Citizenship Corner Ribbon Cutting
Friday March 23, 10:00am – Main Library, 2nd floor
Celebrate with us as we launch our brand new Citizenship Corner! Meet Library staff and hear from newly naturalized US Citizens as we welcome you to explore our new space and learn all about United States Citizenship and the naturalization process. 
Made possible by a generous grant from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Framingham Reads Together 2018
Framingham Reads Together (FRT) is a city-wide reading, discussion, and activity program that invites citizens to read the same book at the same time. FRT aims to bring the community together through shared experiences and special events. This is the Library’s fifth “one book, one community” initiative. This year we are reading News of the World by Paulette Jiles, a moving work of historical fiction which brings the post-Civil War era alive. An exciting lineup of events will take place April 4-26. All programs are free and open to the public. Pick up a copy of the book and a brochure with event details at both Libraries. For more information please visit www.framinghamlibrary.org/framreads.htm.

Help us put our new BOOKMOBILE on the road
Friday March 16 – Barnes & Noble, 1 Worcester Road, Framingham
In support of the Framingham Public Library Foundation, Barnes & Noble will contribute a portion of your product purchase to help make our Bookmobile a reality. Come to the store on March 16 or make your purchase online from March 16-20 at BN.com/bookfairs.

Author to Author Event: March 16, 7:00pm, Barnes & Noble
Come enjoy this discussion with Kate Moore, author of Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America’s Shining Women, and author Hank Phillippi Ryan.

Atwater-Donnelly Duo
Wednesday March 14, 7:00pm – Main Library, Costin Room
This award-winning, internationally acclaimed duo, Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly present delightful programs of traditional American and Celtic folk songs and percussive dance.

COMING APRIL 1-6
Framingham Reads Together: News of the World Book Discussion April 4, 7:00pm, Main Library
The Gunsmoke Band April 6, 7:00pm, Main Library
Lifelong Learning Lecture: Refugees from Nazi Germany in London and New York 1935-1945 with Dr. Lori Gemeiner Bihler April 5, 7:00pm, Main Library

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Lifelong Learning Lectures Spring 2018

This free lecture series is a partnership of Framingham State University (FSU) and Framingham Public Library (FPL). The series is sponsored by a grant from the Joseph L. and Ray L. Freund Foundation, courtesy of Elizabeth F. Fideler. The following lectures take place in the Main Library Costin Room on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. Refreshments.

March 1 – Sputnik
Guest Speaker: Dr. Gary Hylander, PhD, Boston College

March 8 – Before JFK: Anti-Catholicism and American Politics
Guest Speaker: Dr. Sarah Mulhall Adelman, PhD, Associate Professor, FSU

March 15 – Motown: The Early Years
Guest Speaker: Dr. Steve Moysley, PhD, Director of MBA Program, FSU

March 22 – Celebrating Jane Austen on the 200th Anniversary of Her Death
Guest Speaker: Dr. Cheryl Nixon, PhD, Associate Provost, UMass Boston

FILMS

Darkest Hour (2017) 125 min.
FRIDAY NIGHT FILM:
Friday March 2, 7:00pm – Main Library, Costin Room
Enter on the Lexington Street side between 6:30-7:15pm.
The British war drama stars Gary Oldman as Winston Churchill, and is a fictionalized account of his early days as Prime Minister. Refreshments.

MCAULIFFE’S REEL LIFE MOVIES

PBS’s POV Movie Series: Cutie and the Boxer by Zachary Heinzerling
Friday March 16, 7-9:00pm – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room
Doors open at 6:30pm.
An Oscar®-nominated reflection on love, sacrifice and the creative spirit, this candid New York tale explores the chaotic 40-year marriage of famed “boxing” painter Ushio Shinohara and artist Noriko Shinohara. Winner, Directing Award: U.S. Documentary, 2013 Sundance Film Festival.

Veterans Coffee Hour
Friday March 16, 9:30-10:30am – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room
All Vets are welcome to join us for free coffee and light refreshments at this monthly event.

Sunday Concert Series – Formosa Duo
Sunday March 11, 3:00pm – Main Library, Costin Room
Cellist Sam Ou and pianist Chi Chen Wu will be playing selections from Beethoven, de Falla and Brahms. Refreshments.

Seed Lending Library
The Seed Lending Library re-opens on March 3. We have wonderful new varieties and patrons are donating seeds that they saved last year. These seeds will have green inserts and be housed in the box alongside the main Seed Library together with seeds left over from 2017.

The Kitchen Garden
Wednesday March 7, 7:00pm – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room
Talented local gardener and chef Renée Faubert (of Renée’s Kitchen in Natick) will share some of her gardening expertise and talk about how she chooses what to grow in her garden.

Adult Coloring Night
First and Third Thursdays of the Month, 6:30-8:30pm – Main Library, Homework Center
Join us for coloring, tea, and music. We provide colored pencils and coloring pages, or bring your own materials.

Healthy Living Series Classes
Sponsored in part by a grant by the MetroWest Health Foundation

Tuesdays March 6, 13, 20, 27, 1:30-2:15pm – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

Stretch and Meditate with Laila Vehvilainen
Fridays March 2, 9, 23, 30, 2-2:45pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Qi Gong with Linda Bellefeuille
Wednesdays March 7, 14, 21, 28, 3:15-4:00pm – Callahan Center

Low Impact Exercise with Laila Vehvilainen
Friday March 9, 1-2:00pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Let’s Talk Nutrition with Jane Polley
Tuesday March 20, 2:30-3:30pm – McAuliffe Branch Library

Drop-in Resume Help
Wednesdays March 14, 21 and 28, 10:00am-12:30pm – Main Library
Get expert help with resumes, cover letters and job-search strategies.

2-DAY BOOK SALE!
Saturday March 17 – Main Library
9:30-10:00am: Friends Members Only
10:00am-3:00pm: Open to the public
BONUS SALE: Sunday March 18, 1-4:00pm
Most books $1.00 or less, children’s $.50 or less; single DVDs $3.00; and $7.00 for a “fill a paper grocery bag” with books in our Bag Room.

This month's feature is music CDs in the Book Room, including Jazz, Classical, Latin, Portuguese, Country, Rock, and Broadway. Buy One for $1.00, Get One Free.
The Friends provide free movies, concerts, museum passes, audio books, CDs, and many other services to patrons and the community.
Donations are gratefully accepted and may be brought in the day of the sale or made at the Library during the week.
A full list of our corporate members may be found online at the Friends’ website.
### Main Library

**Hero of the Empire: The Boer War, a Daring Escape, and the Making of Winston Churchill by Candice Millard**

Tuesday March 6, 7:00pm – Main Library, Trustees Room

This epic adventure story of bravery, savagery, and chance encounters includes a cast of historical characters and reveals how the lessons Churchill took from the Boer War would profoundly affect twentieth century history. Bob Dodd will lead the discussion.

**SCI-FI**

**The Lathe of Heaven by Ursula LeGuin**

Wednesday March 14, 7-8:00pm – Main Library, Homework Center

As homage to the late great Ursula LeGuin, we will discuss *The Lathe of Heaven*, the story of a man whose dreams have the power to alter reality.

**Mcauliffe Branch**

**The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce**

Thursday March 15, 10-11:00am – McAuliffe, Community Room

After receiving a letter from an estranged, dying friend, Harold sets off on a six hundred mile walk to the hospice, believing that as long as he walks, she will live. The journey has a stunning impact on his spirit, in this novel of unsentimental charm, humor, and profound insight.

### Mindfulness

**The Art of Stillness: Adventures in Going Nowhere by Pico Iyer**

Saturday March 24, 10:00am – Main Library, Trustees Room

Traveling within and paying attention to the stillness around you is invaluable in this modern world that spins with distractions. Step back and notice all that surrounds you in quiet contemplation. Isn’t that where you would like to be for some part of each day? Discussion followed by a short meditation.

### Homework Center News

**March Math Madness Night**

with Master of Ceremonies Mr. Mark Morabito!

Thursday March 29, 7:00pm – Main Library

Sign up to compete and come to cheer for Framingham’s aspiring mathletes!

Mr. Morabito, a great math teacher at Framingham High School, will run the show! Teams of middle school students will compete to solve fun and complex math problems.

**S.T.E.A.M. Team**

Academic enrichment classes will continue throughout March: The Birth of a Star, Flora to Fauna, and The Road to Code.

The Homework Center provides free tutoring, homework and school project help to students K-12. For questions and to register please contact jgatlin@minlib.net.

### LVM Literacy Unlimited

Our next Citizenship Class begins Wednesday March 7 at 6:30pm. Sign up by contacting Literacy Unlimited at 508-532-5574 or fplmail4@minlib.net.

### Poetry Workshop

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

Tuesdays March 6 and 27, 7-9:00pm – Main Library, Trustees Room

(March 6 in J Program 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. We begin with a discussion of a topic in poetry leading to a brief in-class assignment. Poets who wish to have their work discussed should bring copies.

### AniManga Club

Saturday March 24, 1:30-3:30pm – Main Library, Costin Room

AniManga club is for everyone who enjoys all things Anime and Manga.

### Video Game Hangout

Friday March 30, 2-4:30pm – Main Library, J Program Room

No school day! Celebrate by playing video games and eating snacks at the Library.

### Brown Bag Learning Series

(March 2: Kill Your Lawn)

Presented by Steve Pessotti, Society for Financial Awareness (SOFA)

APRIL 6: Advanced Retirement Strategies

Presented by Steve Pessotti, Society for Financial Awareness (SOFA)

### Perler Bead Creations

**Grades 6-12**

Thursday March 1, 3:30-5:00pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Thursday March 15, 3:30-5:00pm – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

If you’ve never used Perler Beads before, you’re in for a treat. You line them up on a tray to make a cool shape, and then iron them so they merge together. Make a magnet, keychain, or decorative figurine.

### Ongoing Food Drive at the Main Library

Please consider donating to our food drive to support the Hope Worldwide Framingham Food Pantry! If you prefer to write a check, you can mail it to: Hope Worldwide Food Pantry, 214 Concord St., Framingham, MA 01702. THANK YOU!
Main Library Special Events

StoryWalk® Continues until March 17
Follow *The Hallelujah Flight* around the Library, starting at the bottom of the Pearl Street ramp, then continue through to the Reading Garden on Lexington Street. It features a little known piece of African American and aviation history.

Special Play Space Activities Funded in part by a LSTA grant awarded from the MBLC.
Thursdays 6-8:00pm and Fridays 11:00am-1:00pm, J Room. Preschool ages.
Drop in to play with the additional, rotating stations in our new Play Space. Check out our Facebook page to discover which rotating station we will showcase each week.

**Movie Matinee: The LEGO Ninjago Movie**
(Rated PG for some mild action and rude humor.)
Saturday March 3, 2-4:00pm, Costin Room.
All ages at parents’ discretion.
Shunned by everyone for being the son of an evil warlord, a teenager seeks to defeat him with the help of his fellow ninjas.

**KEVA Plank Building**
Saturday March 10, 2-4:00pm, J Craft Room. All ages.
Explore your artistic nature, problem solve and engage in play with KEVA planks.

Origami Workshop Series
Wednesdays March 14 and 28, 4:15-5:00pm, J Craft Room. Ages 7+.
We will be folding animals and geometric shapes. Led by Lucas Gustafson, a middle schooler who is a longtime member of the Origami Club at MIT.

**Bookmarkers: Organizational Meeting with Haley Hein**
Thursdays March 15 (grades K-2) and 29 (grades 3-5) 7-7:30pm, J Program Room.
Enjoy reading by meeting with friends to choose, read, and discuss books together. You’ll increase your comprehension, discuss what you know, and turn reading into a social activity that encourages more reading! Interested? Come choose the first book to read and help shape how Bookmarkers will work.

**Makers’ Pop-Up Workshop**
Saturday March 17, 3-4:30pm, J Craft Room. Grades K+.
Get in the habit of making! Join us for an afternoon of St. Patrick’s Day S.T.E.M challenges! All ages are welcome! No registration required.

**Open Lego**
Saturday March 24, 2-4:00pm, J Craft Room. Grades K+.
Make something creative with our supplied LEGOs! Use our idea books or design your own.

**Start Growing with the Seed Library!**
Saturday March 31, 10:30-12:00noon, J Craft Room. Grades K+.
Make your own pots out of newspaper and plant some peas.

Main Library Ongoing Events

**Weekly Story Time**
Thursdays 10:15-10:45am, ages 3-5.
Stories, school readiness activities, and a craft.

**Stories for Scooters**
Wednesdays 10:15-10:45am, ages 0-3.
Twenty fun-filled minutes of interactive tales and tunes with playtime afterward.

**Drop-In Baby lapsit**
Fridays March 2, 16 and 30, and Saturdays March 10 and 24, 10:30-11:00am, ages 0-2 with caregiver. Come sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets at baby lapsit time!

**Dads and Donuts**
Saturday March 3, 10-11:00am, all ages.*
Bond with your dad through stories, songs and fun. Family members welcome!

**Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs**
Saturdays March 10 and 24, 3-4:00pm, Sundays March 11 and 25, 2-3:00pm, and Tuesday March 13, 6-7:00pm, all ages. Registration required. Call 508-532-5570 x4 or drop by to sign up for a 15 minute slot. Improve your reading skills by reading to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read aloud.
All in J Program Room (*Costin Room)

McAuliffe Branch Ongoing Events

**Weekly Story Time**
Mondays 10-10:20am, ages 2-4.
Stories, school readiness activities, and a craft.

**Drop-In Baby lapsit**
Tuesdays 10-10:30am, ages 0-2 with an adult. Come sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets at baby lapsit time!

**Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs**
Saturdays March 10 and 24, 3-4:00pm, all ages.* Registration required. Call 508-532-5636 x5 or drop by to sign up for a 15 minute slot. Improve your reading skills by reading to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read aloud.
All in Children’s Room (*Craft Room)

Christa McAuliffe Branch Special Events

**Open Play**
Saturday March 17, 2-4:00pm, Craft Room. All ages.
Have fun with Keva Planks, Magnatiles, Legos, puzzles, and more!

**After School Open Craft**
Wednesday March 21, 3:30-4:30pm, Craft Room. All ages.
Make and Take...something fun for early spring!

**Book Bingo**
Friday March 30, 11:00am-12:00noon, Craft Room. Grades K+.
Prizes, laughs and books!