



ASHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY  
JULY 2019 NEWSLETTER

**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 8<sup>th</sup> 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!

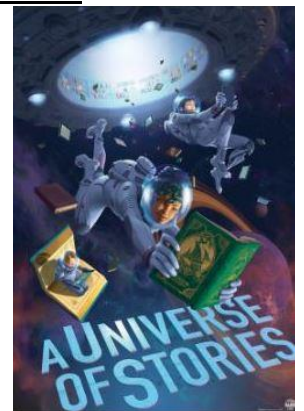
**LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY.**

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM:**

The 2019 Ashland Summer Reading Program will **start on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup> and run through Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**. This year’s theme celebrates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, which took place on July 20<sup>th</sup> 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?

Register and log your minutes at : <https://ashlandmass.beanstack.org/reader365> or with the Beanstack Tracker mobile app.

Earn Weekly Rewards for every week that you log 60 minutes or more. Weekly Rewards may be collected anytime between June 18<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>, 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). Weekly rewards include a free book. Children and Teens earn a library card lanyard when they finish reading 180 minutes. Children, Teens, and Adults earn a cloth “Universe of Stories” book bag for 240 minutes.

**MOON LANDING WEBCAST:**

**Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.** Come watch the original moon landing television broadcast on our large screen. Air conditioning and comfortable chairs!



**MOON LANDING 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARTY:**

**Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.** Enjoy a presentation walking through the happenings of the Moon Landing 50 years ago. Participate in fun activities and create crafts!  
**This program is best for age 5 thru adult.**

**FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT**

**Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.** Bring some supper and enjoy a fun night of trivia! Answer an array of questions and see which family knows it all!

**CHILDREN:**

**TAKE ME TO YOUR READER STORY TIME:**

**Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.** For ages 3 – 7 Come listen to some stories about planets, rockets and outer space.

**LOCAL AUTHOR STORY TIME:**

**Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** Featuring Natick Author, Deborah Younger-Mitchell and her picture book. Poppin' Beans celebrates the power of building family tradition-the building blocks of the soul; building blocks that create positive bonds and unforgettable memories.

**PAJAMA STORY TIME:**

**Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 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!

**JUMP TO JUPITER:**

**July 15<sup>th</sup>- July 23<sup>rd</sup> For all ages** This program takes place outdoors at your convenience. Jump your way through the solar system! Our outdoor course will show you just how far apart the planets are from each other and from the sun.

**DE(CON)STRUCTION:**

**July 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.** for Gr. 2 – 5 Come take apart a variety of appliances mostly using screwdrivers.

**MUSEUM OF SCIENCE: ROCKETS**

**Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. For Kind. – Up** Come watch a variety of rockets launch in the Schiesske Meeting Room. The Museum of Science and the Boston Athletic Association provide this program free of charge to libraries on the Marathon Route. **This program is sure to fill – free tickets will be handed out as you arrive. First come, first served.**

**SHARK WEEK:**

Stop in sometime July 22<sup>nd</sup> – July 27<sup>th</sup> to take a shark attack selfie.

**LEGO CLUB:**

**Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup> & July 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 - 4:30 p.m.** Kids of all ages build using the Library's huge stash of Legos, then their creations are put on display for a few weeks. Kids younger than Grade 3 must be with an adult.

**FAIRY HOUSES:**

**Saturdays during July and August from 9:30 am- 1:30 pm. All ages** Build a fairy house or gnome home in the Library's sculpture garden, using natural materials, such as bark, sticks and pebbles.

### **STRANGE NEW PLANET:**

**Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. Gr. Kind – Up** What is it like to discover a new planet? How do scientists figure out what it looks like, or what kind of an atmosphere it has? Come explore for yourself what it would be like to be the scientist who makes this amazing discovery

### **WEEKLY PROGRAMS:**

#### **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. **Saturday Lap Sit: July 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 a.m.** The next Saturday session will be held on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **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. July topics include “Tools,” “Sound,” “The Moon,” and “Sharks.”



#### **READ-TO-A-DOG:**

**Read to Knives or Machete on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. July 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Read to Bear on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. July 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**

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:**

No Playgroup at the library during summer months. Instead, the YMCA's Project ABC will offer activities at Kidspot, The Corner Spot, Holliston's Good Will Park, and Hopkinton's EMC Park. Please email [LAbolfazli@metrowestymca.org](mailto: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 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **TEENS:**

#### **MOVIE NIGHT**

**Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> from 5:00- 7:00 p.m.** Bring a snack and drink, or help yourselves to popcorn and lemonade. We will watch a science fiction film. Please check with the Young Adult Librarian for the title.

#### **DIY 3D LAYERED PICTURE**

**Thursday, July 18 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.** Create a 3-Dimensional picture by layering different elements.

#### **TEEN PAINT NIGHT**

**Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration required by calling 508-881-0134.**

Follow along to create your own moon and clouds masterpiece, with a personalized quote about the moon.

### **ADULTS:**

#### **BOOK CHAT:**

**New Time! New Location Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup> and August 7<sup>th</sup> 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 you 'To Be Read' pile! If weather is undesirable, we will meet at the library. Check Facebook for updates.

### **GREAT DECISIONS:**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month 7:00 p.m. at the Ashland Library** The next session will be on **July 8th**. 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.

### **ART CLASSES:**

#### **Zentangle Gems with Terri DeLaune, CZT**

**July 10th at 6:00 pm Schiesske Meeting Room**

Learn to make colorful Zentangle inspired art gemstones in just a few easy steps. Maximum of 16 participants. Registration Required—Register HERE: <https://www.friendsoftheapl.com/event/zentangle-gems-with-terri/>

#### **Mosaic Bird bath workshop with Lisa Spindler**

**July 20th at 9:30am & Thursday July 25th at 6:30pm in the Schiesske meeting room**

This is a two part class, by signing up you are committing to coming to both sessions.

Saturday 7/20 from 9:30-11:30 am AND Thursday 6:30-8:30 pm. We will be creating two piece bird baths with painted bottoms and mosaic inset tops. Maximum of 12 participants.

Registration Required—Register HERE: <https://www.friendsoftheapl.com/event/mosaic-bird-bath-workshop-with-lisa>

### **FRONT STREET READERS:**

The Front Street readers will reconvene on August 27<sup>th</sup> with *My Dear Hamilton*. The Front Street Readers book discussion group meets (usually) on the **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Library at 7:00 p.m.**

### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT READERS:**

Readers will reconvene in September. This group generally meets on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Library at 6:30 p.m.**

### **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](http://www.friendsoftheapl.com).

#### **“Black in Latin America: Peru & Mexico: A Hidden Race? Thursday, July 11, 7 to 9 p.m.**

African slaves were brought to Mexico and Peru as early in the 16th and 17th centuries. In fact, Mexico and Peru received far more slaves than did the United States. In this final film of a four-part series, Professor Henry Louis Gates explores the worlds of culture that African descendants have created in Vera Cruz on the Gulf of Mexico, the Costa Chica region on the Pacific, and in and around Lima, Peru, where Africans, Indians and Mestizos mixed and inter-married. Are Mexicans and Peruvians aware of their history of slavery? Does racism towards blacks exist in these countries? What happens when a Mexican or Peruvian is visibly African? We'll explore these questions and more.

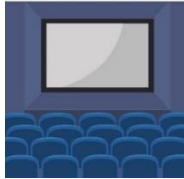
**ART IN THE LIBRARY:**

DOWNSTAIRS GALLERY and UPSTAIRS DISPLAY CASE

**Ashland High School Middle School Annual Summer Art Exhibit June 20 -August 24, 2019**

On exhibit for the summer is the annual summer exhibition of art work done this past school year by the talented students in Ashland High School and the Ashland Middle School. On exhibit will be creative art projects from AHS studio art classes and the middle school art program. Included will be drawings, paintings, sculptures, ceramics, multi-media and digital graphic design. This is always a popular exhibit and not to be missed.

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.



**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.