

Connections

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The Plymouth Public Library Corporation invites you to join us for a

Storybook Breakfast

Hosted by **Paddington Bear, Curious George, Stella Luna & Wild Thing**

Saturday, March 7, 2015

9:00 - 11:30 am

Plymouth South High School

9-10:30 am breakfast & storybook reading

10:30 am performance by Big Joe the Storyteller

- **Yummy breakfast including gluten-free option**
- **Storybook Reading**
- **Pictures with your favorite celebrity/character**
- **Prizes & More**

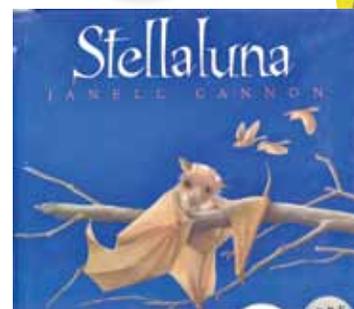
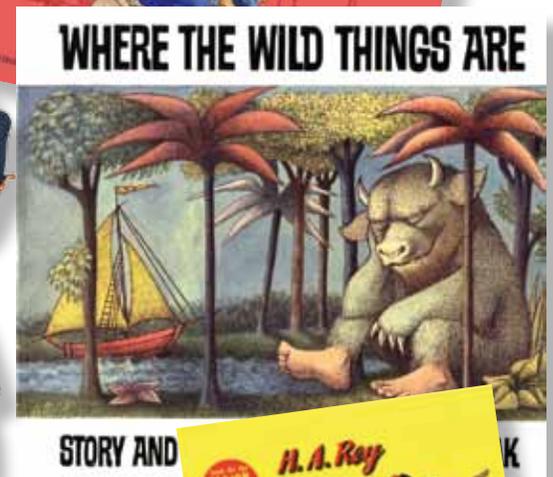
\$8 per child / \$10 per adult

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets on sale February 1, 2015

Proceeds to benefit the Children's Department of The Library

For details or tickets: 508-830-4250 x216 or
www.plymouthpubliclibrarycorp.com



American Classics discusses Thoreau

The next session of the American Classic Literature Book Discussion program will talk about Henry David Thoreau's *Walden* on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

Walden: or, Life in the Woods is Thoreau's best known work. He describes his firsthand experience on a two-year experiment in living simply in Walden Woods in Concord, Mass. He was deeply inspired by the connection between man and nature. This work stands the test of time in American literature. Share your knowledge or interest in this work while getting insight from other readers. The discussion will be led by Jennifer Harris, Assistant Library Director. Copies of the book are available to check out at the Circulation Desk at the Main Library and Manomet Branch.

This program is free and no registration is required. It is sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation. For more information, contact Adult Services at 508-830-4250.



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Panel to discuss *Captured 1614* exhibit

A panel of speakers will discuss The Library's temporary exhibit *Captured 1614*. Panelists will share stories of their personal experiences while producing this small but powerful exhibit on Monday, Feb. 23, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Main Library.

Conceived and created by SmokeSignals Marketing and Communications and the Indian Spiritual and Cultural Training Council and presented by Plymouth 400, Inc., the exhibit tells the story of the 1614 capture of 20 Wampanoag men from Patuxet and the significant impact it had on the Wampanoag tribe, their relationship with the Mayflower Pilgrims and founding of Plymouth Colony.

The exhibit at The Library through March is the first of several Plymouth 400 signature programs and events leading to the commemoration of the 400th anniversary which will highlight America's story of challenge, perseverance, and thanksgiving that began with the 1620 landing of the Pilgrims and relationship with the Wampanoag people.

As an organization, Plymouth 400 is committed to creating a commemoration that is historically accurate and culturally inclusive. What better location for this exhibit to begin its journey than The Library? The exhibit's future destinations and scheduled dates will be announced.

This program is free and no registration is required. It is sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation. For more information, call the Main Library at 508-830-4250.

Anjali Mitter Duva discusses debut novel



Author Anjali Mitter Duva will discuss her powerful debut novel *Faint Promise of Rain* on Monday, March 9, at 7 p.m. in the Main Library. She is speaking as a guest of a local book club who so enjoyed her visit they wanted

to share the experience with the community.

Duva grew up in France with her family roots in Calcutta, India. She attended MIT and started a career in urban planning before finding her calling in native storytelling.

Inspired by her visits to Rajasthan, India, and her study of kathak, the traditional storytelling dance of the region, Duva will include an element of classical dance and movement to enhance her talk. Books will be available for purchase and autographing after the program.

Faint Promise of Rain takes place in 1554 in the desert of Rajasthan as a new Mughal emperor expands his territory. Told from the perspective of an exquisite dancer and filled with the sounds, sights and flavors of the Indian desert, the novel is the story of a family and a girl caught between art, duty and fear in a changing world.

This free program is sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation and no registration required. For more information, contact Adult Services at 508-830-4250.



Reading by Tidepool Poets on April 27

The Tidepool Poets will present a poetry reading Monday, April 27, at 7 p.m. in the Main Library. Reading their own poetry will be Bill Alberti, Alison Cappella, Carol DeFelice, Joan Dugas, Kit Dunlap, David Gover, Chuck Harper, Diane Harrison, Judy Snow, Lisa Sullivan and Gabrielle Turgeon. This event is being held to honor National Poetry Month.

The Tidepool Poets is a vibrant group of 12 poets who have been meeting together in Plymouth to share and improve their work since 2001. They have continued to grow in number, writing and being published. The group meets the last Thursday of every month. Books of poetry by some Tidepool poets will be available for purchase at the event.

This program is free and no registration is required. It is sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation. For more information, contact Adult Services at 508-830-4250.

Plymouth's David Roderick to read poetry



What does it mean to be American? That's the question poet David Roderick explores in his new collection called *The Americans*. He will read from his book on Monday, May 4, at 7 p.m. in the Main Library.

"It's a series of meditations, I think, on the big, messy, beautiful project that is our country," Roderick has said.

"There's beauty and faith and grace, and there's also some grit and some doubt too."

His previous book, *Blue Colonial*, reimagines his hometown of Plymouth, where English colonists first settled in 1620. It was the winner of the prestigious APR/Honickman Prize, judged by the former U.S. Poet Laureate Robert Pinsky.

Roderick has received other awards and fellowships from the American Antiquarian Society, Bread Loaf Writers' Conference and the Yale Younger Poets Prize. He is the Kenan Visiting Writer at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill and has taught at the University of San Francisco and Stanford University. Visit his website at www.davidroderick.net for more information about the author and his poetry. For more information about this event, contact Adult Services at 508-830-4250.

Survey shows importance of technology access

Recently, The Library conducted a survey to better understand how the community uses and benefits from free access to computers and the internet at The Library. The Library provides 21 computers, wireless internet and assistance for all members of the community. Of the survey respondents who reported visiting The Library in the past year, 79% used a public access computer or wireless network during their visits.

Highlights from the survey include:

- 43% of public technology users indicated they had used public access technology for employment needs, 42% searched for a job online and 18% applied for a job by submitting a resume or filling out an online job application.
- 22% used public technology for educational activities while 17% completed coursework or homework using public access technology.
- 49% used library technology to get information on health and wellness topics while 28% reported learning about diet or nutrition; of those, 70%

reported making a change to their diet.

- 39% reported using library resources to stay in touch with family and friends and to build and maintain social networks.

In the survey, 67% of users also received help from a librarian when using the computers or internet at The Library. Of those users, 77% have access to the internet at home, school or work but still choose to use The Library's technology. This shows The Library offers critical resources and services even as people increasingly have their own internet connections and devices.

Of the respondents, 68% used a computer in The Library to access the internet during the past 12 months, with frequencies as follows:

- 28 (44%) did so once a week or more frequently
- 11 (17%) did so about 1-3 times a month
- 24 (38%) did so less than once a month

In the survey, 73% of respondents say that public access to computers and the internet is important or very important to them personally while 95% say it is important or very important to have these resources available for others in the community.

These are only a few highlights of the impact of The Library's public technology access and computer support resources.

The future of our community depends on The Library's ability to sustain the quality technology services that provide opportunities for all people. Your continued support of The Library is a vital part of helping to make this happen.

New digitization projects: upcoming attractions

The Library successfully applied for another round of grants from the Boston Public Library in partnership with the Digital Commonwealth in an effort to make local history resources more widely available.

We are currently awaiting the completion of two projects, digitization of the Annual Reports of the Town of Plymouth, as well as the digitization of a collection of historic photographs dating from 1920 of the Plymouth Tercentenary Celebration.

The Library owns bound volumes of the Annual Reports of the Town of Plymouth, dating to 1865. Soon these books will be available online, along with the Plymouth High School Year Books and library publications. Online access to the information contained in the reports will greatly expedite the numerous genealogy and local history requests regularly received by staff. In addition to financial information, these books contain reports and statistics submitted by various departments,

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Chess for grownups

The Library is offering a 4-week program on Chess for Grownups and how to play it, beginning Wednesday, May 13, at 7 p.m. in the Main Library.

Over the course of four Wednesday evenings, Bill Petrillo will review the interesting aspects of this



international competition, including its evolution, escapades of famous grand masters, the politics of chess, how it is portrayed in the movies and arts, and humans matching wits against computers.

Each session will also include a chance to play against others. At the end of the program, attendees should have a better appreciation of the game and possibly be able to defeat a fourth-grader! This program is open to adults of all chess abilities.

Petrillo is an experienced chess instructor who has taught and led chess educational programs around the country for USA Chess. He has hosted a successful children's program at The Library for a few years.

The free program will be held May 13 and 27, and June 10 and 24. Registration begins April 6. Patrons can register online at www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org or call Adult Services at 508-830-4250. Space is limited.

Celebrate National Library Week with us!

Discover Unlimited Possibilities at the Main Library and Manomet Branch during National Library Week April 12-18. Libraries are places for new beginnings.

Whether you are getting your first library card, learning new computer skills, attending a cultural program or picking up some reading or listening material, The Library is the place where the story begins. This is a perfect time to visit and learn more about programs and services.

The Library in Plymouth wants to thank patrons with National Library Week events. From April 12-18, there will be a fine amnesty week. Fines for all currently overdue books, videos, DVDs and CDs returned during this week will be waived.

Patron Appreciation Day will be held on Wednesday, April 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Main Library and Manomet Branch. Many departments will be represented with displays highlighting programs and services. Light refreshments will be served, so have a cup of coffee and a piece of cake with the staff!

This program is sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation. For more information, contact the Main Library at 508-830-4250, Manomet Branch at 508-830-4185 or go to www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org.

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boards and committees within the town.

The Library also owns photographs chronicling Plymouth's Tercentenary "Pilgrim Spirit" Pageant and Parade that took place Aug. 1, 1921. There are 159 prints that are in good condition, including shots of President Warren G. Harding and other dignitaries. The photographer was Edward P. McLaughlin. Until now, because of their age and fragility, the photographs have not been readily accessible to the public. The Library is looking forward to making these images available once they are digitized.

Free online training

Free access to award-winning online learning company lynda.com is now available to patrons of The Library.

A leading online learning company, lynda.com helps anyone learn business, technology and creative skills via a video library of engaging,



Patrons have free access to lynda.com for online learning.

top-quality courses taught by recognized industry experts.

It features a comprehensive collection of more than 3,000 courses and 150,000 award-winning video tutorials taught by industry experts. New courses and topics are constantly being added.

Library patrons now have unlimited access to the lynda.com library, both on-site from computers and also off-site at any time.

Offering access to lynda.com expands The Library's ability to meet the needs of the community by providing up-to-date resources that support lifelong learning. These instructional

services provide an opportunity for individuals of any skill level to further educational and entrepreneurial goals. Current classes include topics as diverse as social media, digital photography, resume writing, Excel, PowerPoint, and web development.

For more information and to get started with lynda.com today, visit the website at www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org.

A Night at the Opera series

Enjoy **A Night at the Opera** with Jim Carroll on three Monday evenings in March in the Otto Fehlow Meeting Room at the Main Library. This three-part series will feature discussion and viewing of *La Traviata*, *Madame Butterfly* and *Carmen* at 6 p.m. on March 16, 23 and 30.

An avid opera fan, Carroll will introduce opera to those interested in learning more about this art form. It is an opportunity to experience three of the most famous operas from the comfort of The Library! All three films feature English subtitles.

The first evening, March 16, will show the video of *La Traviata*. This is a Franco Zeffirelli film. The set is the same as what The Metropolitan Opera still uses. It stars Teresa Stratus as Violetta and Placido Domingo as Alfredo. It was conducted by James Levine. *La Traviata* is Verdi's loveliest and most romantic operas.

The second evening, March 23, will feature Giacomo Puccini's *Madame Butterfly* from a live performance at The Arena di Verona. It stars Raina Kabaivanska, Nazzareno Antinori, Eleonora Jankovic and Lorenzo Saccomani. The opera is a standard and adored by opera-lovers everywhere. The themes of love and heartbreak are common in almost every human experience.

The final evening, March 30, will be Bizet's *Carmen*, performed by The Metropolitan Opera and starring Elina Garanca as Carmen, Roberto Alagna as Don Jose, Barbara Frittoli as Micael and Teddy Tahu Rhodes as Escamillo. It is conducted by Yannick Nezet-Seguin.

This program is sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation and is free with no registration required. For more information, contact Adult Services at 508-830-4250.

Children's Corner

A new program begins in the New Year: **Evening Family Story Time!** This event will be one Wednesday evening each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Library. Evening Family Story Time is a lap-sit story time for families with children of all ages. Wear your pajamas for this nighttime story experience consisting of age-appropriate rhymes, stories and other fun literacy-building activities. Library staff presents a half-hour story time on each of the following Wednesdays: Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 4, April 8 and May 13.

Families with children of all ages are invited to **Take Your Child to the Library Day** on Saturday, Feb. 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Drop by the Main Library for activities, crafts and book readings. There will also be a 2 p.m. concert with MamaSteph, a favorite of kids and parents alike. She is an accomplished musician, singer, songwriter and entertainer.

Join us for special sessions of **Crochet Club** during February and April vacations. On the Wednesdays of Winter and Spring Breaks – Feb. 18 and April 22 – The Library will hold two hour-long sessions of Crochet Club at 2 and 3 p.m. each day. Sign up for either and get help learning how to begin to crochet or tips on how to try more advanced patterns.

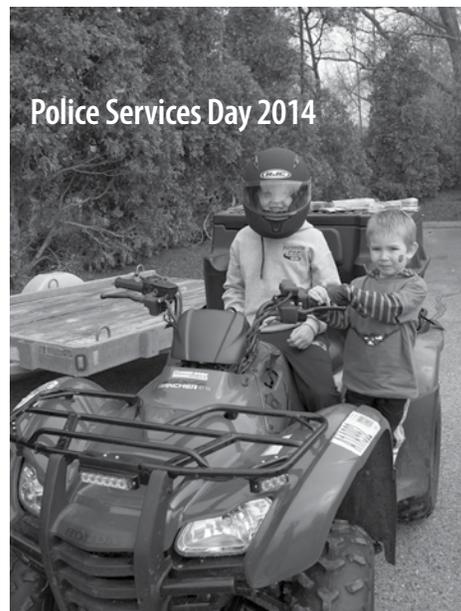
Children ages 6-11 and their caregivers will enjoy **Family Adventures in Reading (FAIR)**, a storytelling-based reading and discussion program. The program encourages parents to read to their children at home and to make visiting The Library a regular family activity. Each session will

be presented by a professional storyteller and includes stories, an introduction to library services, and refreshments. This 90-minute program runs for six consecutive Saturdays at 1 p.m. Program dates will be: March 14, 21 and 28, and April 4, 11 and 18. Registration begins Feb. 28. FAIR is presented in conjunction with Mass Humanities and made possible by the generous support of the Staples Foundation for Learning.

The Plymouth Police Department will sponsor the **Fourth Annual Police Services Day** on Saturday, May 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine. Families with children of all ages are invited to participate outside in The Library's parking lot. Here's your chance to meet officers from the motorcycle, bicycle, mounted and marine units. There will be fingerprinting, K-9 and motorcycle demonstrations.

The Department of Public Works will hold the **Tenth Annual DPW Day** in honor of George Crombie on Thursday, May 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine. It will feature a display of equipment in The Library parking lot, including a bucket truck, loader, sweeper truck, plow and more. The Otto Fehlow Meeting Room will feature individual department displays, such as maps and materials. Plymouth's DPW is composed of the engineering, highway, parks, water, sewer, cemetery, recreation and environmental management departments. We celebrate this annual event with popcorn, ice cream and lots of fun.

Looking for something fun during February school vacation? Then stop by



for **Mr. Vinny's Shadow Puppet Show** on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library. This fun, kid-interactive show features Mr. Vinny, the silly guy from the Toe Jam Puppet Band. It's great for kids ages 3 to 9 but everyone, including grownups, will have fun. Bring your imagination, wit and love of nonsense.

All programs are held at the Main Library unless otherwise noted. For more information or to register for an event, call Youth Services at 508-830-4250 or go to The Library's web site at www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org.

New literacy program

A new literacy program called **1000 Books Before Kindergarten** is underway for children 5 and under. Studies show that the more young children hear books read to them at home, the more prepared they are to learn to read upon reaching school. This program is for all children from birth until they start school with the goal of encouraging each one to read at least 1,000 books before kindergarten. Any book your child hears counts toward the goal, including coming to story time at The Library and books you have read to them. Stop by the Children's Room to sign up and start tracking!



Dr. Richard M. Shiff Programs

Celebrate culture with Dr. Richard M. Shiff programs!

An extensive series of concerts and programs are planned for this year, thanks to the Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum. This endowment by the late Dr. Shiff provides funding for music and other activities at The Library for the enjoyment and entertainment of patrons. The Plymouth resident was committed to ensuring cultural programming at The Library. Check out these programs for the first half of 2015 at the Main Library by Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents:

A Piacere Trio – This talented group will perform chamber music on Monday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m. The concert will include works by Schumann and Mozart. The trio comprises Yhasmin Valenzuela on clarinet, Lilit Muradyan on viola and Leah Kosch on piano (snow date: Feb. 10).

Weston Wind Quintet – Enjoy an evening of chamber music on Monday, April 6, at 7 p.m. This gifted group of musicians is

led by Michael Tabak on flute. He studied at the Juilliard School of Music and has been principal flute with the Fine Arts Symphony.

Shakespeare: Scene I – Actor Stephen Collins will portray William Shakespeare on Monday, April 13, at 7 p.m. He will bring the Bard's words alive in the context of his own world and work. Shakespeare's tragedies, comedies, histories and sonnets will be represented.

Michael Tougias – The renowned author will discuss his new book *Rescue on the Bounty* on Monday, May 11, at 7 p.m. His talk will include a dramatic visual presentation of the events that led to the sinking of the *Bounty* replica used in filming the movie with Marlon Brando.

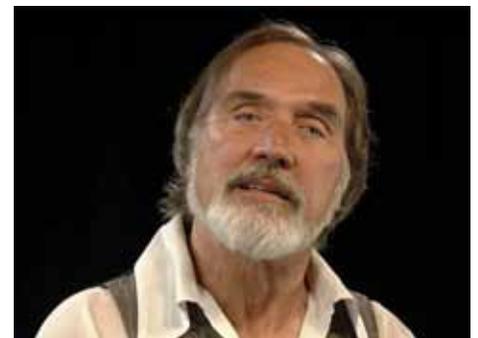
New England Chamber Players – Soprano Rachel Tolzman will join this Boston-based group of classical musicians on Wednesday, May 20, at 7 p.m. The performance of

chamber music will include works by Albert Roussel, Carl Maria Von Weber and Carl Reinecke.

Aine Minogue – Listen to the exquisite music of this Celtic harpist on Monday, June 1, at 7 p.m. She will play a variety of Irish music while sharing stories that celebrate the summer solstice in the magic of her lilting voice.

Johnny Souza Quintet – Swing into an evening of jazz with this great band on Monday, June 15, at 7 p.m. Led by Johnny Souza, the quintet will play jazz standards and selections from the Great American Songbook.

These Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: programs are sponsored by the Plymouth Public Library Corporation. They are free and no registration is required. For more information, contact Adult Services at 508-830-4250 or visit the website at www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org.



Artist lineup (clockwise from top left): A Piacere Trio; Rachel Tolzman and the New England Chamber Players; Johnny Souza; Stephen Collins; Aine Minogue; Michael Tougias; and the Weston Wind Quintet.

Taste of the Town



The Plymouth Public Library Corporation is delighted to report that the 11th Annual Taste of the Town was a smashing success! Our new venue, Plimoth Plantation, proved to be the perfect setting for our Fall Fundraiser. We are grateful to restaurant and beverage partners, who did not disappoint – the food was fabulous, the wine, beer and spirits divine! Thank you to our sponsors: Tech-Etch, Inc., Dr. Steven Aveni, D.D.S., P.C., Entergy, NSTAR, Plymouth Architects, Mary Ann & Andrew Carter, Glynn Electric, Koenig Chiropractic, Mutual Bank, Plymouth Rehabilitation & Health Care Center, Powder Horn Press & Rockland Trust.



Literacy Learning Center

Tutor training for volunteers

It's easy to make a difference in someone's life, and the rewards are priceless. Become a Literacy Tutor at The Library. The Literacy Program provides free confidential tutoring for adults.

Volunteers will be trained to help another adult who has been working in the Literacy Learning Center waiting for a tutor. After the training, tutors meet with learners one-on-one at The Library for one to two hours a week.

Learners need assistance in basic reading, writing, math, preparation for the new high school equivalency test HiSET or English as a second language. Tutors can choose the subject area they like best. Tutors and learners arrange a time for a session that is convenient for them.

Tutors do need a high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma but do not have to be an experienced teacher. All it takes is to complete the free six-class training course that is given twice a year in October and March. The March class will take place on Thursday afternoons from 1:30-4 p.m. in the Literacy Learning Center.

For more information or to register for training, please call Jeanne Annino at the Literacy Office at 508-830-4260 or email her at plymouthlit@comcast.net.

Free high school equivalency diploma classes

The Literacy Program of Greater Plymouth at The Library offers adult education classes from September to June. All instructional services are free. Classes are funded by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The new high school equivalency test HiSET (formerly GED) classes are open to any adult resident of the state who is no longer enrolled in school. In class, students meet with an instructor and a small group of adult learners who are also working to improve their reading, writing and math skills.

There are three levels of class: Skills Review, Pre-HiSET and HiSET. These classes meet Tuesday through Friday during the day. There is also a faster paced evening class on Tuesday and Wednesday. In addition, there is a cap and gown



graduation in June for those who successfully pass the HiSET so that they may celebrate with family and friends!

For more information about the program or to register for the next orientation session, please call Literacy Coordinator Jeanne Annino at 508-830-4260 or email her at plymouthlit@comcast.net.

Young Adults

The Teen Writers' Group meets two Tuesdays per month at 6:30 p.m. Upcoming dates are Feb. 10 and 24, March 10 and 24, April 7 and 21, and May 12 and 26. The group is always open to new members! We are here to provide helpful feedback on any writings you might wish to share.

Make It @ Your Library! From beading to clay animation, duct tape to headgear, stop by the Main Library on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 4:30 p.m. to create something unique with the supplies we have on hand. No registration is necessary.

Visit the **Teen Job and Volunteering Fair** on Tuesday, April 21, at 10 a.m. Talk with local businesses that are hiring and find volunteer opportunities to fulfill any service hour requirements. No registration is necessary.

All events are held at the Main Library. For more information or to register, contact the Manomet Branch Librarian at 508-830-4185, email jenniferj@ocln.org or visit The Library's website, www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org.

Manomet Musings

Manomet History Book Group meets one Thursday per month at 4 p.m. Dates are Feb. 19, March 19, April 16 and May 21 with the topic of the history of the Middle Ages and Renaissance.

Vintage Reads, the classics book group, continues with a new list of classic titles to enjoy. The group meets once per month on Thursdays at 7 p.m. Dates are Feb. 12, March 12, April 9 and May 14.

Celebrate **Great American Pie Month** on Saturday, Feb. 7, at 2:30 p.m. with a pie potluck at the Manomet Branch. Bring your favorite pie, whether homemade or store-bought, to share with everyone. We'll serve coffee and tea. No registration is necessary – just bring a pie! Snow date is Saturday, Feb. 21.

Join us for **Brew Talk with Independent**

Fermentations on Saturday, March 7, at 2:30 p.m. Paul Nixon will talk about brewing and provide samples. Anyone sampling must be 21-plus. No exceptions!

Get advice from the pros at **Ask the Expert: Makeup Tips and Tricks for Moms and Daughters** on Saturday, May 16, at 2:30 p.m. An expert in makeup application will be at the Manomet Branch to show how to choose the right products and shades for you and your daughter or granddaughter! Registration is required.

For more information about these programs, call the Manomet Branch at 508-830-4185 or email jenniferj@ocln.org.

Senior Circuit

There are plenty of fun and interesting activities for mature patrons at The Library! Here is a sampling of upcoming programs this winter and spring:

Enjoy an evening of music and laughs at the **Silent Movie program with Pianist Richard Hughes** on Thursday, March 12, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library. The 1923 film *Safety Last*, starring Harold Lloyd, will be shown with live musical accompaniment. Free popcorn for movie-goers! Snow date is March 26.

The **Tenth Annual Seniors' Springtime Social** will be held Wednesday, April 8, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library. Magic will be in the air with entertainment by Marcus the Magician from The Magicompany on Cape Cod. Plan to stop by for an afternoon of amazing magic, audience participation and fun! Registration begins March 25.

How safe is your personal financial information? Find out at the **"Don't Get Hacked" workshop** on Wednesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. in the Main Library. Do you use credit or debit cards? Shop or bank online? Do you know how to protect yourself

from identity theft? Learn from an expert how to protect your personal information and keep your money safe and secure. This program is offered in connection with Money Smart Week – a national campaign that helps consumers improve their financial literacy.

Journey into our nation's immigrant past with **author Vincent Cannato** on Saturday, May 16, at 11 a.m. in the Main Library. He will explore the inspiring and often unsettling history of Ellis Island – the site where millions of people first landed on American soil. Copies of his book *American Passage: The History of Ellis Island* will be available for purchase. It articulates the dramatic and bittersweet accounts of the immigrants, officials, interpreters and social reformers who all played a role in Ellis Island's chronicle.

Join us for **The Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Sentimental Journey** on Thursday, June 11, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library. Relax and reminisce to the smooth sounds of the talented Tony LaVorgna Quartet, who will perform music of the 1930s, '40s and a bit beyond.

Bargains galore at Winterfest Book Sale

The Plymouth Public Library Corporation will hold the 18th annual **Winterfest Book Sale** on Saturday, Jan. 31, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Main Library. Take advantage of preview hours from 8 to 10 a.m. for a \$10 admission charge; just come to the side door. General admission to the sale is free and begins when The Library main doors open at 10 a.m. Many hardcover and paperback books will be available, as will be DVDs and music CDs.

A special program for *Members Only* will be held Friday night, Jan. 30, from 6 to 8 p.m. The side door at the Main Library will be open to Corporation Members for their own private viewing and sale. Light refreshments will be served and, as a special bonus, each member will get one free item!

Corporation membership applications are available at the Main Library and Manomet Branch. Annual dues are \$10 for an individual and \$20 for a family. The Corporation provides funding for the ARTY award-winning Adult and Children's cultural programs at both branches, as well funding the Summer Library Program. It also administers the extensive volunteer program, sponsors book sales and supports staff development.



The Silent movie *Safety Last* with Harold Lloyd will be shown Thursday, March 12, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library. Music will be provided by pianist Richard Hughes.



Marcus the Magician of the Magicompany of Cape Cod will perform at the 10th Annual Seniors Springtime Social on Wednesday, April 8, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library.

Library Calendar

February

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Thoreau's *Walden Pond* at 6 pm in the Board Room at the Main Library. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

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1614 at 7 pm in the Main Library. Panelists will share personal experiences while producing this exhibit presented by Plymouth 400, Inc. Main Library/ 508-830-4250.

March

7 – Join us for Brew Talk at 2:30 pm in the Manomet Branch. Paul Nixon of Independent Fermentations will talk about brewing and provide samples for patrons 21 or older. No exceptions! Manomet Branch/ 508-830-4185.

9 – Author Anjali Duval will discuss her book *Faint Promise of Rain* at 7 pm in the Main Library. She will also demonstrate an Indian dance. Books available for purchase and signing. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

12 – Relive those days of yesteryear with a Silent Movie and Pianist Richard Hughes at 2 pm in the Main Library. Enjoy music and laughs watching the 1923 film "Safety Last," starring Harold Lloyd. Free popcorn! Snow date: March 26. Main Library/508-830-4250.

14 – Family Adventures in Reading (FAIR), a storytelling reading and discussion program for children 6-11 and caregivers, begins at 1 pm at the Main Library. Running for six consecutive Saturdays, the program encourages parents to read to their children at home and to make visiting The Library a regular activity. Other dates: March 21, March 28, April 4, April 11 and April 18. Youth Services/508-830-4250.

16 – Jim Carroll talks about "**A Night at the Opera**" at 6 pm in the Main Library. This three-part series includes discussion and viewing of operas *Tosca*, *La Boheme* and *Turandot*. Continues March 24 and 31.

Adult Services/508-830-4250.

April

6 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Weston Wind Quintet at 7 pm in the Main Library. The group will perform classical chamber music. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

8 – Stop by for the Tenth Annual Seniors' Springtime Social at 2 pm in the Main Library. Entertainment by Marcus the Magician. An afternoon of fun for senior citizens! Registration required. Main Library/508-830-4250.

13 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Shakespeare – Scene 1 at 7 pm in the Main Library. Actor Stephen Collins celebrates National Poetry Month by portraying William Shakespeare. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

15 – Join us for Patron Appreciation Day from 10 am to 2 pm in the Main Library and Manomet Branch. Check out the displays of programs and services. Light refreshments will be served. Main Library/508-830-4250 or Manomet Branch/508-830-4185.

21 – It's the Teen Job and Volunteering Fair at 10 am in the Main Library. Talk with local businesses that are hiring and find volunteer opportunities for service requirements. Young Adults/508-830-4185.

22 – Crochet Club at 2 and 3 pm in the Main Library. See Feb. 18.

22 – Learn how to protect your computer at the "Don't Get Hacked" Workshop at 7 pm in the Main Library. Learn from an expert how to protect your personal information and keep your money safe. Part of Money Smart Week. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

27 – The Annual Tidepool Poetry Reading will be held at 7 pm in the Main Library. Event celebrates National Poetry Month. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

Library hours

Main Library: 508-830-4250

Monday	10 am-9 pm
Tuesday	10 am-9 pm
Wednesday	10 am-9 pm
Thursday	10 am-6 pm
Friday	10 am-5:30 pm
Saturday	10 am-5:30 pm
Sunday	12:30-5 pm*

Manomet Branch: 508-830-4185

Monday	9 am-5 pm
Tuesday	closed
Wednesday	9 am-5 pm
Thursday	9 am-9 pm
Friday	closed
Saturday	9 am-5 pm
Sunday	closed

* Closed July & August

Remember these dates!

The Library is closed:

Presidents Day
Monday, February 16

Easter
Sunday, April 5

Patriots Day
Monday, April 20

Mother's Day
Sunday, May 10

Memorial Day
Monday, May 25

Independence Day
Saturday, July 4

Labor Day
Monday, September 7

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Library Calendar

May

4 – Local poet David Roderick will read poems at 7 pm in the Main Library. Books available for purchase. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

9 – Join us for the **Fourth Annual Police Services Day** from 10 am to 2 pm at the Main Library. Families with children of all ages will enjoy this fun-filled day in The Library's parking lot, where they can meet officers, including motorcycle, bicycle, mounted and marine units. Finger-printing, K-9 and motorcycle demonstrations. Youth Services/508-830-4250.

11 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Michael Tougias at 7 pm in the Main Library. The author will read from his new book, *Rescue of the Bounty*, and give a presentation. Books available for purchase. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

13 – Join us for **Chess for Grownups** at 7 pm in the Main Library. Bill Petrillo will lead four sessions. Continues May 27, June 10 and June 24. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

16 – Discover **American Passage: The History of Ellis Island** at 11 am in the Main Library. Author Vincent Cannato will explore the inspiring and often unsettling history of the site where thousands of people first landed on American soil. Copies of the book will be available for purchase. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

16 – Ask the Expert: Makeup Tips and Tricks for Moms and Daughters at 2:30 pm in the Manomet Branch. An expert in makeup application will show how to choose the right products and shades for you and your daughter or granddaughter. Registration required. Manomet Branch/508-830-4185.

20 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: New England Chamber Players at 7 pm in the Main Library. The group will perform a

classical chamber concert with soprano Rachel Tolzman. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

21 – It's the **Tenth Annual DPW Day** from 10 am to 2 pm at the Main Library, rain or shine. Display of public works equipment in the parking lot, including bucket truck, loader, sweeper truck, plow and more. Other exhibits will be held in the Otto Fehlow Meeting Room. Youth Services/508-830-4250.

June

1 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Aine Minogue at 7 pm in the Main Library. The Celtic harpist will perform songs of Ireland and New Age music. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

11 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Sentimental Journey at 2 pm in the Main Library. Tony LaVorgna Quartet performs music of the 1930s, '40s and beyond. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

15 – Dr. Richard M. Shiff Forum presents: Johnny Souza Jazz Quintet at 7 pm in the Main Library. The group will perform jazz and classics from the American songbook. Adult Services/508-830-4250.

19 – It's the **Summer Solstice Book Sale Corporation Members Only Sneak Preview** from 6 to 8 pm in the Main Library! Adult Services/508-830-4250.

20 – Join us for the **Summer Solstice Book Sale & Family Day** from 9 am to 2 pm at the Main Library. Food and fun for all ages! Adult Services/508-830-4250.

Weekly

Family Story Time – Children under 6 with parents or caregivers can enjoy books, songs, rhymes and movement activities on Mondays at 11 am at the Manomet Branch Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am in the Main Library. Manomet

Branch/508-830-4185 or Youth Services/508-830-4250.

Mother Goose on the Loose – Weekly 30-minute story for children 18 months and younger with parent or caregiver at the Manomet Branch at 10:15 am on Mondays and at the Main Library at 10:15 am on Wednesdays and 11:15 am on Thursdays. Registration required. Youth Services/508-830-4250 or Manomet Branch/508-830-4185.

Tots 'n' Tales – Story time features age-appropriate stories, songs and finger plays for children 3 and under with caregivers at 11 am on Wednesdays at the Main Library. Main Library/508-830-4250.

Monthly

Evening Family Story Time – Monthly story time for all ages on Wednesdays each month at 6:30 pm in the Main Library. Join us in your pajamas! Includes rhymes, stories and other fun literacy-building activities. Dates: Feb. 11, March 11, April 8 and May 13. Main Library/508-830-4250.

Dance Party for Preschoolers – Children 2 to 5 are invited to a music, movement and story program at the Main Library. Listen to a story, play games and musical instruments, and dance along to popular children's music one Saturday each month at 10:30 am. Registration. Dates: Feb. 14, March 14 and April 11.

Harry Potter Book Club – Kids 8-12 can talk about this great book series. Meetings are at 4 pm in the Main Library on Thursday, Jan. 15, Feb. 19, March 19, April 16 and May 14. Registration required. Main Library/508-830-4250.

Junior Friends – Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the Main Library. Friends help with events and book sales as well as host programs for children and teens. Manomet Branch Librarian/508-830-4185.

Kids Writing Club – Children 8-11 can bring poems, stories or other writing projects along to share and try fun writing exercises one Wednesday each month at 4 pm in the Main Library. Dates: Feb. 26, March 26, April 23 and May 21. Youth Services/508-830-4250.

Manomet History Book Group – Meets one Thursday each month at 4 pm to discuss history or current events. Titles are available prior to discussion. Dates: Feb. 19, March 19, April 16 and May 21. Manomet Branch/508-830-4185.

Read to a Dog – Children 6 and older can read to Sophie, a certified trained therapy dog, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm on one Saturday a month at the Main Library. Sign up for a 15-minute time slot. Dates: Jan. 31, Feb. 21, March 21, April 25 and May 16. Youth Services/508-830-4250.

Teen Writers Group – Meets twice a month on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at the Main Library. Teen writers share pieces they have written and get feedback. Dates: Feb. 10 & 24, March 10 & 24 and April 7 & 21. Manomet Branch/508-830-4185.

Squiggles & Giggles – A story and craft program for children 18 months to 3 with parent or caregiver one Friday each month at 10:30 am in the Main Library. Children listen to stories and participate in a fun craft. Registration required. Dates: Jan. 30, Feb. 27, March 27, April 24 and May 22. Youth Services/508-830-4250.

Vintage Reads – This new Classics book group meets one Thursday each month at 7 pm in the Manomet Branch. Members read and discuss a classic novel. Books available for checkout one month prior to meeting. Dates: Feb. 12, March 12, April 19 and May 14. Manomet Branch/508-830-4185.

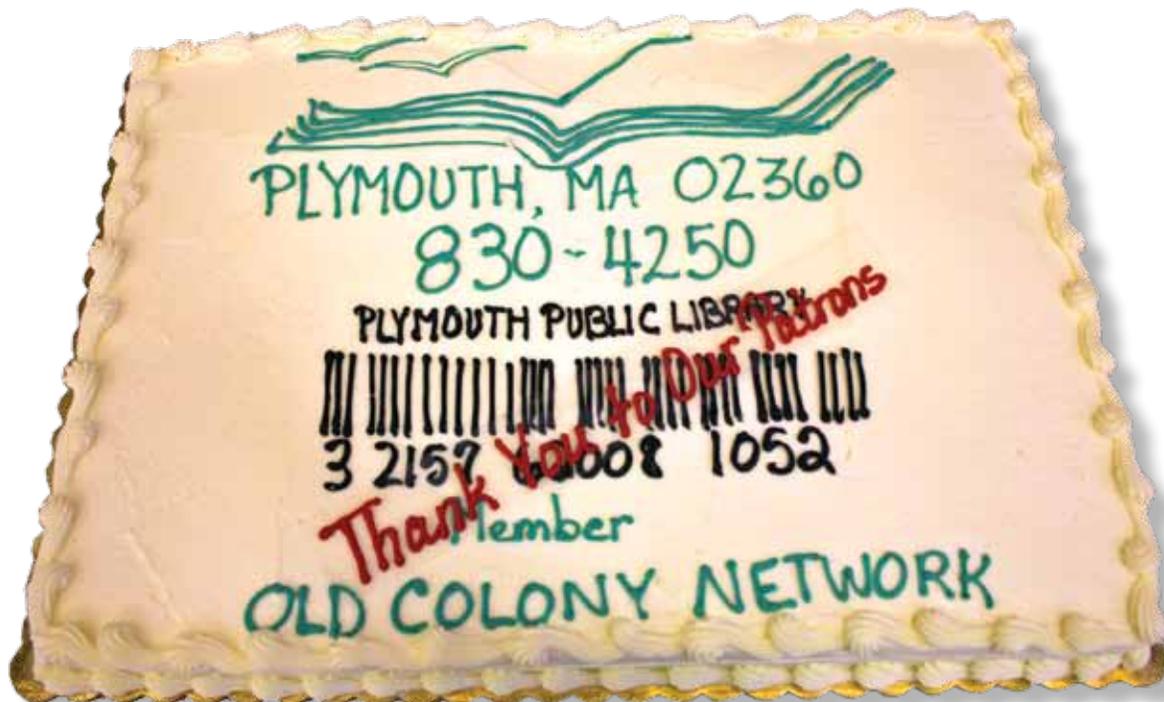
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