#### **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?

Name \_

(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.)

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!

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# Recreation for the Mind:



We are working on developing our next 5 year plan! We are looking for feedback from you about what the library offers, trends in technology and how the library can contribute to the Town of Saugerties. Below you will see two QR codes that direct you to an online survey; the one on the left is geared towards adults and the QR code to the right is for teenagers. Or, go to the library's website at saugertiespubliclibrary.org, and scroll down to the advertisement for the survey.

Digital materials such as books, magazines, audio books, movies and music are becoming more and more popular, and the library is responding by purchasing more digital content. However, we are still filling our shelves with physical materials to check out!



2023-2024

Come on down to the library and spend some time browsing the stacks, bring your laptop and write that novel, meet with friends, and make friends by attending our programs. This is your library!

We would like to especially acknowledge retiring Board Member, Irene Hurst for her dedication to the library. Thank you, Irene!

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#### Letter to our Community What do you think, Saugerties?



In 2023...

89,871 physical items and

20,231 electronic items were borrowed!

New library cards issued: 476

#### **PROGRAMS:** CHILDREN

Programs: 274

Attendance: 4,800

In 2023 we welcomed Charlotte Svetkey as our new Children's Programmer. She has jumped into Storytimes, the Summer Reading Program, and created programs for TWEENS:

Mini Modern Artists Bon Voyage: Children's Travel Art Club Connect & Play

### **PROGRAMS**: TEENS

Programs: 173 Attendance: 1,038

Dungeons & Dragons Battle of the Books LBGT club Teen club

#### Number of items shared....

Saugerties items loaned to other libraries in 2023: 14,273

Collection

6,642 New items were

added to the collection.

Items received from other libraries in 2023: 17,884

#### **PROGRAMS:** ADULTS

Programs: 265

Attendance: 2,327

Become One with the Land & Community: a grant funded group read and discussed 3 books pertaining to black farming and environmentalism, facilitated by Tamika Dunkley.

Journey Through the Chakras

Woodwind Quartet Concert

Tai Chi Classes

Saugerties Film Society

Author talks, Trivia contests

**Bollywood Dance Classes** 

Elder Law & Estate Planning

Defensive Driving, Medicare Assistance



#### 2023 - 2024 Staff:

Jen Russell (Director) Tiffany, Christine, Justyna, Liz, Ariel, Jordan, Dori, Cindy, Anya, Sandy, Brooke, Noah and Charlotte!

#### 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 \* Cemetery Association \* Chamber of Commerce Lighthouse Conservancy \* ShoutOut \* Monday Club

Saugerties Society of Little Gardens Girl Scouts \* Snow Moon Festival \* PARP

The Saugerties Public Library serves a population of approximately 19,038 residents.

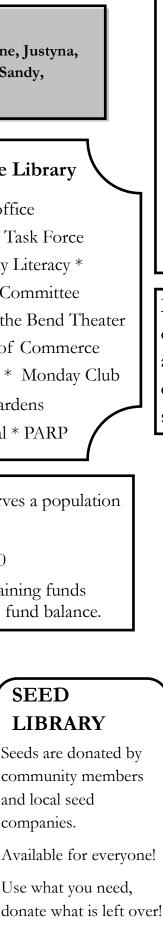
**2023: Operating Budget - \$661,350** 

**2023:** Tax levy - \$630,152 with remaining funds from donations and an appropriated fund balance.



## SEED

and local seed companies.



## The Building

The Wi-Fi has been extended in the backyard by 300 feet, and the interior W-Fi has been upgraded.

The carpets and furniture have been professionally cleaned, and the front entrance has been painted.

Library Speakers Consortium: online talks with well known authors and thinkers! Check it out on our website: saugertiespubliclibrary.org

#### **Current Board of Trustees:**

President: Tim Scott Vice Pres: Nina Schmidbaur Treasurer: Charlotte Herscher Secretary: Julie Misiano Jouette Bassler Paul Van Benschoten Yosefa Karchmar Robert Irizarry **Brian** Collins

Katie Cokinos

#### 2024

Library Budget vote.

Sept 5.

10 - 8 pm