

Rensselaerville Library

### How do I get a Library Card?

Library cards are available to residents living in the Town of Rensselaerville and the Greenville School District. Come into the library with a proof of residence -- driver's license or a utility bill -- complete an application and we will happily issue you a library card.

### **Account Access Is Easy!**

Visit the library's website and click on the "Search the Catalog" button or download the Upper Hudson Library System app to access our collection using the barcode on your card (no spaces). Your PIN is the last 4 digits of the phone number you gave us when you applied for your card.

Membership in the Upper Hudson Library System gives you access to the collections of 29 libraries in Albany and Rensselaer Counties! Visit their website at www.UHLS.org.

## Who We Are

#### **Our Mission**

The Rensselaerville Library works to preserve a comfortable historical gathering place that is open, free, and inviting to all. We strive to awaken and promote a life-long love of reading and learning by fostering personal connections and providing access to a stimulating variety of texts, technology, and programming.

#### **Contact Us**

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### **Visit Us Online!**

www.RensselaervilleLibrary.orgFacebook: Rensselaerville LibraryTwitter: @rensselaervillelibrary

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### **WELCOME!**

Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (As of 12/22/2020)



# **WELCOME!**

Celebrating 100 Years of Stories



Historic Reading Room

## **Our History**

## **Federal Library**

Dating from 1798, the library in Rensselaerville was the first library in Albany County, with 186 patrons. It featured 200 books, which were kept in different parts of town, wherever space could be found.

### **Reading Room**

The library was discontinued in 1832. The present library was organized in 1896 as a "Reading Room" in the row house where it is today. Francis Conkling Huyck, Sr. purchased and renovated the building in 1906.

### A Library of Proper Standard

In 1921, the Library was chartered as an association library by the State of New York Department of Education and charged to serve the entire Town of Rensselaerville. To this day, the Library is governed by a Board of Trustees and meets all current New York State Library standards.

## **Today's Library**

In 1995, the Library acquired the adjacent property and created the Ann Ballinger Annex. Since 2009, the Library has undergone extensive renovations to accommodate a growing collection and address accessibility. Today's library collection includes more than 15,000 items and 700-plus card-carrying members.

### **Board of Trustees**

The Library Board of Trustees meet on the third Tuesday of most months at 7:00 p.m. The annual meeting is held in September. All meetings are open to the public.

## **Support the Library**

Although the Library is funded in part by the Town of Rensselaerville and Greenville School District, half of our annual budget is supported by fundraising events and donations.

For a list of the many ways to support our library, visit our website donation page: *RensselaervilleLibrary.org/Donate* 



### **Our Services**

The Rensselaerville Library enriches our community year-round by providing free access to the following programs and services:

Fine-Free Collection of Books, Movies,
Audiobooks, Museum Passes, and even
Fishing Rods & Tackle!
OverDrive and Hoopla Digital Media
UHLS Research Databases
24/7 WiFi | Public Computers
Meeting Room | Activity Room
Children's Early Literacy Room
Adult and Youth Programs

Other *low-cost* services include:

Printing/Copying/Faxing/Scanning (Contact us for a fee schedule.) Coffee Bar with Beverages & Snacks Gift Shop

Our Library is Fine-Free!