

Become a Friend of the Saugerties Public Library

The mission of the Friends is to support the Saugerties Public Library in its operations and to encourage citizens to enjoy its benefits.

Yes! I want to become a member or renew my membership.

\$10-Friend \$25-Supporter \$50-Patron \$100-Benefactor Other

Is this a renewal?

*(Please make your check payable to **Friends of the Saugerties Public Library** and mail it to Friends of the Saugerties Public Library, P.O. Box 1100, Saugerties, NY 12477 or drop it off at the library.)*

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# _____ E-mail _____ Date _____

We welcome your support and would like to encourage your involvement in our activities. Please check below if you would like to learn more about any of the following:

1. Help with events. 2. Serving on a committee. 3. Leaving a legacy to the Library.



Online at saugertiespubliclibrary.org or stop in the library!

Get a Library Card!

Postal Patron

Library Hours
 Mon. 10 am - 8 pm
 Tues. 10 am - 6 pm
 Wed. 10am - 8 pm
 Thurs. 10 am - 6 pm
 Fri. 10 am - 5 pm
 Sat. 10 am - 2 pm
 Sun. Closed

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Letter to our Community

2022-2023

Thank you, Saugerties!

The library is hopping with activity! People from all walks of life come through our doors, whether to study with friends, find a quiet space to write a book, check out library materials, chat with neighbors, meet new people, or enjoy a fine variety of programs and events! Some take the library collection with them wherever they go by reading with the Libby app on their phone or tablet. It's all FREE.

We've had a lot of fun this past year. Many fantastic artists participated the Altered Book project; dancers came out to the Electric Dance Party, musicians learned to play the ukulele, presenters shared local history, and so much more! Sign up on the website for our monthly newsletter, that's sent to your email, to keep up with the latest events and offerings! saugertiespublicbrary.org

Board members, Brian Collins and Paul Van Benschoten replace bluestone in front of the library.



Library of Things
 funded by the Friends!

- 1 Record Player
- 2 Shredder
- 3 Metal Detector
- 4 DVD/CD drive
- 5 Stud Finder
- 6 Engine Fault Reader
- 7 Digital Projector

Check our website for **MORE!**



Check out our pre-loaded Kindles filled with popular titles!



In 2022...

65,929 items were borrowed from the library!

Borrowing and Sharing...

Saugerties items loaned to other libraries in 2022: 18,429

Items received from other libraries in 2022: 16,298

Digital Library:

19,319 electronic books & materials were used in 2022.

Wish-list V.S. Hold

When you browse the digital catalog and see something that you are definitely interested in, check it out or place a HOLD on it. If you aren't sure, but maybe...someday... you *might* want to read it, put the title in your WISHLIST.

The Community Uses the Library

- Senator Michelle Hinchey's office
- Town of Saugerties Housing Smart Task Force
- Office of the Aging * Ulster County Literacy *
- Ulster County Community Action Committee
- Ayso Region 595 (soccer) * Round the Bend Theater
- Prevent Child Abuse - NY * Speckled Frog Daycare
- Cemetery Association * Chamber of Commerce
- Lighthouse Conservancy * ShoutOut * Monday Club
- Saugerties Society of Little Gardens
- Girl Scouts * Snow Moon Festival

Collection

5,204 New items were added to the collection in 2022.

PROGRAMMING STATS

Teen Programs: 199

Attendance: 1241

Adult Programs: 194

Attendance: 1445

Children's Programs: 266

Children's Attendance: 3590

Early Literacy Programs: 151

Attendance: 1398

Virtual Programs: 18

Book a Librarian (tech help) 59

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

- Fun & Exciting Storytimes
- Trivia Nights
- Dungeons and Dragons
- Saugerties Film Society - movie nights
- Exercise classes
- Read to Philo (therapy dog)
- After Hours Dance Party
- Emergency Preparedness
- Adulting Classes for Teens
- Climate Change book club
- Altered Books Art project
- Connect & Play for toddlers & parents

2023 Staff:

Jen Russell (Director) Tiffany, Christine, Justyna, Liz, Shana, Ariel, Jordan, Dori, Cindy, Anya, Sandy, Brooke, and we welcome Charlotte in the Fall.



In Remembrance.

Thank you to Zoey, the therapy dog, for listening to children read to her. A rose-bush has been planted in the backyard to remember her by.

Research local history on our website and in the library! Thank you to Sawyers Savings Bank for funding the digitalization of local newspapers.

The Saugerties Public Library serves a population of approximately 19,090 residents.

2022: Operating Budget - \$690,510.

2022: Tax levy - \$617,796 with remaining funds from donations and an appropriated fund balance.



2023

Library Budget vote. Thurs. Sept 7. 10 - 8 pm

Voted #1 Library in the Chronogram.



Books in a Bag Project

The goal is to reach out to those who may not be aware of the location and offerings of the library.

Cotton bags printed with the library's name, address and phone number, filled with hardcover children's books in English and Spanish, are left at local businesses and organizations, like laundromats and food pantries, where children must wait with nothing to do.

The bag and its contents are free to take home. We have done this three times. This round was funded by the Kiwanis Club.

Current Board of Trustees:

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Get a FREE Saugerties Library USB drive while supplies last!