

Lakeville Public Library Newsletter

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Upcoming Holidays/ Closings

**Closed
Labor Day
Weekend**
Saturday, 9/5 and
Monday, 9/7

Library Hours

Mon, Tue, Thu: 10-8
Wed: 10-6
Sat: 10-2
Closed Fri & Sun



**Adult Summer
Reading Bingo
ends soon!**

Please return your
completed Bingo
sheets by **August 8** to
be entered to win
prizes!

*Supported by a grant from the
Lakeville Arts Council, a local
agency, which is supported by
the Massachusetts Cultural
Council, a state agency.

Cash & Dylan* Songs and Stories with Matt York



**Tuesday
August 11
6:00pm**

Pembroke's Matt York will present "Songs and Stories" featuring the works of Johnny Cash and Bob Dylan. A Boston Music Award nominee for "Best Country Artist", York is known for sharing the music and life stories of his honky-tonk music idols in an entertaining and enlightening way.

This show is **free and open to all!**

Pop-Up Art School* (for Adults) Mexican Tin Art



**Monday
August 31
6:00pm**

Dive into the vibrant tradition of hojalata, Mexican tin art, celebrated for its bold colors and intricate designs. Pop-Up Art School will teach techniques for cutting, scoring and shaping thin sheets of metal. Finish your unique tin art with bold, bright colors.

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED-
OPENS ONE MONTH PRIOR**

Medicare for Retirees Workshop



**Thursday
August 27
6:00pm**

Workshops for Retirement will host this educational workshop covering Medicare options and how you can get the most out of your benefits. Understanding Medicare can be difficult: Get professional guidance on potentially reducing your Medicare costs by choosing the right plan for you.

Open to all; no registration needed.

Adult & Teen (16+) Craft: Quilling (pick one date)



**Beginner:
Thurs, Sept 3**

**Intermediate:
Thurs, Sept 10
6:00pm**

Learn the colorful craft of quilling, at a level that is best for you! Beginners will master basic shapes and techniques as they create a quilled paper mandala. Intermediate quillers will learn new techniques to take their quilling to the next level. Taught by Library staff.

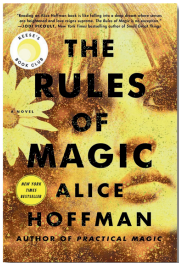
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Book Clubs for Adults

All Lakeville Library Book Clubs are open to newcomers. Attend one or all!

Novel Teas Book Club

Tuesday, August 25
6:30pm
Meets monthly

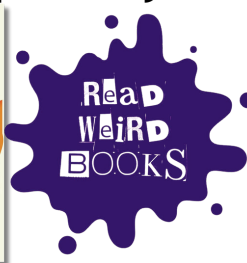


The Rules of Magic by Alice Hoffman

Three siblings with magical powers struggle to understand their abilities and how they can break the centuries-old curse against falling in love.

The WeirD Book Club

Monday, Sept 21
6:30pm
Meets quarterly



We Spread: A Novel by Iain Reid

88-year-old Penny has been forced into a long-term-care residence where she questions her caretakers, her new housemates, and even her own mind. Is something sinister going on or is it all in her head?

Trending Topics Book Club

Monday, Sept 28
6:30pm
Meets bimonthly



Nonfiction
discussion

Milk! A 10,000-Year Food Fracas by Mark Kurlansky

Take a deep dive into the interesting cultural, economic, and culinary impact of milk on society over the past 10,000 years.

Copies for our book clubs and the town's Center for Active Living Book Club (formerly the COA) are available for checkout at the Main Desk. Lakeville's CAL Book Club will not meet in August.

Genealogy Club

REGISTRATION OPEN: Margaret "Marti" Bobertz, will hold individualized workshops on **Tuesday, August 4 from 4:30-6:30** for those interested in applying to the Mayflower Society. Marti is the former Director of Genealogy and Research Services for the Mayflower Society. **Please register online via our Events Calendar; registration opens one month prior. Space is limited.**

The Genealogy Club's regular meetings will return in September. September 19th's meeting will include a virtual presentation by David Allen Lambert titled "Deciphering Old Handwriting". This online lecture will provide practical strategies for approaching handwritten documents from different time periods. David is the Chief Genealogist of American Ancestors/NEHGS and is an internationally recognized speaker on the topics of genealogy and history.

No RSVP is necessary to attend monthly meetings. Contact csouza@sailsinc.org to be added to the Club's email list.

Genealogy Resources: Need help researching your family tree? Cynthia Souza, our resident expert on genealogy research, can help you navigate Ancestry.com Library Edition, American Ancestors, FamilySearch, and the resources available in the newly reorganized Brian H. Reynolds Local History Room. **Drop-in hours for assistance are Thursdays from 4:00-6:00pm.**



What's Coming Up for Kids and Teens this



SUMMER READING PROGRAMS END THURSDAY, AUGUST 6!

PLANT A SEED, READ



PLANT A SEED, READ (FOR KIDS)

Kids should finish up their reading logs to earn beads for their summer reading necklace! Remember that reading days 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, & 51 earn special beads and entry into a prize drawing, plus provide entry into a statewide raffle for prizes from the Boston Bruins! Raffles end on Tuesday, August 11; beads will be handed out until Saturday, August 29.



TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Teens, complete your reading log and bring it to the Library to earn prizes for every 10 DAYS of reading and to enter to win even bigger prizes! Participating also gets you entered into a statewide raffle for prizes from the Boston Bruins!

The last day to bring in your reading log is Tuesday, August 11.

Plant A Seed, Read, the Massachusetts Statewide Summer Library Program, is funded by the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, the Lakeville Public Library, the Friends of the Lakeville Public Library and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.



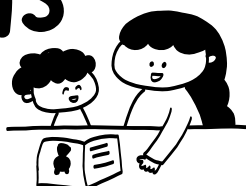
Summer Storyhour through August 6! Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays

Fall
Storyhour
begins
Monday,
September
14!

3 year olds and under: 10:30am on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays
4 years and up: 1:00pm on Thursdays

BOOKWORMS

Thursday, August 6
6:30pm



for first & second graders & their caregiver

Let's read and discuss **the nonfiction book of your choice!** Stop by the Children's Room and see Ms. Teresa if you'd like help picking out a title to share in our next Book Club.



1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Reading to your kids is such an important step to improving early literacy. See Ms. Teresa for more information about signing up for this important program!

250th Anniversary Book Discussions



Registration Required

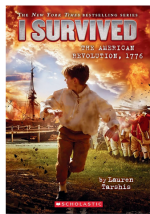
Join us for book discussions related to the founding of the United States of America! Discussions are grouped by age, and the first 10 people to register will get a free copy of the book thanks to funding from the Carnegie Corporation of New York!

Grades 3-5

Thursday, July 30

6:30pm

I Survived The American Revolution, 1776



Grades 4-6

Monday, August 3

6:30pm

History Smashers: The American Revolution



Grades 6-12

Tuesday, August 4

6:30pm

Rebellion 1776



Toe Jam Puppet Band**

**Thursday
August 13
6:00pm**



Music and fun for ALL ages with the Toe Jam Puppet Band! Everyone is welcome to enjoy this free outdoor concert which will be held on Center Stage (in case of rain, join us in the Great Ponds Gallery).

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BUBBLE DANCE PARTY!



**Wednesday, August 5
10:30am**

The bubbles will be bubbling and the music will be playing for all little dancers outside by Center Stage.



**Tween & Teen
Ice Cream
Sundae Party*
Monday
August 10
6:00pm**



Students going into grades 4-12 are invited to celebrate the end of Summer Reading with a summertime favorite: ice cream sundaes! We will have dairy-free ice cream too!

Registration is required via our online calendar.

**Thanks to our summer volunteers
for all their help with our events!**

Movie Matinee Sing Alongs	Gabrielle R.	Mayson G.	Stuffed Animal Sleepover
	Aisling R.	Morgan G.	
	Olivia M.	Jackson E.	
	Victoria M.	Seth C.	
Bubble Dance Parties	Chloe C.	Avery T.	Concerts & Coloring
	Abby L.	Carter T.	
	Emily L.	Braedyn M.	
			Crafting Classes

We are looking for Halloween costumes for a free Halloween costume shop this fall. Please only donate items in a condition that you'd give it to a friend.



In the Great Ponds Gallery

August 2026: Book, Art, & Blooms VII

**Public Reception & Silent Auction:
Thursday, August 6, 6:00-8:00pm**

Don't miss the free public reception of this year's Book, Art, & Blooms exhibit! Attendees are invited to participate in a silent auction to win one of the beautiful custom floral arrangements designed by the Lakeville Garden Club and displayed with each book & work of art! After the reception, the books and unique works by local artists will remain on display through the end of the month.

This program is supported, in part, by a grant from the Lakeville Arts Council, a local agency, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

Coming to the Gallery in September and October:

Bernard & Metzler Quilts and Weaving
Public Reception: Monday, September 14, 5:30-7:30pm

Join the rest of this year's Reading Challenge!



Massachusetts Center for the Book 2026 Reading Challenge

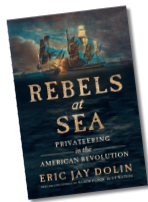
JANUARY A book about or set in winter	FEBRUARY A book outside your usual genres or spin the genre wheel	MARCH A book featuring an unlikely friendship	APRIL A short story or essay collection
MAY A book set in Massachusetts	JUNE A book with a sympathetic villain	JULY A book found in our Book Nook, a yard sale, or used bookstore	AUGUST A book that could be considered taboo
SEPTEMBER A book about a journey	OCTOBER A mystery, thriller, or ghost story	NOVEMBER An adult classic you've never read	DECEMBER A book that connects to your heritage or cultural identity

August's prompt is to read "a book that could be considered taboo". A Library display will feature books that could be considered taboo by the reader. Choose any title that fulfills the prompt as you interpret it.

Sign up for the challenge at mareadingchallenge.org

Meet Eric Jay Dolin

Local author of *Black Flags, Blue Waters*



Rebels at Sea

**Monday
October 5
6:30pm**



Missing from most maritime histories about the Revolution is the story of a ragtag fleet of private vessels that fought against the British. In *Rebels at Sea*, Eric Jay Dolin corrects that significant omission and contends that privateers, seen as profiteers at best and pirates at worst, were in fact critical to the Revolution's outcome. Armed with cannons, swivel guns, muskets, and pikes (as well as government documents granting them the right to seize enemy ships), thousands of privateers tormented the British on the Atlantic, on both sides of the ocean.

Abounding with tales of daring maneuvers and deadly encounters, *Rebels at Sea* presents the American Revolution as we have rarely seen it before.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

August 11, 6:00pm:

Blake Gorman free concert, Ted Williams Camp

September 19, 11:00-4:00

Lakeville Lion's Club Fall Family Festival

October 3:

Lakeville Arts & Music Festival

WE WOULDN'T HAVE . . .

**THE BOOK NOOK STORE INDOOR MINI GOLF
VOX AND WONDERBOOKS TEEN PROGRAMS**

GINGERBREAD HOUSE WORKSHOPS

ADULTS ARTS & CRAFTS CLASSES

MUSEUM PASS GUEST SPEAKERS

REFRESHMENTS AT LIBRARY EVENTS

TRUNK OR TREAT KIDS' PROGRAMS

MOVIE MATINEES NOON YEAR'S EVE

SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

. . .WITHOUT OUR FRIENDS



**Our next monthly meeting will
be in September. Enjoy summer!**

Friends Tote Bag: \$5.00

Purchase of a Friends Tote Bag supports Library programs! Use it to carry out Library books or purchased items from the Friends' Book Nook.



New Resources

Use your Library card to access our new
LIBRARY OF THINGS!
(see our website for more)



Free with your
Lakeville Library card!



**Join the SAILS
Ultimate Library
Road Trip this
summer!**

Hit the road in August and visit your neighboring SAILS libraries! The SAILS Ultimate Library Road Trip spans three counties in Southeastern Massachusetts. As you stop by each member library, check-in at the front desk and stamp your passport to track your progress. Passports are available at the Library.

Museum Passes—Reserve Online or Call the Library!



*Passes and coupons provided for you
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New England
Aquarium



USS Constitution
Museum



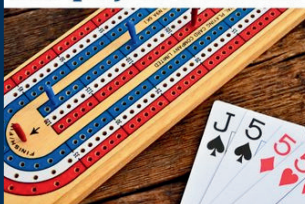
**ADULT
KNITTERS'
GROUP**

drop-in
Thursdays
4:00-6:00pm



**Cribbage
Club**

Thursdays
6:00-7:45pm
New players welcome!



American Mahjong Open Play

New! Monthly beginning August 24
(fourth Monday of the month)
6:00-7:45pm

Some game experience required (no formal lessons will be provided).
Bring your current card and Mahjong set.

