

Lakeville Public Library Newsletter

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Upcoming Holidays/ Closings

Christmas Eve & Day

Closed Wednesday
and Thursday,
December 24th - 25th

Ring in the New Year

Closing at 3:00pm
Wednesday,
December 31st
and
Closed Thursday,
January 1st, 2026

Library Hours

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

Card Making with Tina Monday, December 8th and 15th, 5:30pm



Tina Stracqualursi will instruct registrants how to make beautiful holiday cards, step by step, using stamps, embossing, and other embellishments.

Registration is required as space is limited to only ten people per class. Please choose the date that works for you. Both sessions will create the same card projects.

Lisa Soares Duo Holiday Concert Tuesday, December 9th 6:00pm



Get into the holiday spirit with Lisa Soares who has been singing professionally in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, senior centers, and libraries for over 20 years.

Lisa and her musical partner Bill on the piano will cover a variety of tunes for all ages in our warm and welcoming Great Ponds Gallery. This show is free and open to the public. No reservation needed.

3D Paper Snowflakes for Adults & Teens (16+) Thursday, December 11th, 6:00pm

Deck the halls with impressive 3D paper snowflakes made in this no-stress, all-fun class led by library staff. Make two+ different snowflakes to bring home. **Registration required.**





Beginning March 1st, 2026, anyone picking up materials for someone else **must have the patron's card**, or a copy of their card, to check out items for privacy reasons.

Genealogy Club Holiday Social Saturday, December 20th 11:00am-1:00pm

The Lakeville Library Genealogy Club will hold a Holiday Social on Saturday, December 20th from 11am to 1pm. Join all of us who are interested in family research as we celebrate the holiday season and share a favorite family recipe.

For more information, please contact Cynthia Souza at csouza@sailsinc.org. All are welcome to attend.

Drop-in genealogy research help hours!

Need help researching your family tree? Cynthia Souza, our resident expert on genealogy research, can help you navigate Ancestry.com Library Edition as well as resources available in the newly reorganized Brian H. Reynolds Local History Room.

The drop-in hours are Wednesdays
3:00-5:00pm and Thursdays 4:00-6:00pm

 **ancestry**
library edition **in-library use only**



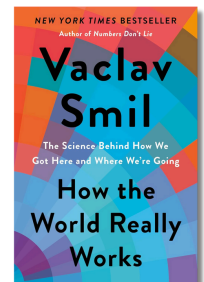
Family Holiday Crafts Saturday, December 13th 12:00-2:00pm (before the Snowperson Jubilee!)

Stop by the Library
before the Second Annual
Snowperson Jubilee for
holiday crafts inside the
Library!

Two Monthly Book Clubs

Trending Topics Nonfiction Book Club Monday, December 22nd 6:30pm

*How the World Really
Works: The Science
Behind How We Got Here
and Where We're Going*
by Vaclav Smil



Written by scientist and educator Vaclav Smil, he explains several of the basic realities that shape everything from food production to globalization, and why it is necessary to understand these issues before trying to implement change.

Novel Teas Monthly Book Club Tuesday, December 30th 6:30pm

Discuss Favorite Books of '25

Enjoy some seasonal treats while we talk about some of our favorite books of 2025!

Newcomers are always welcome.

Copies for the Library Book Clubs and the Town of Lakeville's Council on Aging Book Club are available for checkout at the Main Desk.





What's Coming Up
for Kids and Teens this

DECEMBER



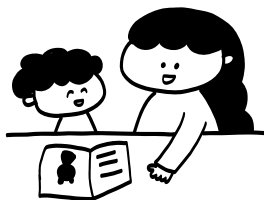
Holiday Storyhour

Monday, December 1st through
Thursday, December 18th

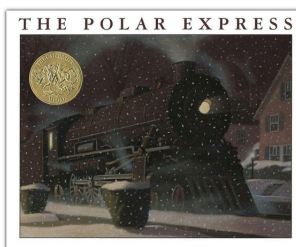
3 year olds and under: 10:30am on Mondays,
Tuesdays, and Thursdays
4 years and up: Thursdays at 1:00pm
Held INSIDE the Great Ponds Gallery

BOOKWORMS

Thursday, December 4th
6:30pm



for 1st & 2nd graders &
their parents/caregivers



A special monthly book club for child/caregiver to meet to discuss a book, do activities, bond, and talk about interesting topics.

Pick up *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg to read before we meet!

ATTENTION ALL TEENS!

We are looking for some **teen volunteers** to help at our events this month!

Gingerbread House Making, Saturday, December 6th from 9:45am-2:00pm

Coloring & Cocoa: Monday, December 15th from 5:30-7:45pm

Family Matinee Movie: *How to Train Your Dragon* (2025): Monday, December 29th from 1:30-4:00pm

Noon Year's Eve Set Up: Tuesday, December 30th from 4:00-7:00pm

Noon Year's Eve Party: Wednesday, December 31st from 10:30am-2:00pm

Volunteers
needed

If you need community service hours, Ms. Teresa is happy to fill in any paperwork you have.

For more information about volunteering or to sign up, contact Ms. Teresa by messaging on Facebook, email (teemirra@sailsinc.org), or stop by the Children's Room.



Read to
Remy

Thursdays from 4:00-6:00pm

Our Read-to-a-Dog program is an excellent way for children to gain confidence in their reading skills by reading out loud in a relaxed atmosphere to Remy, a certified therapy dog. Remy is the perfect reading buddy for children who are working on their reading skills, or who are a little timid around dogs.

To sign up to Read to Remy, please talk to Ms. Teresa in person, via email (teemirra@sailsinc.org), a Facebook message, or call 508-947-9028. Space is limited.

ALL-AGES GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING!*

Saturday, December 6th
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.



See Ms. Teresa for more information.

Family Matinee Movie: *How to Train Your Dragon** (2025, PG)

Monday, December 29th
2:00pm



Come to the Library to see the new live-action version of the beloved 2010 animated film, *How to Train Your Dragon*. Free admission and snacks.

Rated PG for sequences of intense action and peril.

COLORING AND COCOA

Monday, December 15th
6:00-7:30pm

Join us for a relaxing evening of coloring, cocoa, and fun! Open to children of all ages! No registration is needed.



Noon Year's Eve!*
Wednesday,
December 31st,
11:30am-1:00pm



Noon Year's Eve will be here soon!

2026 here we come! Since midnight is too late, 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!

See Ms. Teresa in the Children's Room for more information and to let us know you're coming so that we can have enough refreshments for all!

Dessert donations are appreciated and needed! If possible, please drop them off any day before the party (no need to bake; store bought desserts are great).

Save the Dates!

Coding with Dash** (4th grade & up)
Tuesday, January 13th, 6:00pm
Registration opens Tuesday, December 9th



Family LEGO Challenge
Thursday, January 22nd, 6:00pm

Family Frozen Sing Along*
Saturday, January 24th, 11:00am

*Sponsored by the Friends of the Lakeville Library

**This program is made possible by the Library Board of Trustees through generous financial support received from the "Savas Fund"

In the Great Ponds Gallery

Elsie Goldstein, Acrylics Exhibit *Life in Colors* through December 27th

The exhibit, “Life in Colors” by acrylic artist Elsie Goldstein, explores childlike faith in a series of figure paintings depicting children in everyday life and landscape paintings of New England that feed our souls with familiar settings.

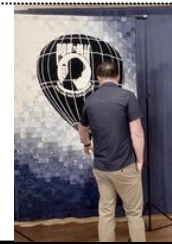
Preferring to paint in acrylics, Ms. Goldstein’s work reveals a colorful preference for realism that leaves a lasting impression on its audience.



Coming in January to the Great Ponds Gallery:

Deanne Joy’s Quilts - Patriots Heart: American Story

January 5th - February 19th



December Community Events

Friday, December 5th, 6:00pm:
Lion’s Club Christmas Tree Lighting
and Toy Drive

Friday, December 5th, 5:00-
8:00pm & Saturday, December
6th,
10:00am-3:00pm:
Lakeville Arts Council’s ALL THAT
GLITTERS Holiday Craft Shopping
Event

Friday, December 12th, 3:30-
7:00pm: ARHS Student Council
Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, December 13th,
2:00pm: Second Annual
Snowperson Jubilee on the Historic
Town Hall lawn

The Massachusetts Center for the Book’s 2025 Reading Challenge



Prompt for each month, “a book . . .”

January: from the year you were born
February: with the name of a city in the title
March: about someone with a marginalized identity
April: about books, bookstores, or libraries
May: with a first sentence of eight words or less
June: that spans multiple generations
July: you were drawn to by its cover
August: with a protagonist who is a teenager or senior citizen
September: told in non-chronological order
October: published by a Massachusetts press
November: about food or a cookbook

December: by an author you’ve already read

Congratulations for finishing the year and
JOIN US FOR 2026’S CHALLENGE!

Submit your books at <https://mareadingchallenge.org>

WE WOULDN'T HAVE . . .

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

. . . WITHOUT OUR FRIENDS



**Join our next monthly meeting
in January 2026!**

Friends Tote Bag: \$5.00

Great for filling with items bought at
the Book Nook, the pay-what-you-
can bookstore whose proceeds help
fund Library programs!
Makes a great gift!



**Friends of the Library
Open House &
Gingerbread House Making
Saturday, December 6th
10:00am-1:00pm**

ALL AGES!

The Library will be decked out
for the holidays on December 6th
for our Friends Open House and
Gingerbread House Making
event.

All ages are invited to enjoy the
sweetness of the season!

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.*

**EMBROIDERY
CLUB FOR
ADULTS**

drop-in
Wednesdays
4:00-5:30pm



**ADULT
KNITTERS'
GROUP**

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



**Cribbage
Club**

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



Digital Resources

Visit the **Digital Resources** page on
the **Lakeville Public Library** website
to view all that a library card can offer!



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