

# Library News

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Fall 2014

## *From the President*

Hello, Friends.

When you receive this newsletter Summer will have almost flown and we'll start thinking of the start of school, fall chores and the like. In the midst of all that thinking, please take a minute and think of the library. Our library is chock full of not only information and enjoyable materials, but events tailored for a myriad of tastes and needs. Also take a look at the vast array of passes (provided by the Friends) and visit some outstanding local sites.

This newsletter is one way we try to make sure you don't miss out on anything, but it is not the only way we try to keep you informed. Timely notices and information are also available online and through social media. We can only do this newsletter quarterly and often want to get info to you at other times. Please consider sending us your email or contact information so we can contact you directly with special news or program updates. We promise not to share your information or be a nuisance, but it would really help us!

Memberships are our major way of ensuring that we can continue with our annual financial support for the Library programming. October is National Friends of the Library month and we will be continuing to focus on growing membership. During October we'll be looking for your help on "spreading the word". We'll be initiating a raffle of a special Disney-related basket including the special Elsa doll with changing-color dress from the hit "Frozen". During the raffle, Friends who bring in a new member or renew will get a bonus chance at the raffle. Stay tuned for more info! Susan Magee, President

## *Fall Trip is Coming*

Mark your calendars! On Wednesday, October 1, we will head for Harvard, Massachusetts, located in the beautiful Nashua River valley – the home of the amazing **Fruitlands Museums**. Fruitlands was a Utopian agrarian commune established by A. Bronson Alcott and Charles Lane in the 1840s, based on Transcendentalist principles. The 210-acre grounds encompass museums housing art and artifacts of varying cultural traditions and ecological habitats highlighted by extensive collections of 19th century American artists including the Hudson River School, a very large Native American collection, and a Shaker museum. We'll move on to a wine tasting at the **Nashoba Winery** in Bolton, Massachusetts, and then a special luncheon will follow at the renowned **Old Mill Restaurant** in Westminster, Massachusetts. Stay tuned for more details!

## *Friends Art Show – November 2014*

The Friends are fortunate to have many accomplished artists. We look forward to showcasing the creative works of our members and anticipate another outstanding Wilbraham Friends of the Library Art Exhibit this November. Artists may each submit one item. There are no size restrictions for two-dimensional pieces, which are hung on the walls in the Brooks Room. The two library display cases also hold small sculpture and three dimensional works, though space for these is limited. Exhibitors must be 18 years of age and members of the Friends of the Library. Entry forms for the art show will be available at the library and on the library website in the Fall. Participants in last year's show will receive entry forms via email in late September.

Eloise Genest is the chairperson for this year's event. If anyone has questions about this year's show, or want to offer a helping hand, Eloise would love to hear from you via email at [genesteloise@gmail.com](mailto:genesteloise@gmail.com) or by phone at 413-627-9183.

## *Annual Valley Gives Day*

This year's **Valley Gives Day** is Wednesday, December 10, and the Friends will once again be participating. **Valley Gives** is a 24 hour e-philanthropy event that encourages supporters of non-profits to make online donations via [valleygivesday.org](http://valleygivesday.org). Last year, the Friends raised over \$300 in online donations. This year our goal is \$1,000. Please mark your calendar for this great opportunity to help us reach our goal. It's quick and it's easy and it really helps! More information will be available at the Library Front Desk and on the Library website in the fall.



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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 [twin.javanet@rcn.com](mailto:twin.javanet@rcn.com).

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Library Hours: Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.,  
Thursday and Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.,  
Saturday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.,  
Sunday 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



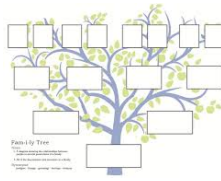
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**Adult Programs**

**Drop-in Knitting** is held the first Saturday of every month from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Brooks Room. Come in on September 6 or October 4 to work on projects and visit with other knitters. Please note that we are not meeting in November. In September, the library is accepting donations of pink scarves for Baystate Hospital's Rays of Hope walk. Please turn in a scarf by Friday, September 12.



Dave Robison will be presenting a series on **Genealogy and Family Research** Tuesday nights at 6:30 on September 9, September 16, September 23, and September 30. If you've come to one of his programs before, this will have some new information on researching your family history and genealogy. This program is brought to you by the Friends of the Library; please register for the series by calling the library at 413-596-6141 or visiting our Event Calendar.

Too Human will perform on September 22 at 7:00 p.m. Ellen Schwartz and Roger Bruno are playing **A Celebration of Song: The Great American Songbook and Beyond**. Their style is "great music with a lot of heart," and they have played with a variety of performers in New England, New York City, Washington D.C. and more. This program is funded in part by a grant from the Wilbraham Cultural Council, a local agency, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, and by the Friends of the Library.

After a brief hiatus over the summer, the **Poetry Discussion Book** will meet again on Sunday, October 19 at 2:00 p.m. The next discussion is scheduled for November 16 at 2:00 p.m.

On October 27 at 7:00 p.m., Rita Parisi will present **Gothic Victorian Tales**, a trio of tales by Sarah Orne Jewett. Sarah Orne Jewett, a native of South Berwick Maine, was one of New England's most prolific female writers of the 19th century. This program is funded by the Friends of the Library.

With **The History of Ragtime**, Deborah Wyndham shares the story behind ragtime being the original American "pop music" as well as being an early form of jazz on November 3 at 7:00 p.m. With a wide range of musical styles, Deborah has been performing ragtime music since age 11 and in this program focuses on the music of composers of the genre who lived from the end of the 19th century into the beginning of the 20th century when ragtime music's popularity really started sweeping the country.

**Sunday Hours and Program Series**

Following last year's successful pilot program, the Wilbraham Public Library will be again open for season Sunday hours, from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., beginning October 5 and concluding on May 17. The Friends of the Library will also be sponsoring several cultural and family events to be held on Sunday afternoons, with programs starting at 2:00 p.m.

The Sunday series opens on October 5 with a demonstration of Middle Eastern style dancing by the **Pyramid Dancers**.

To get us in the mood for Halloween, lecturer Christopher Daley will present his program **"Haunted New England"** on October 26.

November kicks off with a program on **"Beatrix Potter: A Woman Ahead of Her Time,"** presented by Betsy Bray on November 2.

On November 9, we will be hosting another workshop on **Zentangle Art**. Certified Zentangle teacher Julie Tamanaco will lead this year's program. The Zentangle Method is a form of teaching for participants to create patterned line drawings in a meditative manner. Registration is required and there is a \$5 materials fee for each participant.

## Fall Activities for Children

### Storytimes

The **Fall Storytime** session will meet over a period of seven weeks, from September 17 through October 30, and will accommodate over 50 children. The times offered are 10:15 a.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays for ages 2 – 3 ½ (with a parent) and Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. for ages 3 ½ - 5.

Toddler Two-Step will be held for children 12 - 24 months-old on Mondays at 10:15 a.m., for 5 weeks. Dates are September 8, 15, 22, 29, October 6. **Toddler Two-Step** is a 40-minute class of nursery rhymes, singing and music for toddlers and their parents or caregivers. It will be a fun-filled program that develops appreciation of language, a true love for their library, and an understanding of symbols that prepare children for reading. The first Monday meeting of the month will be hosted by a leader from Pathways for Parents. Registration for these storytimes begins in the Children's Department at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 3 for Wilbraham residents. Phone registration will be on Friday, September 5. Non-residents may sign up on September 9, as space allows.

### Welcome Baby!

New parents are invited to come on Wednesdays at 12:30 in September and October, to socialize, learn about parenting, baby signing and baby massage. This is an excellent opportunity to meet others and get support from the staff of Pathways for Parents. Exact dates will be determined later, so be sure to call the Children's Department at 596-6141 in September for more information. Registration begins on September 3rd.

### Calling All Young Scientists!

Mt. Holyoke College students will hold a Chemistry Adventure workshop, **Stethoscope Science**, on Tuesday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. This workshop is for students in grades 2 – 6 with a parent, who will stay to team up with their child on this chemistry activity. Teams will explore how various chemical reactions occur in the body. Registration begins on September 30.

### Cover-to-Cover

The **Cover-to-Cover** book discussion groups for students are on-going, meeting once a month. Students in grades 4 and 5 will meet Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. – 7:50 p.m. Dates and titles are as follows:

**The Giver** by Lois Lowry on October 14, and **I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up For Education and Changed the World** by Malala Yousafzai on November 18. The first book will be available for pick-up starting on September 9. The monthly book should be read before the meeting, in which opinions and questions will be posed, and refreshments will be served. Copies of each book will be available the month before the meeting, upon registration at the Children's Desk. Please address any questions to Heidi Kane in the Children's Department.

### Greg and Axel Show

Join us for **Greg and Axel Save Halloween**, a fun and charming show to celebrate the month of October. Greg McAdams and his dog Axel will be here on Tuesday, October 21 at 4:00 p.m. to dazzle you with feats of illusion and amazement. Greg and Axel the Magic Mutt, will save Halloween from the zombie book worms and teach kids how to be safe when they go trick-or-treating. This 40-minute show, featuring magic, comedy, audience participation and Axel (!) will be the highlight of your Halloween season.



### You and your friends are invited to join the Wilbraham Public Library's Teen Advisory Board !

The WPL's Teen Advisory Board is a group of teens in grades 6-12 who meet monthly to talk about their favorite books, movies, music, etc., to offer opinions and recommendations to the library and to each other, and to plan programs for the library. The TAB will meet at the library, once a month, on Tuesday from 4-5 pm. The first meeting is October 7th. The TAB is run by Teen Librarian Susan Kent. Contact her at [suekent@wilbrahamlibrary.org](mailto:suekent@wilbrahamlibrary.org) or 596-6141 ext. 132.

### The WPL comes to WMS! 6th grade book group

This is our 8th year of after-school book club! We meet one Tuesday a month, in Ms. Dwyer's room. Copies of the book will be delivered to Ms. Dwyer, at the school, with a sign-up sheet. We will have a snack that matches up with the book, along with our fun and lively discussion!

You do not have to come to every month's book group; only the ones that you like. For more information, contact Susan Kent at 596-6141 or [suekent@wilbrahamlibrary.org](mailto:suekent@wilbrahamlibrary.org).

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### **Library Book Discussions**

Two adult book discussions are available, and new members are always welcome!

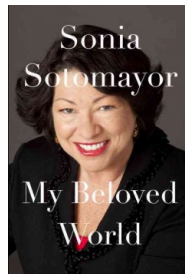
**Booked for Lunch** meets the first Tuesday of every month from noon to 1:00 p.m., and is facilitated by Library Director Karen Demers. The summer meetings are as follows:

- September 2 - **Home** by Toni Morrison
- October 7 - **In One Person** by John Irving
- November 4 - **Middlesex** by Jeffrey Eugenides

The **Evening Book Discussion** meets on the third Wednesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. and is facilitated by Adult Services Librarian Mary Bell. The selections for this summer are:

- September 17 - **The Night Swimmer** by Matt Bondurant
- October 15 - **My Beloved World** by Sonia Sotomayor
- November 19 - **Things Fall Apart** by Chinua Achebe

For more information, or to request a book for either discussion, please call the Reference Desk at 413-596-6141.



### **Film Movement**

The **Film Movement** series of award-winning foreign and independent films starts again in September!

The planned schedule for the fall is as follows:

- September 29, 7:00 p.m. - **Vasermil** (Israel, 95 minutes)
- October 20, 7:00 p.m. - **Free Men** (France, 99 minutes)
- November 17, 7:00 p.m. - **Found Memories** (Brazil, 97 minutes)

This program is brought to you by the Friends of the Library. Popcorn and soda are served, and discussion follows the film showing. Admission is free, and no sign-up is necessary. The films have not been rated by the MPAA and are intended for mature audiences. Trailers for individual films and listing of awards can be found at [www.filmmovement.com](http://www.filmmovement.com).



### *Friends Memberships*

Since our last newsletter, the following persons (excluding those who wished to be anonymous) have either joined or renewed as Friends members:

Mr. & Mrs. William Agnew, Jr.	Russell Garrison	Veronica Meschke
Carole Alderman	Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Geib	Linda & Gilbert Moreno
Russell Anderson	Ms. Eloise Genest and Robert Kelliher	Donna Morrison
Portia Axiotis	Susan Getchell	Murphy Family
Jo M. Ayers	Mr. Nicola Gioscia	Holly Murray
Gary & Pauline Babineau	Gomez/Haibach Family	Joan Noonan
The Babineau Family	David and Barbara Gordon	Helene Nowakowski
Mahesh Bajaj	Annemarie Gotta	Ms. Tanja Olson
Doug Baker	Phyllis Gotta	Barbara Pallotta
Mary Bell	Rosemarie & Peter Groza	George Pallotta
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Jeanne Bergeron	Mary Hamel	Lucy Peltier
David Bernstein and Angela Carbone	John Harrington	Pauline Perham
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Robert & Jane Boilard	Dan Hatten	Louise Phelan
John & Suzanne Boudreau	Linda Hawkes	Carla Pierce
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