

Fridays-Spring 2022

Who is Libby?

Kimberly Zimmer

Fr March 4 @ 10:30-noon

Cobleskill Community Library

Are you interested in using your kindle, phone, or tablet to download books, audiobooks and magazines? Are you already downloading but paying for your books? Learn how to download books, audiobooks and magazines onto your device. I will introduce you to the Libby App and the Overdrive platform and show you how to get your books and magazines for free. All you need is your library card and a device.

Bring your laptop, tablet, ereader, phone, power cords, passwords for Amazon and library card. Don't have a library card? Come early and Library staff will get you set up with a card.

Max 20

Harvesting Maple and Producing Maple Products

Dean Haskin

Fr March 11, 18 and Sat 19@3-5pm

Mickle Hollow Maple & Honey

You will learn the lifecycle of maple trees that allows us to harvest their sap. Dean will demonstrate the process of turning that sap, with a lot of effort, into the maple products we all love so much. Dean will have syrup, candy, cream, and more.

Students should bring: Warm outerwear and boots.

Location: 205 Sitzer Road, Warnerville (Rt.7 to blinker light in Warnerville, Turn onto West Fulton Road, Bear first left onto Mickle Hollow Road, At long, red building, go straight thru to MH Maple on left or I-88 exit 21, turn right off ramp and right onto Rt.7, continue as above.

Assassination of JFK

Ron Ketelsen

Fr March 25@10:30-noon

Zoom

Fifty-eight years ago, shortly after noon on November 22, 1963, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States, was assassinated as he rode in a motorcade through Dealey Plaza in downtown Dallas, Texas. After conducting some 25,000 interviews and running down tens of thousands of investigative leads, the FBI found that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in firing the gunshots that killed President Kennedy. Join Ron Ketelsen as he reviews the details of this tragic event in our American history.

Statue of Liberty

Ron Ketelsen

Fr April 1@10:30-noon

Zoom

Perhaps the most famous statue in the modern world, the Statue of Liberty has stood tall in the middle of New York Harbor since 1886, serving as a beacon of hope and freedom. But without the perseverance of an army of advocates — including a French politician, newspaper publisher, and New York poet — the Statue would have never made it off the drawing board. This is the incredible true story of the "Mother of Exiles," and the series of trials and tribulations it has overcome for over a century to remain that symbol of opportunity to people all around the globe. Join us as we explore the complete history of the Statue of Liberty, and what elevated its status from a potential eyesore to one of the most iconic sites in the world.

Covid Update 2022

Susan Emerson, MD

Fri April 8 @1-2:30

Zoom

A short didactic presentation followed by interactive discussion of whatever you want to know about COVID, updated for whenever this course gets offered. We'll discuss the state of knowledge about prevention, symptoms, vaccines, new strains, testing, after-effects, "long-hauler" syndrome, local case counts, etc. Questions welcome! Note: this is a repeat of last semester's class plus any new updates since then.

Min 2

Cooking for 1 or 2

Kimberly Ferstler

Fr April 15 @1-2

Zoom

Single person households have been on the rise for decades, so if you find yourself cooking for one, you're not alone. Cooking for just one (or two) people can seem like it's just too much work. But we all know that eating out all the time is expensive, and often results in a less-than-healthy meal with too-large portions. Let's explore the barriers, and discuss some tips, ideas, and solutions to encourage the hesitant solo cook to embrace the daily challenge of feeding oneself well.

Seed Saving 101

Berni Dooley

Fr April 22 @11-noon

Zoom and/or

*Cornell Cooperative Extension
173 S Grand St., Cobleskill, NY

The Apprentice Master Gardener will share what she has learned regarding saving seeds from her own gardens. She will acquaint you with what varieties winter-over and germinate successfully. Most but not all that have matured and dried on the plant such as echinacea, cleome, and cosmos are harvested in the fall. Most food crops are hybridized and are not successful. Beans and sunflowers that are not hybridized are successful. You will be planning your gardens with this bonus in mind!

*As of this time, CCE is remote only, but we may be able to have this class in person- more info TBD when the class time gets closer.

Birding How-To

Chris Keefer

Fri April 29@10am, April 30@8am, May7 @8am

*See locations below

Birding is a fun and rewarding lifelong hobby. Learn some tips and ideas to help you identify birds through field marks, habitats, behavior and vocalizations. Learn how to best use binoculars, spotting scopes, birding apps and field guides. One in-house class and two bird walks will instruct and help you sharpen your skills.

Students should bring: Binoculars are a must. Spotting scopes, field guides and tripods can be useful, but not necessary.

*Locations: **Class 1:** Carlisle Town Hall, 541 Crommie Road, Carlisle NY. **Class 2:** Carlisle Town Hall Walking Trail. **Class 3:** Landis Arboretum, 174 Lape Road Esperance.
Max 15.

Finding Information Online

Don LaPlant

Fr May 13 @1-2:30

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Join librarian Don LaPlant for a lesson in finding and evaluating the credibility of information online. In addition to offering some advanced tips and tricks for improving your Google search results, the instructor will introduce other search engines, databases, and reliable sources you can access for free online and provide useful suggestions on how to phrase effective search queries.

Computers aren't required, but if you have a laptop or tablet of your own, feel free to bring it.

Unraveling the Mysteries of Flag Making

Pam O'Connor

Friday, May 13 @3-4:30pm

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Join local historian Pam O'Connor of Turning Point 1777 for a unique and colorful presentation about the history of flags and flag-making. Throughout history, flags have identified their bearers as they claimed new lands, crossed oceans, met in battle, or represented their nation. Few items in living history today better symbolize eras gone by than the standard of a people's spirit, military unit, province, state or nation.

Pam will talk about the difficulties of reproducing historical flags with very little primary sources to rely upon, especially local interest flags. An example of this would be the flag given to the 134th regiment from the ladies of Schenectady during the Civil War. She will also show flags that she has reproduced and talk of the challenges behind making them.

Clarissa Putman of Tribes Hill And Old Fort Johnson Museum Tour

Heather Johnson

Mon May 16@ 3-4:30(zoom)

Zoom

Fr May 20@2 pm (on-site)

2 Mergner Rd., Fort Johnson, NY 12070

Each student may read John Vrooman's "Clarissa Putnam", the fictionalized story of a young Dutch girl who falls in love with the son of Sir William Johnson, John Johnson. They live in the fort now named Old Fort Johnson. Clarissa has a fascinating life despite the colonial politics that interfere with her plans and the Revolutionary War that follows. We will discuss the book via zoom, and follow up the reading with a trip to the beautifully maintained fort which is now a museum of the area.

Optional: CLARISSA PUTMAN OF TRIBES HILL, by John Vrooman. Since this is an out-of-print book, facilitator Heather Johnson, at foldinh@yahoo.com, can assist you in finding a copy.

Fee=\$5.00 admission to the fort payable to SCHOOL with your registration.

RSVP by May 1: No refunds after May 1.

Max 20

VICARIOUS VOYAGES- ARMCHAIR ADVENTURES FOR YOU

VV – Switzerland

Don Martin

Fr March 25 @1-2:30

Zoom

Our son Jonathan Martin has lived in Switzerland for 20+ years. Shirley and I have visited him three times during that time. We would like to show and tell you about some of the highlights of those trips.

VV - 3 weeks in Italy 2021

Beth Brandel

Fr April 1@1-2:30

Zoom

International travel in times of Covid requirements. One week in the resort town of Lazise on Lake Garda, the largest of Italy's northern lakes, one week in Tuscany in a small village (south of Florence and Siena) steeped in Etruscan history with olive and grape vineyards and one week on the Ligurian coast, in Cinque Terre (the 5 lands) on the cliffs of the Tyrrhenian Sea, part of the Mediterranean Sea. Come enjoy the history and rustic charm of Italy!

VV - Trip Out West with Beth & Kathy 2021

**Beth Brandel
& Kathy Livingston**

Fr April 8@10:30-noon

Zoom

Join Beth and Kathy on their trips through the US and its western national parks. Beth visited Cleveland, Chicago, Colorado Rockies, Utah Arches, St. Lake City, Lake Tahoe and Sacramento. Kathy took a guided tour with Go Ahead and visited Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming (including Cave of the Winds, Arches NP, Rocky Mountain NP, Canyonlands, Colorado River Rafting, Vail, Estes Park, Moab, Laramie, Jackson Hole, Grand Tetons NP, and Yellowstone NP). Join them to review highlights of these national treasures and learn a bit about the history and development of the region.

VV - Roseboro Hotel

Ron Ketelson

Fr April 15 @10:30-noon

Zoom

Ron Ketelsen, owner of The Roseboro Hotel, will talk about the history of the hotel, give you an insight into the previous owners, talk through a timeline of the hotel and take you on a virtual tour of the hotel. The Roseboro is one of the last remaining large hotels in Sharon Springs.

VV - Historic Route 20

Bryan Farr

Fr April 22 @1:30-3 pm

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The road that would become the longest highway in America started as Native American paths that would become the first postal routes and improved roadways. Hear how George Washington rode Rt 20 to take command of the Continental Army and where Lincoln gave many speeches. Route 20 is a journey through history with great stories and visuals.