

# THE BOOKCASE

## AGAWAM PUBLIC LIBRARY'S NEWSLETTER

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### *National Library Week is April 9-April 15* *Libraries Transform*

#### Author Talk with Kate Anderson

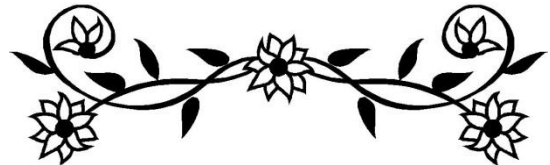
##### *Shadows in the Ward*

Monday, April 3 @ 7:00 p.m.

We welcome back local author, Katherine Anderson! Her protagonist from *Hospital Hill*, Valerie Martin, is now a supervisor at Westborough State Hospital and welcomes psychiatric nursing student Anna Gilman with a warning not to settle in. Anna soon realizes nothing at the hospital is as it seems.

Please call 789-1550 x4 or register for this program online at [www.agawamlibrary.org](http://www.agawamlibrary.org).

Passover	April 10
Easter Sunday	April 16
Patriots Day	April 17
Birth Anniversary – Booker T. Washington	April 5
Happy Birthday Author Beverly Cleary	April 12
Birth Anniversary - Charlotte Bronte	April 21
Birth Anniversary- Harper Lee	April 28



#### **Craft Supply Swap**

It's time for spring cleaning! Donate your leftover or never used craft supplies, then come "shopping" for a new craft or restock your current project for free! (All donations must be clean and in good condition, and in original packaging or clear zippered bags.) Donations will be accepted during library hours from April 10-22 and may be dropped off in the huge basket in front of the Circulation Desk.

**"Shopping days" will be Thursday, April 27 from 5-7, Friday, April 28 from 3-5 and Saturday, April 29 from 10-12.** Bags will be supplied and shoppers may fill one bag per day. Donation suggestions include scrapbooking, kids craft kits, craft storage, art supplies and fabric.

#### Poet and Motivational Speaker

##### Laura Chagnon

Thursday, April 20 @ 7:00 p.m.

West Springfield poet, Laura Chagnon will visit the Agawam Library to share her poetry as well as her story of a life changing accident, and how she overcame adversity to be able to do what she loves. *Never Touched A Pen*, her first published book was written by dictating her words to her caregivers, as Chagnon is legally blind and a quadriplegic.

Chagnon was 26 in 1989, when walking down a street in Boston she was assaulted "for no reason other than theft." She does not recall the exact events but woke up in New England Medical Center after 5 weeks in a coma.

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## Celebrate National Library Week

April 9-April 15, 2017

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The APL will be unveiling this summer's theme

for our annual Summer Reading Program during National Library Week. For the first time, adult readers can purchase Summer Reading-themed T-shirts in advance!

There will be two different styles with sizes ranging from small to XXXL for ONLY \$10!

Adult readers will also have the opportunity to participate in #whatareyoureading by having a picture taken and posted on our social media pages.

Bookmarks and bags will also be available at the Circulation Desk. For more information, call 789-1550 X4.

## April Art Exhibit

### Thousand Cranes Studio

Across both levels of the library, visitors will enjoy the colorful and creative artwork of the students from Thousand Cranes Studio. The artwork consists of drawings, sketches, and paintings from local art students! *Thousand Cranes Studio* is run by Stan and Sheila Coly and is located in Feeding Hills. For more information, please visit

[www.thousandcranesstudio.com](http://www.thousandcranesstudio.com).

## Local Authors Needed for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual READLOCAL Event

Our author meet-and-greet, book signing event will be Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Interested authors must have published a book for adults and not have previously participated in an author event at the Agawam Library. Book summary and contact information should be sent to Wendy McAnanama at [wmcananama@agawamlibrary.org](mailto:wmcananama@agawamlibrary.org) by May 13, 2017. Space is limited to 11 authors.

## April Book Displays

Fiction Kiosk – National Humor Month

Deliso Display - Celebrate Spring!



## April is National Poetry Month!

Enjoy our Poem-A-Week from local poet Peter Boadry! Selections will be available at both the Information Desk and the Reference Desk!

## April Book Discussion Groups

Evening Club "Night bookers"

Tuesday, April 4 @ 7:00 p.m.

*Death & Life of Charlie St. Cloud* by Ben Sherwood

Afternoon Club "Pageturners"

Wednesday, April 26 @ 7:00 p.m.

*Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng



**The Library will be closed on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup> in observance of Patriots Day!**

## Library Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Friday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

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