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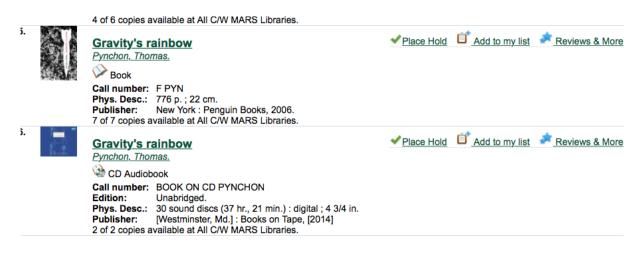
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The Manage Your Account Function

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Stories With Jason

10/14/2015 - 10:00 AM Stories With Nathan 10/14/2015 - 4:00 PM Chess and Checkers

View full library calendar here...

Community Sponsored **Events / Programs**

10/13/2015 - 8:00 AM UMASS

10/13/2015 - 6:00 PM

Holyoke Housing Authority

10/14/2015 - 4:30 PM

Simmons College Western Campus

10/15/2015 - 9:00 AM Mentoring Partnership

10/15/2015 - 6:00 PM

View full community calendar here...

Library Hours

June-August

Mon - Wed.: 8:30am - 6:00pm Thurs & Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm Select Saturdays: 8:30am-4:00pm June- 13th, 20th, 27th July- 11th, 18th, 25th August- 8th, 15th, 22nd Closed Sundays & Holidays

September-May Mon-Thurs: 8:30am-8:30pm Friday & Saturday: 8:30am-4:00pm Closed Sundays & Holidays

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Holyoke History Room Hours Go to the History Room page.

The Calendar

The graphic to the left shows the entire left side of the website homepage. It is a calendar of events both Library spnsored and community events. Due to space constraints, the time frame is very limited. There are links to a more comprehensive listing at the bottom of each section. Also on the left side of the webpage are the library hours of operation, both June to August and September to May.



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Featured Services

The center of the Library's website homepage provides on-click access to features we think you might be interested in or newly added features. Our latest new addition is the Freegal on-line service. Freeggal allows us to provide you with free streaming music, and movies. This service also allows the legal download of songs to your computer, within a limit set by the company. The feature of this service we like the most is that e-books may be downloaded by multiple patrons at the same time. So if you are a member of a reading group and choose a book that is available through Freegal, up to eight members of your group would have simultaneous access to the book through Freegal.

Tour The Library

The bottom of the Library's website homepage currently features a video tour of the library in case you have not yet been.

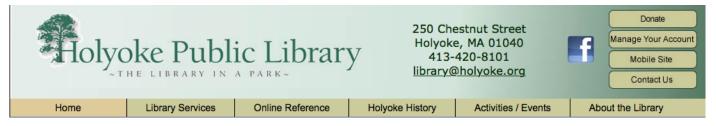




New Holyoke Public Library Tour from Michael Hines on Vimeo.

Take a virtual tour of the new library!





Command Central

There are too many features to go into in this newsletter in Command Central. These are the tabs across the Library's homepage; Home, Library Services, Online Reference, Holyoke History, Activities/Events, and About the Library. Library Services includes links to recommended books based on books you've read. Online Reference has, among other links, a link for access to the Springfield Republican. Holyoke History takes you to the History Room and digital collections that may be read/viewed online. Acrivities/Events gives a more deteailed view of what's going on at the Library. And About the Library includes a history of the Library going back to 1870.

Click on these tabs and see where they take you!



1911 Map of Holyoke

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Terry Plum President, Board of Directors

The big news for the Holyoke Public Library this Fall was the surprise visit by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor to read to third grade students from the Lawrence Elementary School on the morning of September 9. She was scheduled to speak at the Springfield Public Forum lecture in the evening, but



she made time to read *Everywhere Coquis* and then answer many questions, in both English and Spanish, from her attentive audience. The good work of Tom Schwab, Director Maria Pagan, and Mayor Alex Morse made this visit happen. Tom and Maria pushed the idea of inviting the Supreme Court Justice to the opening of the renovated Library in 2013, and Mayor Morse quickly followed up with a letter to Justice Sotomayor. Although she was unable to come to the opening, Justice Sotomayor's office apparently remembered the invitation, and generously carved out time from her busy schedule to read to children in

Holyoke almost two years later. The event was closed to the public, which made it even more meaningful for those children who were fortunate enough to attend. We thank Justice Sotomayor for her willingness to engage with the children of Holyoke, for her generosity in offering the free event in Springfield, and for her concern for young children in Holyoke in arranging a reading at the Library for the Lawrence Elementary School students.

The next news from HPL is the successful Library and Friends book sale. With a new collaboration with St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Reverend Barbara Thrall, the Friends and the Library held a three-day sale September 18 - 20, hosted in the Community Room of St. Paul's. Many thanks to all those who donated books. We would like to thank all of the following people who participated in the book sale:

Michael Barron, Marge Bowler, Susan Carey, Tim Damon, Kate Kruckemeyer, Peg McCarthy, Joanne Marcotte, George Mettey, Andrew Parker, Sydney Plum, Carol Soules, Baird Soules, Jeremy Smith, Joan Steiger, Janet Stupak, Glenn Sullivan, Barbara Ubertalli, and Sandy Ward.

And of course thanks to Reverend Barbara Thrall and a number of members of the St. Paul's congregation. The participation of the Library Friends, Board and staff, and the new collaboration with St. Paul's more than made the book sale more than a financial success.

The Library Park renovations on the Cabot Street side across from Lawrence School are now complete. The Park was redesigned by Milone & MacBroom, built by JL Construction, and benefitted from the oversight of Bill Fuqua, General Superintendent of the Holyoke DPW. Funding was made available through the City by a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The straight lines of the old sidewalks have been replaced by new curves and swoops leading to game tables, benches, boulders, and spheres. The McCormick Turbine, at the center of the previous straight-line sidewalks, has been claimed by the Wherehouse?, with thanks





to James Curran, and that area is now designed for seating. New trees and plantings outline the play areas and sidewalks that weave in and out of the existing trees. Director, Maria Pagan, and the library staff plan to create story walks, so that children can enjoy reading and being outdoors at the same time. The official Storywalk®, http://www.kellogghubbard.org/storywalk, uses laminated pages from a children's book attached to wooden stakes. As children walk down the new paths, they are directed to the next page of the

story, adding some exercise and suspense to the reading experience.



Looking back, for the first time in a while the Library was open on Saturdays during the summer. The patrons of the Library appreciated this increase in service, and we would like to thank and recognize the library staff who covered the Saturday hours. Giving up a Saturday to work in the summer is not easy, and the staff's commitment to the patrons of the Library by extending summer hours is very much appreciated.

Looking forward, on October 20, at the annual meeting of the Corporators of the HPL Corporation, Dr. Zrike, the new state-appointed Receiver for the Holyoke Public Schools, will be addressing the Board and others. In addition to what is already being done with the students by the children's librarians, The Library and the Board are looking forward to developing new collaborations with the schools and with HELI, the Holyoke Early Literacy Initiative.

Did You Know?

Your Holyoke Public Library has discounts and free admission certificates for The Children's Museum, The Springfield Museums, The Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, Wistariahurst, and, soon, thanks to the Friends of the Holyoke Public Library, The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art. All are available at the front desk. All you need is your library card.



At the Friends Membership Meeting on August 25, five new Board members were elected to serve 3-year terms: Elizabeth Veillette, Sarah Page, Kate Kruckmeyer, Dottie Blain-Hamel, and Nick Alger. In addition, three returning members were elected to 1-year terms: Michael Baron, Darlene Elias, and Sandy Ward.

Friends Officers elected for 2015 – 2016:

- President: Sandy Ward
- Vice President: Kate Kruckmeyer
- Treasurer: Barbara Raines
- Assistant Treasurer: Pattie Lumbra
- Secretary: Elizabeth Veillette
- Corresponding Secretary: Dottie Blain-Hamel



HISTORY ROOM HAPPENINGS



November 3 - November 19, 2015 *Latino Americans* – The landmark 6-hour PBS documentary

The Holyoke Public Library invites the public to a showing of the entire six-episode PBS documentary *Latino Americans*. This landmark series weaves together personal stories and new scholarship to illuminate the history of Latino Americans from the sixteenth century to the present. These screenings are free and presented as part of *Herencia Latina 2015-16*: *Exploring Latino Heritage in the Pioneer Valley*.

Latino Americans will be screened in the Library Community Room Tuesdays and Thursdays evenings. Special guests will introduce each episode just after 6:00 PM each evening. All episodes will be shown either in English with Spanish subtitles or Spanish with English subtitles. On November 12 (Episode IV) and November 19 (Episode VI), Professors Ginetta Candelario (Smith College) and Joel Blanco-Rivera (University of Puerto Rico) will each facilitate post-film discussions with the audience. See below for full details.

November 3, 2015, 6:00 PM: Episode I: Foreigners in Their Own Land – An illuminating introduction to the first Hispanic-Americans and scholars' attempts to recover their lost history. Introduced by Library Board members Manuel Frau-Ramos and Terry Plum.

November 5, 2015, 6:00 PM: Episode II: Empire of Dreams – The compelling stories of migrants from Puerto Rico, Cuba, and Mexico, many of whom faced deportation when the United States sank into economic depression in the 1930s. Special guest Councilor **Jossie Valentin** will introduce the film.

November 10, 2015, 6:00 PM: Episode III: War and Peace – In spite of dedicated and often heroic military service in World War II, Latino Americans struggled for basic civil rights in the U.S. Special guest Wilfredo Melendez, Deputy Director of the Holyoke Department of Veterans' Services, will introduce the film.



November 12, 2015, 6:00 PM: Episode IV: The New Latinos – Tells the story of mass post-war migration to the U.S. from Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, and Cuba. Ginetta Candelario, Associate Professor of Sociology and Latin American & Latina/o Studies at Smith College, will introduce the film and lead a post-film discussion. Professor Candelario has collaborated for more than a decade with community-based organizations in Holyoke as a teacher, speaker, and board member. Her research interests include Dominican and Latina/o communities and identity formations and Dominican feminist thought and activism.

November 17, 2015: 6:00 PM: Episode V: Prejudice and Pride – The 1960s brought social activism and the building of a new Chicano identity for Mexican-Americans, driven by those seeking to end persistent discrimination and widespread poverty among Latinos in the American southwest and California. Special guest **Dr. Carlos Turriago** will introduce the film.

November 19, 2015: 6:00 PM: Episode VI: Peril and Promise – Tensions between bilingualism and English-only movements form the backdrop to emergence of a new Latino American culture. This final episode raises questions about Latino assimilation and identity. Special guest Professor Joel Blanco-Rivera (University of Puerto Rico), whose current research includes the documentation of the Puerto Rican diaspora in the United States, will introduce the film and lead a post-film discussion.

This event is part of Herencia Latina 2015-16, Exploring Latino Culture in the Pioneer Valley, a community celebration and discussion from September, 2015, to May, 2016, organized around the PBS series, Latino-Americans. Explore the full calendar of events at the project webstie, <a href="http://http:/

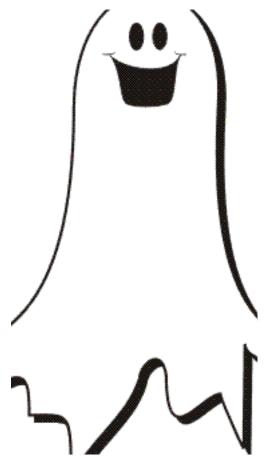
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Library Hours of Operation

School Year Hours September—May Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am—8:30 pm Friday and Saturday 8:30 am-4:00 pm

Summer Hours June—August Monday thru Wednesday 8:30 am—6:00 pm Thursday and Friday 8:30 am—5:00 pm Closed Saturday

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