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## Dolley Madison Remembers Friends & Foes

Featuring Professional Historical Interpreter Patricia Perry

Thursday January 14, 7:00pm –

**Location: Town Hall, Blumer Room**

Of the early First Ladies in the United States, Dolley Madison, wife of James Madison, fourth President of the United States, has been considered the most colorful. In her eight years in Washington, D.C. (1809-1817), she made the President's Mansion a delightful place to visit.

She met twelve American Presidents and their wives, inventors, politicians and visiting European royalty. She helped lay the cornerstone of the Washington Monument and was threatened by the invading British in 1812. You will hear her personal memories of George Washington, Francis Scott Key and more.



## SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES: Opera on Tap

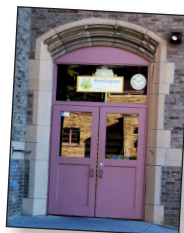
Sunday January 24, 3:00pm – **Location: Callahan Center, 535 Union Ave.**

Members of the Opera on Tap group perform a pleasing selection of popular opera arias. *The series is sponsored in part by the The Saul B. and Naomi R. Cohen Foundation and Hammond Residential Real Estate, Metro Credit Union, Whole Foods Market, and Friends of the Framingham Library.*



## Come Visit Our Pop-up Library!

During the Main Library closure, our temporary Pop-up Library at St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton Street in downtown Framingham, is open Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 5:00pm. The Pop-up Library features the **NEWEST** materials, and borrowing DVDs and printing are **FREE**. Public internet stations are also available for your use.



FRIENDS of the  
FRAMINGHAM  
LIBRARY

## Please Support the Friends of the Framingham Library

For a limited time anyone who donates \$25 or more to the Friends will receive a coupon for \$5 to be used at a regular book sale. The Friends have not been able to hold book sales for several months and our revenues, which are used in support of the library, are significantly behind. Will you please consider a (tax deductible) donation to the Friends at this time? Mail it to Nancy Grifone, Treasurer, 1 Crosby Circle, Framingham MA 01701. Thank you.

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### Main Library

49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570

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

Monday-Thursday 9-9

Friday-Saturday 9-5 | Sunday 1-5

### McAuliffe Branch

10 Nicholas Road | 508-532-5636

Monday-Thursday 9-9

Friday-Saturday 9-5 | **Open Sundays**

**1-5 during Main Library closure**

### Holiday Hours

All Libraries will be closed Friday January 1 for New Year's, and Monday January 18 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

## did you know?

The McAuliffe Branch is open on Sundays during the Main Library closure. You can also visit us at our temporary Pop-up Library at St. Stephen's school, 25 Clinton Street, Framingham.



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## Main Library Book Club

### Orphan Train

by Christina Baker Kline

Tuesday January 5, 7:00pm –  
**Location: Town Hall, Nevins  
Conference Room (Room113)**

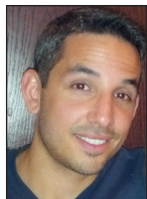


Orphan trains ran regularly from the cities on the East coast to the farmlands of the Midwest from 1854 to 1929, transporting thousands of abandoned children whose fate was

determined by pure luck. Vivian Daly, one such orphan, returns to the East later in life and meets a turbulent teen, Molly Ayer, who eventually bonds with Vivian.

### J.S. Bach's Musical Offering: Bach Battles a King

Wednesday January 6,  
7:00pm – **Location:  
Callahan Center, 535  
Union Ave.**

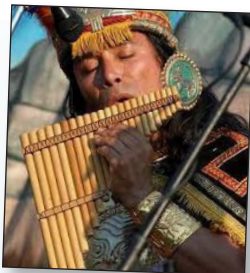


**Guest Speaker: Professor  
Gil Harel, CUNY Baruch College**

Johann Sebastian Bach composed what many regard to be the most profound body of music in history. Frederick the Great was his philosophical and aesthetic antipode. That these two—a humble, deeply religious composer and a flamboyant militant monarch—would meet, was less a clash of two personalities as it was a clash of two eras or two worlds.

### New Inca Son Duo in Concert

Thursday  
January 7,  
7:00pm –  
**Location:  
Callahan  
Center, 535 Union Ave.**



The Library welcomes the New Inca Son Duo to perform the compelling sounds of Peruvian music. They strive to “take the listener on a memorable journey to the Andes Mountains.” (*Los Angeles Times*). Don't miss the opportunity to see this highly-acclaimed group!

## FILMS

### Friday Night Film:

**Show Boat** (1936) 113 min NR

Friday January 8, 7:00pm – **Location:  
Callahan Center, 535 Union Ave.**

This film version stars Irene Dunne as Magnolia Hawks. The daughter of showboat impresario Captain Andy, Magnolia is swept off her feet by dashing gambler Gaylord Ravenal. Starring Irene Dunne and Allan Jones. This film was rated 100% by Rotten Tomatoes, the film critic site!



### Matinee Film: **The Intern**

(2015) 121 min PG  
(some suggestive  
content, brief strong  
language)

Monday January 25,  
2:00pm – **Location:  
Town Hall, Blumer Room**

Seventy-year-old Benn Whittaker decides that he is not thrilled with retirement, and seizes an opportunity to become a senior intern at an online fashion site. “A light comedy that offers great entertainment and also touches on women's rights and the elderly at the workplace.” –*En Filme*

### Boston and the Civil War

Thursday January 21,  
7:00pm – **Location:  
Town Hall, Blumer  
Room**

**Guest Speaker:  
Barbara F. Berenson,  
Senior Attorney,  
Massachusetts Supreme  
Judicial Court**



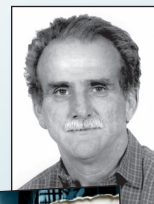
Barbara F. Berenson discusses her latest book, *Boston and the Civil War: Hub of the Second Revolution*. The book explains how Boston, for the second time, changed the fate of the nation. Inspired by their Patriot forefathers and nurtured in the nation's “cradle of liberty,” Boston's abolitionists sparked a Second American Revolution—this one intended to force the nation to live up to the promises of liberty and equality contained in the Declaration of Independence.

### Master Thieves

Wednesday January 27, 7:00pm –  
**Location: Town Hall,  
Blumer Room**

**Guest Speaker: Author  
Stephen Kurkjian, Boston Globe  
Investigative Reporter, retired**

The story of the biggest theft in art history is a case defined by superlatives. Two men trick their way into the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum after midnight and make off with an estimated half billion dollars' worth of artwork. Kurkjian reveals how the two criminal gangs battling for control of the Boston under-world knew of the museum's poor security and had motive to pull off the theft. *Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing.*



## Poetry Workshop

Led by Alan Feldman\*

Tuesdays January 5, 12, 19 and 26, 6:30-9:00pm – **Location: Town Hall**

**Jan. 5, Conference Room 1, Jan. 12, 19 and 26, Nevins Conference Room (Room113)**

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 is a professor emeritus at Framingham State University.

\* January 5 and 12 workshops led by Bernard Horn.

## Faint Promise of Rain – A Storytelling and Indian Classical Dance Program

Thursday January 28, 7:00pm – **Location: Town Hall, Blumer Room**

Author Anjali Mitter Duva presents a unique and engaging evening of storytelling combining elements of literature and Indian classical dance based on her historical novel, *Faint Promise of Rain*. Set in 1554, the story is told from the perspective of Adhira, an exquisite dancer, and is filled with the sounds, sights and flavors of the Indian desert. The event will include a presentation on the classical dance kathak as well as readings from the book and a dance demonstration. *Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing.*



## Drop-In Resume Help

Tuesdays January 5, 12, 19 and 26, 10:00am-12:30pm – **Location: Town Hall, Nevins Conference Room (Room113)**

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

## Help Launch the New McAuliffe Branch

The new Christa McAuliffe Branch Library is opening soon! You can still be a part of bringing it to life! Consider making a holiday donation to the Framingham Public Library Foundation. For more information about naming opportunities, visit [www.fplf.org](http://www.fplf.org) or contact Ruth Winett (508-877-1938 or [rwinett@rchn.com](mailto:rwinett@rchn.com)).

# YOUNG ADULTS

## Paper Towns Party

Friday January 29, 6-9:00pm –

**Location: Framingham High School Library**



Nerdfighters, join together to celebrate John Green's awesomeness! There will be a Margo-type scavenger hunt, John Green trivia contest, and screening of *Paper Towns*. Prizes, food and beverages provided.

## Y'ALL (Young Adult Literature Lovers) Book Club for Teens and Adults

Thursday January 14, 7-8:00pm – **Location: McAuliffe Branch Library**

It's no secret that adults love YA books as much as teens do, so if you're one of those 20-something or older adults, openly embrace your passion for YA literature with other aficionados! We'll be discussing Libba Bray's *Beauty Queens*, the story of a plane crash that strands thirteen teen beauty contestants on a mysterious island. *The New York Times* calls it "a crazy, funny, satirical version of *Lord of the Flies* that will entertain you and leave you thinking." For adults and teens grades 9 and up.

## 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.

**FRIDAY JANUARY 8: NO WORRIES® ORGANIZING** Presented by Michele Matties, Certified Professional Organizer (CPO®)  
**Location: Edgell Memorial Library, 3 Oak St.**

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5: SUE PETRONI**, Editor of the Framingham Patch. **Location: TBD**

## 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](mailto:jgatlin@minlib.net).**

## News from LVM Literacy Unlimited

Are you interested in a volunteer opportunity for the New Year? Literacy Unlimited is recruiting volunteers to work as tutors for adult students learning English. Join us for an informational session on Thursday, January 7 (10:00-11:30am) to learn more!

The 6-week training session for new tutors will begin on January 14 (10:00am-1:00pm; no class on February 18). You will learn techniques of English language learning and methods of lesson preparation. The information session and training classes will be held at the **Boys & Girls Club** (154 Pearl Street; downtown Framingham).

# DISCOVER GROW CREATE!

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS JANUARY 2016

### Main Library Special Events

#### Chinese Fun Time

Saturday January 9, 11:00am-12:00noon, all ages. **Location: Boys & Girls Club, 154 Pearl Street.**

Join us for our series of monthly explorations of Chinese culture led by Manman, a visiting teacher from China. This month: Chinese numbers. Come and learn how to count in Chinese from 1 to 99! All ages welcome. Drop in, no registration required.



### McAuliffe Branch Events



#### Weekly Storytimes

Mondays 10-10:20am, Children's Room, ages 2-4, Drop-in.

#### Drop-in Baby Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays 10-10:30am, Children's Room, ages 0-2 with an adult.

Come sing and play with words, rhyme and puppets at baby lapsit time. This informal program for babies and their parents/caregivers runs about 20 minutes and introduces the pleasures of the library to your baby or toddler.

Find more details at [www.framinghamlibrary.org/kidspage.htm](http://www.framinghamlibrary.org/kidspage.htm)



### Main Library Ongoing Events

#### Stories for Scooters

Wednesdays, 10:15-10:45am, ages 0-3.

**Location: Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton St.**

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

Thursdays, 10:15-10:45am, ages 2-5.

**Location: Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton St.**

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

#### Drop-In Baby Lapsit

Fridays January 8 and 22, 10:30-11:00am.

**Location: Pop-up Library, St. Stephen's School, 25 Clinton St.**

Saturday January 16, 10:30-11:00am.

**LOCATION: Boys & Girls Club, 154 Pearl St.**

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.

### SOAR 55: Your Local Resource for Volunteering

At SOAR 55, we place, train, and support volunteers, age 55 and over, who want to use their skills and experience to strengthen local non-profits and public organizations in Newton and MetroWest.

With over 90 local nonprofit and public partners, SOAR 55 provides interested individuals with easy access to a myriad of volunteer positions. In addition, our staff uses a personalized, professional and unique approach to finding you the right volunteer experience by facilitating connections based on your interests, skills, experience, and schedule.

#### Some of our opportunities include:

- work with military and civilian media organizations to promote public understanding of the Employer Support Program of the Guard and Reserve
- as a team member, assist third-grade students in homework help in an after-school program
- write grants for a global educational network enabling members of disparate communities to recognize and accept their differences as they work toward a civil society
- conduct home visits for sight-challenged consumers
- assist a local museum with the inventory, record keeping, and data entry for the Meta Vaux Warrick Fuller Special Collection
- teach inmates the skills to help prepare them for the workforce
- work with culturally diverse families in early childhood literacy training
- identify and develop relationships with real estate developers and investors with the goal of selling fine art in public buildings benefitting cancer research
- assist low income elders and disabled individuals with their routine financial needs
- and much more!

For information please contact Lois Levick at 508-532-5570, ext. 4353 or at [llevick@minlib.net](mailto:llevick@minlib.net). To learn more go to [www.soar55.org](http://www.soar55.org) and find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/soar55volunteer](https://www.facebook.com/soar55volunteer). SOAR 55 is a Corporation for National & Community Service RSVP Program.



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