A PEOPLE'S HISTORY OF COVID-19

The Finger Lakes Library System has partnered with the Southern Adirondack Library System (SALS) for a new project, Leaving Our Fingerprints: A People's History of COVID-19. The project features a public website where people can share their story of the COVID-19 pandemic. Surveys have been created to collect responses that will be uploaded to the website and placed into special exhibits. Respondents can include text and images. Respondents can choose to answer all or some of the questions posed. All information collected will be anonymous. Several NYS library systems are currently participating and NYS will archive the website.

Help make history by sharing your story of the COVID-19 pandemic. Just as we relied on information about the Spanish Flu epidemic in 1917-1918 to inform our response to COVID-19, future generations may benefit from understanding what we experienced. By collecting your stories, we become witnesses-to-history, providing insight into daily life during this global pandemic and adding to the historic record.

How can you get involved? Please take some time to fill out the form at <https://tinyurl.com/shareyourstory-flis> and feel free to share with your friends, family members, and neighbors — the more people participate, the better understanding we'll have of the impact of COVID-19.

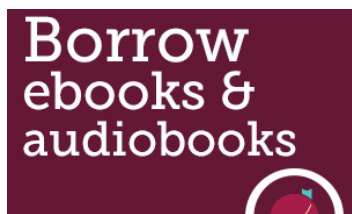


**SHARE
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STORY**

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OUR DIGITAL LIBRARY COLLECTION



Libby.

The reading app from our library, built by OverDrive.

There are three ways to access ebooks and audiobooks from [OverDrive](#). You can use the classic Overdrive app, the newer [Libby app](#), or the [Sora](#) app if you are a Newfield Central School student. For most patrons we recommend using [Libby](#).

Registered Newfield Library patrons can also use [Hoopla](#) to instantly borrow ebooks, audiobooks, movies, and more, making it a great option for book clubs.

New starting February 1:

- We've increased your Hoopla borrows to 4 items per month!
- February is a Hoopla's Bonus Borrows Month. The Hoopla Instant titles in this collection will be at no cost to NPL and require zero patron borrows. (That means it won't cut into your 4 item limit!)

FEBRUARY AT THE LIBRARY

PAINTING PARTY FEB 11

Local artist Sue Redman takes us on a step-by-step journey to create our own acrylic on canvas painting.

No art experience is necessary. All supplies will be provided for this adult (18+) program.

Participants have the choice of attending virtually or in-person for this fun art adventure.

[Register here](#) by February 5th to reserve your spot.

Space is limited to 12 participants.



GREAT BACKYARD BIRD COUNT FEB 12-15

Bird was the word for January! Last month we gave away 50 Bird Feeder kits, hosted a well-attended Bird Bingo event and showed you some bird identification apps all building up to the [Great Backyard Bird Count](#) this month. This citizen science event involves folks from all around the world. We hope you'll join in!

VIRTUAL GAME NIGHT FEB 18

This month's Virtual Game Night features the creative thinking game Scattergories!

We'll be playing virtually on Thursday, February 18th at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

[Register here](#) to get the Zoom link to play.

LIBRARY LOVERS' MONTH

We'd love to know what you love about the library. Or maybe you have some sweet suggestions you'd like to share.

[Contact us here](#) with your thoughts.

And Friday, February 26th is [Library Advocacy Day](#). We encourage you to get involved and voice your support for libraries with our legislators.

