

WHAT'S *in the* ON **LIBRARY**

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RIBBON cutting

Thank you to all of our donors, patrons, and community supporters who joined us for our ribbon cutting ceremony on August 23! After years of planning and fundraising, months of construction, and a delayed reopening, we were so excited to celebrate the opening of our new Alfred Z. Solomon "Madcaps" Reading Room and local history room. We hope



you will stop by and make use of our new spaces.

FROM our Director

As the crisp autumn air settles in and the leaves begin to change, October brings a season of learning, creativity, and community. Here at the library, we're embracing all that this month has to offer with programs and other enriching opportunities for every age and interest.

As always, the library is more than just a place for books. We're participating in The Great Giveback event again this year. Libraries all across the state set up service projects throughout the month. This year we're asking patrons to help us stock our Blessings Box and/or donate items for the Saratoga County Animal Shelter. Visit the website to review the list of desired items or pick up a flyer.

Wishing you a wonderful October filled with good stories and the beauty of fall.

With gratitude,
Andrea

upcoming EVENTS

- Oct 7-18:** The Great Give Back 2025
- Oct 14-16:** Literary Pumpkin Decorating Contest drop-off
- Oct 25:** Paws to Read (11:30am)
- Oct 28:** Book presentation & signing with Jerry Crouth (6:30pm)

Stop by the circulation desk for more information!



ROOM reservations

Are you looking for a meeting space?

We can help! Head to the Programs tab at bspl.sals.edu to submit a request to use one of our three meeting rooms. Please check the events calendar for availability prior to submitting a request.

- Community Room (up to 45 people)
- Local History Room (up to 8 people)
*No food or drink allowed, no arts and crafts programs.
- Alfred Z. Solomon Charitable Trust, "Madcaps" Reading Room (up to 15 people) *No food or drink allowed, no arts and crafts programs.

BOOK returns

Our outside book return will be unavailable for the foreseeable future. We appreciate your patience and are happy to accept your returns at the circulation desk.



BOOK review

Bury our Bones in the Midnight Soil by V.E. Schwab

Reviewed by: Kristen, Library Clerk

Told through three points of view and across multiple timelines, this is a story of three women seeking autonomy in a world that rarely wants to give it to them. A slow paced, character driven, eerie vampire tale that could be just right for your spooky season reading.



What's a snake's favorite subject in school?

Hissssssssstory!



literary HOLIDAYS

October	National Book Month
October 5-11	Banned Books Week
November	National Novel Writing Month
November 18	High Five a Librarian Day



STORY TIME report

We had so much fun with our mystery readers this summer, and now we are back in the Library's community room at 10am on Thursdays.

