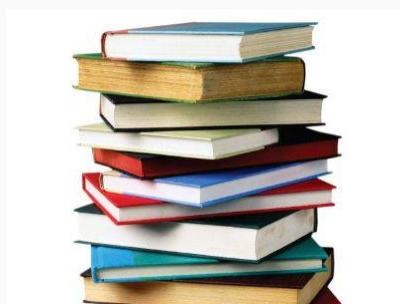


Happy Friday the 13th!

If you suffer from Triskaidekaphobia (an irrational fear of the number 13) - today is not your favorite day, but weather-wise we sure got lucky this Friday with high temperatures in the 50's and a milder feel than usual. We do want to let you know that as this is a holiday weekend - Monday, January 16, is Civil Rights Day, the library will be closed this Sunday, January 15.



Book Groups

Evening Book Group: Wednesday, January 25 @6:30pm: *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles

Afternoon Book Group: Thursday, February 2 @1:30pm: *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay

Cookbook Group: Thursday, February 9 @6pm: *Smitten Kitchen Everyday* by

Deb Perelman

BYG Book Group: Saturday, February 25@10am: Title TBD - Check with Mr. Bunker for details.

Copies of all books are located behind the library circulation desk. If you want to join a book group, please let the library staff know and we can add your name to the appropriate list. Book group members need to have a library card in good standing so we may check books out to your account. Please also note that book group books are loaned from other libraries and these generous libraries appreciate timely returns of their materials.



New Adult Crafting Program - starting in February!

What: Craft Together

When: 2nd Saturday (February 11, March 11, April 8.....)

Time: 12 noon to 1 or 1:30pm

Knitters, crocheters, cross-stitchers, and all other lovers of handicrafts are invited to the BML for an afternoon of crafting and company. Chat with others and make progress on your current project, or start something new! Crafters of all skill levels are welcome, including beginners and free patterns, books, and tutorials will be available. Bring your own tools and materials. No sign-up necessary.

If you have questions or need more information, please call 603-679-8484 and ask for Jordan.



Children's Programs

The third session of children's programs began on January 3 and will run through February 18.

Drop-in storytimes happen every day, Tuesday through Friday @10am. All of the programs are the same although the Wednesday Lapsit storytime is geared especially for our smallest patrons.

We are also happy to offer one Saturday storytime on the second Saturday of the month. The next two Saturday storytimes will be Saturday, January 14@10am and Saturday, February 11@10am. Mark your calendars!

STEAM Club (Tuesdays 3 - 4 pm) for grades 3 - 6 is full for this session.
LEGO Club (Thursdays 3 - 4pm) for grades K - 2 is full for this session.

We are planning to have several programs during February vacation (Feb 20 - 24), please check our monthly calendars as they become available.

The fourth session of children's programs will run from March 7 through April 22. Signups for those programs will start February 21.



Seed Sale at the Library

The Friends of the BML are pleased to announce a Seed Sale from January 3 through February 5. Seeds are being purchased from the High Mowing Organic

Seed company. Ordering brochures and instructions are available at the library. Stop by and pick one up! Spring is just around the corner.....



Winter Weather

It hasn't been the usual type of winter - more rain than snow, and more ice than we want to see. As we've had so many missed weather forecasts, we want to note that ***generally***, if school is closed, then the library is closed.

But, there are caveats. Such as the Friday when school closed due to impending snow - but then it rained. If school is closed because there are 3 inches of snow on the ground and more is falling fast - then we will close. If school is closed but it is clearing by 10am and the sun's out - we'll probably open a little later than usual. When the school cancels all afternoon and evening activities - library activities will be cancelled as well. We like to be open, but not if it is unsafe for people to drive here.

And yes, we always have to close if we have no power or internet. The best thing to do is check our FB page where we try to post messages of an immediate nature. Hopefully, Mother Nature will cooperate with our plans during the winter months - but we get what we get and we don't get upset.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Liz Bolton, Library Director, Blaisdell Memorial Library