



THE BOOKMARK

Monthly Newsletter of the Gale Free Library

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Important News

- The Library will be closed on Monday, April 17 in observance of the Patriots' Day holiday.
- Are you still an OverDrive user? The app will be discontinued as of May 1! If you need assistance with the transition to Libby, please visit us at the Reference Desk.
- Do you love attending our programs for adults? Now you can sign up to receive weekly adult-program updates by clicking on the link on our website homepage (galefreelibrary.org) or by contacting us at 508-210-5569.
- You may have already met Nancy Clayborne in the stacks, but please welcome her to her new position at the Circulation and Reference desks!

Adult Programs

Registration for most programs is required. Please email galefreelibrary@gmail.com or call 508-210-5569.

NEW!

The GFL Crossword Club

**Saturdays, beginning April 1
10-11 AM, Program Room**

The Library is excited to introduce our new Crossword Club! Every Saturday, from 10-11 AM, join us at the Library to do a collaborative puzzle with local crossword constructor Frank Virzi. No registration is necessary. We will supply the puzzles and pencils -- just bring yourself!

Craft of Writing Group

Thursday, April 27 from 10:30 AM -12 PM

Virtual -- Registration Required

For National Poetry Month, we'll be talking about "What Makes a Poem a Poem?"

We'll look at quirky, funny, or poignant poems about the art and luck of being poets, and elicit techniques that apply to ANY style of writing, whether poetry or prose.

The Gale Free Library is proud to be a part of the

MASSACHUSETTS LIBRARY COLLABORATIVE 50+ JOB SEEKERS NETWORKING GROUP

A NEW YEAR - A NEW YOU!

More than 60 Massachusetts public libraries have partnered to offer the 50+ Job Seekers Networking Group program to support people fifty years and older looking for a new job, a new career direction, or a Second Act career. Take advantage of these free biweekly skill-building and networking group meetings. A new topic will be covered at each meeting. Attendance at each session is not necessary -- but highly recommended! Job seekers can join at anytime!

WHO: Debbi Hope, MBA, PCIC, MC, an experienced Executive Career Coach and Certified Master Coach

WHERE: All meetings are on Zoom.

WHEN: We offer morning & evening classes. Please choose the time that works best for you:

1st & 3rd Wednesday, 9:30am-11:30am
2nd & 4th Wednesday, 6pm-8pm

Zoom room opens 30 minutes early for informal networking & resource sharing.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

Build Your Job Search Toolkit:

1. Jan. 4/11 Self-Assessment/Transferrable Skills
2. Jan. 18/25 Your "Career Story" Pitch
3. Feb. 1/8 Marketing Plan/Marketing Brief
4. Feb. 15/22 Applications/Cover Letters
5. Mar. 1/8 Developing A Resume - Part 1
6. Mar. 15/22 Developing A Resume - Part 2
7. Apr. 5/12 Creating A LinkedIn Profile
8. Apr. 19/26 LinkedIn - Personal Branding
9. May 3/10 Interview Preparation/Strategy
10. May 17/24 Interview Practice
11. Jun. 7/14 Hiring Employer Event
12. Jun. 21/28 Networking 2.0 - Give To Get!

For more information, or to register, please contact the Library at (508)210-5569, or galefreelibrary@gmail.com



Classic Book Club

Registration Required

**Thursday, April 27
at 6:30 PM**

**The Pioneers
by David McCullough**

Cooking Club

Registration Required

**Tuesday, April 4
at 6 PM**

**"All About Vinegar"
with Emily Makrez**

The program will include a vinegar-making demonstration, and a tasting of various vinegar samples.

Knitting Group

Every Monday, 1-2:30 PM

Two options: In-person or via Zoom. All are welcome, from beginner to experienced.

No instruction will be provided. See what others are knitting, or just sit and knit!

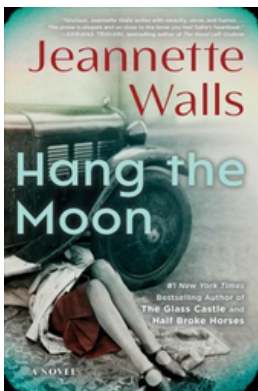




**BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR...NEW BOOKS!
NEW AND RECOMMENDED BY
LIBRARYREADS**



Three grown siblings confront their father's role in their mother's disappearance in this arresting novel from the New York Times bestselling author of Defending Jacob.



After encouraging her younger step-brother to participate in daredevil activities leads to an accident, Sallie Kincaid is cast out of her family, in the new novel from the #1 New York Times best-selling author of The Glass Castle.



Penner (The Lost Apothecary, 2021) returns to a historical setting—this time 1873—to tell the story of a young woman seeking to solve her sister's mysterious death.

Staff Picks

Susan

The Road Home

By Jim Harrison

"Beautiful writing, and a sincere love of nature is apparent."

Katy

City of Girls

By Elizabeth Gilbert

Nancy M. C.

About A Dog

By Jenn McKinlay

Spencer

Future Fortune

By Steve Margolis

Wendy

The Woman King

(Rated PG-13)



Museum Moments

Davis Farmland opens April 13.

Native Plant Trust (Garden in the Woods) opens April 16.

New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill features its daffodil field this month.

With our **Trustees of the Reservations** pass, take a family tour on April 8 of the Old Manse in Concord, MA -- witness to the start of the Revolutionary War and former home of Ralph Waldo Emerson and Nathaniel Hawthorne. See The Trustees website for details.

For more information about passes, contact us at the Reference Desk, 508-210-5569.

Children's Programs



BOOKS AND BRICKS

Monday 4/3 and Monday 4/17, 10-11 AM
(ages 3-6)

Program Room

Mr. Kevin will read a few stories, and then we will build together with DUPLO blocks!

LEGO CLUB

Wednesday 4/5 and Wednesday 4/12
4:15-5:15 PM
(ages 6+)

LEGO JR.

Thursday 4/13, 4:15-5 PM
(ages 4-5)

Kids in Lego Club will build to a theme with Mr. Kevin, and then their work will be displayed in the Children's Room! Sign-ups will be posted Wednesday, 3/29 at 9:30 AM, and they fill up quickly! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for the sign-up post.

BRICKS WEEK:

BRICKS FOR BREAK!

Monday 4/17 to Friday 4/22
(all ages)

Build with bricks over break! There will be LEGO and DUPLO blocks available in the Children's Room for all of April break.

MUSIC AND ME

Friday 4/28, 10 AM
(ages 2-6)

Program Room

Join Miss Jessica from Community Connections and get those little ones moving, dancing and singing to the monster beat!
Music builds strong brains!



Story Times

LAPSIT STORY TIME

Thursdays at 10 AM

Lapsit Story Time is for children ages 2 and under.

Join Miss Rachel for songs, short picture-book stories and more. This story time will focus on routine, repetition and early literacy skills like ABC's and 123's.

In the Program Room.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Thursdays at 11 AM

Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3 to 6, with caregivers.

Join Mr. Kevin for lots of laughs and fun stories! This story time will focus on picture-book stories, and include some games or activities--plus, of course, Mr. Kevin's great sense of humor!

In the Program Room.

MONDAY BABIES STORY TIME

Monday 4/10 and Monday 4/24
10-10:30 AM

For children ages 2 and under.

Join Miss Rachel for songs, short picture-book stories, and more. This will be a duplicate of our story time on Thursday for those who have an easier time visiting on Monday!

In the Program Room.