



# Curious George F. News

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## Library Hours:

Mon—Thurs

9-9

Friday 9-5

Saturday—9-5

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**Library board meetings** are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month @ 7 p.m. Meetings are held in the Tech Center.

**Next meeting will be February 17, 2022.**

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## Inclement Weather Policy

If the Union-Endicott Schools are closed due to weather, the library will plan to open at 11am.



## Tech Classes for February: Virtual classes via Zoom.

We are featuring a mix of old and new classes this month.

Zoom Link: [tinyurl.com/GFJTC-class](https://tinyurl.com/GFJTC-class)

**Netflix Alternatives for 2022** - Thursday, 2/3 at 3:00pm Discover streaming services comparable to Netflix that offer FREE television shows and movies.

**Researching Your Family Tree for Beginners** - Tuesday, 2/8 at 3:00pm

Without spending a dime, you can explore Ancestry, the world's most popular consumer online genealogy resource. We will also discuss FamilySearch, an all-free genealogy website, with more than 7 billion global, name-searchable records.

**Meet Windows 11** - Saturday, 2/12 at 11:00am & Thursday, 2/17 at 3:00pm

Windows 11 is Microsoft's newest major release of its operating system and the successor to Windows 10. Windows 11 has several updates and new features, and was designed to increase ease of use and creativity.

**Surprising Things You Can Do With Your iPhone** - Wednesday, 2/23 at 3:00pm

Most iPhone users use their iPhones everyday without accessing all of its capabilities. We will explore some iPhone shortcuts, tricks and some of the more amazing features.

**Identifying Scams and Scammers** - Friday, 2/25 at 3:00pm

Navigating the minefield of scams and scammers is getting more and more treacherous. In this class we will walk you through the resource "Pass it On" from the Federal Trade Commission of the United States to help you identify and avoid scams.

**Tech Help**— An appointment is required for a 15-minute session with a Tech Center staff member to help with technology issues. Call or email the Tech Center in advance for more information and to make an appointment. (607)757-5359 or [gfjtechcenter@gmail.com](mailto:gfjtechcenter@gmail.com).



The downstairs meeting room (Scott room) is getting an update (new heating/cooling system, new carpet and an interactive display board). We will also be adding a bathroom adjacent to the meeting room. **Due to the construction, there will not be any meeting rooms or study rooms available until construction is completed.**

Thanks for your patience and understanding during this time.

## AARP Tax -Aide Program

**February 1—April 14 - APPOINTMENT ONLY SERVICE. No walk-ins allowed.**

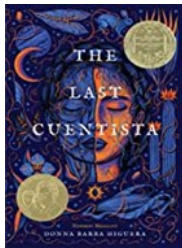
To make an appointment, call 211 or 1-800-901-2180. The GFJ library will be a drop off and pick-up location.

**AARP Foundation**  
For a future without senior poverty.

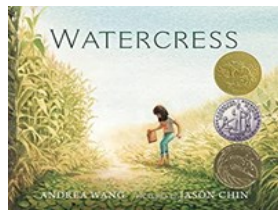
# GFJ LIBRARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR **February 2022**

## Children & Teen Events

Congratulations to this year's winners of the **Newbery** and **Caldecott Medals!** These awards are given to the most distinguished books written and illustrated for children and published during the previous year. There are a whole host of special awards bestowed in addition to these two. Stop in the Children's Department to browse our collection!



Caldecott winner  
**Watercress** by Andrea Wang and illustrated by Jason Chin

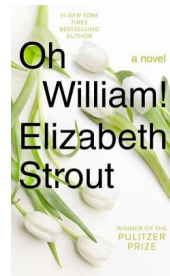


Newbery winner **The Last Cuentista** by Donna Barba Higuera

## Adult Events

**February 23—1:00 p.m.**

### GFJ Book Club



The GFJ Book Club will meet on zoom to discuss **Oh, William!** by Elizabeth Strout. Contact Cathy Seary, [en.cathy@4cls.org](mailto:en.cathy@4cls.org) for more information. Lucy Barton is a writer, but her ex-husband, William, remains a hard man to read. He has always been a mystery to her and she wonders why the two have remained connected after all these years. A trip and a family secret rearranges everything we think we know about the people we are closest too.

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## Ask the Librarian:

### Dear Librarian:

I love sharing stories with my grandchildren and we especially enjoy books about different holidays. There are quite a few coming up: Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day are right around the corner. Do you have holiday books at your library?

Sincerely,  
Doting Grandma

### Dear Doting Grandma:

Thanks for writing and thank you for reading with your grandchildren. Reading aloud does much to foster language development and reading readiness...plus, it's loads of fun! We have a large selection of titles about holidays in the Children's Room of the library. Oftentimes, the books about an upcoming observance are on display. If you have any trouble locating them or any other books you may be looking for, there is always a librarian at the information desk who would be very happy to assist you. We look forward to seeing you soon!

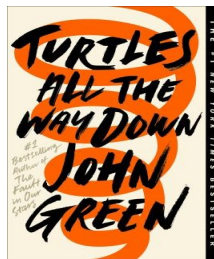
## I'd Rather Read YA Book Club

GFJ Library and Your Home Public Library (JC) have created a virtual book club for those who love Young Adult books. This month's book is **Turtles All the Way Down** by John Green.

**When:** Wednesday, February 23rd

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Register online** to get the Zoom information on our web page <http://www.gfjlibrary.org/teenpage/>



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