The Friends of the Riverdale Public Library

We are a 501 (C)(3) nonprofit organization, and our mission is to raise funds for the library. Since we began in 2003 we have raised over $80,000 dollars for the library. We have supported special collections like the large print, audiobook and travel book collections. We have funded special programs for adults and children.

Won’t you join us in helping our library be awesome? Membership forms are at the library or online at http://riverdalelibrary.org/friends/join-the-friends

ADULT SERVICE PROGRAMS 2019

September — December

Registration is required for all programs. Please register in person, by phone at 973-835-5044, or at www.riverdalelibrary.org.
**September**

*Photography Club* – For beginners to experts - share information and discuss tips and tricks. The club meets from 6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month.

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*Film, Food & Friends* - Popular films are shown each month on our 60 inch HD TV screen. Movie titles are announced monthly. Showings are made possible by the Friends of Riverdale Library.

- **Wednesday, September 18th, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Friday, September 20th, 2:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, October 16th, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Friday, October 18th, 2:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, November 13th, 7:00 p.m.** (Second Wednesday)
- **Friday, November 15th, 2:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, December 18th, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Friday, December 20th, 2:00 p.m.**

*Writer’s Group* – Saturdays, September 14th – October 5th, 11:00 a.m.
A writing circle is a supportive community where people feel to express themselves through the written word. The group provides a safe environment to share different genres, such as journaling, memoirs, poetry, creative prose etc. Writing is an easy way to communicate with your deeper self. You will learn writing can reduce stress and heal troubles memories. If so inclined, you can leave a legacy for your loved ones. Members share their work in a friendly atmosphere and through discussion build confidence in their abilities. Facilitated by Dianne Herald-Dimella. *Course is limited to 10 participants. Age 50+. Please call to register.*

*One Book One Community Walking Talking Book Club* –
**Friday, September 20th, 10:00 a.m.** Joining with Pequannock and Lincoln Park libraries, we’re reading *Walking to Listen* by Andrew Forsthoefel. If you’ve picked up a copy and would like to enjoy a “walk and talk” with others to discuss the book, join us at the library.

*Fall Felting with Ducky* – Saturday, September 21st: You’ll be crafting a crow and pumpkin for your fall décor. No experience is necessary. We will be using sharp needles so a few poked fingers are possible, but lots of creative fun is inevitable!

10:30 a.m. - For Riverdale residents only.
1:00 p.m. - For the general public
December

Gingerbread Houses – Wednesday, December 4th, 7:00 p.m.
An annual holiday highlight for adults! Decorate a gingerbread house for a lovely and edible centerpiece. Melissa Harsley, Vice President of the Friends of the Riverdale Public Library, returns with tons of icing, gingerbread houses, and gobs of candy. Registration for this program begins November 1st.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt: “An Arsenal for Democracy” – Monday, December 9th, 7:00 p.m. The date is December 29, 1940. Franklin Delano Roosevelt has just been re-elected to an unprecedented third term in office. But the world is in a crisis. Nazi Germany has blazed the path of destruction across Europe, and America may soon be drawn into war. Meet with the President just prior to his delivery of the famous “Arsenal for Democracy” speech. Neill Hartley, First Person Interpreter, American History Theater. As an actor Hartley has performed with Arden Theater, InterAct Theatre, and the Philadelphia Shakespeare Festival, among others. This program is made possible in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the New Jersey Council for the Humanities.

Radio Theater: Winter Mysteries – Wednesday, December 11th, 7:00 p.m. Presenting two half hour radio dramas from the 1940s. Cozy up and listen to suspenseful radio mysteries this winter evening, featuring a woman who overhears a murder plot through her telephone. Then stick around for a murder mystery about a dinner party that goes horribly wrong. These old-time radio broadcasts are guaranteed to send chills up your spine!
  Sorry! Wrong Number - Originally aired September 3rd, 1948.
  After Dinner Story – Originally aired October 26th, 1943.

Felting with Ducky – Saturday, December 14th, 1:00 p.m. Join Ducky from Ducky’s Sheep Shack to craft a felted penguin. Registration for this program begins November 15th.

Photography Group Information Table – Saturday, September 28th, 11:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Want to take better photos, and use more features than the click button on your camera? Members of the Riverdale Photography Club will be here to answer questions, and give you tips and techniques to get better shots.

Fall Floral Braid – Saturday, September 28th, 11:00 a.m. Join Agnes Sydork in crafting a raffia braid with fall foliage. Great décor for your door or wall. Registration for this program begins September 6th.

Trail Mix – Monday, September 30th, 7:00 p.m.
Danielle Buonforte, registered dietician from Lincoln Park ShopRite, will help you create a healthy trail mix.

October

Halloween: A Haunted History – Monday, October 7th, 7:00 p.m.
In this new multimedia presentation, presenter Kevin Woyce explores the strange history of Halloween, from Old World harvest festivals to our modern family holiday. With original photographs and vintage images, he reveals the origins of the Jack O’Lantern, and other seasonal traditions; tells the stories behind the 1938 “War of the Worlds” radio broadcast and the first monster movies; and takes audiences on an eerie tour of haunted lighthouses and hotels.

Paint Your Pet – Saturday, October 12th, 11:00 a.m. With no artistic experience you can paint your pet’s portrait. Bring an 8.5” x 11” printout or photocopy of the pet photo they would like to paint, and artist Erica Pizza will assist you in putting it to canvas. Registration for this program begins September 6th.

Yoga – Fridays, October 25th, November 1st, November 15th, November 22nd, 10:30 a.m. (This program is only for Riverdale library card holders) Strengthen and Stretch Yoga: A class to build mobility and strength. Poses and movement for all bodies and experience levels. Instructor Danielle Fisher is a licensed and registered Hatha Vinyasa Yoga Instructor and practitioner.
November

**Organized October**
Linda Anders will be offering three programs to help you achieve outer peace and inner calm in your dwelling.

- **Possessed by Possessions** - Wednesday October 2nd, 7:00 p.m.
  Geared to help homeowners declutter now so their kids don’t back up a dumpster to their home when they pass on.

- **Conquer Clutter** - Wednesday October 9th, 7:00 p.m.
  Focuses on eliminating paper piles and finding unused space.

- **Get Organized for the Holidays** - Wednesday October 23rd, 7:00 p.m.
  An hour long PowerPoint program that will help make the holidays a time of joy and contentment by organizing now, for peace later.

**Fall Foliage Art** – Saturday, October 26th, 1:00 p.m.
Lisa Madson returns with fall foliage art for you to craft. All materials are supplied. *Registration for this program begins September 6th.*

**Radio Theater: Haunted Tales** – Wednesday, October 30th, 7:00 p.m.
Presenting two half-hour radio dramas from the 1940s. Join us this evening to listen to the recording of a radio personality’s stay in a haunted house, which is considered to be the performance that inspired the “found footage” genre. Then stick around for the second tale about a couple who discover a locked closet in their new home. Neither of them thinks anything of it until later that night, when they begin to hear a series of unearthly shrieks. These haunted house stories are said to be the most terrifying of tales from the golden age of radio.
- **Ghost Hunt** – Originally aired June 23rd, 1949.
- **The House in Cypress Canyon** – Originally aired December 5th, 1946.

**Healthy Holiday Sides** – Saturday, November 2nd, 1:00 p.m.
Delicious doesn’t have to mean bad for you. Join Danielle Buonforte, registered dietician for the Lincoln Park Shoprite, to sample holiday sides that are good for you and your waistline.

**Midvale Train Wreck** – Wednesday, November 6th, 7:00 p.m.
Marie Mahler presents A tale of history almost forgotten—the Midvale train wreck of 1904, which killed 17 people on their way to a Greenwood Lake outing. Marie Mahler tells of photos she found in the attic and discovered that they revealed a tale of a local tragedy known by very few. By doing research on these photos, she was able to put the pieces of a story that local residents may find fascinating. Marie is a member of the North Jersey Highlands Historical Society, Passaic County Historical Society, Ringwood Manor Advisory Board, the Bergen County Genealogy Society, and is treasurer of the Passaic County Genealogy Society to name a few. She is also the chair of the recently formed Wanaque Historical Commission.

**Holiday Wine Glass Painting** – Wednesday, November 20th, 7:00 p.m.
Local artist Bernadine Ferrari will bring all the supplies and know-how to help us create two beautiful glasses. *Registration for this program begins November 1st.*

**Holiday Centerpiece** – Saturday, November 23rd, 11:00 a.m.
Agnes Sydork returns with another decoupage and floral centerpiece for you to craft. *Registration for this program begins November 1st.*

**Holiday Tags and Card Making** – Saturday, November 30th, 1:00 p.m.
Artist Lisa Madson will help you craft unique tags and cards for special holiday gifts. *Registration for this program begins November 1st.*