



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Farley Announces April 13th – 19th Is Library Week

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State Senator Hugh T. Farley (R,C - Schenectady), Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Libraries, noted this week is National Library Week.

"Libraries are a place of lifelong learning," Senator Farley added. "Librarians are truly amazing people. They inspire our youth and invite them into a library where there is an adventure on every shelf."

Senator Farley encourages people to use their local libraries. "Reading is a fun activity that opens the mind to all sorts of adventures," Senator Farley said. "As a former teacher, I try to

promote reading and learning as much as possible. Parents have a very important responsibility in their children's growth and education. Studies have shown that children whose families are involved in their learning become higher achievers and learn more quickly than children whose families are not. It's a big responsibility, but it's not difficult to help your children learn. The best way is to encourage them to read. When children see their family members reading, writing and conversing, they naturally want to participate.

Senator Farley said New York State is home to many of the world's finest libraries, with 7,000 institutions offering services ranging from scholarly research to recreational reading. "Take the time in this upcoming week to stop in at your local library and tell the staff how great they are," Senator Farley said.