



Kirkland Town Library

2020 COMMUNITY REPORT



From the Director

On March 20th, the library's doors closed to the public for 17 weeks, yet we never stopped serving our community.

From placing inspiring signs around town at the start of the pandemic, to providing accurate information about COVID-19 on our website, to introducing curbside service, to transitioning to online programming, the Kirkland Town Library continued — as we have since 1901 — “to provide equitable access to information and resources that educate, engage and inspire the community.”

I am proud of the resiliency, resourcefulness and dedication of our staff and our accomplishments during these extraordinary challenging times.

Anne Debraggio, Director



2020 Highlights

Engaging our community

- 2nd Annual .5K and health expo
- Summer Reading Program; more minutes read than in 2019
- Quarantine Walking Club
- Read Around the Calendar
- Outdoor Movie Nights
- Sidewalk Obstacle Course
- KTL Books-It Empire State Race-Off Team
- Historical Markers Driving Tour
- Storytimes: outdoor and online



Seizing opportunities

- Laptops for patrons from a CLRC Pandemic Tech Grant
- Sanitizing foggers grant from the Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties, Inc.
- Laura Stoll earned her MSIS from UAlbany, increasing the number of degreed and certified librarians to four
- Chelsea Roy accepted into the New York Library Association's Developing Leaders Program

Partnering with

- Burke Library: Makerspace Field Trip
- Clinton Central Schools: Lunchtime Reads
- Utica Public Library and Hamilton College Employees Against Racism: Connecting Communities
- Brookdale Senior Living
- Country Pantry



Adapting to the pandemic

- State-of-the-art air filtration machines
- Curbside service
- Phone calls and notes to over 750 patrons
- Drive-up Friends Annual Book Sale
- “Take and Makes” for all ages

Caring for our facility and collections

- State-of-the-art air filtration machines
- Bike rack and repair tower
- New lift for access to the second floor
- Inventory of library holdings
- Added 1,148 new books, Movie Binge Boxes and Wonderbooks



Staff

Anne Debraggio, Director
Ruth Gilbert, Youth Services Librarian
Chelsea Roy, Adult Services Librarian
Laura Stoll, Assistant to the Director/Office Manager

Patron Services: Yvonne Brady, Lily Collins,
Amy James, Thomas Knauer, Shari Manwarren,
Nina Owens, Aileen Roark, Lori Scoones,
and Jennifer Stone

Bookkeeper: Pat Doughty

Maintenance: Roger Reppel

A fond farewell to Ruth Melvin and Lynn Shaw

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January - March

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2020 Art Shows

ADIRONDACK MOMENTS

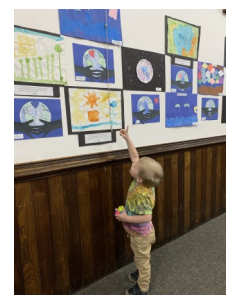
Susan Kiesel

QUILTING OUTSIDE THE BOX

Jayne Morris Stoll

SMALL HANDS, BIG ART

Students from Clinton Early
Learning Center, Clinton
Methodist Nursery Preschool, St. James' Day
School, and St. Mary's Clinton Preschool



Did You Know?

YOU CAN CHECK OUT

- Wild Center Passes
- Empire State Park Passes
- American Girl Dolls
- Cake Pans
- Telescopes
- Exercise DVDs, Bands, and Weights
- Robots
- Board Games for All Ages
- Explorer Bags: Hiking, Camping, Weather, Birds and Butterflies, Cardboard Kingdom
- Storytime-To-Go: Books, Song Lyrics, Manipulatives, and Activity Sheets

WE OFFER

- 24/7 WiFi
- Two Notary Publics on Staff
- One-on-One Digital Help
- Home Delivery
- Federal and State Tax Forms
- Puzzle exchange
- Patron e-newsletters (contact us to sign up!)
- Hooked on Books Program; in our 15th year of helping our youngest patrons experience 1,000 books before kindergarten



With gratitude for these gifts received in 2020

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Bernard "Bernie" O. Burns

Pinny & George Kuckel

Carol D. Burns

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Almost Local

Brookdale "Cans for a Cause"

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Board Game Collection for all ages



Outdoor programming



2021 Summer Reading Program