



THE BOOKCASE



Agawam Public Library's Newsletter

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You must live feverishly in a library. Colleges are not going to do you any good unless you are raised and live in a library every day of your life.

~ Ray Bradbury, *Writer's Digest*, February 1976

Summer Reading Programs @ the APL

READLocal Kicks Off SRP

READLocal 2014 returns with 10 new authors! It will be held on **Monday, June 23rd at 6:30.**

Information on the Adult SRP will be available and refreshments will be provided by The Atrium.

Meet the authors and visit the Fiction Kiosk showcasing their books. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Kristie Poehler-Gettysburg National Military Park
The Cause

Gayle Suzanne-It's in the Little Things

Joy Mastroianni-Chase the Wind
Mistaken Identity

Alexander O'Neil-Is There Any Love Down Back?

Nancy Hale-My Journey: A Military Wife's Story
of Faith, Hope and Courage

Brunhilde Luken-My Walk with Christ, A Spiritual
Journey

Roland Crevier-Selective Belief

Annette Aberdale-Kendra-Group: Voices Within
the Journey of Eating Disorder Recovery

Sandra Howell-Spirit of A Rare Breed
Saving Gigi

Lunchtime Lyrics with Corlene Starts in June

Local folk artist Corlene Roberts returns for her 4th season in the Summer Reading Program lineup! She has played at the Daily Grind, Louie B's, the Yardhouse and local farmers markets and wine tasting events. So bring your lunch to the library and listen to some music. Begins June 30th at 12:30!

"Literary Elements" is Adult SRP 2014 Theme

The 10th annual Adult Summer Reading Program begins Monday, June 23rd and continues through Friday, August 15th at 12:00, with the raffle to be held that afternoon at 3:00 by the Information Desk.

Here is a list of upcoming summer events:

June 23-6:30	READLocal Book Signing
June 30, July 8,16,24 & Aug. 1 12:30-1:30	Lunchtime Lyrics
July 7-6:00	Pastel Drawing Workshop
July 15-6:30	Ice Cream Taste-Testing
July 17-Aug 21 Thursdays-9:30	Writing Workshop
July 21-6:30	Harvesting Your Garden
July 29-6:30	The World of Rare Books
July 31-7:00	Nature Odyssey
Aug 11-6:30	The ABCs of Genealogy
Aug 12-9:00-3:00	WoW Express
Aug. 15-3:00	SRP Raffle at Info Desk

Check out books from the APL on your own card, fill out a Review Slip and place it in the SRP display box. Each completed slip is used as a raffle ticket for one of 20 prizes!

Register for programs beginning June 2nd, by calling the library at 789-1550 x4 or online at www.agawamlibrary.org. Some programs have limited space so sign up early!

Literary Elements is sponsored by the Agawam Center Library Association, Agawam Cultural Council, MA Library System, Boston Bruins, MA Board of Library Commissioners and CSLP.

June Exhibits

Gallery Walls

Sean Leahy-Photographs of Birds

Double Glass Case/Johnson Case

House Plants/Terrarium Designs-Shari Petrucci

Anyone interested in displaying art or a special collection should contact Joanne Szlag at jszelag@agawamlibrary.org or 789-1550. Exhibits must meet with the APL's criteria for viewing in a public library.

Leahy Photo Exhibit

Sean Leahy has always loved taking photos, even as a child and was always ready with his camera to capture an interesting image.

Two years ago, Sean's wife suddenly died and deeply affected him. It was suggested that he go on a quest to help him with his grief. As a result he has been traveling all over New England taking pictures of birds. The photos in his exhibit are birds of Western Mass.

Free Fun Fridays in MA

Check out the website www.highlandstreet.org and click on Free Fun Fridays. It gives a list of zoos and museums in Massachusetts, that offer free admission on Fridays, beginning June 27th and continuing through August 29th! There are 5-8 different locations each week, including the Boston Children's Museum, Plimouth Plantation and Mass MOCA.



Summer Reading at the APL The 2014

Summer Reading Program "Fizz Boom Read" begins Monday, June 30th, with a kick-off event by Jungle Jim. Please register by calling 789-1550 x3 or at www.agawamlibrary.org, where the full list of summer programs and information on the SRP can be found!

Book Displays for June

Fiction Display - READLocal Authors
Deliso Display - Gardening

Master Gardener Display

Master Gardener, Shari Petrucci will offer gardening displays at the library this month.

In the Johnson Case will be terrarium designs that represent varied ecosystems such as Alpine, Desert, Beach, and Tropical.

The Double Glass Case will showcase house plants that can be used to provide fresher air and the aesthetics of a cozy and calm environment, welcoming household members and visitors alike.



Adult Drop-In Sit & Knit

Adult Drop-In Sit & Knit continues through the summer on Tuesdays, from 1:00-3:00. There is no instructor during the summer.

Change in Museum Passes

The library no longer has passes to the *Basketball Hall of Fame*, simply due to lack of use. Both Big Y and AAA offer discounts with their cards, plus Groupon occasionally posts special offers.

As of July 31st, the library will discontinue the *Springfield Museums* pass because a comparable discount offer is available online at www.valleyvisitor.com. According to museum staff, more than one Buy 1 Get 1 1/2 Off coupon may be used during the same visit. The library will have coupons available for patrons at the library's Info Desk. The museums also participate in the Big Y and AAA card discounts.

Summer Hours

Closed Saturdays beginning June 21st

Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday	9-9
Friday	10-6
Saturday	Closed

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