

The libraries of Orange
County:

Chester:
Chester Public Library

Cornwall:
Cornwall Public Library

Florida:
Florida Public Library

Goshen:
The Goshen Public
Library & Historical
Society

Greenwood Lake:
Greenwood Lake Public
Library

Highland Falls:
Highland Falls Library

Middletown:
Middletown Thrall Library

Monroe:
Monroe Free Library

Montgomery:
Montgomery Free Library

Newburgh:
Newburgh Free Library

Pine Bush:
Pine Bush Area Public
Library

Port Jervis:
Port Jervis Free Library

Tuxedo Park:
Tuxedo Park Library

Walden:
Josephine Louise Public
Library

Warwick:
The Albert Wisner Public
Library

Washingtonville:
The Moffat Library of
Washingtonville

Woodbury:
Woodbury Public Library



For immediate release:

**ORANGE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION'S
ORANGE READS POE: THE BIG READ 2010**

- CALENDAR OF EVENTS -

Admission to all events is free unless noted otherwise.
See www.orangereads.org for more information.

Through October 10

Faux Poe Contest. Write some original poetry in the style of Edgar Allan Poe. Submit your entries (up to five poems per person) by Oct. 11 for a chance to win prizes at Chester Public Library, 1784 Kings Highway, Chester. Winning poems will capture Poe's tone, form, themes and other poetic elements. Each entry must be signed and state the entrant's name and date of birth (age brackets will be used to determine winners). Only Chester residents are eligible to enter. Winners will be announced by Oct. 31. Call 469-4252 for more information.

September 8

"A Tell-Tale Tale Is Told." A staged reading of Edgar Allan Poe's *The Tell-Tale Heart* is planned at 7 p.m. at Goshen Public Library & Historical Society, 203 Main St., Goshen. For more information, call 294-6606.

September 14

"Poe Performances." Film adaptations of Edgar Allan Poe's works will be shown at 1:30 p.m. at Goshen Public Library & Historical Society, 203 Main St., Goshen. Films include "The Tell Tale Heart," "The Fall of the House of Usher," "The Black Cat," "The Cask of the Amontillado" and other favorites. Registration not required. Check with the library at 294-6606 for the selection of the week.

September 15

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September 24

Manga Mania for Teens. Artist Debbie Lane will instruct teens how to use the style of a graphic novel to draw illustrations for an Edgar Allan Poe story at 5 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration is limited. Call 783-4411 for more information.

September 28

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*****“Edgar Allan Poe: Master of Mystery.”** Former SUNY Orange professor Mary Makofske will examine and discuss Edgar Allan Poe's Dupin mystery stories at 7 p.m. at Middletown Thrall Library 11-19 Depot St., Middletown. Attendees will have read these three short stories prior to the discussion: *The Murders in the Rue Morgue*, *The Mystery of Marie Roget*, and *The Purloined Letter*. Call 341-5454, Ext. 5479 for information.

September 29

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*** **“Sound Plus Sense: The Poetry of Edgar Allan Poe.”** Kevin McFadden will read and discuss the poems of Edgar Allan Poe at 7 p.m. at Josephine-Louise Public Library, 5 Scofield St., Walden. Registration not required. Call 778-7621 for more information.

October 1

“Dark Art” Student Exhibit. Student art inspired by Edgar Allan Poe’s works will be on display during library hours through Oct. 31 at Greenwood Lake Public Library, 79 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake. Call 477-8377 for information.

*****Countywide Art Exhibit.** A countywide art show featuring works based on the themes of Edgar Allan Poe will be on view through Oct. 29 at the Orange County Government Center, Main Street. Goshen. For more information, call 563-3646.

Student Art Show. A student art show with works based on themes related to Poe works will be exhibited during library hours through Oct. 22 at Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Call 563-3646 for more information.

*****The Big Read Art Exhibit.** An exhibit of art inspired by the works of Edgar Allan Poe by students and Debbie Lane will be on display through Oct. 6 at the Lycian Centre, 1351 Kings Highway, Sugar Loaf. For more information, call 563-3646.

*****Kickoff: David Keltz as Edgar Allan Poe.** Actor David Keltz will perform as Edgar Allan Poe, the master of mystery and macabre, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lycian Centre Pavilion, 1351 Kings Highway, Sugar Loaf. Call 986-1047 for more information.

October 2

*****Cemetery Walk.** A Laurel Grove Cemetery Walk with historian Peter Osborne, sponsored by Port Jervis Free Library, will take place at 1 p.m. Call the library at 856-7313 for information.

*****Radio program.** WTBQ-AM 1110 and WTBQ-FM 99.1 will broadcast Edgar Allan Poe's *The Tell-Tale Heart* with commentary by former SUNY Orange professor Chris Godwin at 3 p.m. Call 986-1047 for information.

*****Kickoff: "Murder by Poe."** Annmarie Paoli directs Jeffery Hatcher's play, which weaves together four Edgar Allan Poe tales into a tapestry of revenge, suicide, obsession and murder, at 8 p.m. at the Lycian Centre Pavilion, 1351 Kings Highway, Sugar Loaf. Material is suitable for ages 10 and older. Call 986-1047.

October 3

*****Kickoff: "Edgar Allan Poe: Mysterious as a Cat."** SUNY Orange professor Anne Sandor will discuss the many works of Edgar Allan Poe at 3 p.m. at the Lycian Centre, 1351 Kings Highway, Sugar Loaf. Call 986-1047 for more information.

October 4

"Tea and Terror" Book Discussion. The Monday Afternoon Book Club will discuss the terror tales and poems of Edgar Allan Poe at 2:30 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration not required. Call 783-4411 for more information.

October 5

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Book Discussion. Book club members will discuss the works of Edgar Allan Poe at 1:30 p.m. at Highland Falls Library, 298 Main St., Highland Falls. Call 446-3113 to find out specific stories being discussed.

*****Poe Art for Teens.** Artist Debbie Lane will instruct teens how to make an Edgar Allan Poe-inspired T-shirt at 5 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. Call 783-4411 for more information.

October 6

"The Power of Poe's PoeTree." Staged readings of Poe's poetry and the poetry of poets influenced by Poe – Antonin Artaud, Charles Baudelaire, Stephane Mallarme, T. S. Eliot, Ezra Pound, Jim Morrison and David J. Phillips IV – will take place at 7 p.m. at Goshen Public Library & Historical Society, 203 Main St., Goshen. Call 294-6606 for information.

*****Scary Stories and Craft.** Children in grades K-1 will listen to a scary tale and create a mask with instructor Joy Hyman at 4:30 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration is required. Call 783-4411 for more information.

******"Spooky New York."** Enjoy Rip Van Winkle's adventures or ride along with Ichabod Crane as he races the Headless Horseman in scary stories told by Eileen Stelljes of It's Time for a Story at 7 p.m. at Moffat Library of Washingtonville, 6 West Main St., Washingtonville. Registration required. For more information, call 496-5483.

October 7

Scary Stories and Craft. Children in grades 2-5 will listen to a scary tale and create a raven mask with instructor Joy Hyman at 4:30 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. Call 783-4411 for information.

******“Close Encounters with Birds of Prey.”** Participants will find out about the fascinating world of raptors at 6:30 p.m. at Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. For more information, call 534-8282.

Adult and Teen Book Discussion. Gaspare Perello will lead a book discussion of Edgar Allan Poe's works at 7 p.m. at Tuxedo Park Library, 227 Route 17, Tuxedo Park. Registration required. Call 351-2207, Ext. 15 for more information.

October 8

******“The Big Bleed for The Big Read: Give a Pint for Poe.”** Community Blood Services will conduct a blood drive from 1-7 p.m., Greenwood Lake Public Library parking lot, 79 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake. Call 477-8377 for information.

Friday Afternoon at the Movies. Adults can enjoy a classic Poe movie directed by Roger Corman at 2 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. For more information, call 783-4411

******“The Big Bleed for The Big Read: Give a Pint for Poe.”** Community Blood Services will conduct a blood drive from 2-7 p.m. at Middletown Thrall Library parking lot, 11-19 Depot St., Middletown. Call 341-5454, Ext. 5479 for more information.

Teen Movie Fright Night. Teens will see a classic Poe movie directed and produced by Roger Corman at 6 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. For more information, call 783-4411.

October 9

*****Radio program.** WTBQ-AM 1110 and WTBQ-FM 99.1 will broadcast *The Purloined Letter* with commentary by retired SUNY Orange professor Chris Godwin at 3 p.m. Call 986-1047 for more information.

******“Murder by Poe.”** Annmarie Paoli directs Jeffery Hatcher's play, which weaves together four Edgar Allan Poe tales into a tapestry of revenge, suicide, obsession and murder, at 8 p.m. in Hudson Hall, Mount St. Mary College, Powell Avenue, Newburgh. Material is suitable for ages 10 and older. Call 986-1047 for information.

October 12

******“The Big Bleed for The Big Read: Give a Pint for Poe.”** Community Blood Services will conduct a blood drive from 4-7 p.m. at Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. Call 534-8282 for more information.

*****Poetry Reading.** Greg Giblin reads Edgar Allan Poe poetry at 7 p.m. at Port Jervis Free Library, 138 Pike St., Port Jervis. For more information, call 856-7313.

October 13

Book Discussion. The Great Beginnings Adult Book Discussion Group Reads Poe at 7:30 p.m. at Moffat Library of Washingtonville, 6 West Main St., Washingtonville. Selected readings of works by Edgar Allan Poe will be chosen by the group. Registration required. Call 496-5483 for information.

Book Discussion. A book discussion based on the stories and poems of Edgar Allan Poe will be led by scholar Dr. Jessica Gerson at 7:30 p.m. at Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Registration requested. Call 563-3613 for information.

October 14

Scary Reader’s Theater. Children in grades 2-5 will rehearse and perform spooky tales at 6:45 p.m. at Albert Wisner Public Library, 1 McFarland Drive, Warwick. For more information, call 986-1047.

“The Gold Bug of Farrow Point” Discussion. Children in grades 3-6 will discuss the book, which is loosely based on Edgar Allan Poe's story *The Gold Bug*, at 10:30 a.m. at Greenwood Lake Public Library, 79 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake.. Registration required. Call 477-8377, Ext. 19 for more information.

*****“Black Cats, This and That: The Fanciful Creatures of Edgar Allan Poe.”** An after-school story time and craft is scheduled at 4 p.m. at Josephine-Louise Public Library, 5 Scofield St., Walden. Call 778-7621 for information.

*****“The Fall of the House of Usher.”** The 1960 classic movie directed by Roger Corman and starring Vincent Price will be shown for teens and adults at 7 p.m. at Middletown Thrall Library, 11-19 Depot St., Middletown. Registration not required. For more information, call 341-5454, Ext. 5479.

Book Discussion. Adults will discuss the tales and poems of Edgar Allan Poe in a program moderated by scholar Wendy Dembeck at 7 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. Call 783-4411 for information.

*****Storytelling Program.** Black Dirt Storytelling Guild members will present “Ravens and Wraiths” at 7:30 p.m. at Florida Public Library, 4 Cohen Circle, Florida. Call 651-7659 for more information.

October 15

*****“The Big Bleed for The Big Read: Give a Pint for Poe.”** Community Blood Services will conduct a blood drive from 2-6 p.m. at Florida Public Library, 4 Cohen Circle, Florida. Call 651-7659 for more information.

Coffee House of Usher Open Mic. Teens will participate in a program of poetry reading and some "horror" storytelling at 5:30 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. Call 783-4411 for information.

*****“Murder by Poe.”** Annmarie Paoli directs Jeffery Hatcher’s play, which weaves together four Edgar Allan Poe tales into a tapestry of revenge, suicide, obsession and murder, at 8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Port Jervis, 60 Sussex St., Port Jervis. Material is suitable for ages 10 and older. For more information, call 986-1047.

October 16

“Encrypting and Secret Codes.” Children in grades 3-6 will learn encoding and how to make and use invisible ink to tie in with the book *The Gold Bug of Farrow Point* at 10:30 a.m. at Greenwood Lake Public Library, 79 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake. Presented by Mad-Science of the Mid-Hudson. Registration required. Call 477-8377, Ext. 19 for more information.

*****“Words to Pictures: Video Interpretations of Poe’s Poetry.”** Tweens and teens in grades 7-12 will pick a work by Edgar Allan Poe and create a video interpretation with a Flip camera. The videos will be shown to an audience open to all patrons in the same age group at 1 p.m. at Greenwood Lake Public Library, 79 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake. Registration required. Call 477-8377, Ext 19 for more information.

Movie Matinee with Edgar Allan Poe. One of the tales of Edgar Allan Poe on film will be shown at 1 p.m. at Highland Falls Library, 298 Main St., Highland Falls. Registration not required. For more information, call 446-3113.

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*****Radio program.** WTbQ-AM 1110 and WTbQ-FM 99.1 will broadcast a program of Edgar Allan Poe’s poetry with commentary by retired SUNY Orange professor Chris Godwin at 3 p.m. Call 986-1047 for more information.

Silent film: “The Phantom of the Opera.” A screening of the silent film version of “The Phantom of the Opera” will be shown at 2:30 p.m. at Port Jervis Free Library, 138 Pike St., Port Jervis. Call 856-7313 for more information.

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October 17

Book Discussion. Wendy Dembeck will lead discussion on *The Cask of the Amontillado*, *The Pit and the Pendulum*, and *The Purloined Letter* as well as a reading of “The Raven” at noon at Greenwood Lake Public Library, 79 Waterstone Road, Greenwood Lake. Call 477-8377, Ext. 18 for more information.

October 18

*****“The Big Bleed for The Big Read: Give a Pint for Poe.”** Community Blood Services will conduct a blood drive from 4-7 p.m. at Albert Wisner Public Library, 1 McFarland Drive, Warwick. Call 986-1047 for information.

Poe T-shirt Silk Screening. Silk screen your own Poe themed T-shirt at 6 p.m. at Albert Wisner Public Library, 1 McFarland Drive, Warwick. Call 986-1047 for more information.

*****Ghost Detective.** Echoing Poe’s themes on death and dying, author and ghost detective Michael Worden looks at the present-day activities of both the living and the dead at 7 p.m. at Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Registration suggested. Call 563-3618 for more information.

October 19

Book Discussion. A book discussion on several short stories of Edgar Allan Poe is planned at 7 p.m. at Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. Registration suggested. Call 534-8282 for information.

Poe Stories. Local actor Greg Giblin will read Edgar Allan Poe stories at 7 p.m. at Port Jervis Free Library, 138 Pike St., Port Jervis. For more information, call 856-7313.

October 20

Book Discussion. Join the library’s Teacher’s Book Club to discuss some of Poe’s poems and short stories at 10:30 a.m. at Pine Bush Area Library, 227 Maple Ave., Pine Bush. Call 744-3375 for more information.

Book Discussion. The Mystery and Suspense Book Discussion Group will read and discuss several of Poe’s mystery stories at 7:30 p.m. at Moffat Library of Washingtonville, 6 West Main St., Washingtonville. Registration required. For more information, call 496-5483.

October 21

Make Your Own Tombstone Craft. A craft program on building a tombstone will be held at 6 p.m. at Goshen Public Library & Historical Society, 203 Main St., Goshen. Call 294-6606 for more information.

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Edgar Allan Poe’s Detective Stories Discussion. Local scholar Mary Makofske will lead a discussion on three of Poe's most famous detective stories at 6:30 p.m. at Albert Wisner Public Library, 1 McFarland Drive, Warwick. Call 986-1047 for more information.

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*****Readings from Edgar Allan Poe.** Local actor Ken Tschan of Page-to-Stage will perform theatrical style readings from works by Edgar Allan Poe in a program sponsored by the Friends of Moffat Library at 7 p.m. at Moffat Library of Washingtonville, 6 West Main St., Washingtonville. Call 497-3090 for more information.

October 22

*****Poetry Readings.** Community members will offer staged readings of a number of Edgar Allan Poe's poems and short stories at 8 p.m. at Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. Join us for a midnight reading of “The Raven.” For more information, call 534-8282.

October 23

*****Old Town Cemetery Tour.** Newburgh Free Library will sponsor a walk through the Old Town Cemetery with city historian Mary McTamaney at 2 p.m. McTamaney will point out graves from the time of Poe and discuss the gentle notion of “melancholy.” Registration required. Call 563-3646 for more information.

“Poe”try in the Evening. The public is invited to read one of Poe's poems or a Poe tribute poem of their choosing. Poets can register to read at 7 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 74 Walkkill Ave., Montgomery. For more information, call 563-3600.

October 24

*****Murder Mystery Dessert Theater.** Murder Mystery Manhattan will appear in “The Fall of the House of Kutsher,” a deadly delicious murder mystery from 2-5 p.m. at the Middletown Senior Center, West Main Street, Middletown. Admission: \$15. Reservations required; tickets will not be sold at the door. For more information, call 343-7098.

Pop Music in the Age of Poe. Take a trip through the Romantic Age with singer Lydia Adams Davis and pianist Ruthanne Schempf who will perform popular music from the time of Edgar Allan Poe at 3 p.m. at Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Registration suggested. Call 563-3619 for information.

October 25

Book Discussion. Scholar Wendy Dembeck will lead a discussion on the works of Edgar Allan Poe at 7 p.m. at Port Jervis Free Library, 138 Pike St., Port Jervis. For more information, call 856-7313.

October 26

“Every Picture Tells a Story.” Debbie Lane will introduce teens to different illustrators’ interpretations of Poe’s works, then help them create their own artwork at 5 p.m. at Monroe Free Library, 44 Millpond Parkway, Monroe. Registration required. Call 783-4411 for more information.

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*****“Edgar Allan Poe at West Point and in the Military.”** U. S. Military Academy professor Tony McGowan will speak about Poe's time as a cadet at West Point and his experience in the military at 7 p.m. at Cornwall Public Library, 395 Hudson St., Cornwall. For more information, call 534-8282.

October 27

“The Horror: A Tribute to Edgar Allan Poe.” Come and bask in the power of Poe’s poetry as he is celebrated with a multimedia tribute and staged readings of some of his most powerful poems. The tribute will be performed by Goshen librarian David J. Phillips IV at 6:30 p.m. at Albert Wisner Public Library, 1 McFarland Drive, Warwick. Call 986-1047.

*****Edgar Allan Poe Lecture.** Douglas Ridgeway will speak on facts of Edgar Allan Poe’s interesting life and highlight on some of his many works at 7 p.m. at Highland Falls Library, 298 Main St., Highland Falls. For more information, call 446-3113.

“Spooky Guy, Spooky Story: Poe & ‘The Tell-Tale Heart.’” Kevin McFadden will read and discuss *The Tell-Tale Heart* by Edgar Allan Poe at 7 p.m. at Josephine-Louise Public Library, 5 Scofield St., Walden. Registration not required. Call 778-7621 for more information.

October 28

*****“The Big Bleed for The Big Read: Give a Pint for Poe.”** Community Blood Services will conduct a blood drive from 1-4 p.m. at Josephine-Louise Public Library, 5 Scofield St., Walden. For more information, call 778-7621.

“Monster Mush.” Make your own monsters from various scrap craft materials at 6:30 p.m. at Goshen Public Library & Historical Society, 203 Main St., Goshen. Call 294-6606 for more information.

ABC Book Club: Detective Stories by Poe. Author, Mary Langton will lead a discussion on the detective stories of Edgar Allan Poe at 6:30 p.m. at Florida Public Library, 4 Cohen Circle, Florida. Call 651-7659 for information.

“The Pit and the Pendulum.” The 1960 classic movie directed by Roger Corman and starring Vincent Price will be shown for teens and adults at 7 p.m. at Middletown Thrall Library, 11-19 Depot St., Middletown. Registration not required. Call 341-5454, Ext. 5479 for more information.

October 29

Movie Night with Edgar Allan Poe. A movie based on one of the tales of Edgar Allan Poe will be shown at 7 p.m. at Highland Falls Library, 298 Main St., Highland Falls. Registration not required. Call 446-3113 for more information.

*****Monster Bash Costume Party.** A costume party featuring a cash bar, DJ music, dancing, food and prizes will take place from 7-11 p.m. at The Golf Club at Mansion Ridge, 1292 Orange Turnpike, Monroe. Admission: \$5. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door. Call 782-4809 for more information.

*****Spooky Halloween Tales.** Montgomery Free Library will sponsor a program of Halloween tales at 7:30 p.m. at the Montgomery Senior Center, 36 Bridge St. Montgomery. For more information, call 457-5616.

November 3

“Into the Pit.” A staged reading of *The Pit and the Pendulum* is planned at 7 p.m. at Goshen Public Library & Historical Society, 203 Main St., Goshen. Call 294-6606 for more information.

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November 7

*****Pop Culture in the Age of Poe.** Step lively and enjoy dances that were popular during the time of Edgar Allan Poe as presented by Homespun Community Dance at 3 p.m. at Newburgh Free Library, 124 Grand St., Newburgh. Call 563-3619 for information.