

Lakeville Public Library Newsletter

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Upcoming Holiday Closings:

Patriots' Day:
Monday, April 21st

NOTE:

Daylight Saving Time:

Spring forward
one hour on
Sunday, March 9th

Library Hours:

Mon, Tue, Thu:

10-8

Wed: 10-6

Sat: 10-2

Closed Fri & Sun

Local Author Series: Alfred Saulniers *The French of New Bedford: The Early Years*

Tuesday, March 11th,
6:30-7:30pm



Acushnet-born and raised, Saulniers will present a history of New Bedford's French immigrants, from their arrival and growth in the 1600's, to their eventual decline caused by new immigration restrictions, the Great Textile Strike of 1928, and the Great Depression. In his book, *The French of New Bedford*, he uses inspirational and interesting stories to reveal the daily lives, cultural values, and family histories of community members.

Matt York presents The Highwaymen: Songs & Stories* Thursday, March 27th 6:00-7:00pm



Photo by Ellen Burleigh

Songs & Stories is a one-man performance centered around the American country supergroup The Highwaymen which was made up of Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings, Johnny Cash, and Kris Kristofferson. Interspersed between their songs, Matt York will tell stories about their careers and lives. York is also an author, having recently released a book called "*The Words and Wisdom of Willie Nelson*" (October, 2024).

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

Paint Night with Elsie Tuesday, April 1st, 6:30-7:30pm

Acrylic artist Elsie Goldstein presents a casual and inviting atmosphere to paint for the evening. Finding inspiration from artist Henri Matisse, participants will create their own version of Matisse's "Goldfish" painting.

This is an 18+ program, limited to 20 participants. Registration opens March 1st.

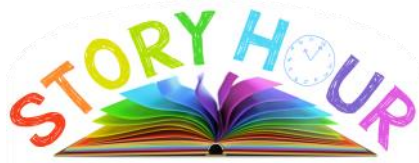




What's Coming Up for Kids and Teens this

LAKEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

MARCH



Storyhour will be INSIDE the Great Ponds Gallery

Winter/Spring Storyhour runs through Thursday, May 15th

3 Year Olds and Under: 10:30am on Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays

No Storyhour on Thursdays at 1:00pm



Music Time!



Winter Music Time will run Wednesdays through March 12th at 10:30am

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

Music Time will be INSIDE the Great Ponds Gallery



PLAYING with Purpose

Ages 0-5 years

Playing with Purpose is designed to help parents/caregivers gain a better understanding of the importance of play and learn how to be active participants in this important work. Play stations are set up to allow for one-on-one time as well as to work on fine and gross motor skills and socialization. During each session parents and/or caregivers are given relevant materials and articles on how to continue to support and build on these concepts at home. Parents/caregivers are then encouraged to use the items shared to "Play with Purpose" with their children.

NEW
Adding **WEDNESDAYS** at 10:30am, from March 26th through April 30th
AND
continuing the **3RD SATURDAY** of every month at 10:30am:
March 15th



NEW
S.T.E.A.M.
Afternoons for ages 5-10 years
THURSDAYS at 1:00pm

Join us in exploring a different S.T.E.A.M. area (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Music). We will be making Moon Landers, coding, assembling Rube Goldberg machines, learning about camouflage. . . and much, much more!
For more information, please see Ms. Teresa in the Children's Room.



**S.T.E.A.M.
Night: Rockets***
Tuesday, March
4th at 6:00pm
Grades 3-5

Join us as we learn about rockets and experiment by making straw rockets!

Open to 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders. Registration is required and can be done through the events calendar on our website.



**Young Adult
Fortnite
Tournament**
Grades 6-12

Monday, March 10th at 4:00pm

Young Adults, join us and our friends from One Up Games for a Fortnite Tournament! Fourteen of you will enter the battle, but only one will be victorious!

Open to 6th through 12th graders. Registration is required and can be done through the events calendar on our website.

Teen Paint Night*
Monday, March
24th at 6:00pm



**Grades
4-12**

Add unique style and touch to a painting created using acrylic on canvas. Absolutely no experience necessary. At the end of the sessions, participants will be amazed at the artwork they have created.

Open to grades 4-12. Registration is required and can be done through the events calendar on our website.

SAVE THESE DATES!



**Family
Matinee
Movie:**
The Wild Robot
(PG)

Monday, April 7th at 2:00pm
Popcorn and drinks provided.

This program is made possible through the acquisition of a movie license with funds raised by the Friends of the Lakeville Library.

APRIL VACATION WEEK

**Mass Capoeira
Demonstration**

Tuesday, April 22nd,
2:00pm

More details to come!



LEGO Free Build**

Wednesday, April 23rd,
1:00-4:00pm



Teen Peepshi

Thursday, April 24th,
6:00pm

Grades 4-12

Registration required; more details to come!



**Read with Bella the
therapy dog!**

Wednesdays from 4-6pm



Contact Ms. Teresa to reserve a spot with the soft and sweet therapy dog, Bella, in our *Read to a Dog* program.

*Program sponsored by the Friends of the Lakeville Public Library.

**This program is sponsored by YOU, our generous patrons and is free and open to the public.

NEW! Genealogy Club

Saturday, March 15th

11am: Meet & Greet

12pm: Zoom Presentation

Join other genealogy enthusiasts in the Library's Brian H. Reynolds Local History Room for a discussion and special Zoom presentation: *Tracing Your Immigrant Ancestors* with Margaret R. Fortier. While there are specific strategies for each ethnic group, there is also a systematic process that applies to any search for immigrants. Margaret will guide you through each step of the process with examples. Discover your immigrant ancestors and tell their stories!

Margaret Rose Fortier is a Board-certified genealogical researcher, writer, and lecturer. She specializes in immigrant ancestors to New England. A graduate of Boston College and Bentley University, she holds a Certificate in Genealogical Research from Boston University. She serves on the board of the Association of Professional Genealogists, is co-editor of the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, and is an instructor for the Spring 2025 course, "Tracing Your French-Canadian Ancestors" at the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy.

All levels are welcome, from novice to experienced.

Please RSVP by calling the main desk at 508-947-9028.

Mark you calendar for future Genealogy Club meetings:
May 17th and June 21 (special guest Nancy Ratner)



Drop-in genealogy research help hours!



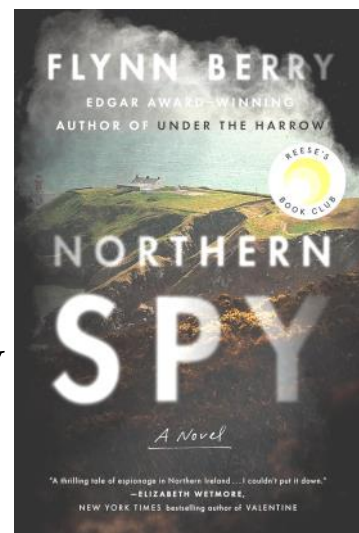
Need help researching your family tree? Cynthia Souza, our resident expert on Genealogy Research, can help you navigate Ancestry.com Library Edition, as well as resources available in the newly reorganized Brian H. Reynolds Local History Room.

The drop-in hours are Wednesdays 3:00-5:00pm and Thursdays 4:30-6:30pm.

Novel Teas Book Club

Tuesday,
March 25th
6:30-7:30pm

Northern Spy
by Flynn Berry



Northern Spy is a suspenseful novel about two sisters living in Northern Ireland who become involved in the IRA for different reasons, and how this affects their relationships with each other and their country.

Join us on the last Tuesday of every month.

Newcomers are always welcome!

Novel Teas Tuesday, April 29th

Our April title will be
West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge

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

**Save the Date! Tuesday,
April 29th, 6:00-7:00pm**

Learn How to Play the ukulele
with Julie, for teens and adults

Bring your own or borrow!
Registration opens 3/29.



Join the Library in the Massachusetts Center for the Book's 2025 Reading Challenge!



2025

Join any time this year!

1. Sign up for the challenge at <https://mareadingchallenge.org/>
2. Subscribe to the Library's monthly "MCB Annual Reading Challenge" emails for updates and reminders. (<https://www.libraryaware.com/2441/Subscribers/Subscribe>)

March's prompt:

Read a book about someone with a marginalized identity.

Check our display in March for book ideas!

2025 Reading Challenge

January: A book from the year you were born.

February: A book with the name of a city in the title

March: A book about someone with a marginalized identity

April: A book about books, bookstores, or libraries

May: A book with a first sentence of eight words or less

June: A book that spans multiple generations

July: A book you were drawn to by its cover

August: A book with a protagonist who is a teenager or senior citizen

September: A book told in non-chronological order

October: A book published by a Massachusetts press

November: A cookbook or book about food

December: Another book by an author you've already read

In the Great Ponds Gallery



High School Art Show March 3rd–27th

Reception: Saturday, March 8th,
11am-1pm

This annual all-student art show is a joint effort featuring mixed media artwork by students who attend Apponequet Regional High School and Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School. Visit the Gallery to be inspired by the art of youth!

For April/May: *Peaks—New Light* a collection of oil paintings by Randy Swann

Reception with artist, Saturday, April 12th, 11:00am-1:00pm





Friends

OF THE
LAKEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Join
Today!

Help support your library....

Every dollar raised goes directly to the Library and back to you in the form of services, programs and much more!

For Children ~ For Adults ~ For the Community

Friends of the Library Meeting:
Monday, March 3rd at
5:00pm

Stop by the Friends Book Nook: Our ongoing book sale room!



Save these dates for more fun with the Friends!

Sunday, April 13th: Play Mini Golf in the Library!

Sunday, May 4th: Spring Tea Party Fundraiser


Friends Tote Bag:

\$5

Fill with items you buy from the Book Nook!



Museum Passes—[Reserve Online](#) or Call the Library!

 Museum of Science.

 New England Aquarium



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

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 HERITAGE
MUSEUMS & GARDENS



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BOSTON

 NEW BEDFORD
WHALING MUSEUM

 BOSTON
CHILDREN'S
MUSEUM

 ZOO

 PLIMOTH PATUXET
MUSEUMS

Weekly Activities

**ADULT
KNITTERS'
GROUP**

Thursdays
after 5:00pm



**Cribbage
Club**

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



Vacationing Abroad This Summer?

It's time to practice the language!



MANGO
instruction in over 70
languages