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# THE BOOKMARK

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Monthly Newsletter of the Gale Free Library

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## Important News

- The Reference Department welcomed a new staff member in February. If you haven't had the pleasure of meeting Alana yet, swing by the reference desk and say hi!
- 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](http://galefreelibrary.org)) or by contacting us at 508-210-5569.

# Adult Programs

Registration for programs is required. Please email [galefreelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:galefreelibrary@gmail.com) or call 508-210-5569 to register.

## Knitting Group

**Every Monday, 1:00-2:30pm**

**Two options: In person or virtual on Zoom**

All are welcome, from beginner to experienced.

No instruction will be provided.

See what others are knitting, or just sit and knit!

No registration is needed for the in-person meeting.

To attend the virtual meeting on Zoom, please contact the Library for the meeting link.



## Classic Book Club

*\*Registration Required\**

Thursday, March 23rd

6:30 PM

Title: Mayflower  
by Nathaniel Philbrick

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## Cooking Club

*\*Registration Required\**

Tuesday, March 14th

6:30 PM

Citrus!

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# Staff Picks

Amy

**MOVIE: THE MENU**  
(2023) RATED R

Danielle

**BOOK: VIOLETA**  
BY ISABEL ALLENDE

Katy

**BOOK: FOR THE WOLF**  
BY HANNAH WHITTEN

Magda

**MOVIE: TOP GUN MAVERICK**  
(2022) RATED PG-13

Nancy C.

**BOOK: THE BELL IN THE LAKE**  
BY LARS MYTTING

Nancy M. C.

**BOOK: SUNFLOWER SISTERS**  
BY MARTHA HALL KELLY

Spencer

**BOOK: IERCE NEW WORLD: AN IRISH**  
**SCI-FI ANTHOLOGY**  
BY PAUL CARROLL, Et.al.

Wendy

**BOOK: THE REGULATORS**  
BY RICHARD BACHMAN



## Book Review

BY KIRKUS REVIEWS. ISSUE: DECEMBER 1, 2022

### Time Trials

By M.A. Rothman & D.J. Butler

A ragtag team of archaeology experts find themselves at the center of a battle for humankind’s survival in Rothman and Butler’s supernatural thriller.

Present-day Egyptologist Marty Cohen joins a secret, privately financed dig in Egypt’s Nabta Playa after his friend and German archaeologist Gunther Mueller tantalizingly tells him that they found hieroglyphs that predate any known writing from the region. The expedition, led by eccentric French millionaire François Garnier, also includes Indigenous Australian biological anthropologist Lowanna Lancaster; security expert Surjan Singh, a former member of India’s special forces; and Egyptian dig specialists Abdullah bin Rahman and his nephew Kareem.

When Marty finally sees the hieroglyphs in a tunnel leading to a mysterious chamber, he’s dumbfounded to find something that shouldn’t be there: English-language text. Just then, the members of the expedition are suddenly transported to another place, across the Sahara—and back in time, thousands of years. As they journey across the desert in an attempt to find their way back home, they meet new friends and foes; among the latter are monsters with jackal heads and human bodies that looks suspiciously like the god Seth. The team soon discover that the future is in danger—and that they’re the only ones who can save it.

This highly enjoyable novel by Rothman and Butler is full of nonstop action, bits of science, mystery, humor, and enough Ancient Egypt trivia to satisfy any history enthusiast. The quest narrative and the Dungeons & Dragons-style team structure recall familiar fantasy tropes, but the authors manage to develop the characters well, giving them each their own distinct arcs, and it results in a tale that’s well worth reading. The overarching mystery keeps the pages turning in an adventure tale that refreshingly shows respect for ancient civilizations and their accomplishments. An entertaining first entry in what promises to be a fantastic time-travel series.



# Children's Programs

## Tinker Time

**Friday, March 10th and 31st**

**10:00-11:30 AM**

**Ages 2 to 5**

**Program Room**

Blocks, puzzles, manipulatives and play with Miss Patty. Put your thinking caps on! Let's build, create, and tinker!

Registration is required.

## Extra Lapsit Story Time

**Monday, March 13th &**

**Saturday, March 27th**

**10:00 - 10:30 AM**

**Ages 2 and under**

**Program Room**

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!

## Books and Bricks

**Monday, March 20th**

**10:00 - 11:00 AM**

**Ages 3-6**

**Program Room**

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

## Children's Department

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## Story Times

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### **BABY LAPSIT STORY TIME**

**Thursdays at 10:00 AM**

Lapsit story time is for children ages 2 and under.

Join our new librarian, Miss Rachel, for songs, movement, and stories for our littlest patrons and their caregivers. In the Program Room.



### **PRESCHOOL STORY CLUB**

**Thursdays at 11:00 AM**

Preschool Story Club is for children ages 2½ to 6, with caregivers.

Mr. Kevin presents a new year of favorite picture books and songs, with plenty of funny stories and silly games.

In the Program Room.