

FEATURED NEWS AND PROGRAMS

Chain of Lights

Saturday, December 7 from 10 am—3 pm We've got a lot happening for Chain of Lights! The Friends of the Library will be selling their stoneware mugs and Sutton blankets. The Fudge Lady will be here with her fabulous fudge. The Girl Scouts will have free crafts and snacks for kids from 10 am—noon. We'll have our giant games out for anyone who wants to hang out and play.

How Does the Government Make a Bill? with Representative Joseph McKenna

Thursday, January 30 at 6:30 pm

You're invited to the inaugural session of our 2020 Civic Literacy series. State Representative Joseph D. McKenna (R-Webster) will walk us through the steps it takes to pass a bill. Every other month this year we'll be hosting a speaker on a timely topic– we're looking forward to a Census program in March.

Friends of the Library News

The Friends of the Library have Sutton blankets and stoneware Sutton mugs for sale. There will be a December fudge order with The Fudge Lady; orders must be in by Dec. 11 for pick up Dec. 18. The Friends are also doing a gift card order on Dec. 10. Visit the Friends page on the Library website at https://suttonpubliclibrary.org/friends.asp for more details, pictures, and order forms.



Ask a Muslim Anything with Robert Azzi

Thursday, February 6 at 6:30 pm Mr. Azzi is a photojournalist, columnist and public speaker. He is an Arab American Muslim and writes on issues of identity, conflict, and Islam. Please join us and bring your questions. Nothing is off-limits as long as it is respectfully presented.

STEM Grant Awarded

The Sutton Public Library was recently awarded a federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant for \$7500.00 from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC). "These grants are competitive and require serious planning, great idea development, and a strong commitment to meeting well-defined local needs," said Ruth Urell Head of Library and Advisory at the MBLC. "The librarians are to be congratulated for their dedication to improving library services in their communities. The federal grants go a long way to opening new avenues for innovation and targeted services in Massachusetts libraries and the results are impressive and manifold."

In addition to the direct library grant program, the MBLC uses LSTA funds to support statewide programs and services including summer reading programs, research databases, the Commonwealth eBook program, the Commonwealth Catalog (the new virtual catalog) and mass.gov/libraries which has information and resources for residents. LSTA is administered on the federal level by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in the Commonwealth by the MBLC. More information about LSTA can be found on the Board's website at www.mass.gov/mblc.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Registration begins November 15 at 10 am

Programs require registration only where specifically noted, otherwise programs are drop in. In the case of inclement weather, our children's and teen's programs will be cancelled if the Sutton schools are closed.

Crazy 8's Math Club **Registration Required** for kids in kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade Mondays, Feb. 24 - April 13 at 4 pm

This is a new after-school math club designed to get kids fired up about math. Every week Crazy 8ers build stuff, run and jump, make music, make a mess... all while bonding with new friends over math. This program runs for 8 weeks and lasts I hour. This session is different from the last, so repeat offenders welcome!

Music and Movement Program with Deb Hudgins!

lingle Bell Jump: Monday, Dec. 2 at 10:30 am Winter Wonderland: Monday, Jan. 6 at 10:30 am Valentine's Fun: Monday, Feb. 3 at 10:30 am Come sing and dance along with Deb Hudgins as she shares stories and songs that will get you grooving and your mind growing! For kids ages 1-5 with their caregivers.

Painting Partners!

Ages 6 & up

Saturday, January 18 at 11 am **Registration Required** This is a painting workshop for an adult & child together! Each participant can create their own work of art side by side.

Ozobot Game Lab

Ages 8-12

Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 10:30 am **Registration Required** Come learn how to use the Ozobot robot to create your own game. Kids will learn about Ozobot and create a game out of everyday objects (e.g., cardboard, playdoh, coins, library things).

This program is brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Teddy Bear Breakfast

Ages I-6

Thursday, Feb. 20 at 10:30 am **Registration Required** Storytime with a twist! You are invited to wear your pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal friend to our super special storytime. At the end, instead of a craft, we will have some special breakfast snacks!

Minecraft Fan Club Meetings

Ages 5 and up

Wednesday, December 4 at 4 pm Wednesday, January 8 at 4 pm Wednesday, February 5 at 4 pm

Big fan of Minecraft? We are too! Come join us as we talk about what we are building, share techniques, and just have fun! (please note: we do not actually play Minecraft during the meeting.)

Lego Club Meetings

Thursday, Dec. 12 at 4 pm Friday, Dec. 27 at 4 pm Thursday, Jan. 9 at 4 pm provide the creativity.

Ages 5 and up Friday, Jan. 24 at 4 pm Thursday, Feb. 13 at 4 pm Friday, Feb. 28 at 4 pm Join us for some building fun! We'll provide the Legos; you

You & Me Book Club

For kids ages 6-12 and their caregivers We will discuss The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart By Stephanie Burgis on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 4 pm.

We will discuss **York: The Shadow Cipher** by Laura Ruby on Wednesday, Feb 12 at 4 pm.

Read/listen to the selected title together (we have multiple copies at the desk). Then get together with us at the library for an activity/craft/event that goes along with the book!

The Science of Cooking

Registration required (for individual dates) Tuesday, December 10 at 4 pm Tuesday, January 14 at 4 pm Tuesday, February 11 at 4 pm

Ages 5-8

Do you like food? Are you interested in science? In this program we will look at the science involved in creating and preparing different foods and then we will eat them! These programs are brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The Art of Science

Ages 5-8

Registration required (for individual dates) Monday, December 23 at 2 pm Tuesday, January 28 at 4 pm Tuesday, February 25 at 4 pm Painting is fun, right? But did you know it is also science? loin us as we make fun art creations and discover the science behind them.

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FAMILY FUN

Letters to Santa

Friday, Nov. 29 - Dec. 13 Write a letter to Santa and place it in our special Santa Mailbox! Mail your letters by Friday, Dec. 13 so that we can get them to the North Pole in time!

Stay & Play

Thursday, Dec. 26 - Friday, Dec. 27 All Day, All Ages Did you know the Library has games, both big and small? Drop by anytime on Dec. 26 and 27 and discover a fun new (or classic) game to play!

Valentines for Vets

Monday, January 27 – Friday, February 7 Stop by the library to make Valentine's Day cards to send to local veterans.

Drop-in program; no registration required.



Ages 6 - 24 months | Thursday at 10:30 am

Tuesdays at 10:30 am Dec. 3 - Feb. 11 (no Storytime on Dec. 17, 24, 31) Songs, rhymes, and stories all geared towards little ones.

Ages 1-5 Wednesday Storytimes Wednesdays at 10:30 am Dec. 4 - Feb. 12 (no Storytime on Dec. 18, 25, Jan. 1) Stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft Please note that Wednesday and Thursday Storytimes follow the same format.

Crafternoons

All ages

Tuesday and Thursday, Feb. 18 and 20 from 1-5 pm Drop in anytime between 1-5 pm and make a special craft with us - no registration required!

Free Movie Friday

All ages Toy Story 4 (2019, Disney Pixar) Friday, Dec. 6 at 4 pm. This movie is rated G and has a running time of 100 minutes.

Small Foot (2018, Warner Bros.): Friday, Jan. 17 at 2 pm. This movie is rated PG and has a running time of 96 minutes.

Wonder Park (2019, Paramount Pictures): Friday, Feb. 21 at 2 pm. This movie is rated PG and has a running time of 86 minutes.

Come watch a fun family movie at the library! Popcorn will be provided courtesy of the Friends of the Sutton Public Library.

Thursday Storytimes



Ages I-5

Dec. 5 - Feb. 13 (no Storytime on Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2) Stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft Please note that Wednesday and Thursday Storytimes follow the same format.

Storytime at the Bank!

Ages I-5 Join Ms. Shannon at the Sutton North UniBank (next to Market 32 and Five Guys) for stories and a craft! UniBank's storytime will take place two Mondays every month at 10:30 am in the branch Community Room. Upcoming dates: Dec. 9, 23, Jan. 13, 27, Feb. 10, & 24

TEEN AND TWEEN PROGRAMS

Bon Appe-teen! Ages 10-18 Cooking classes for tweens and teens Registration required (for individual dates) Hot Chocolate: Saturday, Dec. 21 at 11 am Popcorn: Saturday, Jan. 11 at 11 am Cookies: Saturday, Feb. 8 at 11 am Join us on our culinary journey, where we will prepare and eat delicious recipes that are easy to make! These programs are funded by a grant from The Osterman Family Foundation.

Don't Buy, DIY

Ages 12 - 18

Knit Scarves: Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 4 pm Registration required Not everything is a budget buy, so to save a little cash, let's DIY! This program is funded by a grant from The Osterman Family Foundation

Chill Pillows

Ages 10 and up Thursday, Jan. 23 at 4 pm **Registration Required** Join us as we make fun and funky no-sew pillows. The perfect companion for when you are ready to bury yourself in blankets!

Crazy Candy Caper: An Escape Room Ages 10 & up Tuesday, Feb. 18 and Thursday, February 20

Registration Required

Things are getting awfully competitive in the candy market these days. It might be time to check out the competition and maybe borrow their secret recipes. But if you get caught it's a lifetime behind bars and I'm talking Hershey's! Time slots will be posted on our online calendar. Funded by the Friends of the Sutton Library.

Pucker Up

Ages 10 and up Friday, Feb. 21 at 11 am **Registration Required** Cold weather got your lips chapped? Stop by and learn how to make your own lip balm!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Writing Group

Thursdays, Dec. 12, Jan. 9, and Feb. 13 at 6 pm Join local author Lisa Shea for our writing group. Come bounce your ideas off of other authors and get creative and constructive feedback.

Book Discussion Groups

Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate Weds., December 18 at 10:45 am at the Senior Center Thursday, December 19 at 6 pm at the Library

Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 10:45 am at the Senior Center Thursday, January 16 at 6 pm at the Library

Killers of the Flower Moon - the Osage murders and the birth of the FBI by David Grann Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 10:45 am at the Senior Center Thursday, February 20 at 6 pm at the Library

One great title- two chances to discuss it each month! Book club books will be available at the desk of the Library after the previous book group. Books for the Senior Center discussion are also available at the Senior Center.

I+I Poetry Reading

Thursday, December 5 at 6:30 pm We're teaming up with the Worcester County Poetry Association for a night of poetry featuring poets Tony Brown and Storey Campbell. A poetry open reading will take place prior to the featured poets. Bring a poem of your own, or a favorite poem by someone else, to share.

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Festive Card Crafting

Thursday, December 12 at 6:30 pm Registration required Let's create festive cards! Professional paper artist Lisa Siciliano (www.sparkreations.com) will guide you through the steps to make a fun pop-up accordion-fold card as well as another card inspired by the season. This program will be held at UniBank Sutton North by Market 32 and Five Guys. This program is for adults and teens age 13 and up.

Beach Candle Craft

Tuesday, January 21 at 11:30 am and 6:30 pm Registration required

Are the winter doldrums getting to you? Come and make beach-themed candles that are guaranteed to burn away the winter blues! This program is for adults and teens age 13 and up.

Valentine's Cards

Tuesday, February 4 at 11:30 am and 6:30 pm Registration required Are you *over-due* in your Valentine's preparations? Join us to make some literary themed cards that'll have friends and family *checking-out* your mad craft skills! This program is for adults and teens age 13 and up.

Celtic Calligraphy

Thursday, February 27 at 6 pm Registration required In this 2 hour workshop, explore the exquisite, round shapes of the Uncial alphabet, a letter style used from the 3rd to the 8th centuries C.E. Though ancient, Uncial letters lend themselves to modern applications for greeting cards, invitations, scrapbooking, and art journaling. Participants will also learn how to create a knotwork design. Come and unleash your inner Celt with calligrapher-lettering artist CJ Kennedy. This program is for adults and teens age 13 and up.

Cookbook Club

Tuesdays, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, and March 10 at 6:30 pm Do you like to cook and talk about food? Do you love to read cookbooks, but often don't have the time to make all those delicious recipes? If you answered "yes" to either of those questions, then our new Cookbook Club might be for you! Cookbook Club meets once a month to share a potluck style meal. All you have to do is make a recipe from the chosen cookbook! January 14 we will cook from *One Pan Wonders* by America's Test Kitchen

February 11 we'll cook from Skillet Love by Anne Byrn March 10 we will cook from Half Baked Harvest Super Simple by Tieghan Gerard

Copies of the books are available at the desk. Please let us know which recipe you're making so we can avoid duplicates by emailing bperry@cwmars.org.

In addition to tasting everyone's dishes, we'll also discuss the cookbook overall, which recipes we'd make again, and which ones we'd skip or adjust.

Please, no alcoholic beverages (even if there's a recipe for one in the book). And, as per Massachusetts state law regarding potlucks, please be advised: Neither the food nor the facilities have been inspected by the state or by a local public health agency.