



GALE FORECAST

Hours: Monday, 12 noon to 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday through Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
34 Main St., Northborough, MA 01532
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Web page: www.northboroughlibrary.org

May 2015

Note: the library will be closed on Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.

BASKET RAFFLE

The **Friends of the Library** are holding their Annual Basket Raffle **Monday, April 27th - Friday, May 8th**. Stop by the lobby and take your chance on a beautiful basket and help support the library. Proceeds from this event are used to pay for books and materials, museum passes, children's programs and many other services. A single ticket is \$1. Six tickets are \$5. Thirty tickets are \$20.

We still need volunteers to collect money and give out raffle tickets. Please contact the Circulation Desk (508-393-5025 ext. 6) to choose a day, evening, or Saturday time slot.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT LIBRARY CARDS

Patrons who have been picking up holds for family members (spouse, child, parent) will need to bring the other person's library card starting May 1. The reasons are:

1. Security. When we use your barcode we automatically get the correct patron record. Having to type in the name means having to select a name from a drop-down menu that may have similar names.
2. Confidentiality. Members of a household may want privacy in their reading material.
3. Efficiency. It takes longer for us to type in the identifying information, slowing transaction time, especially if the last names are different.
4. Consistency. Neighboring libraries follow this practice (for the most part).

Alternatives to having the physical card of the family member: 1) Have a photo of the barcode on your cell phone; 2) Use an app such as KeyRing to capture the barcode; 3) Bring a legible photocopy; 4) Have your family member contact us with specific permission for you to pick up holds; 5) Place the holds under the library card of the person who is going to pick them up.

Book Discussions

May 8, Friday, 10-11:30 a.m. *Quiet: the Power of Introverts*, by Susan Cain

May 18, Monday, 7-8:30 p.m. *And the Dark Sacred Night*, by Julia Glass

May 20, Wednesday, 7-8:30 p.m. *The Quiet Game*, by Greg Iles

The Northborough Library Invites English Language Learners to Conversation Circles

English Conversation Circles are one hour, informal group meetings for adults who want to improve their conversational English. Led by library volunteers, meetings are held **Tuesday evenings from 7 - 8 p.m.** and **Thursday mornings from 10 - 11 a.m.** at the Northborough Free Library. In the meetings we practice listening, speaking, and pronunciation through practical everyday conversation topics such as current events, day-to-day experiences in your life with family and friends, and things to do in Northborough and the surrounding area.

Federally funded with LSTA funds through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, these **meetings are free** and no registration is required. You may attend as often as you'd like. If you, or someone you know, would like to meet people from all over the world and practice speaking English with other adults who are also learning, then English Conversation Circles are for you.

A Path to Citizenship

Learn about the US naturalization process on **Saturday, June 13th from 2 - 3 p.m.** Lynne Weintraub, ESL coordinator for the Jones Library in Amherst will present the steps needed to become a US citizen. Topics will include the benefits of being a US citizen, eligibility requirements, and the application process. Also discussed will be details about the kinds of questions to expect on the US Citizenship Naturalization Test, and suggestions on how to prepare for this test. Come and learn how free resources from the library and the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services can support you on your journey to citizenship.

Teen/Tween Programs

Teen Advisory Group (TAG). Monday, May 11th, 7-8 p.m. Teens in grades 6-12 welcome. No registration required. This event will be in the Conference Room.

Manga & Graphic Novel Club. Wednesday, May 20th, 7-8 p.m. Reading *World Trigger* by Daisuke Ashihara. Teens in grades 6-8 welcome. We will be enjoying a snack, playing a game, and having a fun book discussion. Registration is required. This event will be in the Meeting Room.

Middle School Book Club. Wednesday, May 27th, 6-8 p.m. Reading *Stormbreaker* by Anthony Horowitz. Teens in grades 6-8 welcome. We will be watching a movie and enjoying some pizza. Registration is

required. This event will be in the Meeting Room. *Please note the change in time.*

Teen Room Volunteers needed!! We are seeking Teen volunteers to help in the Teen Room this summer. Volunteers will assist other Teens in locating assigned summer reading books. Teens must be entering grades 8-12 in the fall to volunteer. All volunteers must attend a training session. Visit the Teen Desk for more information and to pick up a volunteer application. All applications are due back to the Teen Librarian by June 15th.

Contact Bonny Krantz in the Teen Room or at 508 393-5025 ext. 7 for more information.

Children's Room Events - MAY 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Reading with Kodiak the Dog! 1:00 – 2:30 (15 min. slots) Kindergarten Book Club 2:30 – 3:30
3	4	5 Preschool Storytime 10:30 – 11:00 Ages 4 - 5	6 Mother Goose on the Loose 10:30 – 11:00 Birth thru age 2	7 On My Own Storytime 10:30 – 11:00 Ages 3 - 5	8 Toddler Time! 10:00 – 10:30 Ages 2 – 3 Mother's Day Drop-In Craft 1:30 – 4:15	9 Reading with Kodiak the Dog! 1:00 – 2:30 (15 min. slots) Dads & Donuts-Silly Stories 10:00 – 10:30 All ages
10	11	12 Bracelet Craft 6:30 – 7:30 Ages 8 - 10 Color Me A Story 10:30 – up to age 5 Color Me A Story 11:30 – up to age 5	13 The Science Session-Baking Soda Science! 6:30 – 7:30 Ages 6 - 9	14 On My Own Storytime 10:30 – 11:00 Ages 3 - 5 Reading with Finnegan the Dog! 4:00 – 4:45 (15 min. slots)	15	16 Reading with Kodiak the Dog! 1:00 – 2:30 (15 min. slots) Garden Club 10:30 – 11:30 Ages 4 - 11
17	18 Reading with Finnegan the Dog! 4:00 – 4:45 (15 min. slots) 1st & 2nd Grade Book Group 5:00 – 6:00 3rd & 4th Grade Book Club 6:00 – 7:00	19 Color Me A Story 11:30 – up to age 5 The Science Session Jr.-Volcanoes & Ice 6:30 – 7:30 Ages 6 - 9	20 Baby Kneads-Infant Sign Language Workshop 10:30 – 11:30 Birth up to age 2	21 On My Own Storytime 10:30 – 11:00 Ages 3 – 5 Drop-in Legos 2:00 – 4:00 All ages!	22	23 Reading with Kodiak the Dog! 1:00 – 2:30 (15 min. slots) Teddy Bear Picnic 10:30 – 11:30 All ages!
24	25 CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY	26 Color Me A Story 10:30 – up to age 5 Color Me A Story 11:30 – up to age 5 5th Grade Book Club- 6:30 – 7:30	27 Mother Goose on the Loose 10:30 – 11:00 Birth thru age 2 Fantasy Baseball Book Club-Cal Ripken Jr. 6:30 – 7:30 Grades 3 - 5	28 On My Own Storytime 10:30 – 11:00 Ages 3 – 5 Reading with Finnegan the Dog! 4:00 – 4:45 (15 min. slots)	29	30 Reading with Kodiak the Dog! 1:00 – 2:30 (15 min. slots) Wii U Gaming 10:00 – 1:00 Ages 7 - 11

Friends of the Northborough Library have become part of the Amazon Smile program. Amazon Smile is simple easy way for you to raise money for your favorite charity. Here's how you can raise money for the Northborough Library whenever you make a purchase on Amazon. Go to the website smile.amazon.com. The first time you visit, it will ask you which charity you would like to support, type in "Friends of the Northborough Library." Then change the Amazon button on your browser to an Amazon Smile button, so that whenever you enter Amazon you are doing it through the smile.amazon.com website. About 0.5% of the purchase price of **everything** you buy on Amazon will go to support the library.

The Friends' money flows to the library in many ways: it purchases many of the museum passes available to patrons; it supports the summer reading programs for children, teens and adults; it finances three library pages who shelve books; it pays for the library website, and much more.

Please help support the Northborough Library by participating in this program.
