
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 websites:

Town website www.southwickma.org/library

Unofficial Library website www.southwicklibrary.info

Western Mass. Regional Library System (WMRLS)

www.wmrls.org

Library Links

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Area Artist To Present Class On Losing the Fear of Drawing

Have you ever thought: “I can’t draw”; “I can draw”; “I used to be able to draw”; or “I want to draw again”? Evelyn Dean Casey, an accomplished artist in pencil, charcoal, pastel, watercolor and oil, can help. On Tuesday, May 25, 2010 from 6:30-7:30 p.m., she will present a simple and fun family workshop that will explore the creativity in all of us. The free, open to the public program will be held in the *Southwick Public Library’s* Community Room.

Participants need to bring something to draw with, including either crayons, pencils, markers, or pens. Paper will be supplied, but participants may bring their favorite sketch books if they want.

Casey is an award winning local artist whose work has recently been seen at the Monson Arts Council Exhibition, the *Southwick Public Library*, and local shows and exhibits in the Pioneer Valley. Visit her website www.cadencecreationsart.com for more information.

Local VFW Post #872 Is Featured in Display Case

The Ransford W. Kellogg Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #872 is the subject of the *Southwick Public Library’s* Reading Nook display through June 30, 2010. Artifacts concerning the Post and its history may be found in the *Southwick Public Library’s* Display Case there. Since its inception in 1951, the Post has been active in community service including sponsoring a little league team, and the Sea Scout Troop. It continues to provide scholarships to *Southwick-Tolland Regional High School* graduates, and

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hosts holiday dinners for Southwick and Granville senior citizens. It has organized the Veteran's Day Service in Southwick, and members place flags on the graves of veterans. It participates in Christmas parties at both the *Holyoke Soldiers Home* and the *Leeds Veterans Center*, and holds spaghetti dinners to support the Southwick Police Department. It also sponsors Venture Crew #872, and donates to various charities and veterans programs. Its Ladies Auxiliary sponsors the Voice of Democracy Program.

The post began in June of 1951 with 30 members led by Commander Ralph Liptak, and was followed later that year with a 22-member Ladies Auxiliary led by President Gertrude Krawczyk. At first, its meetings were held in several different locations. Then in the mid 1960s the members purchased The Pine Tree Inn on Point Grove Road where the chapter remains today.

Inquiries concerning the Post and its work may be made in person at the Post home any day after 3 p.m.

Shanghai Girls To End Spring Book Discussions

Lisa See's *Shanghai Girls* is the subject on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. of the Southwick Public Library's final Adult Book Discussion for the spring session. Participants may meet in the Community Room of the library where group members are asked to bring suggestions for the fall session which begins the first Wednesday of September. Materials for that read will be available at the Circulation Desk of the library for pick-up and pay after August 1, 2010.

AAA DriveSharp Downloads Available

Southwick Public Library Patrons are still able to download to their computers the AAA DriveSharp software training program clinically proven to help you think faster, focus better, and react quicker on the road. Patrons may check out the CD-ROM for a one week period from the library's Circulation Desk; however, it is non-renewable and will be charged at \$1 per day overdue.

May Events

May 1	Book Sale, 10-1
May 4, 1, & 18	3-5's Storytime, 10:30 a.m.
May 5	Adult Book Discussion, 6:30 p.m.
May 10-15	Children's Book Week Drop-In Activities
May 12	Bedtime Storytime
May 12	Friends' Meeting, 7 p.m.
May 25	Drawing Workshop, 6:30 p.m.

In the Laporte Gallery

Frank Quirk, Photography

***The Library will be closed
Saturday, May 29 and Monday May 31, 2010
in observance of Memorial Day.***

Park Passes Available for Circulation

Southwick Public Library has a number of family passes to area museums and other local venues which are available for use by library patrons on a first come, first served basis. Passes may be checked out for free on a two-day circulation with a \$5.00 per day overdue charge. They may be checked out once a month per family so as to make them available to as many patrons as possible.

Passes include: 2 *Amelia Park* passes, gifts of *Southwick Community Engagement Grant*; 3 family passes to the *Springfield Museums*, gifts of *The Friends of the Southwick Public Library*; 1 *Norman Rockwell Museum* pass, 1 *Eric Carle Museum* pass, both gifts of *Southwick Public Library*; and 1 Pass to *Massachusetts State Parks*, gift of the State Parks Pass program.

For more information about this offer, visit the library's circulation desk.

CHILDREN'S ROOM NEWS

Play in May at 3-5's Storytimes

May Storytime at *Southwick Public Library* will meet May 4, 11, & 18 from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room. Help to get the animals back to the zoo. Find a frisky little dog named Gracie. We'll "take you out to the ballgame." Sing a new song and make a craft. Children must pre-register for this program.

For more information or to pre-register for children's programs, visit or call the Children's Room at 569-1221 x 4.

Southwick Public Library Celebrates Children's Book Week May 10-15

Drop-In Activities- Do one of our Word Search or Fill-in the Blank puzzles. Make a book mark with an attached pyramid tiny treasure box. Materials for these activities will be available all week in the Children's Room.

"Quack, Quack, Quack" at Bedtime Storytime

Children age 2-5 years old and their parents or caregivers are invited to come to the Children's Room on Wednesday evening May 12 at 6:30 for a Storytime that's "Just Ducky!" Wear your favorite pajamas to listen to duck stories and to do a simple duck craft. Registration for this program is not necessary.

Mother's Day Craft

Remember Mom on her special day with a Mother's Day craft you can make at the Southwick Public Library during our regular hours on Thursday, May 6th, Friday May 7th and Saturday, May 8th. All ages are welcome.

Parenting Display

Check out our Parenting display in the Children's Room for ideas on good food and nutrition for your children. Start them off with a healthy diet with the help of a cook book or child development book from *Southwick Public Library*.

New Materials

ADULT BOOKS

A Night Too Dark, Dana Stabenow; *Treasure Hunt*, John Lescroart; *Fantasy In Death*, J. D. Robb; *Split Image*, Robert B. Parker; *Money To Burn*, James Grippando; *Hush*, Kate White; *Hell Gate*, Linda Fairstein; *The Silent Sea*, Clive Cussler; *Hot Rocks*, Nora Roberts; *Flirt*, Laurel K. Hamilton.

ADULT CD BOOKS

The Art Of Happiness In A Troubled World, The Dalai Lama; *The Crowning Glory Of Calla Lily*, Rebecca Wells; *Dakota*, Martha Grimes; *The Witch Of Portobello*, Paulo Coelho.

ADULT DVDs

Confessions Of A Shopaholic (PG), *Couples Retreat* (PG-13), *Imagine That* (PG), *Journey To The Center Of The Earth* (PG).

CHILDREN'S DVDs

The Backyardigans: Super Secret Super Spy (NR), Believe In Me (PG), Sleepytime Songs & Stories (NR), Space Chimps (NR).

NEW YOUNG ADULT

Eleventh grade burns (The chronicles of Vladimir Tod), by Heather Brewer; *The six rules of maybe*, by Deb Caletti; *Max Cassidy : escape from Shadow Island*, by Paul Adam; *Blessing's bead*, by Debby Dahl Edwardson, *Rikers High*, by Paul Volponi; and *Paper daughter*, by Jeanette Ingold.

NEW IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

Thumb and the bad guys, by Ken Roberts; *A Faraway Island*, by Annika Thor; *Raider's Ransom*, by Emily Diamand; *Spot the Plot: a riddle book of book riddles*, by J. Patrick Lewis; *Zero is the Leaves on the Tree*, by Betsy Franco; *When a monster is born*, by Sean Taylor; *Back to Bed, Ed*, by Sebastien Braun; *Alien Eraser Reveals the Secrets of Revolution*, by Barbara Kerley.