

# THE BOOKCASE

## AGAWAM PUBLIC LIBRARY'S NEWSLETTER

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### *Build A Better World*

#### *Adult Summer Reading: Everyone Wins!*

#### **Fridays this Summer!**

#### **Literary Lunchtime for Adults**

**June 30, July 7,14,21,28 and Aug 4 @ 12:30-1:30 p.m.**

Bring your lunch and listen to *Wonder* by R. J. Palaccio, read aloud to you by library staff! You may hear some favorite childhood picture books as well! Dessert will be provided - IF you finish your lunch!

#### **Tuesdays this Summer!**

#### **Family Fun with PLARN!**

**July 11, 18, 25, Aug 1 @ 2:30-3:30 p.m.**

This program is for everyone age 10 and older. Children need to be accompanied by an adult.

The whole family can build a better world by learning how to crochet mats out of plastic grocery bags. Participants are encouraged to bring their own bags. A basic understanding of how to crochet would be beneficial.



**Thursday, July 13 @ 7:00 p.m.**

#### **Allergen-Free Baking with Paula Castner**

Would you like to know how to adapt your favorite baked recipes to accommodate almost any food need you and your family have? Learn the "secrets" to substituting ingredients in recipes to create desserts which not only are healthier for you but delicious tasting, too.

#### **Independence Day**

National Sugar Cookie Day

Cow Appreciation Day

National Junk Food Day

National Cheesecake Day

**July 4**

July 9

July 15

July 21

July 30



#### **Build A Better World**

**Our Adult Summer Reading Program is NEW AND IMPROVED for 2017!**  
Everybody Wins!

**Monday, July 17 @ 7:00 p.m.**

#### **Celebrate Henry David Thoreau**

American author and naturalist Henry David Thoreau is best known for living for two years along the shores of Walden Pond in Concord, Massachusetts. Celebrate his 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday with author and Thoreau expert Corrine H. Smith. Ms. Smith is a writer, teacher and poet who worked as a librarian for more than 30 years. She is the author of *Westward I Go Free: Tracing Thoreau's Last Journey*.

**Please register for ALL programs online or by calling 789-1550 X4 [www.agawamlibrary.org](http://www.agawamlibrary.org)**

These events are sponsored by one or more of the following: Agawam Center Library Association, MA Cultural Council, MA Library System, Boston Bruins, MA Board of Library Commissioners and CSLP.

**Tuesday, July 18 @ 7:00 p.m.**

### **Preserving Your Story, part I**

Cher Collins and Maureen Shepard will share ways to preserve your personal story through journaling, scrapbooking and digitization. Part I is the lecture event of this 2-part series.

**Monday, July 31 @ 7:00 p.m.**

### **Preserving Your Story, part II**

Part II is the hands-on part and sign-ups are separate. There is limited space in both events and participants of Part I will be given preference.

**Thursday, July 27 @ 6:30 p.m.**

### **Islam 101 with Mona Ives**

Learn more to de-mystify Islam and clarify the many misconceptions. Mona Ives is an American-born Muslim who fuses her American heritage with her Islamic studies. After starting a major in International Relations at Boston University, Mrs. Ives completed her education in Pakistan where she studied Arabic and Islamic Theology at the International Islamic University in Islamabad. Mrs. Ives now serves as the Administrator of the Executive Committee at the Worcester Islamic Center and focuses her efforts on Islamic education, interfaith activities, outreach into the community and charity work.

### **July Book Displays**

Fiction Kiosk-Historical Fiction

Deliso Display-Happy Birthday, America!

### **Check Out the Ongoing Craft Supply Swap!**

Located under the Summer Reading Display Board

Have extra supplies? Leave some!

Need something new? Take some!



**July is National Ice Cream Month! Enjoy!**

### **July Exhibits**

#### **Gallery Walls and Lower Level Glass Case:**

#### **End War Poster Exhibit by Stephen Lewis**

*End War* features anti-war posters from several countries and are part of a collection of more than 6600 posters of Lewis, a long time activist in the labor movement. This project is supported in part by a grant from the Agawam Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

#### **Double Glass Cases and Johnson Case:**

#### **Children & Teen Summer Reading Prize Showcase**

### **July Book Discussions**

Evening Club "Nightbookers"

#### **Tuesday, July 11 @ 7:00 p.m.**

*Walden & Civil Disobedience* by Henry David Thoreau

(check out our Thoreau lecture on the 17<sup>th</sup>!)

Afternoon Club "Pageturners"

#### **Wednesday, July 26 @ 2:00 p.m.**

*Orhan's Inheritance* by Aline Ohanesian



**The Library will be closed on Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day.**

### **Library Hours**

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

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

Closed Saturdays in the Summer.

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