

## Spring's Around the Corner ??



### Manchester Library Friends' Newsletter

**March Issue: March 1, 2023**

#### FOML Current Events Calendar

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, Daylight Savings Begins

Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, St. Patrick's Day

Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, First Day of Spring !!

Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7 pm FOML Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm FOML Board Meeting

Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 9 am - 3 pm, PLANT & BOOK SALE

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### PLANT & BOOK SALE: April 29th



Library &  
Parking Lot,  
Saturday,  
9 am - 3 pm

### Book Worms Book Club

Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm Book Worms **at the Library**

*This Is Happiness* by Niall Williams

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

*Nothing To See Here* by Kevin Wilson

**If you have questions:**

Email Kathleen Wilson at [kwilson@krl.org](mailto:kwilson@krl.org)

### Manchester Community Open House

Manchester Elementary School

May 2<sup>nd</sup>, evening, Stay Tuned

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

### March & April: In-Person Programs

**Baby Band (Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28, April 18 & 25 at 9:30 a.m.)** Babies and caregivers enjoy musical experiences that nurture preliteracy skills as well as physical & socio-emotional development. This program is geared to babies to age 3.

**Crafternoon (Second Thursday, March 9, at 4 p.m.)** Create a seasonal craft spotlighting a natural wonder. March 9: Rainbow Ribbon Wall Hanging. *Note: Supplies are limited. First come, first serve.* This program is geared to elementary-age children.

**Garden Science & YOU (Thursday, April 20, at 4 p.m.)** Examine the life of a garden over the course of a year. Discover the benefits of fresh food for your body. Receive an introduction to food sustainability. Explore a worm composting system. Plant seeds in a pot to keep! This program is in partnership with the Salmon Center. It is geared to elementary-age children.

**Preschool Storytime (Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, April 20 & 27 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 - 5.

**LEGO Builders (Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21 & 28, April 18 & 25, 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.

**STEM Club (Third Thursday, March 16 at 4 p.m.)** Hands-on discovery using cool devices. **Mar. 16: LittleBits.** *Note: Devices are limited. First come, first serve.*

### Adult Programs: Art & Crafts

**Drawing and Painting Class @ the Library with Dr. Paul Nuchims**

Wednesdays 3:00 - 4:15 PM Through March  
All skill levels welcome. Ages 15 and up. Pencil, charcoal and watercolor, supplies provided. **MORE NEXT PAGE>**



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### ADULT PROGRAMS (continued):

**March 25, 11a-12p, we have Designing for Hospitable Entryways with Professor Philip Waite-** Whether designing a new landscape or renovating an existing one, this presentation will equip the homeowner/designer with principles based in psychology and design to create an experience of gracious welcome.

**April 12, 11a-12p, we are going to have Manchester Memories-** Inspired by the book, Bring your photos and favorite stories about living in Manchester to share with the community.

**April 19, 11a-12p, Pressed Flower Art-** Create art using pressed flowers. Materials to create bookmarks, greeting cards, and art will be provided. Registration required.

### Our Library Building Grows & is being Updated

The Friends of the Manchester Library hope you are enjoying our newly remodeled Library. We added about 900 square feet to the building, did a complete interior remodel, installed a new roof, and last year with a special gift from three individuals, we were able to

switch from natural gas heat to an electric heat pump.

Through your generous gifts, including those from Great Give, we met our fundraising goal and the work is all paid for. We extend a hearty **THANK**

**YOU** for your great support and hope you are equally pleased with the results as are we.

This year we are planning to replace some of the older windows, paint the exterior of the building, and replace some of the old light fixtures in the meeting room. (See description in the next column.)

Our on-going expenses still continue and this year we are budgeting for about \$24,000 in normal operating expenses along with \$32,000 to complete the project list above.

**Kitsap Great Give will be held on Tuesday April 11th.**

If you want to get started early, the early giving cycle begins on April 1. We hope you can find it in your heart to continue to help with these funding needs. Donations can be made on Tuesday 4/11, from midnight to 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Time). During that day anyone can go to the website [www.kitsapgreatgive.org](http://www.kitsapgreatgive.org) and donate to as many participating nonprofits as they wish.

### New More Efficient Lighting for the Library

After our remodel was completed, we discovered a few dimly lit areas in the library and noted the deterioration of our older lighting in the meeting room, so we added a few new lights and replaced the older fixtures, which were adapted to LED's, with new more efficient LED fixtures.



### Manchester Art Gallery: New Spring Hours

Friday, Saturday & Sunday: 3 – 8 PM, through March

Come by,

Peruse the current exhibit & Discuss

Art & Life

with owner Paul Nuchims & your neighbors.

