



CLIFTON PARK
HALFMOON
PUBLIC
LIBRARY

April 2, 2025

Sara Dallas, Director
Southern Adirondack Library System
22 Whitney Place Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Dear Sara and Members of the Library Services Committee,

On behalf of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library, I am pleased to nominate our Community Field Trips for Southern Adirondack Library System's 2024 Program of the Year.

To expand programming for adults we literally took our programs on the road in 2024. Realizing that adults love field trips too, Adult Services Librarian, Adah DeRosier connected with local museums, farms, and even a brewery to coordinate docent guided tours and when possible, a "hands-on" component such as feeding llamas or a historically themed craft activity.

In 2024, we were able to take Community Field Trips to the Albany Institute of History and Art, Saratoga County History Center, Empire State Aerosciences Museum, Ten Broeck Mansion, Dakota Ridge Llama Farm, and Wolf Hollow Brewing Company. The Library paid for the docent-led tours and activities for all registered participants, making these locations accessible to all who were interested.

The Community Field Trips were very well received by the community and many people had never visited the different sites before (and may not have otherwise!). Several patrons also lingered after the tour to continue their exploration of the institute/site.

We are excited to continue this program into 2025 as we look for new community partners and places to share with our patrons. Attached are some photos from the 2024 Community Field Trips.

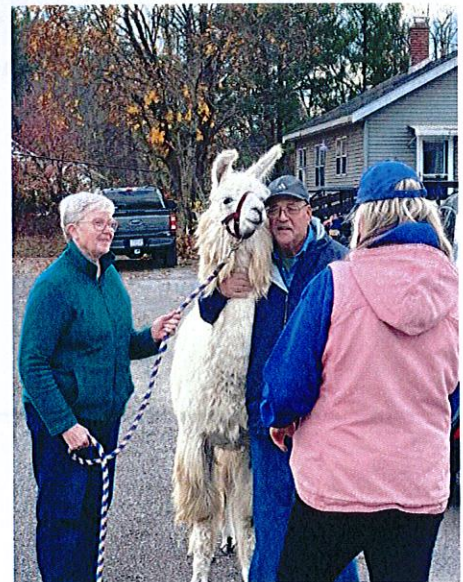
Thank you for your consideration of this program. The Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library's Strategic Plan calls for us to "Be A Community Resource" by promoting lifelong learning, and by offering programs that foster connections through educational and



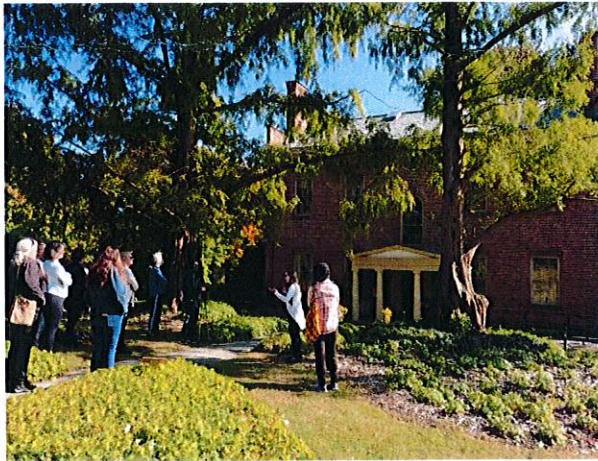
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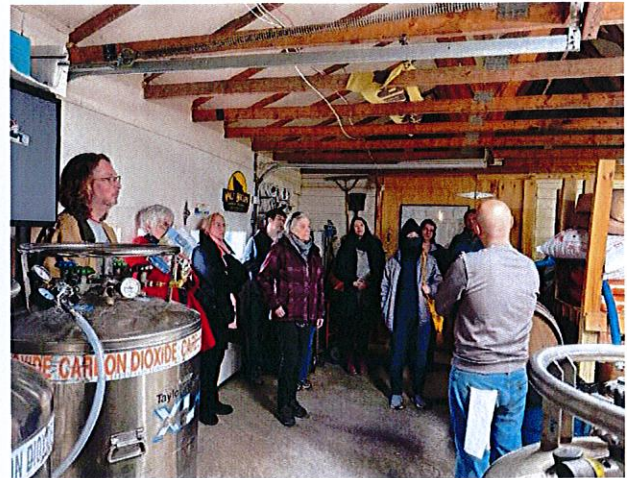
**Albany Institute of History & Art
Albany, NY**



**Dakota Ridge Llama Farm
Ballston Spa, NY**



**Ten Broeck Mansion
Albany, NY**



**Wolf Hollow Brewery
Glenville, NY**