



ASHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

JUNE 2019 NEWSLETTER

Hours:	Monday	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
	Tuesday	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
	Wednesday	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
	Thursday	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
	Friday	10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
	Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
	Sunday	CLOSED

Phone: 508-881-0134 *Wi-Fi access is available throughout the building*
 Library Website: www.ashlandmass.com/184/Ashland-Public-Library
 Library Facebook: www.facebook.com/AshlandPublicLibraryMA/
 Library Goodreads Account: www.goodreads.com/AshlandPublicLibraryMA/
 Friends of the Library website: <http://www.friendsoftheapl.com/>
 Friends Facebook: www.facebook.com/FriendsoftheAshlandPublicLibrary/

SATURDAY HOURS CHANGE:

Remember: Our Saturday hours change with the Farmers Market season. The Library will be open from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. from June 8th until mid-October, to accommodate people who visit the Farmer’s Market, located just across the street at 125 Front Street. If you haven’t yet visited the Ashland Farmers Market you are in for a treat – we have one of the best Farmers Markets in the area!

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK & CUPCAKE SALE:

MEMBER PREVIEW SALE Friday June 7th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Not yet a member of the Friends of the Ashland Public Library? Join that night or join online!

BOOK & CUPCAKE SALE Saturday, June 8th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Books for all ages and plenty of delicious cupcakes! Be sure to stop in to grab some summer reading.

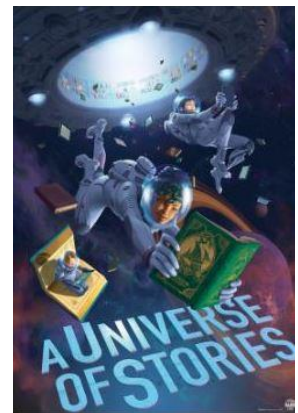
SUMMER READING PROGRAM STARTS JUNE 17th:

The 2019 Ashland Summer Reading Program will **start on Monday, June 17th and run through Saturday, August 10th**. This year’s theme celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, which took place on July 20th 1969. Children, teens and adults may participate this summer by keeping track of the time they spend reading or listening to books. Help us reach our community goal of reading over 1,000,000 minutes! Can we beat last year’s total of 1,147,544 minutes?

Earn Weekly Rewards for every week that you log 60 minutes or more. Weekly Rewards may be collected anytime between June 18th and August 31st, so you will be able to pick up your rewards even if you are away for most of the summer.

You will log your reading minutes online, either on your home computer, in the Library, or on your cell phone. We are using a new software package called Beanstack this year, which we think is a big improvement over Wandoo. It only takes about 3 minutes to register your entire family, and Beanstack sorts everyone into the correct program. You will be able to see how many minutes we’ve logged as a community each time you log-in. There is a mobile app which lets you scan ISBN numbers to input titles and authors if you want to keep track of which books you’ve read. You can also use the mobile app’s timer feature to automatically input your minutes. You can even add photos of each family member to your mobile account (only you will be able to see them).

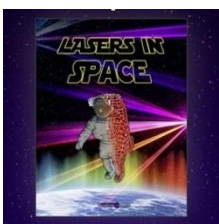
Pre-registration starts on Saturday, June 1st. Go to <https://ashlandmass.beanstack.org/reader365> to register.



SUMMER READING KICK-OFF EVENT:

Tuesday, June 25th at 4:00 p.m. Prismatic Magic is bringing their exciting laser light show, *Lasers In Space*, to kick-off our summer of space themed programming. Be amazed as laser scientists teach about the planets and the sun. Discover how lasers transform space exploration. Learn why today’s most advanced space probes carry laser-powered instruments.

This program is best for age 4 thru adult.



CHILDREN:

MUSIC FOR LITTLE ONES WITH THE AHS CHORAL GROUP:

Monday, June 3rd 11:15 – 11:35 a.m. The AHS Choral group is back by popular demand for a second performance. Join them for a fun, toddler-friendly sing-a-long session!

YOUNG FAMILIES:

Saturday, June 1st at 10:30 a.m. “Mike The Bubble Man”

Ashland’s own Mike the Bubble Man is back again for his crowd-pleasing bubble fun! Watch him make amazing, stupendous bubbles of all shapes and sizes!

SPACE IS LIMITED: Free tickets are handed out as people arrive.



ROBOTICS PROGRAM:

Saturday, June 29th drop-in between 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Join Team Robowizz of the Ashland Jr. Robotics Club as they demonstrate some of their phenomenal Legos robots. Team Robowizz were here at the Library in February and we were so impressed that we invited them to come back for our “Universe of Stories” Summer Reading Program. They just returned from the LegoLand International Invitational Tournament, where they were awarded 2nd place for Project presentation competing against 68 teams!

PAJAMA STORY TIME:

Tuesday, June 11th at 6:30 p.m. For ages 3 – 6 Come in your pajamas to listen to Miss Lucie read some bedtime stories. Don’t forget to bring a stuffie to keep you company!

LAP SIT:

Wednesdays mornings from 10:15-10:45 a.m. For Infants and Toddlers through age 3 ½. Join us for stories, songs & fingerplays. This is a very large group and **space is limited**. Free tickets are handed out as people arrive.

We also hold Lap Sit one Saturday each month. **No Saturday Lap Sit during the month of June.** The next Saturday session will be held on July 27th.

LEGOS CLUB:

No Legos Club during the month of June. Legos Club will next meet on July 11th.

S.T.E.A.M. STORY TIMES:

Friday mornings from 11:00-11:45 a.m. For kids age 3 ½ - 6 **Space is limited** – free tickets are handed out as people arrive. Each week we read stories and non-fiction books about one topic and do a related activity. June topics include “Ocean Zones”, “Things That Stick”, “Astronauts”, and “Summer”.



READ-TO-A-DOG:

Read to Knives or Machete on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. June 3rd & 17th

Read to Bear on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. June 13th & 27th

Kids can improve their oral reading skills by reading to one of our certified therapy dogs. **Space is limited.** Each child has a 10 minute turn - time slots are assigned upon arrival.



YMCA PLAY, LEARN & GROW:

Tuesdays 11:00 – 12:00 or Thursdays 11:00 – 12:00 **Infants through age 5.** You may attend one program per week. Sensory play, music, stories, crafts, socialization and more. **This is a large group and space is limited.** Free tickets are handed out as people arrive. Please email LABolfazli@metrowestymca.org with any questions or to get on their email list.

LITTLE CRAFTERS:

No Little Crafters during the summer months. Instead, the Mom’s Club will be offering **Tot Spot** at the Corner Spot (on the corner of Main Street & Pleasant St.) on Monday mornings this summer, starting on June 24th.

TEENS:

FINALS STUDY SESSION:

Study Sessions for Grades 9-12 All Ashland High School students are invited to study for finals at the library. Students are invited to study in groups or alone. Snacks and drinks will be provided, as well as a stress relief station.

Mon., June 10th 5:00–6:45 p.m.

Tues., June 11th 2:00–7:45 p.m.

Wed., June 12th 4:00-7:45 p.m.

Thur., June 13th 2:00-7:45 p.m.

ADULTS:

GREAT DECISIONS:

2nd Monday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the Ashland Library The next session will be on **June 10th**.

The Great Decisions Discussion Program, created by the Foreign Policy Association of America in 1954, is America's largest grassroots discussion program that focuses on world affairs. Before each meeting participants are asked to read an article from the Great Decisions briefing book, then meet as a group where they will watch a DVD of interviews and information relating to the article, and follow up with a thoughtful and engaging discussion.

This group is open to ALL ages. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Public Library and Ashland Senior Center.



STAR PARTIES:

Keep your eyes on the Friends Facebook page and Twitter for info about the next Star Party date. Star Parties are weather dependent and we can only make plans a few days in advance.

LEARN TO PLAY THE UKULELE:

Channel your inner Hawaiian soul and learn to play the ukulele with Julie Stepanek on **Saturday, June 15th**.

Children 7+ at 9:15 a.m. Adults 18+ at 10:30 a.m. This program is designed to teach participants how to play the ukulele as quickly and as enjoyably as possible. The 30 minute lesson on fundamentals will be followed by a 30 minute sing-along, before concluding with a Q & A. Each session is limited to 24 participants and Julie will loan ukuleles for the lessons. If you prefer to bring your own ukulele, you MUST already have it tuned.

You must pre-register online: <https://www.friendsoftheapl.com/events/> This program is supported in part by a grant from the Ashland Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

BOOK CHAT:

New Time! New Location Wednesday, June 12th 6:30 p.m. at the Corner Spot

Come chat about books! What have you read lately? Whether you loved it, hated it, we want to know. After the meeting, you'll have a nice list of recommendations for your 'To Be Read' pile!

FRONT STREET READERS:

The Front Street Readers book discussion group meets (usually) on the **4th Tuesday of the month at the Library at 7:00 p.m.** **Rescheduled from May -- On June 4th** the group will discuss Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng. *In Shaker Heights, a placid progressive suburb of Cleveland, everything is planned – from the layout of the roads to the colors of the houses. No one embodies this spirit more than Elena Richardson. Enter Mia Warren – an enigmatic artist – who arrives in this idyllic bubble with her teenage daughter. Mia carries with her a mysterious past and a disregard for the status quo that threatens to upend this carefully ordered community.*



DOCUMENTARY FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES:

The Documentary Film & Discussion Series meets from **7:00 - 9:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of the month.** The moderated discussions are often lively and thought provoking. All points of view are welcome. The films are sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Library. For more information visit www.friendsoftheapl.com.



“Black in Latin America: Brazil: A Racial Paradise?” will be shown on June 13th
In this third of a four part series, Henry Louis Gates, Jr. explores Brazil, which imported more slaves than any other New World colony. Slavery was more brutal in Brazil than in North America and ended later. Brazil has the second largest African population. Professor Gates presents the history of race in Brazil and the intellectual development of “racial democracy.” He discusses the familiar divide between lighter skin elites and dark skin impoverished. Is Brazil a rainbow nation or is it just awakening to its legacy as the world’s largest and perhaps most brutal slave nation?

ART IN THE LIBRARY:

DOWNSTAIRS GALLERY

May 2 -June 15 “Atmosphere” Pastels by Catherine Howe

Hopkinton resident Catherine Howe is passionate about pastels because of their pure pigments and rich colors. She draws inspiration from nature, both water and sky,. In her pastel images, Catherine tries to capture moments of silence and movement in the sky; the calm before the storm, and the relationship between the shifting atmosphere and the constant changes in the sea.

There will be an Artist’s Reception on Saturday, June 1st from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.



UPSTAIRS DISPLAY CASE

April 1st–June 15th “Close To My Heart” Clay works by students of Arti Bhola Goulatia at the Ceramics Garage

Ashland resident Arti Goulatia is the owner of The Ceramics Garage studio, where she creates her wonderful ceramic objects and teaches clay classes to children and adults. This exhibit focuses on the work her students have created this past year. Another in a series of art exhibits at the library presenting the amazing work of students from different art studio classes, in a variety of media that take place in Ashland... a community embracing the arts.

DOWNSTAIRS GALLERY AND UPSTAIRS DISPLAY CASE

June 21st - August 26th Ashland High School Students Annual Summer Exhibit

The annual summer exhibit of art work done by the talented students in Ashland High School and the Ashland Middle School.

On extended loan, in the downstairs conference room are photographs by Bill Horsman, a commercial and fine art photographer who has exhibited in the library and currently has his studio in downtown Ashland. A very fine exhibit featuring Bill’s creative photographic imagery of water and window reflections.

Helen Andrews: would you please contact me regarding the Golden Books Exhibit at leftaris@gmail.com. Thank you.

FRIENDS' FRIDAY NIGHT FILM SERIES:



Feature films are shown every **Friday evening at 7:00 p.m.** on our large HD screen.
Comfortable, padded chairs!

For upcoming titles please see the movie schedule available in the entrance lobby of the Library.