Lakeville Public Library Newsletter

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Upcoming Holidays/Closings

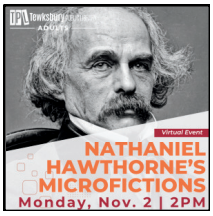
Veterans Day
Wednesday, November 11

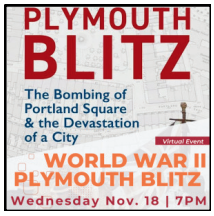
Thanksgiving Holiday
Wednesday, November 25 - Thursday, November 26

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

We'd like your input!
Scan the QR code or visit https://forms.gle/EXU5o6xB3tvXWcyY7 to take a short survey about the Library as we plan for the next five years. You don't need to be a Lakeville resident and parents can fill out this survey on behalf of their children. **Paper copies of the survey are available at the Library.** Thanks!

The following virtual presentations are presented in partnership with the Tewksbury Public Library:





Nathaniel Hawthorne's Little-Known Fragments & Microfictions

Monday, Nov. 2, 2:00pm
Register to receive Zoom link

Explore some of Hawthorne's oddest, boldest, and most secretive writing as they were found in his journals! Known as *The American Notebooks* which were written in his post-college years, the "microfictions" sprinkled throughout these notebooks became a vital source for his future stories and novels.

Uncovering The Plymouth Blitz - Researching & Remembering One Of WW2's Deadliest Air Raids

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 7:00pm
Register to receive Zoom link

Delve into the history and making of the new book, *Plymouth Blitz: The Bombing of Portland Square & the Devastation of a City,* as told by its author, Michael C. McLaughlin, Associate Fellow of the Royal Historical Society and PhD Candidate at the University of Plymouth, UK. Despite being one of WWII England's most devastating civilian incidents, key human elements of this tragedy remained scattered and untold—until now.

PLEASE NOTE: THESE ARE VIRTUAL PROGRAMS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE VIA ZOOM. Registrants will receive a link to access the Zoom Webinar via email.

Embroidered Holiday Gift Tags

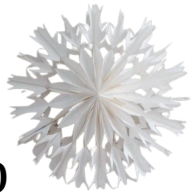
Image credit: A Wonderful Thought

Thursday
November 12
6:00pm

Registration is open!

Register to make hand embroidered gift tags in this relaxed crafting class. Embroidery needles will be used in this class. Attendees (ages 16+) can bring home the tags they create. This class will be led by library staff.

Paper Bag Snowflakes



Thursday
December 10
6:00pm

Registration opens Nov. 10

Take a break from the holiday rush and join us for a festive night making 3D paper bag snowflakes together! Please register as space is limited (ages 16+). Class led by library staff

Card Making w/ Tina*

Sat, Nov 28 @ 11am
Mon, Nov 30 @ 6pm

Pick one session to make a set of greeting cards.

Registration opens 1 mo. prior

**Sponsored by the Friends of the Lakeville Public Library*

BOOK CLUBS FOR ADULTS

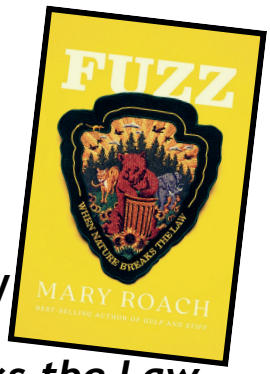
*All Lakeville Library Book Clubs are **open to newcomers.***

TOPICS TRENDING

Nonfiction discussion

Trending Topics

Monday, Nov 23
6:30pm
Meets bimonthly



Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law
By Mary Roach

Did you know that 300 years ago, in Europe, animals that broke the law received legal representation and were put on trial? That practice is, thankfully, no longer in practice, but what to do about animals that run afoul of the law? "*America's Funniest Science Writer*" (Peter Carlson, *Washington Post*), Mary Roach, examines cases of "problem" creatures and what can be done to help them better coexist with humans . . .without relying on today's court system for solutions.

Lively Discussion and Hot Tea

Novel Teas Book Club

Tuesday, Nov 24
6:30pm
Meets monthly

GOOD BOOKS & GOOD COMPANY

The Mighty Red
by Louise Erdrich

Set in a rural North Dakota farming community after the country's 2008 financial crisis, *The Mighty Red* centers on the lives and loves of a few of the people living there, from two high school seniors who see marriage as a way to put their past behind them, to their damaged parents struggling to come to terms with their own pain.

With the Red River as backdrop, nature plays an important role in this saga, especially with regards to the effects of farming on the environment and the residents' health.

READ WEIRD BOOKS

The Weird Book Club will meet December 21 to discuss *Lost Lambs* by Madeline Cash

Copies for our book clubs and the Center for Active Living Book Club are available at the Library's Main Desk.

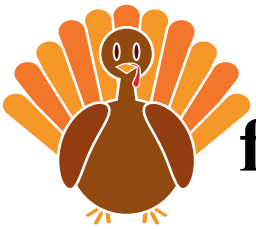
Genealogy Club Saturday, November 21

11:00am: Meet and Greet
12:00pm: Virtual Presentation: Friend or Foe - Researching Colonial Ancestors During the American Revolution with Melanie McComb

Nearly 250 years ago, America declared its independence from the British Empire, changing the course of history. While many took up the cause and supported the revolution, others remained loyal to the British government, turning friends into foes and pitting neighbor against neighbor. In this online lecture, Senior Genealogist with American Ancestors' Melanie McComb will discuss how to research your colonial ancestors and determine if, and how, they may have served the cause of the American Revolution.

No RSVP is necessary to attend monthly meetings. All levels are welcome, from novice to experienced. 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

Fall Storyhour
ends Nov. 19
Holiday Storyhour
Nov. 30-Dec. 17

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

Held INSIDE the Great Ponds Gallery

Fall Music Time
Wednesdays at 10:30 through November 18

Join Ms. Teresa for a movement-filled, musical good time! Comfortable clothes, sneakers, and water recommended.

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BOOKWORMS

for first & second graders & their caregiver

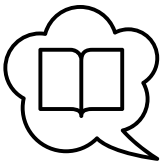
Thursday, November 5
6:30pm

Kids and caregivers, come to Bookworms to meet and discuss books, do activities, and bond! In November, we will be talking about *The Princess in Black* by Shannon Hale and Dean Hale. Copies are available in the children's room.

CHAPTER CHAT NEW

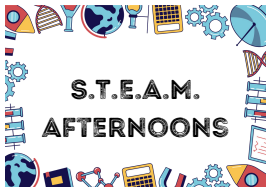
for third, fourth, and fifth graders

Thursday, November 19
6:30pm



Come talk about books with Ms. Teresa! Chapter Chat gives upper elementary kids their own monthly book club. In November, we will chat about *The Chicken Squad: The First Misadventure* by Doreen Cronin.

S.T.E.A.M. Afternoons
Wednesdays at 1:00pm through November 18



Join us each week as we explore a different S.T.E.A.M. area (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Music). For more information, please see Ms. Teresa.

Breastfeeding Support Group

in Children's Activity Room
with Brooke Ferris, BSN, RN, IBCLC
Little Nest Lactation

Tuesdays at 2:00pm through November 17

Come with or without baby and get the support you need to successfully breastfeed.

For more information on any of our programs contact: Youth Services Librarian Ms. Teresa - teemirra@sailsinc.org

TWEEN & TEEN NIGHT: HOLIDAY WREATHS*

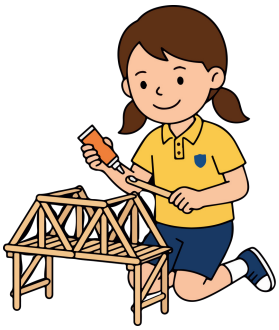
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16
6:00PM

Calling all tweens & teens! Join us in making some fun, sparkly, and unique holiday wreaths!

This program is open to grades 4 through 12. Registration is required through our Library website.

S.T.E.A.M. NIGHT*

Tuesday
November 17
6:00pm



Let's become engineers and build houses using popsicle sticks and playdough. Will our houses be strong enough to withstand a visit from the Big Bad Wolf? Come to S.T.E.A.M. Night and find out!

Best for ages 6+. No registration needed.

Read to Stella

Thursdays
4:00-6:00pm
(by appointment only)

A certified therapy dog, Stella is the perfect reading buddy for kids who could use extra practice reading out loud or who are a little timid around dogs. To sign up to Read to Stella, please talk to Ms. Teresa in person, via email (teemirra@sailsinc.org), a Facebook message, or call 508-947-9028. Space is limited.

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 program.

SAVE THE DATES!

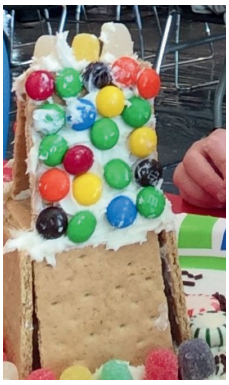
MAKE YOUR OWN GINGERBREAD HOUSE*

Saturday, December 5
10:00am-1:00pm

Children and adults of all ages are invited to join in on the fun of making a sweet gingerbread house!

Stop by the Great Ponds Gallery between 10am and 1pm to create a colorful candy-covered house.

This event is free and open to the public. Please be patient as this is a popular and busy event.



NOON YEAR'S EVE*

Thursday, December 31
11:30am-1:00pm

2027 will be here soon!

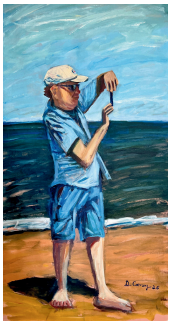
Midnight is too late; instead, come countdown to **NOON** with us! Join us for a party for the kids and the whole family, with music, dancing, refreshments, make-your-own party hats, a photo booth with accessories, and MORE!

This event is free and open to all.

**Event sponsored by the Friends of the Lakeville Public Library*

In the Great Ponds Gallery

Dan Cooney, Acrylics: *"Faces & Places"*



Exhibition Dates: Saturday, October 31 through Wednesday, December 22

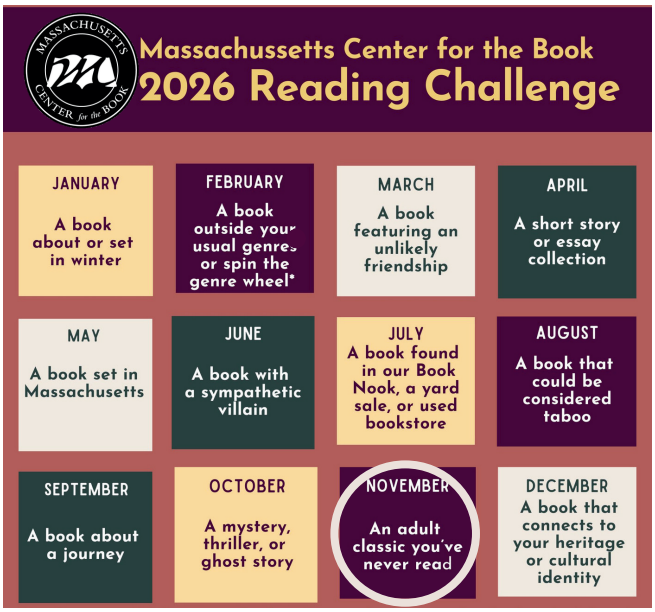
Public Reception: Thursday, November 5 5:30pm-7:30pm

Specializing in both oil and acrylic, Daniel A. Cooney received his MFA in Painting from the University of California, Berkeley (1989), and his BFA in Graphic Design from Swain School of Design (1981). Typically exploring a single subject through a number of works before moving on to a new motif, Cooney develops paintings in focused series, approaching each subject as an opportunity to explore the expressive relationships between color, light, texture, and form.

"Every picture tells a story," says Cooney. "The goal is to create images that are compelling enough in both content and form that they might connect with viewers on a deeper level, encouraging them to pause, look again, and discover something new with each viewing."

His work is represented in many private and some public collections, in both France and the U.S., including Chateaux de Hontambère and the Boston Children's Hospital. Learn more at: www.dcooneypaints.com

Cooney divides his time between Cognac, France and Lakeville; his work is influenced by both environments.



November's prompt is to read "**an adult classic you've never read**". Read any book that fits the prompt or visit our display of classics in the Library.

Log your books on the Reading Challenge website for the chance to win prizes.

Sign up at mareadingchallenge.org

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Red Cross Blood Drive
Tuesday, November 3, 1-6
Register at https://www.redcrossblood.org

Lakeville Town Meeting
Wednesday, November 18

Friends of the Lakeville Public Library's Open House
Saturday, December 5 from 10am to 1pm

House Feeling Drafty?

Use your Library card to access our new LIBRARY OF THINGS and borrow our THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA to look for leaky windows and doors.

Free with your Lakeville Library card, offered in partnership with the Lakeville Department of Public Works.

WE WOULDN'T HAVE . . .

THE BOOK NOOK STORE INDOOR MINI GOLF
VOX AND WONDERBOOKS TEEN PROGRAMS
GINGERBREAD HOUSE WORKSHOPS
ADULTS ARTS & CRAFTS CLASSES
MUSEUM & BEACH PASSES GUEST
SPEAKERS REFRESHMENTS AT LIBRARY
EVENTS TRUNK OR TREAT KIDS' PROGRAMS
MOVIE MATINEES NOON YEAR'S EVE
SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

. . .WITHOUT OUR FRIENDS

Friends of the Lakeville Public Library

The next monthly meeting: November 2 at 6:00pm

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. **Makes a great gift for a book lover!**

Lakeville Public Library Commemorative Brick Project

Looking for a special gift or want to show your support for the Library? Consider purchasing a brick to be placed in the Lakeville Public Library's Commemorative Brick Walkway!

Bricks are bulk ordered every year and must be placed by December 1 for arrival and placement the following spring. Bricks are painted in black and cost $75 each (replacement bricks are $35 at this time). Please stop by the Library for an order form.

Questions may be directed to librarybricks@gmail.com.

Museum Passes—Reserve Online or Call the Library!

Passes and coupons provided for you with funds raised by the Friends of the Lakeville Public Library

Museum of Science · Boston Harbor Islands · mfa Boston · New England Aquarium · dcr Massachusetts · USS Constitution Museum · Plimoth Patuxet Museums · New Bedford Whaling Museum · Heritage Museums & Gardens · The Children's Museum Of Greater Fall River · Boston Children's Museum · Roger Williams Park Zoo · Buttonwood Park Zoo New Bedford, Massachusetts · Cahoon Museum of American Art

ADULT KNITTERS' GROUP

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

Cribbage Club

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

American Mahjong Open Play

Monthly on the 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.