

# Library News

Spring 2017

## Community Read

The Wilbraham Public Library, Palmer Public Library, and Monson Free Library are working together to present a community read celebrating Henry David Thoreau's 200th anniversary. The community read will run from March to September, including book discussions and programs at all three libraries.

The fun kicks off with a **Visit from Thoreau** (portrayed by historian Richard Smith) at the Wilbraham library on Monday, Mar. 6 at 6:00 p.m. He will be reading from the essay "Walking" and inviting a fun and lively Q&A to follow.

Look for more information on offerings to come soon. This is in cooperation with the Thoreau Bicentennial Statewide Read. See [www.walden.org/bicentennial/read](http://www.walden.org/bicentennial/read) for more.

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### Hours:

Mon.-Wed. 9-8

Thu.-Fri. 9-5

Sat. 9-2

Closed Holidays

## Art and Relaxation

Join us on Tuesday, Apr. 4 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. for **Paint Sip FUN**. Erin Leigh, artist and business owner, will show participants how to paint "Harbor at Sunset." Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required and space is limited, so please call the library at 413-596-6141 or visit the Event Calendar at [www.wilbrahamlibrary.org](http://www.wilbrahamlibrary.org) to register. This program is brought to you by the Friends of the Library.



Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. is **"Make and Take" Essential Oils**. Wilbraham resident Kerri Mahan will give a brief educational segment on bad chemicals and toxins found in common household and personal products. Then you get to make something yourself! Participants will create homemade recipes using essential oils and other toxin-free ingredients. Registration is required, and a \$5 materials charge will be assessed at the door.

## Adult Events

These programs are funded by the Friends of the Library. We could only highlight a few, so check out the event calendar on our website, [www.wilbrahamlibrary.org](http://www.wilbrahamlibrary.org), to see all of our offerings.

The **Movie Matinees** were such a success in January that we will be showing a monthly movie in the Brooks Room. The next showing will be **An American in Paris** on Friday, Mar. 24 at 1:00 p.m. The movie license was made possible through LUSO Federal Credit Union.

Our next **Cookbook Club** is featuring Indian cooking on Tuesday, Mar. 28 at 6:00 p.m. Copies of **Indian Cooking Unfolded** will be available at the Front Desk, but participants may choose any book they wish. Sign up is required; please let us know what you're bringing by Mar. 20 so we do not duplicate recipes.

Patrick Duquette will present on **Exceptional Women of the Indian Wars** on Wednesday, Mar. 29 at 7:00 p.m. He will give an overview of what life was like for Indian and English women during King Philip's War and tell stories of such women as Hannah Dustin, a settler in Haverhill in the late 1600s.

Dr. Patricia Martin will discuss domestic abuse and her new book (co-authored with a patient) **Liars, Cheats, and Creeps: Leaving the Sociopath Behind** in a presentation on Wednesday, Apr. 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Our annual **Local Author Fair** returns Saturday, Apr. 29 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Hear each author present at 10, then have a chance to visit their tables, look at their books, and ask questions about the writing or publishing process. Light refreshments will be served.

# Notes from the Friends

## Wilbraham Friends of the Library, Inc.

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If you have any questions or suggestions for the Wilbraham Friends of the Library, please direct them to Susan Magee at [friends@wilbrahamlibrary.org](mailto:friends@wilbrahamlibrary.org).

Library News is written and edited by the Wilbraham Public Library staff and the Friends of the Library.

## Banish Misfortune



The local, renowned Irish band returns - with a NEW date - Wednesday, Mar. 1 at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of songs and lore, topped off by Irish baked goods and refreshments. This will be their 7th appearance and every visit has been standing room only! Cost is \$7 and admittance is first come, first served. Join us for a fun-filled evening!

## Letter from the President

Hello again. I sincerely hope spring is on its way - I'm more than ready! First, a sincere thank you to those of you who have joined our group, given donations, or renewed your membership. These efforts are a major component of our annual income. It isn't easy to meet our annual goal of \$20,000 for aid to library activities and programming. You help us greatly in that endeavor. For your convenience, Friends membership forms are at the library. Beyond funding, volunteers can help in many ways with our activities and programs. If you are interested in being a bit more active in our efforts, please contact any board member (listed on the left). A major way you can help starts right away: please save your new or gently used books for our 2017 Annual Book Sale. This really spells success for our #1 annual fundraiser. We'll be accepting at the library Monday and Tuesday, May 1-2 and will be opening the book sale May 3-6. Looking forward to seeing you!

-Susan Magee, Friends of the Library President

## Friends Spring Trip

John Harrington acquired a bus tour reservation for the opening day of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts' *Art in Bloom* show Monday, May 1. This is a recognized, unique art event of tremendous popularity. The trip does not include lunch, but there are numerous dining spots in and around the museum. Cost is \$60 for Friends members or \$65 for non-members; there is also a reduced cost if you are a member of the Friends of the BMFA. Flyers and sign up forms are at the library.

## New and Renewing Members

Here are the new and renewing Friends memberships from Nov. 2016 - Jan. 2017, excluding those who wish to remain anonymous:

Carol & Joseph Albano

Carole Alderman

Douglas & Linda Burr

Joan & Robert Butler

Catherine & John Callaghan

Virginia Carlson & Greg

Azarian

Janemari & Brian

Chateauvert

Barbara Christie

Wally & Kris Clark

Bruce Cooley

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James & Corry Rooks

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Marjorie Schoen

William Siebert

Fredy Steng

Ted & Claire Stevenson

Edmund & Lorene Struzziero

Jay & Kathy Taylor

Maureen Trombly

The Wadleigh-Manseau

Family

Phyllis Walsh

Albert & Mary Wihry

# Youth Services

## Teen Events

Join us for a **Teen Maker Lab** on Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 5:00 p.m. Facilitated by the Bay Path WiSH (Women in STEM Honors) STEM Outreach Program, this will feature hands-on exploration of four stations: lemon batteries, soap-powered boats, bath bombs, and fizzy explosions.



### Teen Movie Days:

Friday, Mar. 17 at 1:30 p.m. - **Doctor Strange** and

Friday, Apr. 14 at 1:30 p.m. - **Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them**. Popcorn, candy, pizza and drinks are provided. The Friends of the Library and LUSO Federal Credit Union sponsor these events.

We are hosting our first teen **Paint, Sip, FUN** party on Tuesday, Apr. 4 at 4:30 p.m. Grab a canvas, sip a drink, and have lots of FUN! Erin Leigh will teach us how to paint "Night on the Water," the painting choice made by the Teen Advisory Board.

All these programs are for teens in grades 6-12. Registration is required, as space is limited. Sign up online, in the Loft, or call 596-6141.

Rachel Hapgood, Teen Librarian

## From the Children's Desk

We're thrilled to announce some exciting upcoming events for spring!

**Toddler Two-Step** and **Storytime** will have a six-week session beginning Monday, Mar. 6. **Toddler Two-Step** will be on Mondays from 10:00 -11:45 a.m. for babies 12-24 months and their moms or caretaker. **Storytimes** for ages 2-3½ with a guardian are Wed. 10:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. (30 min. class). **Storytime** for 3½-5 year olds (independent) is Thursdays 11:00-11:45 a.m. In-library registration starts Monday, Feb. 27. Phone registration will begin Mar. 2. Out of town residents may sign up Mar. 3 or later as space allows.

### Science Programs

On Saturday, Mar. 25, Mt. Holyoke students will host a fun-filled chemistry program for kids ages 6-10. They must be accompanied by a parent. Sign ups

start Mar. 13. Space is limited. On Apr. 22, Bay Path University students will conduct a science program based on the movie **Finding Dory**. This is for kids ages 5 – 8. Sign ups start Apr. 10.

### Family Movie Days

Friday, Mar. 17 at 10 a.m. - **Moana**  
Friday, Apr. 14 at 10 a.m. - **Paddington**  
Sign ups begin Mar. 6 and Apr. 3, respectively. Popcorn and comfy seating is provided.

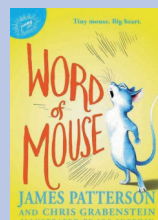
Registration is required for all children's programs; please call us to cancel if you can't make it. Thank you!

Remembering Dr. Seuss on his birthday, March 2, and all his wonderful books! Come read one at our library!

**Heidi Kane, Children's Librarian & Lisa Nicholson, Assistant Children's Librarian**

## Cover to Cover

**Cover 2 Cover**, the book discussion group for grades 4 and 5, will be meeting Tuesdays from 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. The spring titles are:



Mar. 21 - **Word of Mouse** by James Patterson & Chris Grabenstein  
Apr. 18 - **"Dog"**

**books** (to be chosen by Cover 2 Cover members)

The monthly book should be read before the meeting, in which opinions and questions will be posed, and refreshments will be served. Please contact Rachel Hapgood with any questions.

## Community Project

Stony Hill School will be doing a reading project with their students that will benefit the Ronald McDonald House in Springfield. Students may drop off their reading forms in the assigned box in the Children's Dept.



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## Monthly Library Offerings

The library offers two book discussion groups; no sign up is necessary and newcomers are always welcome. Books may be requested ahead of time and extra copies of questions are available at the Front Desk. **Booked for Lunch** meets the first Tuesday of every month at noon. The next meeting is Mar. 7 discussing **Pride and Prejudice** by Jane Austen. The **Evening Book Discussion** meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next discussion is Mar. 15 of **Accordion Crimes** by E. Annie Proulx.

The **Poetry Discussion Group** welcomes all poetry enthusiasts to a discussion of the work of a particular poet and allowing time for participants to read their own work, if desired. The spring meetings are Mondays at 6:00 p.m. on Mar. 20, Apr. 10 and May 15.

The **Film Movement** is a monthly series of foreign and independent films showing Mondays at 7:00 p.m. These films are not rated by the MPAA and are intended for a mature audience. Admission is free, popcorn is served, and a discussion follows the screening. The spring movies are:

Mar. 27 - **Ilo Ilo** (Singapore, 99 min.)

Apr. 24 - **For a Woman** (France 110 min.)

May 22 - **Salvo** (Italy, 110 min.)

## Earth Day Program

Due to many requests, author Ray Anderson will again join us on Saturday, Apr. 22 at 2:00 p.m. to discuss his latest book, **Sierra** - a thriller which takes place on the Sierra trail. Mr. Anderson is a naturalist, ardent hiker and well-read author. Join us for an entertaining afternoon!