March 6 • 7pm
Emmy Award-winning actress Elaine Bromka stars in this deeply moving and witty play in a performance hailed as a “subtle feat of brilliant acting.”

Additional Women’s History Programs listed on page 2

February is Black History Month

Hudson Valley Ebony Strings*
Feb. 2 • 2pm
Join us for an afternoon of beautiful music performed by a chamber orchestra comprised of young & talented African American string players.

Poems of the People with Beverly Braxton
Feb. 19 • 6:30pm
Beverly Braxton shares selected poems from “Remember the Bridge: Poems of a People,” by Carole Boston Weatherford. The collection summarizes the broad span of African American history. Striking archival engravings & photographs accompany these poems, that focus on famous men & women, ordinary folks & legendary heroes who made their people proud.

For All Eternity with Marc Mathelier*
Feb. 21 • 7pm
Marc Mathelier will take you on a musical romantic voyage celebrating love, life & music. His mastery of the guitar and his variety of styles make a him a virtuoso.

*Made possible with a generous gift from Glenn P. & Susan D. Dickes to the AWPL Foundation

Freedom: Emancipation & Its Legacies Exhibit - see p. 8
**ADULT SERVICES & PROGRAMS**

Except as noted programs are free & open to all adults residing in the WVCSD.

Registration required for all programs: online at www.albertwisnerlibrary.org or call 986-1047 ext. 3.

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**BOOKS**

**DISCUSSION GROUPS**

New members welcome. Call 986-1047 ext. 3 for more information.

Copies of books are available at the Library.

**NON-FICTION BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB**

Meets at 2pm the first Tuesday of the month.

**THE SCIENCE BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB**

Meets at 11am the 3rd Monday of the month.

**TUESDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION**

Meets at 6:30pm the first Tuesday of the month.

**THURSDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP**

Meets at 10am the last Thursday of the month.

**THE MYSTERY BOOK CLUB**

Meets at 11am the 4th Friday of the month.

**SUSTAINABLE WORLD BOOK CLUB**

Meets at 12pm the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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**AUTHOR EVENT**

Thomas Gorman

*The Fat of the Land*

Mar. 24 • 6:30pm

Author Thomas Gorman will present historical events and personalities that strongly influenced his historical novel *Fat of the Land*. The story takes place in the years 1918 through 1932 but there are many parallels to America today; immigration, economic policy, tariffs, race relations and women's rights and more. Thomas Gorman will discuss his book and sign copies, which will be available for purchase.

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**FAMILY CENTRAL BOOK CLUB**

Meets 3rd Thurs. of the month

Beginning Jan. 16 • 6:30 to 7:45pm

Let’s face it, parenting is hard. Wouldn’t it be nice to have a place to talk through your frustrations with other parents? Here it is! With the support of Family Central, we will begin a parenting book club open to caregivers that concentrates on mindful parenting. Our first book will be available at this meeting.

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**ESCAPE FROM BEHIND ENEMY LINES**

with Rick Feingold

March 26 • 6pm

The Shelburne Line was a World War II escape network operating in occupied France which returned 138 allied servicemen to England in 1943-44. The French Resistance located downed airmen and hid them from the Germans through a series of safe-houses. Once a month, during the dark of the moon, the men were transported to the Brittany coast to meet a British motor gun boat that would return them to England. Presenter Rick Feingold recounts the story of how his father, Lt. Louis Feingold, a B-17 U.S. Army Air Force navigator, escaped Nazi capture.

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**Pinterest Parties!**

Be creative @ the Library

*Whirlygig Brooch*

Thurs. Jan. 16

*Folded Book Teapot*

Thurs. Feb. 20

*Book Cover Purse*

Thurs. March 19

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**CONVERSATIONAL ITALIAN II**

with Dr. Dom Cappelleri

10 Class sessions.

Begins Feb. 24 • 6 pm

(Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; April 6, 13, 20, 27, 30; May 4)

A continuation of the course offered in the fall. Anyone that has had some Italian exposure is also welcome to attend. Attendance at all sessions is encouraged.

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**BEYOND SUSAN B. ANTHONY**

with Prof. Susan Ingalls Lewis

SUNY New Paltz

Feb. 6 • 6:30pm

Who was responsible for winning the vote for women, and why was New York the first state east of the Mississippi to allow women full suffrage in all elections? This talk will move beyond the well-known Seneca Falls Declaration of 1848 to introduce a new set of strategies and cast of characters: Miriam Leslie, Carrie Chapman Catt, Mary Garret Hay, Rose Schneiderman, Mary Talbert, and a flock of leaflet-dropping aviatrices, among others.

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**EXHIBIT**

**INSPIRATION:**

**THE ART OF Iلونka KARASZ**

March - Main Floor

Ilonka Karasz is best known for her 138 New Yorker covers over 5 decades, 1925 to 1973. Less known, however, is the fact that she was one of a handful of pioneering artists & designers who worked to bring a modern aesthetic to the decorative and applied arts in this country in the early 20th century. This exhibit will give a brief overview of Ilonka Karasz’s career.

Reception: March 8 • 1 to 3pm ~ Board Room

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**RELATIONSHIPS THAT MATTER: 5 KEYS TO HELPING YOUR CHILD SUCCEED**

with Beverly Braxton

Jan. 29 • 6:30pm

This workshop focuses on five areas of parent-child relationships that are key to children’s success in school and other areas of life. In this workshop participants will:

- Understand that parent-child relationships are key to students’ success.
- Learn about five keys to strong relationships with their children.
- Share with each other ideas for strengthening their relationships with their children.
- Commit to doing one thing to strengthening their relationship with their own children.

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**Please turn to page 7 for additional adult program listings & digital crafting.** Winter 2020
Mind & Body
INTRODUCTION TO YOGA with Ekeonora Lvov
Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25, Mar. 3, 10 6:30 - 7:30pm
This class is for the beginner and intermediate students. Basic poses and breathing techniques at a comfortable pace in a friendly peaceful environment. Bring a yoga mat. Register for each class individually.

CHAIR YOGA with Sara Gallmann
Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 26 • 3:30 - 4:30pm
Chair yoga is an excellent way for older adults to loosen & stretch painful muscles, reduce stress & improve circulation. Attendance at the 4 classes is recommended.

ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION MUSIC SOCIAL GROUP
3rd Friday of the month • 1:30 - 3pm
Classes are led by Music Therapist Melinda Burgard and designed to combine music, relaxation, enjoyment, socialization and connection. For Alzheimers patients and their Family Care Partners.
Call the Alzheimer’s Assoc. to register: (800) 272-3900

DEEP LIVING: A New Value System to Lead us Beyond the Current Crossroads, with Susanne Meyer-Fitzsimmons
Feb. 27 • 6:30pm
Susanne will discuss our current cultural crossroads as a basis for the thesis presented in her multi-award winning book Deep Living: Healing Yourself to Heal the Planet.

CLIMATE CHANGE & BIRDS
Feb. 12 • 6:30pm with Melissa Peterson
Global warming poses an existential threat to two-thirds of North American bird species - but there is still time to protect them. This program discusses factors affecting bird populations and what we can do as citizens to help birds & fight climate change if we act now.

VALENTINE CRAFTS!
Jan. 27 • 6:00pm
Join Mary Shields and Cheryl Ferguson for a creative evening of Valentine crafts. Create your own Valentine cards, gift bags and tags, and bookmarks using ink stamps and paper crafting techniques.

PUZZLE COMPETITION
Mar. 12 • 6:30pm
Sign up with a team (max 4) to compete in our jigsaw competition. The team to complete the 300 piece puzzle first wins the grand prize!

BINGO FOR EVERYONE
Jan. 24 • 6:30pm
Join us for a fun evening of Bingo with prizes for all ages!

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.

Jan. 6. The Visitor (‘08) PG-13 101min.
Jan. 13 Stan and Ollie (‘18) PG 98 min. Movie & discussion with refreshments
Jan. 20 Bridesmaids (‘11) R 120min.
Jan. 28 The Peanut Butter Falcon (‘19) PG-13 97 min.
Feb. 3 The Public (‘19) PG-13 121min.
Feb. 10 The Best of Enemies (‘19) PG-13 135min.
Feb. 17 Presidents’ Day - the Library is closed.
Feb. 24 Judy (‘19) PG-13 120 min. Movie & discussion with refreshments
Mar. 2 The Art of Racing in the Rain (‘19)PG 109 min.
Mar. 9 The Boys and Girl from County Clare (‘03) (R) 97 min.
MAR. 16 MONDAY AFTERNOON LIVE WITH THE PARTING GLASS - IRISH BAND
Mar. 23 Keep the Change (‘17) NR 94 min. Movie & discussion with refreshments
Mar. 30 Downton Abbey (‘19) PG 120 min.

IRVING BERLIN: AMERICA’S COMPOSER with Kenneth Korn
Mar. 15 • 2 - 3:30pm
Everyone knows “God Bless America,” “I’m Dreaming of a White Christmas,” and “There’s No Business like Show Business” - yet because the songs are so ingrained in our culture, many people do not know that they were composed by the same talented man, Irving Berlin. This discussion will cover Berlin’s amazing personal biography, from penniless refugee to Hollywood and Broadway icon. The talk will also demonstrate, with both recorded and live performance, the elegant and masterful ways in which an Irving Berlin songs, such as “White Christmas” or “What Will I Do? were crafted with brilliant subtlety.

Hudson River Stories Films & Discussion with Jon Bowermaster
Jan. 31 • 7:00 - 9:00pm
For each threat the Hudson River has ever faced, there’s always been a proportional force working to protect it. A cast of characters ranging from sailors to farmers to citizen-scientists emerge as heroes, tirelessly defending “America’s first river.” Join Jon Bowermaster for a screening of The Living River and Seeds of Hope, followed by discussion.

A Living River chronicles the efforts of Riverkeeper, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and others to restore the life and the ecosystem in the Hudson River.

Seeds of Hope follows the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe at Akwesasne, the Hudson Valley Farm Hub and Seedshed as they honor Native American seeds that are at risk of disappearing. Can they preserve their rich agricultural heritage and the stories that each seed holds?
Black History Month

Storywalk on the Stairs
Ron’s Big Mission
by Rose Blue
Start at the bottom of the stairs and read this powerful story.

Children’s Programs
Register online at www.albertwisnerlibrary.org or call 986-1047 ext. 4 - Online registration opens at 8am 12/14/2018

Winter Reading Program

Playful Penguins!
Pick up your game sheet and see how many playful penguins you can collect. Just like our summer program, do as many activities as you can and come in on specified Friday afternoons to get prizes and make a simple craft.
SIGN UP Sat. Jan. 4 • 1-3pm
for this fun reading program.
Enjoy some hot chocolate and doughnuts too!
Ages 3-8

Mother Goose - Ages 6 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 - 11:45am Jan. 8 - Feb. 19

Explore With Me - 18 mos. - 36 mos.
Hands-on program for your child with parent/caregiver participation. (Speak with us about siblings)
Thurs. 10:00 - 10:30am Jan. 9 - Feb. 20

Toddler Time - 18 mos. – 36 mos.
A program for toddlers and a parent or guardian with stories, fingerplays and songs.
Tues. 10:00 - 10:30am Jan. 7 - Feb. 18
Wed. 10:00 - 10:30am Jan. 8 - Feb. 19
Friday 10:00 - 10:30am Jan. 10 - Feb. 21

Learn & Play Storytime - Children 3-5
This class will emphasize early literacy and readiness through stories, felt boards, games, puzzles and hands-on activities.
Tues. 11:15 - 12:00pm Jan. 7 - Feb. 18
Fri. 1:30 - 2:15pm Jan. 8 - Feb. 19

Cooking Together - Ages 3-5
(speak with us about siblings)
Adult and preshooler will hear stories, sing songs & prepare some food to share.
Fri. 11:00 - 12:00pm Jan. 10 to Feb. 21

Music With Mr. Matt
Ages 10-36 months
Parent & child will sing, dance and play along to classic favorites and some new, exciting, fun songs!
Class 1: Mon. 10:00 - 10:30am Jan 6 - Feb. 10
Class 2: Mon. 10:00 - 11:30am Jan 6 - Feb. 10

Stories & Movement - Ages 3-5
We will read stories and retell them through Yoga and Movement.
Thurs. 1:30 - 2:15pm Jan. 9 - Feb. 20

Read to the Dogs
Our therapy dogs will be here this winter.
Check at the desk for dates and times.

Winter 2020
AFTER SCHOOL SPANISH CLASS
Grades K-3
Mon. Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27 • 4:45 - 5:30pm
Join teacher Joyce Shenkman for some fun learning basic conversational Spanish.

CRAZY 8’S MATH CLUB
Grades K-3
Tues. Jan. 7 - Feb. 18 • 5:00 - 5:45pm
A math club unlike any other. Crazy 8’s offers unique high energy math activities that appeal to kids of all math abilities.

CHESS FOR CHILD & PARENT
Grades 2-5
Wed. Jan. 8 - Feb. 12 • 6:45 – 7:30pm
Learn to play or improve your skills. Parent and child will learn and play together.

BRRR! IT’S COLD OUTSIDE
Grades K-3
Sat. Jan. 11 • 1:30-2:15pm
Hear stories about scarves, mittens and warm woolen hats. Make a scarf to wear home.

MY ART CLASS WITH JUDY PEDERSEN
Ages 6 - 10
Sat. Jan. 18 • 1:30:30pm
The Wonder of Abstract Art! Rectangles filled with circles, triangles balanced on top of each other. We’ll use squares, half circles, lines, arcs, dots etc. to create abstract art for our mural.

TWEEN Corner Ages 9-12
WINTER SOUP
Jan. 7 • 6:15pm to 7:30pm
Help cut vegetables for a warming soup and learn how to use an Instant Pot.

PEARLER BEADS
Jan. 14 • 6:30 to 7:30pm
Make Star Wars, Minecraft, super heroes or your own design. Iron them to fuse the beads together and make a keychain or pendant.

CODING
Jan. 21 • 6:30 to 7:30pm
Vidcode program, learn to create memes, video games and more. If you have come before, share your expertise. If this is your first time, come & learn! Bring a laptop or use one of the Library’s.

CARD GAMES
Jan. 28 • 6:30 to 7:30pm
Learn to play Crazy Eights, Spit, Go Fish, Rummy, Solitaire, and more.

BOTTLE CAP MAGNETS
Feb. 4 • 6:30 to 7:30pm
Using bottle caps, clip art and other decorative materials make a bottle cap magnet for your refrigerator.

MAKE A FELT MONSTER CREATURE
Feb. 11 & 18 • 6:15 to 7:30pm
Make a simple pattern, learn to thread a needle and sew by hand. Add some personality with a face and you’ve got a MONSTER! This is a 2-session program. Please attend both so you can complete your monster.

DROP INS
• LEGO SUNDAYS
AGES 4-10
Jan. 12, Feb. 9
Mar. 15
2:00 - 3:00PM
Join with friends and family to build Lego creations.

• FAMILY DROP-IN STORYTIMES
Drop-in for stories, songs and a craft, just like our regular storytime.
Thursdays Jan. 9 - Feb. 20
11:15 - 12 noon

• SATURDAY MORNING DROP-IN STORYTIMES
Jan. 11 - Feb. 22
10:30 - 11:15AM
Stop in on Saturday mornings for stories, fingerplays, songs and a craft.

• OPEN STUDIO - ART
ON A SUNDAY
Jan. 26 - 2 - 3pm
Create something fun and beautiful with local artist Judy Pedersen.

Family Central
Relationships that Matter
5 Keys to Helping Your Child SUCCEED
Jan. 29 • 6:30pm
Join Beverly Braxton for a workshop that focuses on five areas of parent-child relationships that are key to children’s success in school and other areas of life.
For Teens
Events & Programs
Except as noted programs are free & open to all teens residing in the WVCSD. Registration required: online at www.albertwisnerlibrary.org or call 986-1047 ext. 4.

Volunteer Programs

Teen Advisory Board
Meets Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 28 • 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
Tuesdays by appointment • 3:30 - 5:00pm
Earn community service hours by helping adults learn how to use tablets and smartphones.

Winter Wednesday Volunteers
Wednesdays • 4:30 - 6:30pm
Join our band of volunteers on Wednesday afternoons. Help prepare crafts, decorate the teen area, straighten bookshelves, promote programs, create content for our Instagram account and more!

Bookish Media
Create content for our Instagram account, promote library programs, write reviews, and make displays for the YA section of the Library. Earn community service hours for creating content. Talk to Karen to get started.

Fun Things

Fun with Cigar Boxes
Sat. Jan. 11 • 2:30 - 4:00pm
Use a wooden cigar box and decorate it with pictures, words, lace, beads, etc. to create a beautiful box to store your special stuff.

Iron Chef Competition
Sat. Feb. 8 • 2:00 to 4:30pm - You must be registered to compete.
Just like the TV show. Contestants will be given a basket of ingredients to use to create something delicious.

Game Night
Fri. Jan. 17 • 5:00 to 7:00pm
Enjoy a night of video games, card games, board games and snacks.

Fun with Chocolate for Valentine’s Day
Fri. Feb. 14 • 5:00 - 6:30pm
Chocolate, chocolate, chocolate! Make fruit kabobs dipped in chocolate, chocolate bowls, molded chocolate candy, chocolate pretzels, and more. A true chocolate overload!

Crafternoons
Book Folding—Hearts
Jan. 25 • 3:00 - 4:00pm
Come learn the art of book folding and recycle a book into a heart decoration just in time for Valentine’s Day.

Perler Beads
Feb. 22 • 3:00 - 4:00pm
Arrange the plastic beads to create a cool design, then iron them to make it permanent. Create key chains, pendants and more. Create designs from Star Wars, Minecraft, Mario, anime, or your imagination.

Shrinky Dinks
March 28 • 3:00 - 4:00pm
Start with a large drawing and shrink it down. Make pendants, key chains, charm bracelets, magnets and more.

Dungeons & Dragons
Meets Wednesdays beginning Jan. 8 • 6:30pm – 7:45 pm
Join our expert Dungeon Master on awesome adventures! Become a wizard, a bard, a druid, barbarian, ranger, sorcerer or more. Beginners welcome.

Y.A. / Teen
February Extravaganza
Saturday, February 29th
Reserve the date!
Come see what special event the TAB has planned for this afternoon. Info will follow online and in the teen section of the Library.
**AWPL Foundation Scholarship Competition**

For the 14th consecutive year, the Albert Wisner Public Library Foundation is offering college scholarships to be awarded in a writing competition. Applicants will submit an essay, not to exceed 2,000 words in length, on the following topic:  
*Indicate a character in a fictional book or an actual historical figure who has had a significant influence on you, and describe that influence.*

Six hard copies must be delivered to the Library by Monday, April 13, 2020 at 8:00pm.

Three scholarships will be awarded in May by Glenn P. Dickes and Susan D. Dickes, who have sponsored two scholarships since the competition’s inception in 2007, and by C. Hope Arber, who added a third award in 2012. The Foundation and Library deeply appreciate their generosity.

For details visit [www.albertwisnerlibrary.org](http://www.albertwisnerlibrary.org).

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**Computer Training & Digital Design**

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 - no deposit*

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**Introduction to MS Word ~ 1 session**

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**MS Excel ~ 1 session**

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<td>Learn the basics of Excel in this two hour course. We’ll cover data creating a sheet from scratch, data entry, formatting cells, sorting data, and basic formulas.</td>
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**Windows 10 ~ 1 session**

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**Digital Greeting Cards**

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<td>Join as we make interactive LED lit cards to celebrate an occasion of your choice with our templates. We will be using paper circuits to create glowing greetings that will make the recipients ooh and ahh!</td>
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**3D Printing for Adults & Teens**

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<td>Are you interested in designing and printing your own 3D models and figures? Learn about the history of 3D printing and then learn how to use Tinkercad’s free 3D design software. All participants are entitled to one free 3D print from the library!</td>
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**The Red Badge of Courage**

An Historical Interpretation with Charles LaRocca

March 5 • 6:30pm

How was Stephen Crane who never served in the Civil war able to accurately portray the experiences of the soldiers who served?

This presentation will show how Crane, who grew up in Port Jervis, New York, researched and used many sources for his war story. But his major inspiration, the regiment after which he patterned his fictitious 304th New York, was the famed “Orange Blossoms,” the 124th New York at the Battle of Chancellorsville.

Charles LaRocca is the author of three books, two dealing with the 124th New York and the third being an historically annotated edition of The Red Badge of Courage.
WEATHER-RELATED CLOSING POLICY

When the Warwick Valley Central School District either closes school, or delays opening because of inclement weather, the Library will automatically delay opening until 11:00am. Other weather-related Library closings will be authorized by the Board of Trustees on a case-by-case basis, and announced on the website, on the answering machine, and if possible, posted at the Library. Fines are forgiven on days when the Library is closed for inclement weather.

THE USUAL SUSPECTS!
IMPROVISATIONAL THEATER

An invitation open to all adults who want to experience the joys and wonders of improvisational theater.

No prior experience needed.
No lines to memorize - just enthusiasm and a willingness to participate!
You don’t need to be funny but you will have fun!

Beginning Thursday Feb. 13
1:30 - 3:30pm
Meeting every other Thursday
Curious - need more information?
Want to sign up? Call Kathleen G. 986-1047 ext. 5.

Freedom: Emancipation and Its Legacies
January 9 through February 6
Main Floor

This exhibition examines the story of emancipation from 1850 to 1964, focusing on how, due to the persistence of African Americans, abolitionists, and politicians, the Civil War became an “abolition war”; how the Emancipation Proclamation of January 1863 and the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments transformed the Constitution of the United States; and how we continue to debate the legacies of slavery and emancipation and reach for the goal of equality.

When entering the Library, please:
- Park in the designated guest area.
- Use the Guest Entrance on Main Street.
- Ask to be seated in the guest area.
- Use the restrooms on the lower level or in the back.

Thank you for respecting our library policies!

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or current resident

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