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Library Letter

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INDIAN LAKE Public Library
Where Information and Imagination Meet Community

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Welcome to our Library Newsletter!

Hello Indian Lake, Sabael, Blue Mountain Lake Patrons and all of our Friends Beyond!

The Indian Lake Library is pleased to present our fledgling e-newsletter to keep you informed of our upcoming Library events, news, and other good things to know.

This issue will cover the month of Decmeber. Our creative, hard-working, and dedicated Library Team has been very busy planning and prepping fun and informative programs for all ages to enjoy.

Your Library has so much to offer you, ***our wonderful community;*** we hope this newsletter will inspire you to visit us, borrow from our collections, use our digital content, and make connections with others. We take seriously our goal to be a place where inspiration & imagination meet community.

Happy Reading! Susan Rollings, *Library Director*

Adult & General Audience Programs

Carson Schweinberg from Cornell Cooperative Extension presents

Save Energy Save Dollars!

at the Indian Lake Library

Thursday December 11 at 1 PM

Call the library at 318-648-5444 or stop in to sign up!

Attendees can receive a free energy kit!

FREE STUFF!

Indian Lake Public Library

North Country Clean Energy Hub

Cornell University Cooperative Extension

Part of our Older Adults Tech Series!

SENIOR PLANET FROM AARP



Tech Tips for Disaster Preparedness

Tue. Dec. 16, 1:00 pm

at the Indian Lake Library

Technology can play an important role in making sure you're prepared for an emergency. Join us for this useful presentation to find out how!

LEARN ABOUT:

- FEMA and Red Cross apps & how to set alerts
- Using smartphone features handy in an emergency
- Keeping phones & essential devices charged during power outages
- Using social media to get important info from local & national authorities

Adult & Teen December Craft Programs

These crafts can make great gifts!

Materials and spaces are limited so be sure to call or stop in to reserve your spot!

SAT. 12/6 @ 10 am Alcohol Ink Pendants *please sign up for this!

WED. 12/10 @ 2 pm 12 Point Stars Ornaments *please sign up for this!

FRI. 12/12 @ 3 pm Recycled Book Gnome *please sign up for this!

MON. 12/15 @ 4 pm Felted Soap Bars *please sign up for this!

Afternoon programs start times are more flexible so participants can arrive later, yet still finish craft before closing. However we do ask you **not arrive later than 4:30 pm** in order to finish before Library closes.

FREE materials & instruction!

Children's & Family Programming



This is our weekly themed story time for young kids, designed to have fun while working on reading readiness skills. Scan this code to sign up for weekly reminders:

Join us Friday mornings for community, creative play, & fun learning activities!
Socialize with other parents & caregivers too!

Family Friendly December Craft Programs

Create memories with family & friends!

These crafts are meant for **ALL** ages. Small kids can do them too with help from us and/or their grown-ups!

- SAT. 12/6 @ 10 am — **Mini Basket Ornaments**
- MON. 12/8 @ 3pm — **Wooden Bead Pixies & Snow Friends**
- WED. 12/10 @ 3 pm — **Star Inspired Ornament Mash-Up**
- SAT. 12/13 @ 10 am — **Swirled Marble Globe Ornaments**
- MON. 12/15 @ 3 pm — **Tea Light Gnomes & Miniature Skis**
- WED. 12/17 @ 3pm — **Everlasting Faux Gingerbread Ornaments**
- FRI. 12/19 @ 3pm — **Ugly Sweater Ornaments & Mini Skis**
- SAT. 12/20 @ 10 am — **Winter Solstice Sun Ornaments**

Sign-ups are encouraged, but not required!

FREE materials & instruction!

A few reasons why your Indian Lake Library card is your ticket to AWESOME!

Besides borrowing physical books and DVDs from the Library, there are some unique perks your Indian Lake card give you as a patron:



1 New in 2025 is the Library's subscription to Mango Languages. Cardholders can learn to converse in over 70 world languages, plus American Sign Language, and 12 languages with lessons for kids 6 years and under! ALL FREE OF CHARGE!
Learn more about how to use Mango on our website:
https://indianlake.sals.edu/mango-languages/



2 Since 2021 the Indian Lake Library has offered, FREE of charge the Hoopla digital library as part of its catalog. **Indian Lake cardholders each get 7 instant borrows per month--no waiting in a queue for borrows either!**
Browse and borrow thousands of titles in all types of genres: e-books, audiobooks, magazines, comics, movies, tv shows, and music.
Learn more about how to use Hoopla on our website:
https://indianlake.sals.edu/hoopla-digital/



3 The Overdrive & Libby apps offer thousands of titles of ebooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines curated by the Southern Adirondack Library System.
Browse & borrow Overdrive titles from our website: https://salon.overdrive.com/
Be sure to check the "partner libraries" tab to see what the 3 other cooperating library systems have to offer you too: UHLS, MHLS, and MVLS!

Got questions? Stop by or call us!

4 **Museum passes Indian Lake card holders may borrow:**
(Courtesy of the Friends of the Indian Lake Library)
ADIRONDACK EXPERIENCE™ The Museum on Blue Mountain Lake
THE WILD CENTER
Call the Library for the details about how to!

5 **Borrow Birding Backpacks**



FREE courtesy of our friends at the Adirondack Land Trust & the Southern Adirondack Audubon Society!

Technology Can Be Tamed!



We Can Help You Do It!

Since 2023 the Indian Lake Library has partnered with AARP and Senior Planet/OATS to present workshops and classes that enhance patrons' enjoyment of technology in everyday life. Read more about it here and check out the wide variety of classes we can offer. Let us know what you'd like us to make available in 2026! Visit seniorplanet.org for more cool stuff!

Want some 1-on-1 assistance figuring out your tech? Call us to make an appointment or stop by and just ask! (518)648-5444





The early 2026 tech class schedule will be in the next newsletter! Scan this code to give us your input for 2026:

The Indian Lake Library also offers the database Tech-Talk for all learners interested in improving professional and business skills with thousands of webinars and articles at your fingertips! Access here through our Library website, FREE of charge: tech-talk.com

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Tech-Talk

FREE access to a database of 2000+ articles, videos, and webinars to improve productivity, communication and technical skills to give you an advantage in business.

Discover fun things & learn new skills!

Log in with **username:** indianlake **password:** indianlake

Ongoing Events

At the Indian Lake Library

The Caregiver's Support Group meets 2nd Tuesday of the month



alzheimer's association

no RSVP needed

2:00-3:00pm

No RSVP's necessary, just a kind, private, supportive group of caregivers to share with.

No RSVP's necessary; life with littles is complicated enough.

Bookworm Buddies Story Time Play Group

Birth to 5 YRS FOCUS BUT All Ages Welcome



Fridays 10:30

Sit & Knit



Fridays 1-3 pm

Drop-In Knitters & Crochet Group

All Welcome!

A fun bunch of fiber crafters who share tips and projects & enjoy each other's company. All are welcome!

For more event details, visit our website's calendar: https://indianlake.sals.edu/calendar/

HERE IS SOME OF THE FUN WE'VE BEEN HAVING SO FAR IN 2025 AT THE INDIAN LAKE LIBRARY, THANK YOU ALL! MORE TO COME IN 2026!





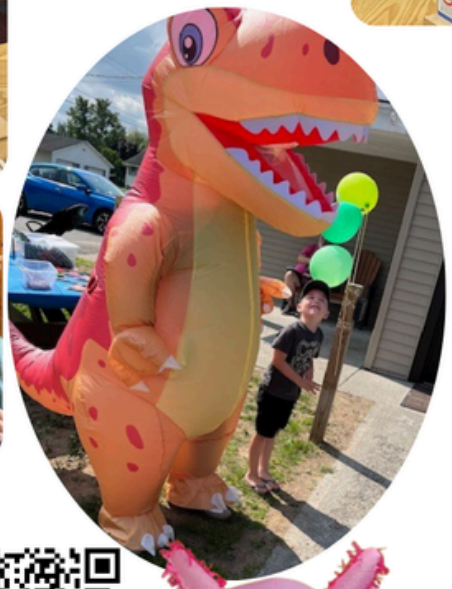


















Scan this code to see the full schedule of library summer 2025 events:







Scan this code to read the library's long-term plan of service:



