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Grab a meal at Jack's Abby to support Literacy Unlimited!

Come to Jack's Abby on Wednesday, July 31 from 12–9PM, tell your server you're there to support Literacy Unlimited, and enjoy a good meal that gives back!

Jack's Abby will donate 20% of proceeds from orders placed on July 31 directly to Literacy Unlimited, the adult English and literacy tutoring program at Framingham Library. Just make sure to mention Literacy Unlimited!



Summer Reading is underway!

If you haven't already, come by the Main Library or McAuliffe Branch to register for Summer Reading and get your free Summer Reading t-shirt (while supplies last). Registration online is also available.

For every book read or audiobook heard, enter a raffle ticket for a chance to win a prize. Summer Reading is for ALL AGES!







Learn About Recycling!

July 9, 7PM | Main Library, Costin Room

Join Eve Carey, Framingham's Recycling Coordinator, to learn more about recycling in the City of Framingham. From papers to plastics and from curbside to recycling center, find out what you can—and can't—recycle. Bring your questions!

Framingham Sounds: The Funky Dog Trio

July 13, 3PM | Main Library, Learning Yard (Costin Room in case of rain)

Our Framingham Sounds summer concert series continues with The Funky Dog Trio at the Main Library! This group combines elements of early rock 'n' roll, jump blues, and New Orleans R&B to create their own powerhouse sound! Doors open at 2:30—rain or shine!

When the Mysteries Aren't Cozy: The Intersection of Horror and Crime Fiction July 17, 6:30PM | Main Library, Costin Room | Teens and Adults

It's time to talk about Horror and Crime Fiction with V. Castro, Margot Douaihy, Gabino Iglesias, and our fearless moderator, Errick Nunnally! Come for the panel discussion and stay for the book sale and signing. In partnership with the Ashland Public Library.

Both the Main Library and McAuliffe Branch close at 5PM on July 3 and remain closed on July 4. Happy Fourth of July!

Main Library

49 Lexington Street 508-532-5570 Monday—Thursday 9–9 Friday—Saturday 9–5 Closed Sunday (July & August)

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street 508-532-5636 Monday—Thursday 9:30–9 Friday—Saturday 9:30–5 Closed Sunday (July & August) Sign up for email updates of Library news and events at framinghamlibrary.org!

Funding for Library programs is provided in part by the Friends of the Framingham Library.



















Recipe Swap Party

July 10, 6PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Bring a copy of your favorite recipe(s) to share, nosh on snacks, and chat about the stories behind the recipes and anything food and cooking related! Copies will be made so everyone can go home with a set of new recipes to try. Register here.

Activism through Cookbooks Talk with Culinary Historian Sarah Lohman

July 17, 7PM | Zoom (Group viewing at McAuliffe Branch, Community Room)

Join Culinary Historian Sarah Lohman for a discussion of the link between food and activism, beginning with the abolitionist food writers of the Civil War and continuing through the 20th century. Register for the Zoom link.

Art Journal Jam for Adults July 23, 6:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab

Bring your own art journal and prepare to get messy! Join us for this casual, unstructured session exploring the possibilities of art journals. No experience required. Space and supplies are limited. Register now!

Virtual Reality: Ocean Rift July 23 & July 24, 2–6PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Journey under the sea and explore an underwater world filled with sharks, seals, and more. Swim and learn about these sea creatures—without getting wet! Reserve your 45 minute block by calling the McAuliffe Branch at 508-532-5636 or registering online.

Medicare Supplement or Medicare Advantage—Which Plan is for Me? July 24, 7PM | Main Library, Technology Learning Center

Learn about Medicare Supplement and Medicare Advantage plans with Lisa Farnham from BCBS of Massachusetts. Find out which is the right plan for you. Get your questions answered!

FPL Jazz: Mike Fitz Quartet

July 25, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch, Astronaut Grove (Community Room in case of rain)

Enjoy the highly acclaimed Mike Fritz Quartet performing many of the greatest tunes from the Great American Songbook composed by Cole Porter, George and Ira Gershwin, Jerome Kern, and many others. Find out how the Great American Songbook served as the bedrock foundation for modern jazz.

BOOKMOBILE

The Framingham Library Bookmobile is out and about this summer. Here are Bookmobile events this July that you don't want to miss!

Boba Tea on the Bookmobile

July 5, 11–1 PM | Community Corner at Butterworth Park

July 8, 4–6 PM | VTC Farmers Market at ATAC

Enjoy Boba Tea on July 5th and 8th with the Bookmobile!

SUMMER EATS

Children and students from pre-K to 12th grade—through the age of 18—are invited to join the Summer Eats program!

Stop by the Main Library or McAuliffe Branch on the following days between 12–1PM for free lunches.

Main Library, Spark Lab Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays McAuliffe Branch Cafe Tuesdays and Thursdays ADULTS » YOUNG ADULTS » CHILDREN » BOOKMOBILE » LEARNING »

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

McAuliffe Evening Book Discussion Group Rebecca by Daphne du Maurier

July 9, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room & Zoom | Register here for Zoom link. "An international bestseller that has never gone out of print, Rebecca is the haunting story of a young woman consumed by love and the struggle to find her identity."

Science Fiction Book Discussion Group

The Terraformers by Ann Newitz

July 10, 7PM | Main Library, Costin Room & Zoom | Register here for Zoom link.

"From science fiction visionary Annalee Newitz comes The Terraformers, a sweeping, uplifting, and illuminating exploration of the future."

McAuliffe Morning Book Discussion Group Before the Coffee Gets Cold by Toshikazu Kawaguchi

July 18, 10AM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room & Zoom | Register here for Zoom link.

"If you could go back, who would you want to meet? In a small back alley of Tokyo, there is a café that has been serving carefully brewed coffee for more than one hundred years. Local legend says that this shop offers something else besides coffee—the chance to travel back in time."

* The Main Library Book Discussion Group is on hiatus July and August but returns on September 3 with Hello Beautiful by Ann Napolitano.



FILMS

McAuliffe Matinee: Under the Tuscan Sun

July 10, 1PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room | PG-13, 2003, 1h 53m

"Frances Mayes, a 35-year-old San Francisco writer, gets a divorce that leaves her with terminal writer's block and depression. Later, she decides to buy a house in Tuscany in order to change her life."

McAuliffe Matinee: The Natural

July 17, 1PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room | PG, 1984, 2h 18m

"A middle-aged unknown comes seemingly out of nowhere to become a legendary baseball player with almost supernatural talent."

Musicals at McAuliffe: In the Good Old Summertime

July 18, 1PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room | NR, 1949, 1h 42m

"In turn-of-the century America, Andrew and Veronica are co-workers in a music shop who dislike one another during business hours but unwittingly carry on an anonymous romance through the mail."

Brendan Fraser Double Feature: George of the Jungle & The Mummy

July 26, 1PM & 2:45PM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Come out to the McAuliffe Branch for not one but two Brendan Fraser matinees, starting at 1PM with *George of the Jungle* (PG, 1997, 1h 32m). Followed by *The Mummy* (PG-13, 1999, 2h 4m) at 2:45PM. Escape the heat and enjoy one or both of these summer blockbusters!

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ONGOING EVENTS

Tone & Stretch

* Mondays, 4:30PM | Zoom Click here to join the class.

* No class July 1.

Advanced Poetry Workshop

Tuesdays, 7:30PM | Zoom

This class welcomes serious, experienced poets. Registration required for new members.

Stretch & Relax

* Wednesdays, 4:30PM | Zoom Click here to join the class

* No class July 3.

One-on-One Resume Building

Thursdays, 9AM-1:30PM | Zoom Email career coach Ed Lawrence at elawrence@minlib.net to schedule an appointment.

Monthly Free Practice Interview Group

July 10, 3PM | Main Library, Children's Program Room Drop in to our monthly practice interview group led by Ed Lawrence.

Veterans At Ease Coffee Hour

July 19, 10AM | McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Join local veterans for free coffee and refreshments.

Yarn Social Clubs

Wednesdays, 10AM and 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 10AM | Main Library

Wednesdays, 6PM | McAuliffe Branch

Puzzle Swap

July 22, 7PM | McAuliffe Branch

YOUNG ADULTS

Weekly Minecraft Collaborative Build

Every Tuesday, 1PM | Online | Grades 4–12

Work on a group build in Creative Mode. Must be accepted on Minecraft server to participate. For more info, visit framinghamlibrary.org/minecraft.

Maker Mondays: Open Spark Lab

July 15, 22 & 29, 1:30PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 6–12

Use anything in the Spark Lab to work on your projects! Design something to be 3D printed! Needle felt something! Make some stickers! You get to decide.

Video Game Hangout

July 18, 2PM | Main Library, Costin Room | Grades 6–12

Play video games and eat snacks.

Learn Arduino

July 23 & 24, 3PM | Main Library, Spark Lab | Grades 6–12

Learn the basics of Arduino and how you can use these microcontrollers in all sorts of projects. If you sign up, please plan on attending both classes. Registration required.

Beeswax Candles

July 25, 2PM | McAuliffe Branch | Grades 6–12

Make your own beeswax candles to take home! Registration recommended.

Nailed It!

July 31, 6PM | Main Library, Costin Room | Grades 6–12

You've seen the TV show, now test your own decorating skills! We'll have a beautifully decorated cupcake, cookie, or other baked good done up in a themed design. You'll have to try and recreate it as best you can. Registration required.

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Third Space To Bring People Together

Wouldn't it be nice to create a home away from home in the Main Library? The Framingham Public Library Foundation is raising funds to create an inviting library living room at the Main Library.

It will feature the periodical collection, comfortable seating, tables, and charging stations as well as a coffee machine. Please help us create this Third Space!

For more information, email Ruth Winett at rwinett@rcn.com. To donate, go to framlibfoundation.org or send a check to the Framingham Public Library Foundation, 49 Lexington St., Framingham, MA 01702.



Book Sales Break for Summer

BUT... the Friends Bookstore is always open and the inventory continues to be restocked in both the Main Library and McAuliffe Branch.

All members of the Friends wish you a relaxing summer with family and friends. We look forward to seeing you at the Book Sale on September 21.

Coming Soon: Bulbs for Fall Planting

We are not wishing away summer but want to give you a heads up that the Friends will again be offering bulbs for sale beginning in late summer. Stay tuned!

It's Membership Renewal Time

Thank you to all our Friends for your support this past year. **July 1** is membership renewal date. Please consider renewing your membership this month. Not yet a member? **Join or renew now!**