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Congratulations to the winners of our annual Literary Themed Pumpkin Decorating Contest!







MEET the Staff

Kristen H., hired in 2022

When did you get your first library card and from which library?

Early elementary school from the Stillwater Public Library

<u>Favorite book from childhood</u>
A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

Favorite books of the year so far
My Friends by Fredrik Backman
The Correspondent by Virginia Evans
James by Percival Everett
Heart the Lover by Lily King
Woodworking by Emily St. James

<u>Go-to comfort-watch</u> The Great British Bake Off

<u>Is a hotdog a sandwich?</u> Sure! It's bread with a filling.

Most used emoji



upcoming **CLOSURE**

Many of our patrons have been curious about the status of our exterior book drop, and we shared that we were anticipating a November repair for that space. We don't have any specifics to report yet, but we will announce an update as soon as we can. We appreciate your patience and support!



BOOK ORDER delays

Our new release shelves haven't been as populated as they normally are and we wanted to talk about it. The company that we have ordered books from for many years has recently (and quite suddenly) announced its closure. We are still receiving books, but at a slower rate. We are currently working to establish an account with a new-to-us book

distribution company and are eager to be able to provide more new-release titles soon!
Thank you for your patience while we navigate this unexpected change.

GREAT giveback

Thank you so much to everyone who donated items for the Saratoga County Animal Shelter and to our Blessings Box! Your contributions filled two 20-gallon bins of pet items and three 20-gallon bins worth of food items. These contributions are such a meaningful gift to our local community.



She Didn't See It Coming by Shari Lapena

Reviewed by: Andrea, Library Director
Set in Albany, NY, Shari
Lapena's newest novel She
Didn't See It Coming is a twisty
thriller that hooks immediately.
Bryden Frost vanishes in the
most uncharacteristic way. We
learn that family members and
neighbors behave badly,
motives shift constantly, and
every chapter ends with a gasp.
Lapena's latest domestic novel

is razor-sharp and satisfying with a wicked final turn.

Want me to tell you a pizza joke?

I can't - it's too cheesy!

RECOMMEND.



SAVE the date

GI**≫ING** TUESDAY Stay tuned for information on the Friends of the Library's December 2nd Giving Tuesday Campaign.

literary **HOLIDAYS**

November Picture Book Month

November 1 National Family Literacy Day

November 15 I Love to Write Day

November 18 High Five a Librarian Day

