

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The next Friends meeting is **Tuesday, March 18 at 7 pm**. Join Library Director Betsy Rajotte and members of the Board of Trustees for an update on the Library building project. Find out what events the Friends have planned for this coming year. The Friends are actively recruiting new members interested in helping support the Library.

The Friends are selling special lollipops made just for us by Eaton Farms Confectioners! We have white and milk chocolate available. They are \$1.50 each or 4 for \$5.

The Friends will be hosting a fundraiser at Uno's Chicago Grill on Sunday, March 2. Vouchers are available to pick-up at the Library or print off our <u>website</u> or <u>Facebook page</u>.

Saturday, May 17, 2014 - Save the date for the Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale! Donations will be accepted in bulk starting May 6. (Until then we can only take 1 bag or box of donations at a time.)

ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Discussion Group at the Sutton Senior Center

March 3 at 12:30 pm

Killing Lincoln by Bill O'Reilly

April 7 at 12:30 pm

Kitty Cornered by Bob Tarte

Book club books will be available at the desk of the Library after the previous book group. Books for the Senior Center Group are also available at the Senior Center.

Knitting Group

Wednesday mornings at 10 am Join our casual knitters on Wednesday mornings to chat and knit. (You don't have to knit, any handicrafts are welcome!)

Book Discussion Group at the Library

March 20 at 6 pm Beautiful Ruins by Jess Walters

April 24 at 6 pm And the Mountains Echoed by Khaled Hosseini

Babysitter Job Fair

March 22 from 11 am—2 pm

Are you looking for a babysitter? Bring the kids and meet local sitters in a relaxed, familiar setting.

Family Trivia Night

March 28 at 6 pm It's our first Family Trivia Night! For kids ages 10 and up and their families. Space is limited- sign-up is required! Snacks, silliness and prizes will abound!

Open-Mic Coffee House

April 25 at 6:30 pm

Doors open at 6 pm Calling all artists, photographers, poets, writers, and musicians ... come share your artwork, poems, stories, photographs, songs, or any other kind of creative/artistic work you have made.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Registration for the March and April programs begins Tuesday, March 11 at 10 AM. Registration for the Apple Tree Arts music sessions will begin Tuesday, April 8 at 10 AM for Sutton residents only, and if there are spots remaining, registration will be open to everyone on Friday, April 11 at 10 AM.

Unless specifically noted, all programs require pre-registration and space is limited.

Apple Tree Arts Music Sessions

Children's music and movement programs with Miss Jan from Grafton's Apple Tree Arts music organization. Each

session lasts for five weeks. When you register you are committing to attending all five weeks; please do not take up a spot if you cannot make this commitment.

*Registration will be open to Sutton residents only from Tuesday, April 8 at 10 AM – Thursday, April 10. If there are spots remaining, registration will be open to everyone on Friday, April 11 at 10 AM. *

Baby Session (Ages birth-24 months): Tuesdays at 10:30 AM: April 29, May 6, May 13, May 20 & May 27

Toddler Session (Ages 2-3): Wednesdays at 10:30 AM: April 30, May 7, May 14, May 21 & May 28

These sessions are partially funded by a grant from the Beginning Years Family Network. Beginning Years Family Network is a grant funded by the MA Department of Early Education & Care and administered by the YMCA of Central MA/Boroughs Family Branch.

Dr. Seuss Celebration

Saturday, March 1 from 10 AM - 3 PM (all day) March 2 is National Read Across America Day (a.k.a. Dr. Seuss Day) so we are celebrating a day early with a special Dr. Seuss drop-in craft program. Come make a fun craft and don't forget to check out a Dr. Seuss book! Drop-in program; no registration required.

Storytelling with Shawn

Thursday, April 24 at 6 PM Location: Town Hall Meeting Room 1A All ages

Touring New England, storyteller and author Shawn Middleton mesmerizes his audiences! With his unique style of storytelling he brings stories to life with finger puppets, sound effects, voice dramatization, rhythm, sign Tuesday, March 25 at 4 PM language, mime, and hip hop dance. Children, parents, teachers, librarians, and community members will be educated, entertained, and engaged. Audiences don't just listen; they sing, clap, dance, chant, and roar with laughter.

Kids Book Club Meetings Ages 8-12

Thursday, March 27 at 4 PM Book to discuss: How to Train Your Dragon by Hiccup Horrendous Haddock & Cressida Cowell (Translator)

Tuesday, April 29 at 4 PM Book to discuss: The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy by Jeanne Birdsall

No registration required but please read the books ahead of time. Copies can be reserved at the library.

Parent-Child Book Group Ages 8-12

Friday, March 21 at 4:30 PM Book to discuss: A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park

Friday, April 25 at 4:30 PM Book to discuss: Holes by Louis Sachar

Children and their parents will read and discuss books together, and the focus will be on Newbery Medal and other award-winning books. No registration required but please read the books ahead of time. Copies can be reserved at the library.

Chess Club Meetings Ages 7 and up

Wednesday, March 19 from 3:30 - 4:30 PM Wednesday, April 16 from 3:30 - 4:30 PM Tuesday, April 22 from 11 AM - 12 PM Whether you are a beginner or expert, come to the library to play a fun game of chess. Drop-in program; no registration required.

Lego Club Meetings Ages 5 and up

Tuesday, March 4 at 4 PM Thursday, March 13 at 4 PM Thursday, April 3 at 2 PM Thursday, April 10 at 4 PM Wednesday, April 23 at 11 AM Join us for some building fun! We'll





provide the Legos; you provide the creativity. Drop-in program; no registration required.

CHILDREN'S STORYTIMES

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Royalty Storytime

Thursday, March 13 at 10:30 AM Ages 3-6 In honor of National Jewel Day, we are having a prince and princess storytime!

St. Patrick's Day Stories and Crafts

Friday, March 14 at 11 AM Ages 4-8 Wear something green and join us for some fun Irish stories and crafts.

Children's Book Day Storytime

Wednesday, April 2 at 4 PM Ages 4-8

April 2 is International Children's Book Day! What better way to celebrate than to visit the library and enjoy some wonderful children's books!?! We will have stories and crafts, and as always, plenty of great books for you to check out!

Spring Stories and Crafts

Tuesday, April 8 at 4 PM Ages 4-8 Bunnies and birds and flowers, oh my! Please join us for some springtime stories and seasonal crafts.

STORYTIME SESSIONS:

Drop-In Baby Storytime Session

Ages 6-24 months (No registration for Baby Storytimes required) Tuesdays at 10:30 AM Four week session: March 18, March 25, April 1 & April 8 Songs, rhymes, and stories all geared towards little ones.

Toddler Storytime Session

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM Ages 2-3 Four-week session: March 19, March 26, April 2 & April 9 (When you register for the Toddler session you are automatically signed up for all four weeks.) Stories, songs, rhymes, and a simple craft.

Jelly Bean Storytime

Tuesday, April 22 at 2 PM Ages 4-8 Get ready for tons of yummy jelly bean fun in honor of National Jelly Bean Day!

Penguin Party Storytime

Friday, April 25 at 11 AM Ages 3-6

Come celebrate World Penguin Day with a special penguin storytime! Wear black and white and enjoy some penguin stories and crafts, and then we'll have some Oreos for a snack!

Pajama Storytime

Tuesday, April 29 at 6:30 PM Ages 3-6 Wear your PJs and join us for bedtime stories, songs, and fingerplays.



Preschool Storytime Sessions (Thursdays or Fridays)

Thursdays at 10:30 AM <u>or</u> Fridays at 10:30 AM (Please register for either the Thursday <u>or</u> Friday session) Ages 3-5 Four-week sessions: Thursdays, March 20, March 27,

April 3 & April 10 <u>or</u> Fridays, March 21, March 28, April 4 & April 18 (No storytime April 11)

(When you register for the Preschool session you are automatically signed up for all four weeks.) Stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft.





YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

Board Game Day

Tuesday, March 11 from 2:30 - 5 PM

Ages 10-18

Come hang out at the library and unplug for a while. Feel free to bring your favorite board game or play one of ours. Stop by anytime in the afternoon; no registration required.

Geek Club Meeting

Wednesday, March 26 at 3:30 PM

Book to discuss: *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green

Wednesday, April 30 at 3:30 PM Book to discuss: To Be Announced Ages 13-18

The Geek Club is a teen book discussion group and members of the club are responsible for choosing the reading selections. This is a club created by teens who love anything and everything "geeky," from Harry Potter to Dr. Who! New members are always welcome! No registration is required but please read the book ahead of time.

Babysitter Job Fair

Sat, March 22 from 11 am—2 pm Are you a qualified babysitter looking to meet new clients? If you're interested in participating in our job fair contact Amanda at 508-865-8752 or athornton@cwmars.org.

Peep My Diorama

Wednesday, April 9 at 3:30 PM

Ages 10-18

Get creatively crafty and make a diorama recreating your favorite book, movie, TV show, band, painting, etc. using Peeps candy. Please register in advance.



Poetry Workshop

Thursday, April 17 from 4 - 5 PM

Ages 12-18

April is National Poetry Month! Do you know the difference between an English and an Italian sonnet? Have you ever written a haiku? Come learn about different styles of poetry and practice writing a few poems! Drop-in program; no registration required.

Poetry Slam

Wednesday, April 23 from 2 - 4 PM

Ages 12-18

We are celebrating National Poetry Month with a Poetry Slam! Share your original work, read something from your favorite poet, or just come to show your support for your fellow teens! Drop-in program; no registration required.

Coming up:

Babysitter's Training Course

We are working on setting up a babysitter's training course for teens/tweens ages 11 and older in conjunction with the 4-H Youth Development Program of the UMass Extension. The anticipated cost would be \$25 per participant and training would be held at the library. If you are interested in putting your name down on an e-mail list to receive more information about this program as it becomes available, please e-mail Amanda Thornton (Youth Services Librarian) at athornton@cwmars.org.



LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The Library Trustees meet in Room I-A on the 3rd floor of the Town Hall. All meetings are open to the public and are televised on Charter channel II and Verizon channel 31.

Upcoming meetings are: March 24 and April 28 both at 3:30 pm.