
Southwick Public Library

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Library Hours

Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesdays, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursdays & Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. • Closed Sundays

Library Links

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June 2009

Member of the Western Mass Regional Library System (WMRLS)



Blasts Off in June!

The *Starship Adventure @ Southwick Public Library* Suntime Reading Program officially begins on June 29, 2009. To promote our biggest event of the year, Children's Librarian Mrs. Storozuk and YA Specialist Mrs. Caruso will visit Woodland Elementary and Powdermill Middle Schools to invite students in grades 3-8 to join the program, and kids age 2 through entering grade 6 may begin pre-registration on Monday June 15. Twenty-four prizes will be awarded to young readers in our weekly drawings. By reading books checked out from the library and visiting the library, all participants may receive special coupons for free stuff from local businesses including: Blossoming Acres Farm, the Summer House, The Daily Grind, Notch Travel Centre, Mrs. Murphy's Donuts, Southwick McDonalds and Southwick Big Y.

Thursday is Craft Day during the six-weeks of the Suntime Reading Program. Children may make a simple drop-in and do-it-yourself craft in the Children's Room including a "model robot," Martian mask, and more.

Special events for kids in grades 4-6 include **Theatrical Make-Up Workshop, Mad Science, Bedtime Storytime** with Children's Librarian Mrs. Judd and a visit from **Mother Goose** for the preschool set, and, as a grand finale a demonstration by **Frisbee World Champion Todd Brodeur**.

For this year's **Brown Bag Book Discussion** for kids entering 5th or 6th grades, we will consider a book over lunch with Mrs. Storozuk.

This year, the library will host a **Family Film Series** in the Community Room on Wednesdays, July 8 and 22, and August 8. Join your friends for "space movies" and snacks. (continued on page 2)

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YA Suntime Reading 2009 (Grade 7 in Sept. – 12th Grade)

After you register, starting on June 29th every time you visit the library and have read a book from the library you may submit a chance for our weekly teen prize drawing and collect coupons for free items from local businesses.

Special YA Programs-Register at Reference Desk

July 9 1:30-2:15 p.m. **Paint Moon Rocks**--help create rocks for the Children's Room and one for you!

July 14 1:00-3:00p.m. **Theatrical Make-up Workshop** – become an alien, monster, etc.

August 5 1:15-2:00 P.M. **Pizza & Pages** Book Discussion

August 11 12:30-1:30 **Frisbee Workshop with World Champ Todd Brodeur**-Grades 6-12

Adults To Join “Starship Adventure”

Adult patrons of the Southwick Public Library may join the Suntime Reading Program by reading a fiction book or biography from the library's collection beginning Monday, June 29, 2009, and, then placing a chance in the program box for each library book they read during the program's six weeks. Chances are available at the Circulation Desk.

This is the seventh annual Adult Suntime Reading Program, and this year the six prizes awarded to one lucky patron per week center around the following themes: **Going Green, Stargazing, Scrapbooking, Cooking, Out Of This World, and Being Fit.** A special **bonus prize** will also be awarded to someone selected from “losing” entries. This program is open to all adult “patrons in good standing.” Good luck!

The *Starship Adventure at your library* Suntime Reading Program is sponsored by Southwick Public Library, and the Massachusetts Regional Library Systems.

Teen Poetry Contest Winners Announced

The Southwick Public Library is pleased to announce the winner of our Teen Poetry Contest is Madeline Hatt/Peloquin for her poem “*In My Mother's Arms*”. Madeline received 2 movie passes. The poem “*Untitled*” by Jenna Klinkowski took second place. Jenna received 1 free movie pass. The library was pleased to receive a total of 16 entries. The judging committee was impressed with the quality of all of the entries.

June Events

June 2 & 16	Storytime for 2-5 year olds, 10:30 a.m.
June 3	Adult Book Discussion, 6:30 p.m.
June 9	Trustee Meeting, 7 p.m.
June 10	Friends Meeting, 7 p.m.
June 15	Suntime Reading Pre-Registration Begins for Children and Teens
June 18, 19, 20	Father's Day Make & Take Craft
June 23	Adult Cardmaking Workshop, 7-8 p.m.
June 29	Children's, YA & Adult Suntime Reading Begins
July 8 & 22	Family Film Series
August 8	Family Film Series

*The Library will be closed
Saturday, July 3 & 4, 2009
In observance of Independence Day*

In the Laporte Gallery

Albert A. Woodruff, art photography

Artists who are interested in exhibiting their original work in the Laporte Gallery may pick up an application at the circulation desk or for more information, email Jeanine.laporte@comcast.net.

Join Friends of Southwick Public Library Today!

NEW MATERIALS

Adult Books

Borderline, Nevada Barr; Just Take My Heart, Mary Higgins Clark; Nightwalker, Heather Graham; Fatally Flakey, Diane Mott Davidson; The Relievers, Zoe Heller; Dare To Die, Carolyn Hart; Look Again, Lisa Scottoline; Until It's Over, Nicci French; Prayers for Sale, Sandra Dallas; Cemetery Dance, Douglas Preston; The Family Man, Elinor Lipman.

Adult CD Books

Trouble, Jesse Kellerman; Homecoming, Bernhard Schlink; Condoleeza Rice, Elisabeth Bumiller; Captiol Conspiracy, William Bernhardt.

Children's DVD

Escape from Fairytale Village (NR); Prince Caspian (NR); Space Buddies (G); Speed Racer (PG).

Adult DVD's

Back To The Future (PG); Frost: Nixon (R); Marley & Me (NR); Star Wars Trilogy (PG).

New Young Adult

Forest of hand and teeth, **Carrie Ryan**; *The last olympian (Percy Jackson & the Olympians)*, **Rick Riordan**; *Wolverine: the prodigal son (vol.1)*, **Antony Johnston**; *King of the screwups: a novel*, **K.L. Going**; *Warrior princess*, **Frewin Jones**; The reformed vampire support group, **Catherine Jinks**; and *Chasing the Bear (a young Spenser novel)*, **Ann E. Burg**.

New in Children's Room

Just like Bossy Bear, by David Horvath; *Chicken Little*, by Rebecca and Ed Emberley; *Bubble trouble*, by Margaret Mahy; *The littlest dinosaur*, by Michael Foreman; *Mortimer's first garden*, by Karma Wilson; *One giant step*, by Robert Burleigh; *Little Chick*, by Amy Hest; *How many cats*, by Lauren Thompson, *Waggit again*, by Peter Howe; and *Madame Pamplemousse and her incredible edibles*, by Rupert Kingfisher.

Cultural Council Celebrates 10th Art Show With Library Display

The Southwick Cultural Council celebrated the 10th anniversary of its annual juried Fine Arts Exhibition, which took place this year on April 18-19, with an array of information, and photos commemorating the event and the council. The display, which is available for viewing April through June, 2009, is located in the Southwick Public Library's Display Case housed in the Reading Nook area of the library.

The group came up with the idea of a fine arts show in 1999 as a way to draw the community together and to the arts, and as an outlet for local artists to show their work. This year some 40 artists, residents of Western Massachusetts and Northern Connecticut, were highlighted and represented a rich diversity of talent and artistic styles. Over the last three years, attendance at the exhibition has increased 25% and sales by 30%. Besides the works, the show featured live demonstrations, displays, and a historical photo gallery.

The Massachusetts Cultural Council consists of 329 councils serving all 351 Massachusetts cities and towns. Each year local councils such as the Southwick Cultural Council award more than \$2 million in grants to more than 5,000 programs statewide. This year the local council awarded grants in Southwick to 11 programs including six library programs.

The Town Hall Historical Stage Project was also initiated by the Southwick Cultural Council to raise funds through matching grants to pay the \$120,000 cost of repair to the historical stage. The group is currently "selling pieces of the stage" at \$5 per square inch or \$60 for a linear foot. Forms for "purchase" are available at the library. A recent fundraiser involving a jigsaw puzzle contest raised \$500 toward this effort.

Friends Annual Meeting To Be Memorable Event

The Friends of the Southwick Public Library have scheduled a June 10, 2009 meeting at 7 p.m. to set the plans for the group's fall annual meeting which may include a speaker and other components. These extras are designed to bring the group's 80-plus membership to the library to make the 2009 meeting a memorable event for the body, and recruit additional membership. All interested and prospective Friends are invited to attend this organizational meeting and share their ideas for the evening affair.

CHILDREN'S ROOM NEWS

Storytime in June is for 2-5 Year Olds

Join us for Storytimes at the Library on Tuesday June 2 and 16 to hear Summer Stories and Space Stories as we gear up for Suntime Reading. Start off your summer with feltboard stories, a little craft, a song, and, of course, some great stories. You may sign up to join in the fun by calling or visiting the Children's Room.

Kids Make Father's Day Gift

To celebrate Father's Day, Southwick Public Library invites children of all ages to come to the Children's Room on Thursday, June 18, Friday, June 19 or Saturday, June 20 to make a Father's Day gift for Dad. Materials for this easy craft will be available during the regular hours.

You may visit or call us at 569-1221 for more information.

Local Summer Opportunities for Children

Parents and kids can choose summer activities by looking through our "Summer Opportunities 2009" binder, on display in the Children's Room for use in the library. Play and learn at one of the Southwick area learning and recreation organizations. For more information visit the Children's Room.

Baby Gifts for New Southwick Parents

Congratulations to all new parents who are residents of Southwick! As you venture into the wonderful and sometimes challenging world of parenting, we encourage you to visit the Children's Room at Southwick Public Library where you will receive a free gift. The gift consists of a board book about baby, a magnetic photo frame, a book mark and a water proof bag.

While you are here, enjoy browsing through our Parenting Collection. You will find help with such topics as baby and child care, how to help your baby to sleep, when to begin toilet training, and more.

Some titles of interest to new parents are: *The Secret of Play*, by Ann Pleshette Murphy; *And baby makes four: a trimester-by-trimester guide to a baby-friendly dog*, by Penny Scott-Fox; *100,000 baby Names*, by Bruce Lansky; *Twin Sense: a sanity-saving guide to raising twins from pregnancy through the first year*, by Dagmara Scalise; *How to Dad*, by John Boswell; and *The Baby Bible*, by Birgit Gebauer-Sesterhenn, et al.

It's never too early to read to your child. Our selection of Board Books will help you to get started in your lifelong family reading experience. We look forward to meeting you and your new little one.

Adult Cardmaking Set for June 23

Southwick Public Library will offer a free Cardmaking Workshop for adults from 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 in its Community Room. The workshop, led by Library Trustee Nancy Zdun, will be limited to 12 persons who will each craft up to four greeting cards of their choice.

Materials will be furnished, but participants are asked to bring a sharp pair of scissors and their ideas for the cards they would like to make.

The program will be filled on a first come, first served basis with 15 allowed to register in case early registrants find they cannot attend the program. Patrons in good standing are asked to call 569-1221 or drop in to register.

Carey Book Discussion Postponed To June 3

The adult Book Discussion Group's May 6 session involving Peter Carey's *His Illegal Self* was postponed to Wednesday, June 3, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the library's Community Room. All interested adult patrons are welcome to attend this final offering of the group's spring session, and are asked to bring their ideas for future book selections.

The group will resume operating with their first fall selection on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at the same time and place. The September selection should be ready for pick up and payment at the Circulation Desk on Monday, August 3, 2009 while supplies last.

Try Books on CD--Great for Traveling

Taking a trip to the beach? Going to a family Reunion? Take along a book on CD from Southwick Public Library. It will help the travel time to pass quickly and will provide some quiet time entertainment at your destination as well. CD books may be checked out for two weeks. Southwick Public Library has a fine selection of adult Young Adult and children's books in the CD format. Take a look at these collections on your next library visit.