The Albert Wisner Public Library continues to be the community’s favorite place to meet, discover, learn and connect thanks to your generous gifts to our past annual appeal. This year we would like to invite you to once again consider a gift to enrich your life and the lives of those in our community. Every gift makes a difference to our Library!

Last year’s gifts made possible:
- Museum Passes • 3D Printer • Performing Arts • Cafe Reading Project
- Children’s Book Festival • Storytime and Backpack Kits
- Teen Battle of the Books • Warwick Literary Festival • And so much more!

Details & forms available at albertwisnerlibrary.org

River Birch Reading and Performance Patio

The Library has expanded and enhanced a terraced seating area and patio for performances and reading, studying or relaxing on any beautiful day. In May 2018 the Library will showcase the new performance area with the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival’s presentation of Hamlet.

For a donation of $300, you can be a sponsor of our furnishing fund for the new River Birch Reading and Performance Patio. Your name or the name of a loved one will be inscribed on a plaque on the patio. Please see our website for details.

The Sounds of Simon & Garfunkel*

Feb. 2 • 7pm

Recreating the Sounds of Simon & Garfunkel. The group consists of Ray Longchamp singing and playing guitar, Vin Manzo singing and playing guitar with the backing of Tom Hammer on keys.

Talented musicians playing the music of the most famous duo of the folk/rock era!

Meet John Adams*

A Lively and Revolutionary Conversation with America’s Second President

March 23
7pm

The historical figure of John Adams, portrayed by George Baker, will present his views of the nation, history and family life in a humorous and inspiring speech. He will be dressed in the clothes he would have worn as the Second President of the United States 1797-1801.

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Irish Ceili Dancing
March 8 • 6:30pm

Ceili is Irish for a social visit. Dancing at a ceili is set dancing somewhat like our American square dance. Join us for an evening of ceili dancing with Irish dance instructor Una Theresa Sheehan Gormley.

please turn to page 7 for additional adult program listings.
IRISH BRIDGET: Irish Immigrant Women in Domestic Service in America 1840-1930. JANUARY 29 • 6:30PM

Many Americans today can trace their ancestry to a female Irish immigrant who came to America to be a servant. What relevance does her story have to the history of Irish immigration to America? Dr. Margaret Lynch-Brennan will use photographs and personal letters of the Irish Bridgets to give insight into the lives of these young immigrant girls. She will discuss their work life, their social life, the impact they had on Irish-American life, and their contribution to American ethnic, labor and women’s history. What is the relevance of the Irish Bridget’s story to contemporary American life, in which domestic service is again populated by female immigrants, and immigration is once more controversial? This program, which is free and open to the public, is made possible through the support of the Humanities New York’s Public Scholars Program.

LEARN SOMETHING NEW

CONVERSATIONAL ITALIAN WITH DR. DOM CAPPELLERI

Learn basic Italian vocabulary, phrases and grammar. Italian culture and customs also included. Attendance at all sessions is encouraged.

10 Class sessions. Begins Feb. 26 • 6 - 7:45pm
(Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.)

BEGINNER IYENGAR YOGA

Jan. 8 Maudie’ (16) PG-13 116min.
Jan. 15 Secret Life of Pets’ (16) PG 87min.
Jan. 22 Room’ (15) R 118 min.
Movie & discussion with refreshments
Jan. 29 All Saints’ (17) PG 108 min.
Feb. 5 Dunkirk’ (17) PG 107 min.
Feb. 12 Akeelah and the Bee’ (06) PG 112 min.
Feb. 19 Presidents’ Day - the Library is closed.
Feb. 26 The Glass Castle’ (17) PG-13 127 min.
Movie & discussion with refreshments
Mar. 5 Testament of Youth’ (15) (PG-13) 130 min.
Mar. 12 Rory O’Shea Was Here’ (04) (R) 104min.
Mar. 19 Churchill’ (17) (PG) 105 min.
Movie & discussion with refreshments
Mar. 26 Beauty and the Beast’ (16) (PG) 129 min.

MINI - GOLF
SAT. MAR. 10
5:30 - 8PM
Play a round of mini golf in the stacks!

Adults and Teens on the Main Floor
Tweens and Kids on the Lower Level
Refreshments will be provided.

MONDAY AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

1pm to approx 3:30pm
(depending upon movie length)
On the 3rd Monday of the month join, us for a film & discussion led by Laura Ford. Refreshments, too.

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Acting for a change*

SENIOR IMPROVISATIONAL THEATER

Join us for a “Play in a Day” workshop for senior adults. The workshop leads participants through developing characters & scenarios from their imaginations & experiences to improvising a play around common themes. (No prior acting experience necessary-no script and no lines to learn!)

Be an Improv actor
Join the workshop: Feb.17 • 10am - 2:30pm
Call Kathleen G. to register 986-1047 x5

Be an audience member
Come for the Play: February 17 • 3:00pm

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CHILDMEN’S PROGRAMS

Programs are free & open to all children residing in the WVCSD. Online registration available for all programs. Register online at www.albertwisnerlibrary.org or call 986-1047 ext. 4 - Online registration opens at 8am 12/16/2017

MAD SCIENCE ENERGY BURST
WED. MAR. 28 • 11AM - 12PM
GRADES K - 3
Children are introduced to the law of conservation of energy. Make and take a catapult.

I LOVE MY LIBRARY
Pick up your game board and play I Love My Library during the month of Feb. Follow the directions for each square and have a parent initial it at each heart, come in for a prize. Ages 3 -8yrs.

MUSIC FUN with KURT GALLAGHER
SAT. MAR. 24
10:30 - 11:15am
AGES 2 - 7YRS.
The fantastic Mr. Kurt is back! Join us for a special family music program for young children.

SENSORY STORYTIME
Sat. Jan. 20 - Feb. 24, Mar. 17 • 9:30am - 10:00am
A new program specifically geared toward children of all ages with sensory challenges or other special needs. It combines books, music, movement and optional craft. Child must be accompanied by parent or caregiver.

COOKING TOGETHER - Ages 3-5 (no siblings please)
Adult and preshooler will hear stories, sing songs & prepare some food to share.

ABC LOOK AT ME!
This class will emphasize early literacy skills through games, puzzles and other hands-on activities. Parent participation required. (Speak with us about siblings.)

MUSIC WITH MELINDA - Ages 10 - 36 mos.
Move & Groove with music therapist Melinda Burgard.

READ TO THE DOGS: Our Therapy Dogs will here this winter. Check at the desk for dates and times. Winter 2018

WORKSHOP
Sat. Mar. 3 & Mar. 10 • 11am - 12pm
Create different types of puppets using various materials. We will make finger, hand and string puppets to take home and perform your own puppet shows.

Grades K - 4

SHAMROCKS & LEPRECHAUNS
SAT. 17 • 1:30 - 2:30PM
AGES 5 - 9
Join us for stories, a treasure hunt and some liquid green gold.

MINI - GOLF
SAT. MAR. 10
5:30 - 8PM
ALL AGES
Play a round of mini golf at the library. Courses for adults/teens, tweens and children

STORYTIMES...registration beginning 12/16 at 8am ONLINE!

MOTHER GOOSE - Ages 10 mos.-18 mos.
A special time to share with your Pre-Toddler. Together we will read stories, sing songs, do fingerplays and play!
Wed. 11:15 - 11:45 Jan. 10 - Feb. 21
Fri. 11:15 -11:45 Jan. 12 - Feb. 23

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME - Children 3-5
Books, songs and a fun craft!
Tues. 11:15 - 12:00 Jan. 9 - Feb. 20
Wed. 1:30 - 2:15 Jan. 10 - Feb. 21

TODDLER TIME - 18 mos. – 36 mos.
A program for two-year olds and a parent or guardian with stories, fingerplays and songs.
Mon. 10:00 - 10:30 Jan. 8 - Feb. 12
Tues. 10:00 - 10:30 Jan. 9 - Feb. 20
Friday 10:00 - 10:30 Jan. 12 - Feb. 23

EXPLORE WITH ME! - 18 mos. - 36 mos.
#1 Thursdays Jan. 11 - Feb. 1 • 10:00 - 10:30am
#2 Thursdays Feb. 8 - Mar. 1 • 10:00 - 10:30am
Hands-on program for child and caregiver or parent.

MATH TYKES - Ages 3-5 (no siblings please)
Hands-on math activities for child and caregiver.
Fri. Jan. 12 - Feb. 23 1:30 - 2:15
**Jr. Chefs - Stories & Cooking**
Grades K-3 1:30 - 2:30pm (register for each)
Sat. Jan. 13 Build an Edible Snowman
Sat. Feb. 10 Sweet Treats to Melt Your Heart
Sat. Feb. 17 Celebrate the Year of the Dog with Dumplings

**Cardinals in the Snow!**
Sat. Jan. 20 1:30 – 2:30pm  Ages 7-10
Art with Diane Ouzoonian - Create a beautiful winter scene using watercolors, crayons & markers.

**Code-A-Pillars & Ozobots**
Grades K-3
Sat. Feb. 3 • 1:30 – 2:30pm
Arrange our code-a-pillars/ozobots to follow the maze you create! A fun way to learn planning and sequencing.

**Talk It Up!**
Grades K - 3 1:30-2:15pm (register for each)
Sat. Jan. 27 Read Where Do Polar Bears Live
Talk about how weather affects animals.
Sat. Feb. 24 Listen to Your Grandparents are Zombies, a Choose Your Own Adventure. Make a zombie potion for fun!

**After School Spanish Class**
Grades K-3
Mon. Feb. 5, 12 & Mar 5, 12 • 4:45-5:30pm
Join teacher Joyce Shenkman for some fun learning basic conversational Spanish.

**Yoga Helps with Balance, concentration plus it's fun!**
**After School Yoga Class**
Grades K - 3
Wed. • 4:30 - 5pm
Wed. Jan. 24 - Mar. 7
Register Dec. 16

**Yoga Storytime**
Ages 3 - 5 years
Thurs. 1:30 - 2:15pm
Jan. 11 - Feb. 22

**Drop Ins**
- Lego Sundays
  Ages 4 - 10
  Jan. 21, Feb. 18
  Mar. 18
  2:00 - 3:00pm
Join with friends and family to build Lego creations.
- Family Drop-In Storytimes
  Thurs. Jan. 11 - Feb. 22
  11:15 - 12 noon
- Saturday Morning Drop-In Storytimes
  Jan. 13 - Feb. 24
  10:30 - 11:15am
Stop in on Saturday mornings for stories, fingerplays, songs and a craft.
- Feed the Birds Drop-In
  Jan. 14 & Feb. 11 • 2 - 3pm
  Make a bird feeder
- Open Studio Art on Sunday
  Jan. 14 & Feb. 11 • 2 - 3pm
  Create art with local artist Judy Pedersen

**Chess and Checkers**
Grades 2-5
Sun. Feb. 23
2:00 - 3:00pm
Bring a friend and play a few rounds.

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**January 20 • 10AM Your Child - Their Diet**
Join us for this parent workshop with Ingrid Lukas. Topics covered include: the food-brain connection; research on the negative effects of processed foods; how to teach your child to eat healthy foods; new government regulations on foods provided in schools and day-care.

**March 10 • 10AM The Positive Parent**
Using Positive Psychology as its foundation, we can raise our kids to be more optimistic and resilient.

Are you a positive role model? Learn ways to encourage your child to be the best they can be and become the role model you want your kids to follow.

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This program will focus on the nature of anxiety and how parents can help their children navigate normal childhood and adolescent anxiety. Learn to recognize when anxiety could meet or come close to meeting criteria of an anxiety disorder & what parents can do. Parents will learn about some of the standard treatments for clinical anxiety disorders for children and adolescents.

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VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD
Meets Jan. 20 • 2:00 to 3:00pm, Feb. 17 • 4:30-6:30pm,
March 17 • 2:00pm to 3:00pm
Join Teen Advisory Board and earn community service by helping
to plan the Library’s teen programs. We want your suggestions!
New members are always welcome.

TEEN TECH TUTORS
Meets every Tuesday
4:00pm - 5:00pm
Earn community service hours by helping adults learn how to
use tablets and smartphones.

COLLEGE CORNER

ALL ABOUT COLLEGE ADMISSIONS & FINANCIAL AID
Mar. 13 • 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Demystify the daunting college admissions process. Gain insight
to this complex and stressful experience. Topics covered: college
search: the importance of finding the right fit, the application
process, managing deadlines & more! Presented by Elizabeth
Levine of Signature College Counseling.

CLUBS

ANIME CLUB
Meets every Tues. • 4:00pm - 5:00pm
Watch and discuss anime and manga in this teen-led discussion
group. New members always welcome.

BOOK HIPSTERS
Meets Every Friday • 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Don’t you love telling other readers about your favorite book?
Share favorites, reviews and recommendations with other
readers. Community service hours given for written reviews.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS
Meets 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 12:00-2:00pm
Have you always wanted to learn how to play Dungeons &
Dragons? All levels of experience welcome. Battle mat, minis,
dice, and copies of the 5th edition core rulebooks will be
provided.

FUN THINGS

CRAFTERNOON: HARRY POTTER HELP
Jan. 20 • 3pm - 4:00pm
Stick around after Teen Advisory Board and make some items for
the upcoming Harry Potter Lock-In!

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE
Jan. 16 - March 20 • 6:30 to 7:45pm
Learn American Sign Language with Ferne Lurie in this 10-week
course. No experience necessary.

WELCOME TO NARNIA
Jan. 27 • 2:00 to 4:00pm
Join us for an afternoon of Narnia-related fun! Create a Narnia
photo shoot (dress warmly), reconstruct the Dawn Treader, play
trivia, dress up some Reepicheep paper dolls & more.

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK
Feb. 9 • 5pm - 6:30pm
Celebrate Valentine’s Day with a few good books.

VIDEO GAME NIGHT
Mar. 16 • 5:00 to 6:30pm
Come to the Library to play Overwatch on the big screen. Enjoy
a round of old-school video games on some Raspberry Piis.

LIFE HACKS
Mar. 17 • 3:00 - 4:00pm
Have fun while learning simple hacks to make your life a little
easier in this teen-led workshop.

MARVEL VS DC LOCK-IN
April 7 • 5:00 to 9:00pm
Celebrate your favorite comics with a night of games, trivia, and
a movie. Pizza & refreshments will be served.

AUTISM WELCOME HERE

FAMILY READ BOOK CLUB
Jan. 13 • 2:00 - 4:00pm
Discuss Wonder by R. J. Palacio. Copies of the book will be
available in multiple formats at the Help Desk.

LET’S DANCE 1
Feb. 3 • 3:00 to 5:00pm
Express yourself through modern dance movement.

LET’S DANCE 2
Feb. 10 • 2:00 to 4:00pm
Learn some popular dances to help you with school dances,
weddings and parties.

ART APPRECIATION 1
Mar. 3 • 2:00 to 4:00pm
Sip and Paint. Create a painting in a relaxing atmosphere.

ART APPRECIATION 2
Mar. 10 • 2:00 to 4:00pm
Learn about 10 paintings and sculptures that everyone should
know.
**E-LIBRARY NEWS**

Use the Library's website to connect to resources that can help you learn something new. We offer a number of databases that can help you gain new job skills, like using Microsoft Office or opening your own business or learning something just for fun, like bird watching or hair braiding. Free access to all of these resources is limited to AWPL card holders. Apply for a card today! To get started, visit our website www.albertwisnerlibrary.org under the E-Learning tab or call the Help Desk.

**NEW!!**

Kanopy video streaming is now available to all Warwick card holders. The Kanopy collection offers a broad selection of more than 30,000 films, documentaries, foreign language and training videos including the Criterion Collection, the Great Courses, the Frontline series and international films. Films can be watched from smartphones, tablets, PCs and smart TVs. Open a Kanopy account by clicking on the E-Content tab on our website www.albertwisnerlibrary.org.

**Local History**

**First to Serve: New Research on Warwick in the Revolutionary War**  Jan. 14 • 1:30pm

Members of the team researching the original documents of the Revolutionary War in the Warwick Valley will present a selection of the compelling stories the records tell.

**A Rare Glimpse of the Enslavement of Indians in Orange Cty.**  March 4 • 1pm

Town of Chester Historian Clifton Patrick and researcher Ginny Privitar present evidence discovered by Ray Decker of Native Americans as slaves in the early colonial period in Orange Cty.

**Computer Training Classes**

All classes require a $5.00 deposit & in person registration. Deposits will be returned at the end of each course.

**DROP-IN COMPUTER HELP No registration or deposit**

Jan. 11, Feb. 21, Mar. 15, Mar. 22, • 11:15am to 12:45pm
Jan. 31, Feb. 22, April 11, April 12 • 9:30am to 11:30am

Drop in for one on one help on one of our laptops bring your own device.

**BASIC INTERNET ~ 1 session**

Jan. 10 • 9:30am or Mar. 14 • 9:30am

Learn the basics of how to browse and search the Internet.

**INTRODUCTION TO MS WORD ~ 1 session**

Jan. 17, Feb. 7 or April 25 • 9:30am

Create a document, change fonts, margins, printing.

**INTRODUCTION TO MS EXCEL ~ 1 session**

Jan. 18, Feb. 8, Mar. 21, or April 26 • 9:30am

Create a spreadsheet, sort data and learn basic formulas.

**INTRODUCTION TO FACEBOOK ~ 1 session**

Jan. 10 or Mar. 14 • 11:15am

Learn how to manage privacy settings, share photos, post to your newsfeed. Must have Facebook Acct.

**INTRODUCTION TO WINDOWS 10 ~ 1 session**

Jan. 11, Mar. 1 or April 5 • 9:30am

New to Windows 10? Learn how to use File Explorer, Cortana.

**DIGITAL ASSISTANTS ~ 1 session**

Mar. 22 • 9:30am

Curious about Amazon’s Alexa, Cortana, and Google Home? Learn about a variety of digital assistants.

**SAVING & FINDING FILES ~ 1 session**

Mar. 1 • 11:15am

Learn how to save & find your files with MS File Explorer.

**INTRODUCTION TO MS POWERPOINT ~ 1 session**

Feb. 21 • 9:30am

Learn how to create presentations in this introductory classes.

**GOOGLE DRIVE ~ 1 session**

Mar. 15 • 9:30am or April 4 • 11:15

Learn basics of navigating Google’s Cloud storage service.

**INTERNET SAFETY ~ 1 session**

Feb. 1 • 9:30am

Learn to use anti-virus protection, download safely & more.

**GOOGLE PHOTOS ~ 1 session**

Feb. 1 • 11:15am or April 4 • 9:30am

Learn to import, organize, save and back-up your photos.

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**Harry Potter Lock-In**

**Feb 24 • 4pm - 9pm**

**TWEENS & TEENS**

Welcome to Hogwarts! Attend a few Hogwarts classes, hang out in your Common Room, and enjoy dinner at the Leaky Cauldron. Prizes awarded for top costumes. Register early and receive your very own Hogwarts letter.

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ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION MUSIC SOCIAL GROUP
3RD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Classes are led by Music Therapist Melinda Burghard and designed to combine music, relaxation, enjoyment, socialization and connection. For Alzheimer patients and their Family Care Partners.

CALL THE ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION TO REGISTER:
(800) 272-3900

FRIENDS SPOTLIGHT

During the holiday season, we would like to express our gratitude to all the Friends of the Library who give their energy, time and talent to support our amazing library. We have Friends who help in the bookstore, gardening Friends, bridge marathon Friends, cooking Friends, special events Friends and Friends who help with the Red Book Shelves in our community.

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