

## School Days ... Fall is not Far Off ... Plant & Book Sales



### Manchester Library Friends' Newsletter

**Labor Day Issue: September 5, 2022**

#### FOML Current Events Calendar

**Library Closed, Monday Sept 5<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day**

**Monday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm Book Worms at the Library**

**Small Great Things** by Jodi Picoult

**Wednesday, Sept 28<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm FOML Board Meeting**

**Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, Oktoberfest - Qa'qad Park**

**Library Closed, Mon, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, Indigenous Peoples Day**

**Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm Book Worms at the Library**

**The Witch Elm** by Tana French

**Library Closed, Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, Staff Day**

**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 9 am - 3 pm Fall Book Sale**

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### FALL BOOK SALE



November 5<sup>th</sup>: FALL BOOK SALE: Many Special Books just in time for your early Holiday gift buying !!!

**FOML Book Store is Open & Receiving Donations**

### PLANT SALE – September – October

The Fall Plant Sale will begin Saturday, September 3, when a wide variety of plants will be available. Fall is the perfect time to plant shrubs and perennials, so come check out the sale in the Library parking lot, any time during daylight hours.

### Fall Activities and Programs

#### In-Person Programs

**Baby Band (Tuesdays, Sept. 13 to Nov. 15, at 9:30 a.m.)** Babies and caregivers enjoy musical experiences that nurture preliteracy skills as well as physical and socio-emotional development. This program is geared to babies to age 3. Enter through the Community Room door, as the Library doesn't open until 10 a.m.

**Preschool Storytime (Thursdays, Sept. 15 to Nov. 17, at 10:15 a.m.)** Stories, rhymes, songs & full body movement designed to build early literacy skills and develop socio-emotional awareness. This program is geared to age 3 to 5. Note: No storytime on Oct. 20.

**LEGO Builders (Tuesdays, Sept. 13 to Nov. 15, at 4 p.m.)** With our LEGO bricks, we'll work together to meet two different challenges that tie-in with a great book. This program is geared to elementary-age children. Note: No LEGO Builders on Oct. 4.

**Afternoon Arts (Thursdays, Sept. 15, 22 & 29, at 4 p.m.)** Following an introduction to an artist and their works, express yourself using the featured art medium. This program is geared to elementary-age children.

- **Sept. 15: Beatrix Potter (Watercolor)**
- **Sept. 22: Henri Matisse (Collage)**
- **Sept. 29: Corita Kent (Acrylic Resist)**

**Halloween Luminaries (Thursday, October 27, at 4 p.m.)** Pumpkin? Frankenstein? Ghost? Create a fall or Halloween-themed mason jar luminary. Limited supplies. First come, first serve. Geared to elementary-age children.

**Drawing & Painting Class with Dr. Paul Nuchims**  
**Wednesdays, Sept. 21 – Nov. 16 3:00 -4:15 p.m.**  
All skill levels welcome. Ages 15 and up. Pencil, charcoal and watercolor -- supplies provided.  
Drop-ins welcome. *Class size limited to 15.*

**Oktoberfest (Saturday, October 8, from 12 noon to 3 p.m.)**  
Fall-themed activities, crafts and treats for the whole family at Manchester's qa'qad Stormwater Park. There will be music and fun for all. This event is offered in partnership with the Manchester Community Association.



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### Alexander Dumas

A prolific author who enjoyed tremendous literary success, Alexandre Dumas was born in the village of Villers-Cotterêts, France in 1802. His father, the illegitimate son of a marquis, died when Dumas was only four years old. Although raised in austere circumstances—and receiving little in the way of a formal education—Dumas displayed promising literary talent. He became a copying clerk for a local notary when he was eighteen, and began writing theatrical plays. In 1820, he founded an amateur theater group and, in 1822, moved to Paris. There he entered the household of the Duc d'Orléans (later France's King Louis Philippe) and continued to write his plays, notably the highly acclaimed *Henri III et sa coeur*.

In 1839, Dumas began writing historical novels, generating such memorable tales as *The Three Musketeers* (1844), *The Count of Monte Cristo* (1845), and *The Man in the Iron Mask* (late 1840's). In 1850 Dumas wrote *The Black Tulip*, a story based on the 1672 lynching of the Dutch Prime Minister and his brother.

Most of Dumas' works deal either with France's wars of religion or the Revolution, although he also wrote travel books, children's stories, and, famously, his *Mémoires*. In 1870 he died at his son's home in Puits, France, and was buried in the little cemetery at Villers-Cotterêts. In 2002, his remains were exhumed and moved to the Panthéon in Paris.

Alexandre Dumas now quietly rests at the Panthéon with such literary greats as Victor Hugo, Émile Zola, and Jean-Jacques Rousseau.

*Essay by Bill Lounsbury*

### New faces in the library!

With Public Service Supervisor Jonathon "Wilson" Wilson transferring up to the KRL Silverdale location and Alicia Purdum transferring to our Port Orchard location, the Manchester Library is thrilled to welcome several "new" staff members:

**Kathy Williams.** Kathy has worked for KRL for 21 years! Starting at the Sylvan Way location, then working at Poulsbo, and eventually working at Port Orchard for the past nineteen years! Kathy is a Master Gardener and her other hobbies include playing guitar, photography and writing. Kathy's favorite plants are "weird plants, and weirder plants."

**Jennifer "Jen" Vaughn.** Jen has worked for KRL for four years at the Port Orchard location. A recent graduate from the University of Nebraska at Omaha with a BS in Education, Library Science, Jen is looking forward to her new position as Public Services Supervisor at Manchester. Jen is an expert crocheter. Jen's favorite genres are fantasy, science fiction and horror. Ask her for some recommendations next time you're in.

Check [manchesterwa.org](http://manchesterwa.org) for more Manchester happenings

**StoryWalk: qa'qad Stormwater Park** (October 3-October 24)

Stroll through the pages of a book in Manchester's qa'qad Stormwater Park. Pick up a related activity bag during the Manchester branch's open hours. This program is offered in partnership with the Stormwater Division of Kitsap County Public Works, and with the support of the Friends of Manchester Library.

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**Memories: Easter Bunny & Dino the Bank**



*Do you remember the Easter Bunny ??*

*Did you ever put a penny in "Dino" ??*

*What should we do with the Easter Bunny suit ??*

*... with Dino – The Bank ??*



*Should we find a good home for them ??*

*Should we have a "Raffle" ??*

*Please let the Librarians know what you think ?*

*Or write the "Friends" (via the editor's email).*

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**Book Recommendations from your Friends:**

***Flotsametrics and the Floating World (2009)***

by Curtis Ebbesmeyer & Eric Scigliano

Do you remember when Nike shoes were washing up on Pacific Coast and Salish Sea beaches – some new, some with a foot in them ?? This book explores the "ocean gyres" that bring these "flotsam and jetsam" to our shores. An intriguing book, each chapter is an adventure, often with a mystery – explained carefully by a passionate beach-comber who happens to be a UW-trained oceanographer.

