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Lifelong Learning Lecture Series Winter/Spring 2016

This free **Thursday night 7:00pm** lecture series is a partnership of Framingham State University (FSU) and Framingham Public Library (FPL). The series is sponsored in part by a grant from Constellation, an Exelon Company.

Lectures take place in Town Hall,
150 Concord Street, Blumer Room.



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March 3 – Lights, Camera, Acting: The History of American Film Acting

Presenter: Dr. Claudia Springer, Associate Professor, FSU, Art Nolletti, Professor Emeritus, FSU and Julie Levinson, Professor, Babson College. Movie actors enthrall us with performances that appear effortless, but are actually carefully crafted. Join the authors of a new book on film acting, to explore the fascinating behind-the-scenes history.

March 10 – Politics, Propaganda, and the Party-Line: The Grimm Brothers in German History

Presenter: Dr. Laura Bohn Case, Visiting Assistant Professor, Wheaton College. The connection of the Grimm fairy tales to German history—from the 19th century through contemporary German culture.

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Atwater-Donnelly Perform Irish Music in America

Wednesday March 9, 7:00pm –
Heritage at Framingham, Peloquin Room, 747 Water Street



During this concert, you will explore Irish—and the broader realm of Celtic music and dance—as it has influenced folk music in America. In this program of historical

“snapshots” through song, instrumentation and dance, Aubrey and Elwood will convey the movement of a particular people over time, and its impact on American culture. *PARKING: Due to limited parking, Heritage asks that you park next door at Hemenway School.*

The NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library is Now Open!

Come visit us in our new state-of-the-art building at 746 Water Street. Please note our new hours listed to the right.

The **Pop-up Library** at 25 Clinton Street will remain open Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:00pm until the Main Library reopens. We will also continue to offer Sunday hours at the Christa McAuliffe Branch Library until the Main Library reopens.

Sunday Concert Series: Sam Ou and Chi-Chen Wu

Sunday March 13,
3:00pm – Callahan Center, 535 Union Avenue

Join us as cellist Sam Ou and pianist Chi-Chen Wu perform the works of Beethoven, Schumann and Grieg.



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Main Library

49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570

Temporarily closed. Regular hours below will resume upon re-opening:

Monday-Thursday 9:00-9:00

Friday-Saturday 9:00-5:00

Sunday 1:00-5:00

NEW HOURS

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street | 508-532-5636

Monday-Thursday 9:30-9:00

Friday-Saturday 9:30-5:00

Open Sundays 1:00-5:00 during the Main Library closure

did you know

The MetroWest Regional Transit Authority (MWRTA) stops in Nobscot near the new Christa McAuliffe Branch Library on Routes 2 and 3. Please call 508-935-2222 or visit www.mwrtta.com for schedules and information.



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March 17 – Are Kids Becoming Meaner? An Up-close Look at Cyberbullying and Suicide

Presenter: Dr. Ira Silver, *Professor, FSU*.

This presentation looks at recently publicized cases of cyberbullying, exploring what they do and do not tell us about the adolescent experience today.

March 24 – Hail to the Chief: The Creation of the American Presidency

Presenter: Dr. Gary Hylander, *Visiting Professor, FSU*. Unanimously elected the nation's first president, Washington was well aware of his unique position. "I walk," he wrote, "on untrodden ground."

March 31 – Children and Schooling in the Twenty-first Century in the United States

Presenter: Dr. Kelly Ann Kolodny, *Professor, FSU*. This talk provides a broad overview of the contexts of our nation's schooling in the 21st century. Geographic settings, economic realities, and accountability measures will be addressed during the talk.

Main Library Book Club

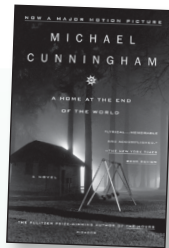
A Home at the End of the World

by Michael Cunningham

Tuesday March 1, 7:00pm –

**NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch
Library, Community Room**

This poignant and highly praised novel chronicles the lives of two boyhood friends—introspective Jonathan and hip and articulate Bobby—who grow up in Cleveland in the late Sixties and early Seventies and form an average, and yet far from normal, friendship. After college, Bobby moves to New York and moves in with Jonathan and his roommate Clare, and ultimately Bobby and Clare fall in love and have a baby. From there, the three move away to raise "their" baby together. Masterfully written, the *New York Times Book Review* calls it "...lyrical...memorable and accomplished."



FILMS

Friday Night Film:

Spotlight (2015) 128 min R (for some language and sexual references)

Friday March 11, 7:00pm –
Callahan Center, 535 Union Avenue

The true story of how *The Boston Globe* uncovered the child molestation cover-up within the Boston Catholic Archdiocese. This film has an all-star cast, including Michael Keaton, Mark Ruffalo and Rachel McAdams. *Doors open 6:30-7:15 only.*



Matinee Film: Bridge of Spies

(2015) 135 min PG-13

Monday March 21, 2:00pm – **Town Hall,
Blumer Room**

In this historical drama set during the Cold War, a Brooklyn attorney (Tom Hanks) is tasked with negotiating a prisoner exchange.

Poetry Workshop

Led by Alan Feldman,
Professor Emeritus
at Framingham State
University



Tuesdays March 1, 8, 15, 22
and 29, 7-9:00pm – **Town Hall,
Conference Room 2**
(March 1: Nevins Conference Room)

This drop-in class welcomes serious poets of all ages and levels of experience who would like to participate for one or more sessions. Each session begins with a discussion of a topic in poetry leading to a brief in-class assignment. Poets who wish to have their work discussed need to provide copies to distribute during the session. Alan Feldman's new collection, *Immortality*, was awarded the Four Lakes Prize, from the University of Wisconsin Press in 2015.

Feeding Backyard Birds: Backyard Wildlife Sanctuaries

Guest Speaker:
David Moon,
Sanctuary Director
for Joppa Flats Ed.
Center, Mass Audubon



Wednesday March 23, 7:00pm –
**NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch
Library, Community Room**

During this illustrated lecture, we will review the many species of birds that come to local backyard sanctuaries. We will discuss aids to identification, feeding ecology, migration patterns, and ways that you can contribute to the conservation of these amazing animals by making your backyard a refuge for wildlife.

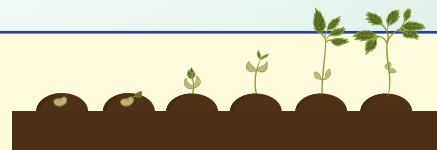
Gardening Workshop: How to Grow an Organic Garden

Wednesday March 16, 7:00pm –

NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

Guest Speaker: Kathy Huckins, retired Farm Manager, Stearns Farm

This workshop is geared to beginners and more experienced gardeners, and will teach you how to plan, prepare and plant your 2016 garden. This overview gives you the steps needed to get you and your garden off to a successful start. According to Kathy, "gardening is growing a farm on a very small scale." Topics include everything from soil testing and what to grow, to tips on planting and transplanting.



McAuliffe Branch Book Discussion

The Kitchen House

by Kathleen Grissom

Thursday March 17, 10:00am –
**NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch
Library, Community Room**

In this gripping *New York Times* bestseller, Kathleen Grissom brings to life a thriving plantation in Virginia in the decades before the Civil War, where a dark secret threatens to expose the best and worst in everyone tied to the estate. Carol Ames leads the discussion.

Drop-In Resume Help

Tuesdays March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 10:00am-12:30pm – **Town Hall, Nevins Conference Room (Room113)**

Get expert help with resumes, cover letters and job-search strategies.

BOOK SALES

are held the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Main Library. Check the Library website for the date of the next sale.



What a pleasure to have the wonderful new Christa McAuliffe branch finished and open; such an asset to the Town. The Friends were pleased to be able to make an early donation to the building fund, due to the monies raised through our book sales, memberships and contributions from patrons.

The longer the Main Library is closed, the greater is the need for donations. Please visit our **GoFundMe** campaign (<https://www.gofundme.com/fe23mzxw>) today and make a donation. Or you can mail your tax deductible donation to Nancy Grifone, Treasurer, 1 Crosby Circle, Framingham MA 01701.

We are beginning a drive for corporate members. See the website for details.

News from LVM Literacy Unlimited

Are you interested in teaching someone to improve their English? Become an English tutor! Our students come from all over the world and are eager to learn English and American culture.

Join us for a tutor training information session on Wednesday March 9, 7-8:30pm at Morse Institute Library, Natick, Prunaret Room. The 6-week training class will begin March 16 and will meet Wednesdays from 6:30-9:00pm.

Join our new Book Club! Designed for tutors and intermediate students who can read English, the class will meet once a month to discuss a book. The first meetings will be Friday March 18 (morning session, 10:00am) and Tuesday March 22 (evening session, 7:00pm), at the Boys & Girls Club. We will distribute our first book, *Who Were the Wright Brothers?* by James Buckley, Jr., at these sessions.

We are located at the Boys & Girls Club, 154 Pearl Street. Our regular hours are Monday-Thursday from 9:00am-2:30pm and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm.

The Homework Center

The Homework Center offers free tutoring for all Framingham students K-12. We are open Monday through Thursday from 2:30-5:30pm. The Center is operating from the **Boys & Girls Club, 154 Pearl Street** until the Main Library reopens.

We work with students who are struggling to pass their courses, honors students wanting to work beyond the parameters of their classes and everyone in between! Students are welcome to drop in for homework help or to schedule appointments for ongoing tutoring.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact jgatlin@minlib.net.

YOUNG ADULTS

Super Smash Bros Tournament

Friday March 11, 5:30-8:30pm –
**NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch
Library, Community Room**

Show off your fighting skills in our second Super Smash Brothers tournament! Pizza and prizes! Pre-registration required; contact Marcy Maiorana at 508-532-5636, mmaiorana@minlib.net.

Manga Workshop

Saturday March 26, 2-3:00pm –
**NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch
Library, Community Room**

This workshop offers a brief history of the art form and a hands-on demo to follow as you produce your own manga character! Led by Andy and Veronica Fish, professional working comic artists! Register with Marcy Maiorana, mmaiorana@minlib.net, 508-532-5636. No pressure, supportive environment for teens only! Snacks and beverages provided.

We continue to raise funds for the new Christa McAuliffe



Branch Library. Thank you to all past generous donors.

BROWN BAG LEARNING SERIES (Brown Bag Brain Boost)

Join us from 12-1:00pm one Friday a month for an informal lunch time program featuring speakers from local businesses and organizations. A wide range of topics will be discussed that are educational and entertaining.

The Brown Bag Learning Series is free to the public. Guests are welcome to bring their lunch; refreshments will be provided. **LOCATION: NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room.**

FRIDAY MARCH 4: INTRODUCTION TO HOMEOPATHY Presented by Vera Volfson, CCH, RSHom (NA).

FRIDAY APRIL 1: CONTAINER GARDENING Presented by Jennifer Porter.

Adventures in Lifelong Learning

Just a reminder to students who have registered, that classes kick off on **March 8**, and continue on **March 15, 22 and 29**, with a snow date of **April 5**. Classes will take place in Danforth Art, and the Town Hall Blumer and Ablondi rooms. When you arrive, please go directly to your first class. For those of you who bring a brown bag lunch, you may eat in the Town Hall, Blumer Room. Otherwise, there is a selection of restaurants near Town Hall and Danforth Art. Parking is available at the Main Library parking lot, and St. Stephen's Rectory parking lot. Please DO NOT PARK at Danforth Art. Visit www.framinghamlibrary.org/adventures for more information.

DISCOVER GROW CREATE!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS MARCH 2016

Special Events

Professional Development Day Open Lego Build

Tuesday March 1, 10:00am-12:00noon – **Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton Street.** All ages.



Drop in and have some fun with our small, colorful, creative bin of Legos.

Movie Matinee: *Hotel Transylvania 2*

(Rated PG for some scary images, action and rude humor).

Saturday March 5, 2-4:00pm – **NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room.** All ages at parents' discretion.

Dracula and his friends try to bring out the monster in his half-human, half-vampire grandson in order to keep Mavis from leaving the hotel.

Chinese Fun Time

Saturday March 12, 11:00am-12:00noon – **NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room.** Ages 5+.

Join us for our series of monthly explorations of Chinese culture led by Manman, a visiting teacher from China. This month: **Chinese Mythology for Kids and Spring Festivals!**

Come and learn about some of the most popular Chinese myths and how they relate to festivals. You can enjoy authentic Chinese activities like making a red pocket, Chinese lucky words, and paper cutting.



Special Baby Lapsit with Playful Tunes

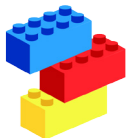
Tuesday March 22, 10:00-10:45am – **NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room.** Ages 0-2 with an adult.

Join us for hands-on musical fun, explore the Instrument Zoo and play in a toddler marching band!

Drop-in Craft

Saturday March 19, 10:00am-12:00noon – **NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Craft Room.** Ages 3+ with parent.

Check out our new craft room and make some cool crafts. Then check out some new books or magazines on our new self-checkout machines!



Lego Donations Wanted for the New Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

Now that the McAuliffe Branch has a Craft Room, we're eager to acquire Legos so we can have some open Lego builds here. Any regular-size Legos will be gratefully received.

Ongoing Events

PLEASE NOTE LOCATIONS

Stories for Scooters

Wednesdays, 10:15-10:45am

Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton Street. Ages 0-3.

Twenty fun-filled minutes of tiny tales and tunes in interactive fashion for little Library-goers and their adults, with playtime afterward!

Weekly Story Times

Mondays, 10:00-10:20am

NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Craft Room. Ages 2-4, Drop-in.

Thursdays, 10:15-10:45am

Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton Street. Ages 2-5.

Get in the library habit—drop in every week for some age appropriate stories and some school readiness activities.

Drop-In Baby lapsit

Tuesdays 10:00-10:30am

NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room. Ages 0-2 with an adult.

March 22: Special Baby Lapsit with Playful Tunes (details on left)

Fridays March 4 and 18, 10:30-11:00am
Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton Street. Ages 0-3 with caregiver.

Saturdays March 12 and 26, 10:30-11:00am
NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room. Ages 0-3 with caregiver.

Come sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets at baby lapsit time! Parents can network while babies pick up phonological awareness, one of six foundations of future reading success.

Dads and Donuts

Saturday March 5, 10-11:00am

NEW Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room. Ages 0-6.

Come join us for stories, activities and, of course, donuts! There's time for informal guy talk while donuts are consumed. Mothers and siblings welcome.

