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FRAMINGHAM READS TOGETHER APRIL-MAY 2016

Pioneers of Flight – From Kitty Hawk to Outer Space

Join us as we kick off our fourth “One Book” initiative in April.

FEATURED BOOK:

The Wright Brothers by David McCullough

Mark your calendars for the keynote event on **May 14 at 10:30am**, featuring Pulitzer Prize-winning author and renowned historian David McCullough speaking about his book.

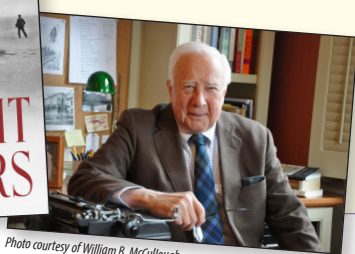
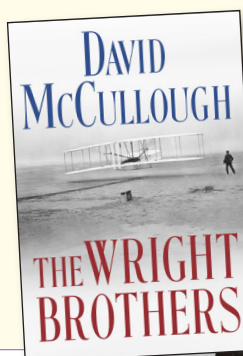


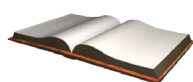
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We thank TD Bank for their grant, and the New England Mobile Book Fair for being the bookseller for the David McCullough event. In addition, we thank our collaborative partners: the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metrowest/Pearl Street Clubhouse, the Callahan Center, Danforth Art, the Town of Framingham and Framingham State University.

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Framingham Reads Together



An exciting lineup of programs related to our theme will take place in April and May for children and families, teens and adults. *(Please see the Young Adult and Children's sections for more events.)*

PBS Film *The Makers: Women in Space*

(approximately 1 hour)

Wednesday April 20, 7:00pm –
Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

This inspiring film traces the history of women pioneers in the United States Space Program.

BOOK DISCUSSION: *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough

Thursday April 21, 10:00am –
Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

The dramatic story-behind-the-story about the courageous brothers who taught the world how to fly: Wilbur and Orville Wright.

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Main Library

49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570
Temporarily closed. Regular hours will resume upon re-opening.

Pop-up Library

25 Clinton Street | 508-872-3453
Monday-Friday 9:00-5:00

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street | 508-532-5636
Monday-Thursday 9:30-9:00
Friday-Saturday 9:30-5:00

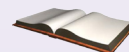
Open Sundays 1:00-5:00 during the Main Library closure.

Holiday Hours

All Libraries will be closed Monday April 18 for Patriots' Day.

did you know?

Framingham Reads Together



Framingham Reads Together (FRT) 2016 kicks off this month! Please refer to the FRT logo throughout the newsletter to identify FRT events.



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Films Around the World: *The Return* (2003) 105 min

Wednesday April 13, 7:00pm – **Town Hall, Blumer Room** (lower level)

Discussion Leader: Dr. Arthur Nolletti, Jr., Professor Emeritus, Framingham State University

Two Russian brothers have conflicted emotions when their father—who has been gone for 12 years—returns home. Starring Vladimir Galin and Ivan Dobronravov.





Sunday Concert Series: Arneis Quartet

Sunday April 3, 3:00pm – **Callahan Center, 535 Union Avenue**

The prize-winning Arneis Quartet perform the works of Haydn and Mendelssohn.

The series is sponsored in part by the Friends of the Framingham Library, The Saul B. and Naomi R. Cohen Foundation, Hammond Residential, the Metro Credit Union and Whole Foods Market.

Doors open at 2:30 and close at 3:15pm.

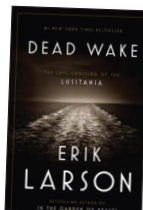


Main Library Book Club

Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania by Erik Larson

Tuesday April 5,
7:00pm –

**Christa McAuliffe Branch Library,
Community Room**



Poetry Workshop

Led by Alan Feldman, Professor Emeritus, Framingham State Univ.*

Tuesdays April 5, 12, 19, and 26,
7:00-9:00pm – **Town Hall, Nevins Conference Room (Room 113)**

This drop-in class welcomes serious poets of all ages and levels of experience.

*February 12 and 19 workshops led by Dr. Bernard Horn

A Conversation with Our Neighbors

Led by Shaheen Akhtar of The Islamic Center of Boston, Wayland

Sunday April 10th, 2:00-4:00pm –
**Christa McAuliffe Branch Library,
Community Room**

You are invited to a presentation and discussion on Islam.

Shaheen Akhtar is an educator and interfaith liaison for the Muslim community at large.

FILMS

Friday Night Film:

Brooklyn (2015) 111 min PG-13



Friday April 8, 7:00pm –
Callahan Center, 535 Union Avenue

In the 1950s, an Irish immigrant lands and quickly falls in love with a local, but has to make a choice when her past catches up with her. Starring Saoirse Ronan, Emory Cohen and Donhnall Gleeson. *Doors are open from 6:30-7:15pm.*



Matinee Film: In the Heart of the Sea
(2015) 121 min PG-13

Monday April 25, 2:00pm – **Town Hall,
Blumer Room (lower level)**

In the winter of 1820, the crew of the New England whaling ship, the Essex, struggle to survive following an attack by a rogue sperm whale. Starring Chris Hemsworth, Cillian Murphy and Ben Whishaw.

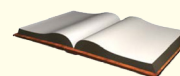
Framingham Reads Together Activities

****Lita Judge: Flight School**

Exhibition runs from March 6 to May 15 –
Danforth Art, Children's Gallery

Features original artwork by Lita Judge, the author/illustrator of the children's book, *Flight School*.

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****Artist visit with Lita Judge (free for children and their accompanying adult)**

Sunday April 3, 2:00-4:00pm – Danforth Art

Meet the author and books are available for purchase/signing.

****Planetarium Program**

Friday April 15, 6:30pm – Framingham State University's McAuliffe Center on Integrated Science Learning

A voyage to the International Space Station. **Registration required:**

<http://tinyurl.com/FSUPlanetariumShow>. **Free parking is available on campus.**

****FSU Science Festival – Science on State Street (All ages)**

Saturday April 23, 10:00am-2:00pm – Framingham State University

www.framingham.edu/science-on-state-street. **Free parking is available on campus.**

Book Discussion: The Wright Brothers by David McCullough

Thursday April 28, 10:00am – Callahan Center

Registration required. Call 508-532-5980

****Programs suitable for young people are marked with asterisks**

Chocolate: The Secret Indulgence

Guest speaker: Dr. Mike Cross,
Associate Professor of Chemistry,
Northern Essex Community College

Wednesday April 6, 7:00pm –
**Christa McAuliffe Branch Library,
Community Room**

Learn which chemicals elicit biochemical reactions in the human brain, making chocolate the perfect indulgence. You will also learn how to taste chocolate for quality and how to eat it, too!

Saturday April 2 the FRAMINGHAM SEED LENDING LIBRARY

will be opening in the lobby of the new Christa McAuliffe Branch Library. Once the Main Library is re-opened, it will be housed there. Patrons will be able to sign out packages of seeds (mostly vegetables) and are encouraged to try their hand at saving some seeds from the plants they have grown at the end of the season, though this is not a requirement. Watch the newsletter for upcoming events. There will be a seed saving workshop in the fall.





We need the community's help!

The Friends provide free movies, concerts, museum passes, CDs, DVDs, Children's apps and so much more! Our revenues have been **drastically reduced** since the Library closure, so we **urgently** request that you consider making a *tax-deductible donation* to our GoFundMe account (<https://gofundme.com/fe23mzxw>) or by sending a check to: Nancy Grifone, Treasurer, 1 Crosby Circle, Framingham, MA 01701. We are pleased to report that two businesses, Atlantis Dental and Bella Costa Ristorante, have become corporate sponsors, and we hope that other businesses will consider becoming a corporate sponsor. Thank you!

The Homework Center

All Framingham Students K-12 are welcome for free tutoring, Monday-Friday, 2:30-5:30pm.

The Homework Center is currently at the Boys & Girls Club, 154 Pearl St., until Main Library reopens. Drop in for homework help or schedule an appointment with jgatlin@minlib.net.

The Lancers are Coming!

Saturday April 9, 10:00am –
Main Library Parking Lot,
49 Lexington Street

A public meet and greet with The National Lancers, a ceremonial cavalry troop in the Organized Militia based in Framingham. This is a FAIR WEATHER event only, and will be cancelled if it is raining.

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.

April 7 – In the Footsteps of Vincent Van Gogh
Presenter: Dr. Erika Schneider, Associate Professor, Framingham State University. Although he was born in the Netherlands, Van Gogh traveled throughout France during his short painting career and immortalized these sites in his paintings.

April 14 – Common Carrier: The Post Office in American Life
Presenter: Dr. Joseph Adelman, Assistant Professor, Framingham State University. An examination of the role of the Post Office as both a civic institution and a revenue-generating business enterprise.



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LVM Literacy Unlimited

LVM Literacy Unlimited is the adult tutoring program of FPL. Our present location is the Boys & Girls Club, 154 Pearl Street. During the week of April 4, we are opening our waitlist for students needing a tutor! **Hours are: Monday April 4 and Tuesday April 5: 9-11am and 7-8pm; Wednesday April 6: 9-11am; Thursday April 7: 9-11am and 7-8pm.** (*The wait list for a tutor is 6-9 months*).

We are starting a new monthly book club, designed for intermediate students who can read English, and their tutors. The April book selection is *Who Were the Wright Brothers?* by James Buckley. Meetings are Tuesday April 26, 7pm and Friday April 29, 10am. Join us!

May Baskets are coming! Starting May 1, purchase a ticket to have the opportunity to win a May Basket. They will be on display at McAuliffe and the Morse Institute and Bacon Free Libraries. All proceeds benefit Literacy Unlimited. Call 508-834-0425 or email fplmail4@minlib.net.

The Framingham Public Library Foundation is delighted that nearly 2,000 people attended the two open houses held in February at the new Christa McAuliffe Branch Library. Patrons received complimentary copies of *Reach for the Stars*, a DVD that recounts the amazing story of NASA's Teacher in Space, Christa McAuliffe. The video features Pam Dawber, Susan Sarandon, and Stephanie Zimbalist. Directors are Renee Sotile and Mary Jo Godges. Based in California, Renee Sotile learned about the new Library and donated 1,000 copies of the video.

YOUNG ADULTS

Gaming and Coding Workshop with the Rhode Island Computer Museum

Thursday April 7, 3:00-5:00pm
Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

Whether you've got programming experience or you're a newbie, enjoy creating a game using SCRATCH. After the workshop, we will upload your game to the RICM SCRATCH Studio online for later access. Pre-registration required; contact Marcy Maiorana, 508-532-5636, mmaiorana@minlib.net. *Limited to 16.*

Walsh Middle School and Framingham High School Robotics Team Demos!

Saturday April 30, 10:00am-12:00noon, **Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room**

Meet Framingham's award-winning robot creators and their robots!

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

FRIDAY APRIL 1: CONTAINER GARDENING Presented by Jennifer Porter.

FRIDAY MAY 6: SELF-DEFENSE Presented by Debbie Nau.

Drop-In Resume Help

Tuesdays April 12, 19, and 26, 10:00am-12:30pm – **Town Hall, Nevins Conference Room (Room 113)**

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

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS APRIL 2016

Special Events

Movie Matinee: *The Peanuts Movie* (Rated G).

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

Charlie Brown and his best pal Snoopy embark upon a heroic quest.



Chinese Fun Time

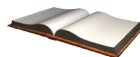
Saturday April 9, 11:00am-12:00noon, **Christa McAuliffe Branch Community Room.** *Ages 5+.* Join us for our series of monthly explorations of Chinese culture led by Manman, a visiting teacher from China. **This month: Chopsticks and Counting.** Learn how to wield chopsticks like a pro and how to count from 1-99 in Chinese. Once you become expert at these skills, you can compete to win prizes.

Framingham Reads Together/Vacation Week Activities

Fitness on Foot and in the Air

Tuesday April 19, 11:00am-12:00noon, **Christa McAuliffe Branch Craft Room.** *Ages 5+.* Participate in activities designed by the Museum of Science and NASA to explore various aspects of exercise and the human body both here on earth and in space. Funded by the BAA in honor of the Boston Marathon.

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Kites: Science and Structure

Wednesday April 20, 3-4:00pm, **Christa McAuliffe Branch Community Room.** *Ages 5+.* **Guest Instructor: Glenn Davison, author of 5 books on kites.** Join us to learn about the aerodynamics behind kite flying and build your own kite. Glenn will also demo indoor kite flying.

Special Storytime on Thursday April 21, 10:15am: Take Flight with Danforth Art. *Ages 3-6.* A reading of *Flight School*, the featured picture book in the Danforth Art Children's Gallery. Afterwards, create your own multimedia illustration.

Backyard Astronomy – Star Hopping Tips to Share with Family and Friends

Thursday April 21, 7:00-8:00pm, **Christa McAuliffe Branch, Community Room.** *Ages 5+.* **Speaker/Guide: Jim J. Zebrowski, President of the Aldrich Astronomical Society.** A guide to recognizing constellations, bright stars and planets using an easy-to-follow process called star hopping! Children have a chance to win a "spacey" prize!

Kids Music Technology Program

Thursday April 21, 1:00-3:00pm, **Christa McAuliffe Branch Library Community Room.** *Grades 2-5.* Join us for a hands-on Music Technology program with Playful Tunes! Learn exciting ways to use technology to create and explore music. *Registration required. Call 508-532-5636 x4314 or drop by to sign up.*

Vacation Week Open Keva Plank Build

Saturday April 23, 2:00-4:00pm, **Christa McAuliffe Branch Library Craft Room,** *Ages 5+.* Drop in and make some Keva landscapes and buildings with our newly donated Keva Planks.

SOAR 55 We regret to report that as of June 2016, SOAR 55 will be ceasing its operations at Framingham Public Library. We are saddened to see the SOAR 55 satellite office close and to lose SOAR 55's Volunteer Coordinator Lois Levick. A consummate professional and an accomplished community connector, Lois will be sorely missed by all.

Although no new volunteer interviews will occur after March 31, 2016, the Newton office will remain open through June to make sure that all volunteers already interviewed will be successfully placed.

Contact Jan Latorre-Stiller, SOAR 55 Director, 617-969-5906, x120, or email jlatorre-stiller@soar55.org and please see a special message on our website for more about this change.

Ongoing Events

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
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.

April 21: Special storytime (details on left)

Drop-In Baby lapsit

Tuesdays 10:00-10:30am
Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room. *Ages 0-2 with an adult.*

Fridays April 1, 15, and 29, 10:30-11:00am
Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton Street. *Ages 0-3 with caregiver.*

Saturdays April 9 and 23, 10:30-11:00am
Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room. *Ages 0-3 with caregiver.* Come sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets at baby lapsit time!

Dads and Donuts

Saturday April 2, 10:00-11:00am
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.

Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs

Sundays April 3 and 17, 2:00-3:00pm, and Saturdays April 16 or 30, 3:00-4:00pm.

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room. *Ages 4+. Registration required. Call 508-532-5636 x4314 or drop by to sign up for a 15 minute slot.*

Improve your reading skills the fun way by reading aloud to your new Book Buddy, a Certified Reading/Therapy Dog.

