
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

Town of Southwick website: www.southwickma.org

Library page on Town website: www.southwickma.org/library

Unofficial Library website: www.southwicklibrary.info

MA Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC): www.ma.gov/libraries

MA Library System (MLS): <http://www.masslibsystem.org/>

State of MA website: www.ma.gov

Visit the "Southwick Public Library Young Adult Department" on
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This enhanced version of **Library Links** includes links to other websites, etc. In addition this version is able to include additions and corrections to the paper document. Copies of this version are available at www.southwicklibrary.info. This version is NOT the official document from the *Southwick Public Library*.

During the December 2011 meetings of the *Library Board of Trustees* the proposed Library budget will be finalized. The public is invited to provide input.

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Enhanced Version

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December 2011

Member of the Massachusetts Library System

Step/STOMP Comes To Southwick Public Library

Join the fun on Thursday, December 29 at 11 a.m. as *Southwick Public Library* presents Step/ STOMP Workshop with super stomper Brett Outchcunis. Not to be confused with Irish Step Dance, step dancing is a form of percussive dance in which the participant's entire body is used as an instrument to produce rhythms and sounds through a mixture of footsteps, hand claps and spoken word. Ooch's STOMP workshop is full of laughs, rhythm and fun! Get ready for an experience that will have you stepping to your own beat.

This program is funded by a grant from *Shurtleff Children's Services, Inc.* For more information, visit or call the Children's Room at 569-1221 Ext 4.

Library Budget Due December 11

Town officials have requested that the library submit their FY'13 budget to them by December 11, 2011, and that there be sums reflecting a level budget (same as FY'12), a 5% decreased budget, and a 10% decreased budget. [*The Library budget will be submitted on December 14, 2011 after the Trustees Meeting.*] Even complying with the town's level funding request would place the library out of compliance with *Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners'* (MBLC) [requirements](#) and thereby cause it to request a waiver of the *Municipal Appropriation Requirement* in order to protect patron borrowing privileges and interlibrary loan privileges. Noncompliance may also jeopardize state money coming to the library.

Therefore, Library Director Anne Murray, and the library's *Board of Trustees* are developing a budget that meets state stipulations [M.G.L. requirements], and satisfies its educational and recreational lifelong learning goals while being mindful of the town's limited resources.

Multiple Resources Available To Southwick Library

Patrons

Three online resources and one printed resource are available to Southwick Library patrons for their use. The first, **Career Accelerator** was created as an adjunct to the library's second resource, a test prep site - **LearningExpressLibrary**, and is a wealth of knowledge for job seekers and professionals even offering periodical webinars. Both are available at the library and remotely through the library's link to the town's website:

<http://www.southwickma.org/library>.

The third, **Ancestry Library Edition**, is supported by the *Friends of the Southwick Public Library*, and is an online platform available through the library's computers only. It boasts featured collections including the U.S. Census Collection, U.K. and Ireland Collections, Birth, Marriage and Death Records, Immigration Collection and much more.

The last, **Value Line**, is a continually updated printed resource that is universally recognized as a premier investment tool. This periodical resource is housed in two binders, and may be obtained at the Reference Desk.

Book Group Meets Dec. 7

The Adult Book Discussion Group at the *Southwick Public Library* will meet Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the library's Community Room to discuss Marcus Zusak's *The Book Thief*. Due to the recent storm which caused power outages, the discussion was postponed from November 2, 2011.

Participants will be able to pick up and pay for the February selection: *Cherries in Winter* by Suzan Colon at the discussion, or afterwards at the Circulation Desk while supplies last. *People Magazine* said the book was "Perfectly in sync with today's tough times...your best weapon may be a well-nourished soul."

Friends Meeting Sets Spring Plans

Friends of the Southwick Public Library decided at their recent meeting to reevaluate their area attraction pass sponsorship program, and to hold their next book sale in April of 2011. By the middle of December, the group will take stock of the use put to the various passes they sponsor to determine which passes will be kept for the upcoming spring and summer seasons. (Continued on pg. 3)

December Events

December 5-10	Gingerbread Craft
December 7	Adult Book Discussion, 6:30 p.m.
December 12-16	Holiday Match Game
December 13	Trustee Meeting, 7 p.m..
December 20-22	Holiday Craft
December 29	Step / Stomp Program, 11 a. m.

**In the Laporte Gallery:
Susan Neske, Mixed Media**

Holiday Closing

**The Library will be closed December 23, 24, 25 & 26 and
Jan. 2 for the holidays**

Teen Photography Contest

Due to the power outage, the *Southwick Public Library* extended the deadline for entries to November 14th. The library is pleased to announce that the winning photo was submitted by Tyler Belisle. He won two Rave Theater movie tickets. His photograph is posted on the bulletin board in the Young Adult section of the library. Congratulations Tyler!

New Materials

New Adult Books

In Other Worlds, Margaret Atwood; *Goddess Of Vengeance*, Jackie Collins; *My Song: A Memoir*, Harry Belafonte; *The Best Of Me*, Nicholas Sparks; *Eisenhower: The White House Years*, Jim Newton; *A Profound Mind*, Dalai Lama; *In My Time*, Dick Cheney; *One Summer*, David Baldacci; *The Vault*, Ruth Rendell; *Our Last Best Chance*, King Abdulla, II;

New Adult CD Books

Gilead, Marilynne Robinson; ; *Little Princess*, Conor Grennan; *Merry Merry Ghost*, Carolyn Hart; *Robert Redford*, Michael Feeney Callan.

New Adult DVDs

Arthur, (PG 13), The Conspirator, (PG-13), The Lincoln Lawyer (R), The Social Network (NR).

New Children's DVDs

Bookey and the Secret Santa (NR), A Christmas Carol (PG), Christmas With The Backyardigans (NR), Merry Christmas (NR).

New in Children's Room

A Christmas Tree for Pyn, by Olivier Dunrea; *Blue Chicken* by Deborah Freedman; *Bailey*, by Harry Bliss; *The Third Gift*, by Linda Sue Park; *Nathan Blows Out the Hanukkah Candles*, by Tami Lehman-Wilzig; *Neville*, by Norton Juster; *Lighthouse Christmas*, by Toni Buzzeo *The Magical Christmas Horse*, by Mary Higgins Clark; *Llama Llama Home With Mama*, by Anna Dewdney; and *King Jack and the Dragon*, by Peter Bently

They plan to meet in February or March to discuss their April book sale, and have determined to also hold a sale in August of 2012 rather than their customary October event. All patrons of the library are invited to attend their meetings.

Children's Room News

Decorate the Library for the Season

Join us in the Children's Room on December 5-10 to make a Gingerbread Person to decorate the library for winter. Using paper cut-outs, you can decorate your gingerbread person any way you like with pompoms, stickers, feathers and markers. Materials will be available during our open hours.

Christmas Craft

Start off this Christmas Season with a special **Holiday Craft** you will make in the Children's Room beginning Monday, Dec. 19th through Wednesday, Dec 22nd during regular hours. Children of all ages are welcome.

Holiday Match Game

Play the **Holiday Match Game** to enter the contest to match Holiday Characters with their Holiday Stories or Songs. Beginning on Monday, Dec.12th and ending on Friday, Dec. 16th children of all ages may fill out an entry form once a day. A winner will be drawn from all the correct entries and their name will be posted on the bulletin board in the Children's Room on Monday, December 19th.

Teens Movie/TV Challenge

Teens while you're visiting the library during the school holiday vacation (Dec. 27th - 30th) pick-up a Movie/TV Challenge sheet at the *Reference Desk*. Show your parents that those hours of watching television and movies have not been wasted! We will have two different challenges: match the T.V./movie pet to the /movie and match the famous quote to the correct movie title. There will be a box on the *Reference Desk* for you to submit your answers. The winner will receive a gift certificate to "The Summer House."