LIBRARY SERVICES UPDATE

Happy New Year! 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.

JANUARY: BIRDING KITS

Do you know what our Official New York State Bird is? It’s the Eastern Bluebird!

This month we’re giving away Birding kits so you can get to know your local feathered friends. Stop by the library to pick up your free kit.

This kit includes everything you’ll need to feed our feathered friends from your own backyard this winter. Items included are: bird seed, peanut butter, a wood-slice ornament with a pre-drilled hole and string to hang on a tree branch, and a craft stick/spreader. The Cornell Lab of Ornithology also provided a pamphlet to help you identify birds. Enjoy Cornell's bird cam displayed at the library. Also, the library has lots of birding books and other resources for you to check out.

Have you heard about the annual Great Backyard Bird Count? Each February, for four days, the world comes together for the love of birds. It is a global event where the world comes together to count species of birds, tracking them online! The 24th annual GBBC will be held February 12 through February 15, 2021. Please visit the official website at birdcount.org or Audubon.org for more information. We hope you will participate.

Other opportunities to learn more about birding this month include Bird BINGO on Thursday, January 21 at 6:30 pm and Tech Night on Thursday, January 28 at 6:00 pm!
Did you know you can enjoy our collection even when we’re closed?

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. This temporary subscription was made possible by a grant from the Tompkins County Friends of the Library to supplement our physical and Overdrive collection to give our patrons more options. The library pays Hoopla a fee for each item borrowed whether you read/watch/listen to it so please be mindful of that. For ebooks and audiobooks, please check Overdrive first.

JANUARY AT THE LIBRARY

NPL BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Newfield Public Library’s Board of Trustees meets on the third Tuesday of every month from 6 to 8 pm. The meetings are virtual and open to the public. Call or email to receive the meeting Zoom link. This month’s regular meeting is on Tuesday, January 19th. The Annual meeting is on Tuesday, January 26th.

BIRD BINGO

It’s Bingo but with birds! No need to be an ornithologist to play. We’ll be playing virtually on Thursday, January 21st at 6:30 pm. Find more details and register to play on our website.

LIBRARY PODCAST

This month we recount the library’s interesting 2020 and highlight some changes we’ve made to our physical space. Our podcast, NPL Stories, is possible in part to a grant from the Newfield Community Council. You can listen right from our webpage!

TECH NIGHT RETURNS

Join us Thursday, January 28th at 6 pm for Tech Night. During this session we’ll explore some birding apps as part of our month-long theme on birds and birding.

WINTER BOOK SALE

Winter is a great time to curl up with a good book (or two or three). Our Basement Book Sale is always open, but we’ve got a sweet deal to celebrate the season. Five dollars buys you a bag of books to share, read, and enjoy this winter. Walk-ins are welcome, but we suggest making an appointment since we can only allow so many folks in the building at a time.