

BOOK FRIENDLY

JANUARY 2024



TTOB ANNOUNCES THE 2024 PROGRAM LINDA CONKLIN

Two Towns-One Book celebrates its 12th year with the selection for 2024 “Lessons in Chemistry” by Bonnie Garmus. The story describes a young woman, Elizabeth Zott, and her life in the 1960’s. She is a woman chemist whose work is purposely overlooked and stolen by male colleagues. She loses her job due to pregnancy and eventually becomes the host of a TV cooking show. Elizabeth uses this forum to teach women basic food science and encourage them to challenge the status quo. The book has many themes to explore, and we have selected programs dealing with some of the themes.

Our kickoff will be on Saturday, January 20th at 2:00 at the library. Our presenter, Abby Shea, is a recent graduate from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, and specializes in pastry baking. Abby will perform a cooking demonstration similar to those Elizabeth Zott offered on her TV program, “Supper at Six”. Join us for this demonstration, “Dessert at Two,” and sample the results.

On Sunday, February 25th at 2:00, the library will be the place to be to take part in “Reading is Sweet” – a brownie bake-off.

Community leaders including Alex Gutelius, Director of the CPH Library, Phil Barrett, Town of Clifton Park Supervisor, Dr. Oliver Robinson, Superintendent of Shenendehowa Schools, Kevin Tollisen, Town of Halfmoon Supervisor and Elizabeth Zott from Lessons in Chemistry (our hospitality chair is filling in for Elizabeth), will each submit a favorite brownie recipe. Teams of volunteers will use their recipes and bake batches of brownies.

Whose brownies will win – Phil’s, Dr. Robinson’s, Kevin’s, Alex’s or Elizabeth’s? Community members will have the opportunity to sample each recipe and vote for the brownie they love most.

In March, our program moves to SUNY Schenectady County Community College and the School of Culinary Arts. We will have a short tour of the Culinary Department followed by a luncheon prepared and served by their students. This event is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6th at 11:00 am and we will meet at the college. The luncheon cost is \$26 per person. Reservations will be open on January 20th at the Kickoff program. A check made out to Friends of the Library or cash will secure your reservation.

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A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never failing spring in the desert.

Andrew Carnegie



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April showers bring an author visit. Ruth Reichl, a well-known author, will visit us on Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00 pm. This event will be held at Gowana Middle School. Ruth is an American chef, food writer and editor in addition to two decades as a food critic, mainly spent at the Los Angeles Times and the New York Times. Some of the many books she has written include: *My Kitchen Year*, *Garlic and Sapphires*, *Tender at the Bone*, *Save Me the Plums: My Gourmet Memoir*, and *Delicious: A Novel*. Her latest book, *The Paris Novel*, will be out in April 2024 and available at her presentation.

May 4, 2024, 2:00pm in the Library Meeting Rooms A & B. The resulting May flowers will educate us on rowing. A program featuring local rowing coaches followed by a video on rowing. This relates to Elizabeth and Calvin's rowing passion in *Lessons in Chemistry*.

It's going to be another great year for our Library Community. We hope to see you at all of our events!

OUR HOSPITALITY TEAM NEEDS MORE BAKERS AND HELPERS!

The hospitality committee has been providing tasty treats at library events for many years. We rely on the generous contributions of our volunteer bakers, and the patrons attending the events are always amazed and grateful for the beautiful array of cookies, brownies, cupcakes, and other delights they can choose from.

If you enjoy baking and are interested in baking for library events or would be interested in assisting with serving at the events, please contact one of the co-chairs.

[Judy Marotta](#) and [Pat Mitchell](#)

BOOKS FOR BABIES KATHY ADAM-BROWNE

A longtime outreach service, the Friends of the Library "Books for Babies" program occurs twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall. This collaborative effort between the Library and the Friends provides helpful information for parents and grandparents, and also encourages early literacy and reading. In 2024, the dates are May 6-12 and November 4-10.

Packets contain a variety of health, parenting, and literacy information as well as an application for a library card and a new children's board book. Parents, grandparents, guardians or caregivers may pick up a complimentary packet at the Circulation desk or the Youth Services desk in the children's library.

The Library and the Friends publicize the dates prior to those two weeks each year when the program is offered.



The contents of one of our Books for Babies Parent or Grandparent bag.



Help provide delicious treats for library events! Or help serve the treats at our next event!

UNITING TASTES AND TRADITIONS: THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING (ELL) PROGRAM'S CROSSING CULTURES POTLUCK LUNCHEON RETURNS



“Food is our common ground, a universal experience.” - James Beard

On Saturday, September 23, the Library’s ELL Program, together with the Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library, hosted the “Crossing Cultures Potluck Luncheon.” This luncheon, a beloved component of the ELL Program, provides a chance for our newer neighbors to connect with longtime residents over a potluck meal at the library. Guests were encouraged to bring a dish representative of their ancestral homeland or family’s traditions. With nearly 100 attendees, we enjoyed dishes from all over the world (the food did not disappoint)! Dishes ranged from traditional Chinese fried rice to Russian Medevik cake (an 8-layer honey cake that practically disappeared from the table), Japanese sushi, Taiwanese pearl meatballs, Mexican red rice and fajitas, Polish/Russian chocolate babka, to Jewish American noodle pudding, and so much more . . . why yes, we did run out of room on the buffet table!



The food did not disappoint!

Aside from the gastronomic tour of the world, the fun of the Crossing Cultures luncheon is in the conversation and community-building. Guests included ELL program students and volunteers as well as community members interested in getting to know their neighbors. All of us in the ELL Program look forward to hosting the luncheon again in 2024. It’s a wonderful chance to celebrate the growing diversity in the Clifton Park-Halfmoon area!

Many thanks to the numerous ELL Program Volunteers who dedicated their time and efforts to running a smooth and successful luncheon. Great thanks as well to the Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library for their support, and to Michele Gorab and Wilma Jozwiak, who served as our luncheon’s “Welcome!” table.

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Luncheon guests were encouraged to mark the world map to show their family homelands.

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Thanks to all who joined in the celebration!

I like to compare the holiday season with the way a child listens to a favorite story. The pleasure is in the familiar way the story begins, the anticipation of familiar turns it takes, the familiar moments of suspense, and the familiar climax and ending.

—FRED ROGERS



OUR LIBRARY INTERN, RACHEL FARINA, CAN'T IMAGINE WORKING IN ANY OTHER JOB!

When I began graduate school at the University at Buffalo in January, I was not sure what I wanted to do with my Library and Information Science Degree. This internship has shown me that I am best suited for a public library setting, and now I can't imagine working any place else. I learned how to use library software such as Polaris and participated in programs such as craft nights, book clubs, video game nights, story times, and cultural events to name a few. I also learned to do different tasks such as collection development, reorganizing displays, and assisting patrons with their information needs.

Meanwhile, throughout the internship, I worked with Tenaya in the Local History Room, gathering the oldest artifacts and documents to create a catalog on the website. The catalog shares information about the materials and the people who made them. Most of all, it was amazing getting to know and build connections with the staff and patrons. Thank you, Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library and Friends of the Library for giving me this opportunity!



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INSPIRING CHILDREN TO READ – THE RED BOOKSHELF

MARY FRAN VEROSTEK

Did you know that The RED Bookshelf, or Read Each Day, will have delivered close to 75,000 books to their red bookshelves by the close of 2023? Thanks to the generosity of patrons at our Friends of the Library Fall 2023 Used Book Sale, over 500 children's and young adult books were donated, collected, and packaged into three large plastic bins and one large box, and delivered to The RED Bookshelf. The RED Bookshelf, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization located in downtown Albany. It is dedicated to "... inspiring children to read." This is accomplished by cleaning and mending, then re-circulating gently used children's books into the community, and working with community partners to facilitate events to encourage readers! The staff, and volunteer 'menders and tenders', were truly appreciative!

Let's follow the journey of your generously donated books into the hands of children and families eager to read! STEP 1 - The RED Bookshelf staff take the donated books and work with volunteer 'menders' to clean, mend and repair the books to make them 'like new'. Currently, two members of the Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library are very fortunate to volunteer twice monthly as menders. STEP 2 - Once repaired, the books are placed by volunteer 'tenders' onto RED bookshelves filled with free books in schools, public service offices, doctor's offices, barber shops, Boys and Girls Clubs, and in public housing community areas. The idea is that the books are available where the children, and their families, are already going. STEP 3 - The books are chosen from the shelves by children and their families with no limit on how many one can choose, and are meant to be kept, building a library at home. In 2023 alone, over 47,000 books were selected from the RED bookshelves.

There is a wonderful video available on their website, TheRedBookshelf.org, called "My Life As A Book" that follows the life of a book, such as the ones donated at our Used Book Sale, from donation through selection from a RED Bookshelf!

Do you want to learn more about The RED Bookshelf? Please follow them on both Facebook and Instagram [@redbookshelfalbany](https://www.instagram.com/redbookshelfalbany).

Finally, The RED Bookshelf is partnering with Capital Rep to show the film "The Right to Read" at 6 pm on Monday, January 15, 2024, Martin Luther King Day. The film, produced by Levar Burton, a Jenny Mackenzie Film, shares the stories of Kareem Weaver, an NAACP activist, a first grade teacher, Sabrina Causey, and two American families who fight to provide our youngest generation with the most foundational indicator of life-long success - the ability to read. Levar Burton states "What we have to do is care about these kids. That's where it begins. It's that basic, it's that simple. We have to care."



NY TIMES BEST SELLING BOOK WINNER! JUDY AND TOM CORIGLIANO

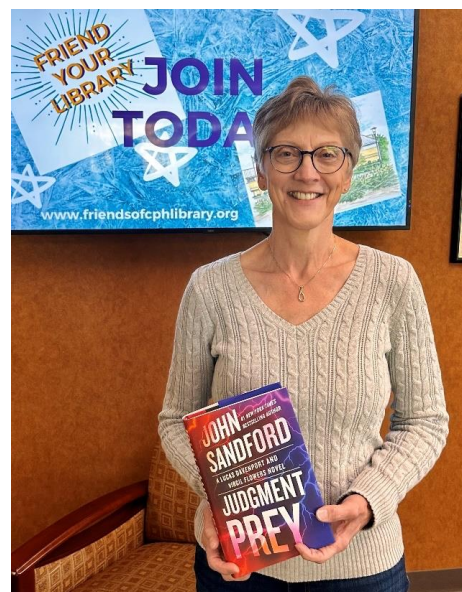
On September 30, the third quarter FOL membership promotion to win a New York Times best-selling book ended. From July 1 through September 30, we had 135 eligible new FOL membership applications or FOL membership renewals. In mid-October, using a random number generator, we selected the winning number from all 135 eligible memberships, and we drew a winner.

And the winner is Kathy Metzger of Clifton Park! We contacted Kathy, and she selected *Judgement Prey*, by John Sanford, number 6 on the Fiction Best Seller list at the time.

We secured a copy of *Judgement Prey*, and on October 31st, met Kathy to present her with the book. The New York Times Best Seller promotion runs quarterly in the "Book Friendly Newsletter."

The next close date for the NYT Best Seller promotion will be December 31, 2023. If you haven't renewed your FOL membership yet, do it now! You could be our next NYT book winner!

"See you at the Library!"



"And the Winner is . . ." Kathy Metzger

Join or Renew Your Membership



FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DESK TOM AND JUDY CORIGLIANO

Wow! Did summer just fly by!? Here we are preparing a message for the winter "Book Friendly Newsletter," and looking at snow on November 1st. It looks like 2023, is quickly coming to an end!

We are happy to report that the Friends of the Library membership at last count was over 600 individuals in all membership categories, the highest it's been since 2021!

At the end of September, we concluded the third quarter "Win a New York Times Best Seller" promotion and selected a winner from the 135 new and renewed memberships (see the separate article about the winner and her book selection!). This is a quarterly membership promotion, so if you haven't renewed yet for 2024, do it now, and you may be our next NYT book winner!

There will be three Used Book Sales in 2024, each lasting 3 days (Thursday to Sunday). If the dates aren't already on your calendar, please note the following: January 26-28, May 17-19, and September 27-29. Only FOL members will have early access on the first day of each sale (from 11:45 am to 12:45 pm), the doors will open at 1:00 pm to the general

public. We will have a desk set up where you can re-new your membership if necessary or become a new member.

If you love the Clifton Park/Halfmoon Library as much as we do, consider inviting your friends and family to join us! Active use of the Library can open up a world of information and enjoyment with the love of books! Look for the "Refer a Friend" insert in this newsletter. If your friend or family member joins us, you will get a \$5.00 coupon to use at the next Used Book Sale!

If you are a FOL member, we thank you again for your membership and your support! If you have time, please consider volunteering to work with us. There is great satisfaction in helping the Library provide funding for programs and events for the entire community.

If you are not yet an FOL member, join us now, it's easy! Membership forms are available online (go to web link below to download the application form).

[Click here to download an FOL Membership Form](#)



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QUESTION: “WHAT DO THE USED BOOK SALE AND DAVID BOWIE HAVE IN COMMON?”

ANSWER: “CH, CH, CH, CHANGES”

LANNA LANGLOIS, UBS CO-CHAIR

A few years ago, our book sale Leadership Team worried as electronic books became more and more popular. Would people stop buying hard copy books? As it turned out, we fretted for nothing. People do still love books you can hold in your hands, and in fact, the younger generations are just as fond of hard copy books as their elders. Our Used Book Sales continue to be our biggest fundraiser, allowing the Friends to support the Library with such benefits as the Museum Passes and Books for Babies, as well as helping with improvements to the Library itself. We are so grateful to our community, who not only keep coming back to buy our books, but also recycle them back to us to be loved all over by a new owner.

Still, the world does change, and the Used Book Sale has evolved with those changes. After each Used Book Sale, the leadership team gathers to discuss input from customers and volunteers as to how to improve the sale. We’ve used this input to improve many elements of the sale.

For instance, one area of concern has been the rudeness of some patrons during the “members only” first hour of the sale. To address this, each person entering the sale during that time period is given a “Book Sale Etiquette” handout specifying the behavior that is expected of all patrons. In addition, we have two leads assigned during that time to let us better monitor the room. So, if you do see a problem, let us know at the time so that we can address it.

Another area of input is the desire for a form of electronic payment. We are doing some research and hope to be able to roll this out during one of upcoming sales.

Sometimes, changes happen just because times change. For instance, we stopped accepting VCR tapes, CDs and DVDs because people stopped buying them. With limited storage and sales floor space, we had to reserve room for things that are most likely to sell.

Sometimes changes happen out of necessity. When we resumed the Used Book Sales once COVID rates came down, we still needed to provide adequate social distancing. So, we moved the check-out area into the upstairs hallway and sectioned off another hallway for storage of empty boxes. This allowed us to expand the sales floor and space out the tables holding the books. The new set up provided much better flow and continues to be used.

Sometimes changes happen because laws change. We applaud the State’s decision to protect the environment from plastic bags that will still be sitting in landfills long after all of us are gone. As a result of no longer being able to use plastic bags (donated for years by Hannaford), we purchased paper bags for the last two sales. Not only did buying the paper bags eat into the proceeds of the sale, the quality was not up to the weight of a full bag of books.

So, we must change again. We considered asking people to bring their own bags to fill, but as everyone knows, there is a huge range in size in tote bags, which would not be fair in a “fill a bag” sale. What we have decided is to replace the “Bag Sale” with a “Dime Day”. On Sunday of each sale weekend, all books will be ten cents. This should be fairly equivalent to the Bag Sale of past years. Also, this will let patrons use their own bags, which based on your input, many of you prefer. Volunteer input told us that opening the sale at noon on Sunday, when the library doors have just opened, didn’t give the volunteers time to get prepared before customers arrived. In addition, it left both customers and volunteers at the mercy of the elements waiting for the outside doors to open. With those issues in mind, starting in 2024, the “Dime Day” on Sunday will start at 12:15.

Finally, we want you to know that we value not only your patronage, but also your suggestions. Thank you!



THE FRIENDS WELCOME TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Meet Allison Holland, one of our new board members. With over nine years of non-profit board experience, we welcome her skills in project management, operations management, and leadership to our board. Allison is a 2018 graduate of Leadership Saratoga.

Her passion is ensuring that our library is the Friends' central focus, providing our community with a wide variety of activities and events that make it a fun place to visit. Allison plans to support our scholarship program and our community outreach activities.



WHAT'S NEW IN SOCIAL MEDIA?

LISA TOTARO

Due to the abbreviated timeframe since the last reporting period, and the 28-day/1 month reporting offered by our social platforms, this report is more narrative in nature. Despite minimal posts on Facebook, we still increased our followers by 7, or 1%, and are now at 588. I anticipate us crossing the 600-follower mark by early 2024!

In addition, I had an opportunity to share some of the Friends' social media growth and successes during the SALS Friends Council Meeting on 10/24. We received positive feedback from attendees, including our hosts - our own Jim Foster, along with Erica Freudenberger, the SALS Outreach, Engagement & Marketing Consultant.

Ellen Burns is a returning Friends of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library Board member. She joined our Board again in September. She has agreed to work on the Get Out the Vote campaign.

Ellen comes to us with long career of working with families of preschool children with disabilities, as well as training special education teachers. She has always had a love of young children and literacy.

Ellen has lived in Clifton Park for over 30 years and is looking forward to working again with the Friends.



THE STATE OF OUR LIBRARIES IN 2023

This year's edition of the "State of America's Libraries" finds libraries literally and figuratively at the epicenter of the dialogue (and debate) about the well-being of our communities, the health of our economy, and the state of our democracy as the nation seeks to rebound from the enduring COVID-19 pandemic and recognizes expanding information and digital access as critical to that recovery.

ENGRAVED PAVERS: A GREAT WAY TO HONOR A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER

JANICE JASKOLKA



There are many ways to say. . . “Merry Christmas! Happy Hanukkah! I’m sorry! I miss you. Happy Birthday!” Ordering an engraved paver is the perfect way to share your feelings and create a long-lasting reminder.

What special event or achievement can I commemorate – a holiday, a wedding, anniversary, graduation, retirement, or the birth of a grandchild?

Who in my life that I dearly loved has passed away?

Where are pavers available for engraving?

FLAGPOLE: The Flagpole area is reserved as a memorial to members of the United States Armed Forces. Pavers are placed in a circular pattern around the flagpole. These bricks may be engraved with "In honor of" or "In memory of."

READING GARDEN: This area in the rear of the library includes our reading garden, water feature and seating. The Reading Garden is the largest area where the engraved pavers can be located. These bricks may be engraved with a choice of a name and message or a favorite book or author.

ENTRANCE: This is the front atrium area where the obelisk is located. This has the most traffic of the three paved areas. These bricks may be engraved with a name and/or a short message.

What do pavers cost (they are one of very few special gift items that has never increased in price)?



6" x 6" PAVERS

Three lines maximum
10 characters per line
Spaces count as characters
Flagpole - \$50.00
Reading Garden - \$50.00
Entrance - \$150

6" x 9" PAVERS

Three lines maximum
15 characters per line
Spaces count as characters
Flagpole - \$76.00
Reading Garden - \$100
Entrance - \$200

Consider your options and get your order in!

[Download a paver order form.](#)



“Each happiness of yesterday is a memory for tomorrow.” - Unknown





Costa Rica is a beautiful country, with surprises around every corner. Poas Volcano, beautiful birds, and butterflies. Lots of critters, too!



TRAVEL WITH RHONA RHONA KORETZKY FORMAN

By the time you read this, 24 members of the FOL travel group will be just about ready to depart for our latest adventure: an 11 day tour through the jungles, beaches and mountains of Costa Rica. Follow our experiences via the FOL social media. We leave on January 8 and return on January 19, the perfect winter escape to warmth and sun.

If traveling to varied destinations with a local group of no more than 30 travelers appeals to you, consider joining our next adventure which will be a tour of Montana and the Canadian Rockies, featuring visits to Canadian national parks as well as our own stunning Glacier National Park. That tour departs on August 30, 2024. There is limited space available. You can learn more about this trip at a slide show presentation on Monday January 29 at 5:30 PM at the library. Please mail the FOL travel coordinator, Rhona Koretzky at busplus@gmail.com, with any questions. Reserving a spot for the meeting is appreciated but not required. Come and be inspired!

And as an added bonus to this westward swing, the Rocky Mountain skies are very dark. We are currently in a period of heightened solar storm activity which can produce magical displays of the Aurora Borealis, also known as the Northern Lights. There are no guarantees of spotting this beautiful natural phenomenon, but it is certainly possible.

Stay tuned to hear about more adventures with the FOL. We have visited numerous countries in Europe via coach tour, trains and river cruising and last March crossed into Africa for the first time to visit Morocco. Watch for more opportunities to see the world.

Check out the Collette Vacations web pages regarding our next trip. If you have any questions, please jot them down and bring them with you to our trip information meeting on January 29th at the library – 5:30pm.

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1185800>



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JOURNALING WITH JANINE

As we venture into the new year, thoughts of resolutions are often in the forefront of our minds. I prefer to focus on intentions and how I want to show up in the world. However, even before that, I take time to reflect on the previous year.

During the year, at the end of each month, I look at my intentions, goals, calendar, dreams, and journaling.

- Did I live according to my intentions?
- What did I prioritize?
- Did I accomplish my goals or did I have too many?
- How did I feel during the month: physically, emotionally, spiritually, socially, creatively?
- How often did I dream? What were the themes?
- What actions did I take?

Did I journal or was life too busy to sit and reflect? What were my overall emotions, activities?

What were the highlights and reflections of my month?

What did I learn about myself?

Doing this each month gives me the time and space to reflect and then prioritize what matters to me. Hopefully that affects what I do in the next month.

For my Year in Review, I do the same creating a page of Highlights, Joys, Themes.

Who impacted my year?

What did I love most?

What were the hardships?

How did I grow?

Who do I want to share these memories with and how?

It's a wonderful way to reminisce about the year and clear space to then see how I want to move forward into the new year. What continues to matter and what no longer serves me.

I hope you take the time to reflect, reminisce and remind yourself of what's important to you.

Happy New Year!



CPH LIBRARY JOURNALING WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

Wednesday, January 3

6:30PM-7:30PM

No Charge • Virtual & in person • Ages 18+

To find out more:

www.janinedetilliocammarata.com



DREAM JOURNALING FOR SELF-AWARENESS AND GUIDANCE

Thursday, January 25

Heaven and Earth Gift Shoppe

6:15PM-8:15PM

Join Janine as she shares how to access your dreams and journal for guidance and connection.

To find out more:

www.janinedetilliocammarata.com

REFER A FRIEND

If your friend or family member joins us, you will get a \$5.00 coupon to use at the next Used Book Sale!

Simply [download a membership form](#) and fill it out for a friend.

Drop off your donation from \$5.00 and the completed form. We'll email you your coupon in time for the next UBS.

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A SOLAR ECLIPSE – MAKE PLANS TO SEE IT!

RHONA KORETZKY FORMAN

You may have noted the possibility of viewing the Aurora Borealis in the article about the FOL trip to Montana and the Canadian Rockies, but there is also an opportunity to view an incredible astronomical phenomenon much closer to home. On April 8, 2024, shortly after 2:00pm, the moon will cover the sun as it travels across the sky resulting in a total solar eclipse. Viewers in our immediate area will be able to view a partial eclipse, but in order to see the full effect, you must travel westward or northward to be within the path of totality. The eclipse will travel a path in a northeasterly direction across New York State and will be total in a large swath of the Buffalo and Rochester regions as well as parts of the Adirondacks. Consider making a trip to see this. You must be within the path of totality for the full experience. The difference between 99% and 100% totality is literally the difference between night and day, because in a total solar eclipse, the sky darkens and planets and stars emerge during daytime hours. Here is a link to a map showing the path within New York State.

<https://www.iloveny.com/events/eclipse-2024/>

You may want to consider booking a hotel room for the night before the eclipse and if so, it is a good idea to do it soon, since hotels are rapidly filling. In any case, be prepared for significant traffic. This is a unique opportunity for those living in our region. Also please note that while the eclipse will be happening, the weather must cooperate for anyone to be able to view it. We all know how fickle our northeastern weather can be, and the sky must be clear. If all the “stars” align, it will be an experience you will never forget. We traveled to Wyoming in 2017, and it was well worth it!

It is important to note that you absolutely must protect your eyes. Viewing the sun without appropriate protection can lead to blindness. Eclipse glasses should only be purchased through reputable astronomy equipment retailers. Alternatively, shade #14 welder’s glass provides protection.

May we all have clear skies for this once in a lifetime opportunity so close to our homes!

In the Adirondacks, Tupper Lake will be a prime viewing location. The Adirondack Sky Center is a good location to view it, and it is free. Click the links below for detailed information

<https://www.tupperlake.com/events/2024-total-solar-eclipse>

www.adirondackskycenter.org

Safe viewing glasses may be [purchased from Amazon](#)



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We prefer Microsoft Word format. Please include a statement granting Book Friendly permission to use your work.



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEES 2023

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Wilma Jozwiak and

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Wilma Jozwiak and Lanna Langlois (Co-Chairs), Jane Herbert and Marie Miller (Sorting Management)



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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A HEALTHY
NEW YEAR AHEAD!**