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Dear Library Community,

Hoping that this latest (our 5th) online only edition of the Framingham Public Library's newsletter finds you and your family well. Since the moment the Library closed its doors due to the pandemic, staff have been working to keep as many Library services as possible available to you and your family. And over the past months we have continued to enhance, and expand your access to the Library's electronic resources. We hope you will explore the many on-line programs we have developed as you and your family look for informative and fun things to do safely from home. Throughout this newsletter you will find programs for all ages and interests. Please also see the Library's webpage www.framinghamlibrary.org/find-online for even more information. If you need assistance with any resources, Library staff are available for live Chat Monday through Friday 9am-5pm. Click on the Chat icon at the bottom right of the Library webpage. And please note that the following pages in the newsletter contain live links to the electronic resources we have developed for you.

Be AMAZED
Books are just
the beginning!

This past month we were also busy doing even more for our City. Working with the City's Department of Public Health we repurposed our book drops to become collection points for donated homemade cloth facial coverings. Over 9,000 facial coverings have been processed and distributed to residents. Library staff held two pop-up distribution events in July where over 800 masks were made available to Framingham residents. And Library staff have been operating the City's Information Line (508-532-5411) providing answers to resident's questions on average of 75 times per day. We remain dedicated to do all that we can do, to assist you and our City during this crisis.

In early June we began curb-side delivery of library materials, and accepting return of the library materials you have had checked out since the closure. And in early July, in response to our patrons, we expanded this service to include evening and Saturday hours. Please check the Library's website to learn more about how this service happens, and happens safely. And you can also call us at 508-532-5570, Monday through Friday 9am-5pm and Saturday 9am-noon.

Beginning in early August, working in close consultation with the City's Departments of Public Health and Capital Projects & Facilities Management, we will be providing, by appointment, computer time to patrons needing access to the Internet. We have worked very carefully to be able to provide this essential service and to do so safely. If you are reading this, chances are good that you have access to the Internet. Many Framingham residents do not, and we understand that reaching out to them will be a challenge. You can help, by watching for forthcoming information on the Library's website and sharing with friends and acquaintances who would benefit from this service. We are eager to help! And we are faithfully following the safety procedures we all have to adhere to keep us all safe. Social Distancing, wearing Face Coverings at all times, and practicing hand washing and good hygiene. We are all in this together! Thank you. Be safe.

For the Trustees, Staff, Friends of the Library,
and our volunteers,

Sincerely,

Mark J. Contois
Library Director

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The Libraries are currently closed. Please check our website for information about phased-in services.

Main Library

49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570

Christa McAuliffe

Branch Library

746 Water Street | 508-532-5636

did you know

- For COVID-19 precautions and information about Library services during this time, [CLICK HERE](#).
- Free WiFi is available in both Library parking lots. Please practice safe 6 ft. distancing and use the Library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner.
- Please remember to wear your face covering when picking up curbside holds or returning items!

THERE WILL BE NO LATE FEES FOR RETURNED MATERIALS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 11. PLEASE RETURN YOUR ITEMS AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE! RETURNS ARE OPEN AT BOTH LIBRARIES DURING THESE HOURS.

CONNECT WITH US ON:



Sign up for [email updates](#) of Library news and events on our homepage!

Funding for this newsletter is provided by The Friends of the Framingham Library.

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

Additional refreshments generously provided by Trader Joe's.

Miss the Library? We miss you, too!

Get your FPL fix with FPL Curbside Pickup



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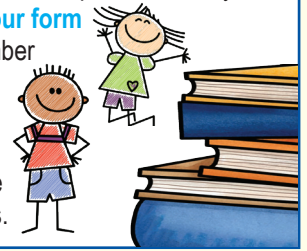
- ✓ Search for items from our website framinghamlibrary.org or log in to the [Minuteman Library Catalog](#) with your card number and password.
- ✓ Request the items you would like to pick up.
- ✓ When your items are ready, you'll receive a notification.
- ✓ Then, just sign in to the [Capira Reservation System](#) with your Library log in and choose a pickup time!

DVDs can now be requested for curbside pickup!

You can now request feature film DVDs and Blu-Rays and TV series for curbside pickup **FOR FREE!** Search from our website, or [sign up for Wowbrary](#), our weekly email about the latest additions to our collection with links to the catalog to request them.

BOOK BUNDLES FOR KIDS!

Need Children's Books but don't know what to choose? Let us pick some for you! Simply [fill out our form](#) and a staff member will make you a customized bundle of 3-5 books. Available at both Libraries.



ENJOY THESE ONLINE PROGRAMS!

(Continued on next two pages)

[CLICK HERE](#) for our Online Events Calendar, including Young Adult and Children's events.

Literature: The Business of a Woman's Life

The Writings of Jane Austen, Charlotte Brontë, and Frances Trollope

Monday August 10, 7-8pm – Online via Zoom
With Dr. Helen Heineman



In 1836, when Charlotte Brontë sent Robert Southey, the Poet Laureate some of her poems, requesting his opinion, he replied: *"Literature cannot be the business of a woman's life... The more she is engaged in her proper duties, the less leisure will she have for it,"* strictly counseling her to give it up. Some years earlier, Jane Austen published her works anonymously. Charlotte, ignoring the Laureate's advice, published with a pseudonym. In her fifties, Frances Trollope added 'Mrs' to her name, perhaps to make herself more respectable. Later, Mary Anne Evans hid under the masculine name George Eliot. This talk will review the difficulties presented to the woman writer in the great age of the novel, and analyze their lives and works achieved within this context.

Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com to receive an invitation and link to the Zoom session.

Celebrate 100 YEARS OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

We Did It For You! The Suffrage Story and Voting Today

Thursday August 20, 7pm – Online via Zoom



This engaging play tells of the struggles and triumphs women have undergone to get their basic rights in America told by the women who were there. Created in honor of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution 100 years ago this August, this excerpt of the full show focuses on voting rights for women and minorities, and offers ways you can take action to ensure we get out the vote in 2020!

Paul Williams, the Oscar-winning songwriter said, "Playwright Thea Ibarra offers a multi-century parade of feminine genius and courage, and does it with humor and fun. Your daughters must see this but, the men in your family will enjoy it too."

Please [REGISTER HERE](#) to receive the Zoom invitation and link.

We Did It For You!

WOMEN'S JOURNEY THROUGH HISTORY



Thank you to the League of Women Voters of Framingham for all their work planning programs with us throughout this year.

Tonks Virtual Concert

ALL AGES

Wednesday August 19,
7pm – [Visit our website](#)
for the link to watch.

Celebrate the end of summer with a live, virtual concert from Wizard Rock superstar Steph Anderson from Tonks & the Aurors!



MORE ONLINE PROGRAMS!

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Guided Relaxations via Zoom

Thursday August 20, 11am

Start your week off right with a half hour of guided meditation and other opportunities for care free relaxation techniques!

Join us the third Thursday of each month as Leslie teaches us valuable techniques to relax and reinvigorate before the stresses of the week take hold. With Love and Gratitude is a nonprofit organization dedicated to service and education www.withloveandgratitude.com. Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com for an invitation and link to the Zoom session.



About Leslie Gabriele: Leslie founded With Love and Gratitude in 2001. Leslie is a clairaudient, clairsentient, clairsempath "energetic catalyst" who is trained in multiple healing modalities. Leslie's work is guided in the moment, done without attachment.

Yarn Social Hour Zoom Virtual Hangout

Mondays 11am-12pm and Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Join us for a knitting, crochet, and yarn crafting social hour! Please email us at framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com for the program link to join either or both days.



Coffee Talk Tuesdays

Tuesday August 25, 10am



Email us at fplcoffee_talk@gmail.com to receive an invitation and link to the Zoom session.

Pour yourself a cup of coffee and join Marcy and Helen for a fun and lively discussion. This month, you will select a personal item to share with the group and talk about why it is meaningful to you. Whether you enjoy contributing to the conversation or prefer to listen, we hope you will enjoy connecting with others.

Exercise Classes via Zoom With Laila Vehvilainen

Please email framinghamlibraryexercise@gmail.com by noon on the day of the class for the link to join either or both classes.

STRETCH AND RELAX

All Wednesdays in August, 2-2:45pm

Join Laila for this class to maintain body flexibility, improve balance and reduce stress.



TONE AND STRETCH

Mondays August 3, 17 and 24, 4:30-5:15pm

NEW!

A variety of functional fitness exercises to tone core, upper and lower body muscles followed by stretches. This is a low impact class designed to be adaptable to participants' different levels.

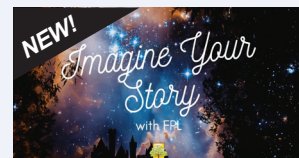
Check out our YouTube Channel

CLICK HERE for video tutorials, stories for kids and grownups, recipes, crafts and more.

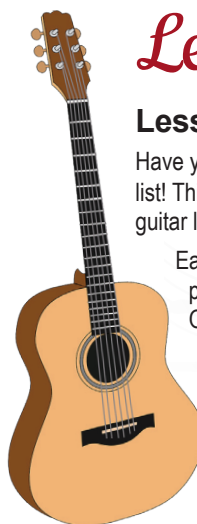
PLEASE SUBSCRIBE!



Find easy instructions for using our Digital Resources.



Watch this must-see Summer Reading video and *Imagine Your Story*!



Learn to Play the Guitar!

Lessons posted weekly on FPL's YouTube Channel

Have you ever wanted to learn to play the guitar? It's time to check-off your bucket list! This summer, we have partnered with Centre Music House to offer beginner guitar lessons. All you have to do is grab a guitar and join us.

Each week, we will post a lesson to the Library's [YouTube Channel](#). You can practice as many times as you would like and email us with any questions. Our instructor will respond to them via a live Q & A session.

At the end of the summer, we will get together for a fun Zoom session where everyone will have a chance to play.

Program runs from July 15 - August 19. Please email hlu@minlib.net to register and receive weekly lesson plans. [Click here for more details.](#)



LVM Literacy Unlimited

Literacy Unlimited is now tutoring and conversing in the virtual world (check out our updated website framinghamlibrary.org/literacy/our-program/)! We are ready to help adult learners who are interested in improving their spoken English or their reading ability. If you are interested or know someone who is interested, please contact us at 508-532-5574 or fplmail4@minlib.net.



We are offering MORE conversation classes for ESOL! Check out these offerings! To be admitted to a class, contact us [HERE](#). If you have questions, please contact us at fplmail4@minlib.net. We can help you choose a class!

BEGINNER CLASSES: Tuesday 11am-12noon; Tuesday 7-8pm; Wednesday 2-3:30pm (children welcome!); Thursday 3-4:30pm.

INTERMEDIATE CLASSES: Wednesday 9:30-11am; Wednesday 10-11am; Wednesday 6-7pm (focus on idioms); Wednesday 6:30-8pm; Thursday 1-2:30pm; Friday 10:30am-12noon.

ADVANCED CLASS: Wednesday 7-8:30pm.

SPECIAL CLASSES: Civics Tuesday 6-7pm; Book Club Wednesday 7-8:30pm; Fun with Pronunciation Friday 1-2:30pm.

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BROWN BAG LEARNING SERIES

(Brown Bag Brain Boost)

Virtual presentation via Zoom

Friday August 7, 12-1pm

Please email brownbagprogram49@gmail.com by 9am on August 7 to receive an invitation to the Zoom session.

Fake News Is Not the Problem: Issues with Information Consumption in a Digital Environment

Presented by Brandy Horne, Associate Professor and Instruction/Reference Librarian at the University of South Carolina Aiken

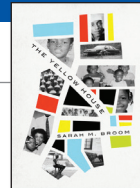


BOOK GROUPS

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The Yellow House by Sarah Broom (eBook available on Hoopla—no wait list!)

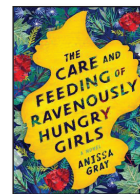
ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Tuesday August 11, 7-8pm. Sarah, the youngest of 12 children, grew up in a family with deep ties to New Orleans. The stories that she tells about her family history and connections, race, class, inequality and the impact of Hurricane Katrina show a part of history that is both fascinating and thought provoking. 2019 National Book Award Winner. Led by Linda Goldberg. Please email lgoldberg@minlib.net for the Zoom link to join.



The Care and Feeding of Ravenously Hungry Girls

by Anissa Gray (eBook and Audiobook available on Overdrive/Libby)

ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Tuesday August 18, 7-8pm. *The Mothers* meets *An American Marriage* in this dazzling debut novel about mothers and daughters, identity and family, and how the relationships that sustain you can also be the ones that consume you. The Butler family has had their share of trials, but nothing prepared them for the literal trial that will upend their lives. Althea, the eldest sister and substitute matriarch, is a force to be reckoned with and her younger sisters have alternately appreciated and chafed at her strong will. They are as stunned as the rest of the small community when she and her husband Proctor are arrested, and the family goes from one of the most respected in town to utter disgrace. As Althea awaits her fate, Lillian and Viola must come together in the house they grew up in to care for their sister's teenage daughters. What unfolds is a stunning portrait of the heart and core of an American family in a story that is as page-turning as it is important. Led by Jillian Holmberg. Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.



COMING Tuesday September 1, 7-8pm **The Winter Soldier by Daniel Mason**
VIA ZOOM (eBook available on Overdrive/Libby). Email framinghamlibrarybookgroups2@gmail.com.

SCI-FI

On Basilisk Station by David Weber

ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Wednesday August 12, 7-8pm

Honor Harrington is sent in disgrace to the forlorn outpost of Basilisk Station, where military authorities hope she will be forgotten. Instead, with her woefully under-armed vessel, the Fearless, she executes incredible flying maneuvers in an attempt to stop foreign takeover of a major space station. (from *School Library Journal* review). Please email mmaiorana@minlib.net for the Zoom link to join. Note: The Kindle eBook is currently free on Amazon.com.



Framingham Public Library Stands Against Racial Injustice

Black Lives Matter

RESOURCES ON OUR WEBSITE:

Anti-Racism resources for learning and taking action.

[Adults](#) | [Teens](#) | [Children](#)

OUR DIGITAL COLLECTIONS:

Downloadable resources from Hoopla, Libby/Overdrive and Kanopy.

Overdrive/Libby: [Race and Racism in America](#) | Hoopla: [Conversations about Race](#)

• [Talking with Kids about Race](#) | Kanopy: [Social and Systemic Injustice](#)

OUR CURATED COLLECTION:

The Friends of the Framingham Library have generously donated an all-ages collection of books, ebooks and audiobooks pertaining to understanding systemic racism and its effect on our society and culture. [Click here for more information.](#)

See page 6
for featured
resources.

The Learning Yard at FPL

The Learning Yard is a safe, outdoor space at the Main Library that will be used by appointment for learners and tutors from the Library's [Homework](#) and [Literacy](#) programs. We appreciate the assistance from the City's Board of Health in setting up this space to assure safety for participants in these two important programs.



ONLINE RESOURCES GUIDE www.framinghamlibrary.org/find-online

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RECOMMENDATIONS

eBooks & Digital Audiobooks

Meet Libby, the New OverDrive App!



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Hoopla

Digital books, comics and audiobooks from Hoopla are available for 21 days. There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5 Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*



Multilingual Resources

Have you tried our **World Languages Collection** in Libby/Overdrive? [CLICK HERE](#) to see all that's offered.

Libby now allows users to browse, search, and enjoy the app in nine additional languages. The newly supported languages include: Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, French, German, Russian, Italian, Japanese and Swedish.

Digital Magazines

Libby

In addition to eBooks and audiobooks, you can access over 50 digital magazines. Our magazines are always available, with no holds or waiting list and no limit to the number you may check out. Loan period is 7, 14, or 21 days.



OverDrive

You can also borrow magazines with OverDrive. Magazines are always available, with no holds or waiting lists. Magazine loans never count against your standard limit in OverDrive.

Digital Newspapers

The New York Times

NYTimes.com: Read today's *New York Times* through our digital subscription.

Boston Globe online: Full text articles from 1985-present.

Infotrac Newsstand: Access to more than 2,300 major U.S. regional, national, and local newspapers, as well as leading titles from around the world.

Digital Music

Hoopla

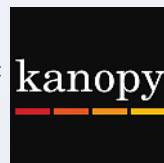
Music albums from Hoopla are available for 7 days. There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5 Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*



Digital Movies & TV

Kanopy

Looking for indie or classic films, award-winning documentaries, or foreign titles a little off the beaten path? Kanopy and Kanopy Kids contain over 30,000 harder-to-find films that you can borrow online with your Framingham Public Library card! You may borrow up to 5 titles per month.



Streaming videos from Kanopy may be borrowed for 72 hours. Create a free account, then use on a computer or download the app to your device.

And now, you can stream **The Great Courses** FREE on Kanopy! Kanopy users have free 30-day access to The Great Courses



films. From the time you click play you will have 30 days to complete all of the videos in a course. This is without using any of your 5 monthly play credits.

Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku.

Hoopla

Movies and TV episodes from Hoopla are available for 3 days (72 hours). There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5 Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*

OverDrive

Streaming videos from OverDrive may be borrowed for 3, 5, or 7 days. Use on a computer or stream on a mobile device.

Mango Languages

Mango is our online language-learning tool, with over 70 languages available. Home access is available for library card holders with a Framingham address. If you do not live in Framingham, come to the Library when we are open and sign up for a Mango account. You will then be able to sign in to your account on your home computer or via the Mango app on your phone or tablet.



Consumer Reports

Use your Framingham Public Library card to access *Consumer Reports* for information about consumer products.



*If you do not live in Framingham, you can still use Hoopla through the Boston Public Library. All residents of Massachusetts may sign up for a Boston Public Library e-Card and use BPL's e-Resources, which include Overdrive, Hoopla and Kanopy.

Also check out our **Research Resources and Information Guides**

STAFF RECOMMENDS Here are some recommendations from our staff, that you can find on our [digital resources](#), as well as in print from our catalog.

Looking to read something new?

Try our personalized book recommendation service. [CLICK HERE.](#)



BOOKS on Libby by OverDrive and Hoopla

The Only Woman in the Room

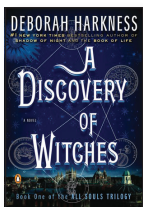
by Marie Benedict
Available on Hoopla and Libby.



Picture it: A young Austrian woman marries a politically powerful arms dealer working with the Third Reich. Her secret—she is Jewish. She hides behind her position and stunning beauty and uses her equally stunning intellect to gather state secrets. As the situation becomes more and more dangerous, she flees Austria for Hollywood and becomes a prolific screen star, not to mention a groundbreaking inventor who revolutionized modern communication. Fantastical? Unbelievable? Marie Benedict's historical fiction novel, recounts the life of Hedwig Eva Maria Kiesler a.k.a. movie legend, Hedy Lamarr. A page turner with appearances by plenty of characters from both history and Hollywood. – Kiera

A Discovery of Witches

by Deborah Harkness
Available on Libby.



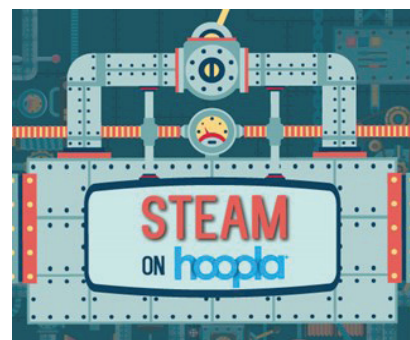
This is not your typical tale of magic. Witches, vampires and demons live among us in this totally original and contemporary story of fantasy, intrigue, murder, history and, of course, romance. When an American historian—who happens to be a witch—encounters a French scientist—who happens to be a vampire—sparks aren't the only thing to fly! The first in Harkness' *All Souls Trilogy*, *A Discovery of Witches* (now a hit TV series, too) is sure to put a spell on you. – Kiera

All American Boys

by Jason Reynolds
Available on Libby.



This award winning book is written for young readers but it is also a very good read for adults. Told in a dual first-person narrative, Quinn and Rashid are experiencing an event that changed their lives and affected the whole community. One week in the life of American teenage boys, every day shows the shifting of people's perceptions. This is a book about friendships and role models, not only in high school. The story is written with love and rage, recognizing that you have to stand your ground. – Brigitte



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Find STEAM resources in our digital library that will help students of all ages excel! [LOOK HERE.](#)

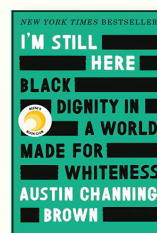
ANTI-RACISM RESOURCES

This month's featured resources for examining ideas about race and racism. Visit our [WEBSITE](#) for a fuller list including podcasts, ways to take action and more.

BOOK: *I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness* by Austin Channing Brown From a leading voice on racial justice, an eye-opening account of growing up Black, Christian, and female that exposes how white America's love affair with diversity so often falls short of its ideals. (Summary, Minuteman Library Network catalog) [Available in our catalog.](#)

DOCUMENTARY: *13th* (2016) Combining archival footage with testimony from activists and scholars, director Ava DuVernay's examination of the U.S. prison system looks at how the country's history of racial inequality drives the high rate of incarceration in America. [Free on the Netflix YouTube channel.](#)

FEATURE FILM: *The Hate U Give* (2019) In this powerful drama based on the best-selling novel, when a teenager witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood friend, she must find her voice and stand up for what's right. [Available in our catalog.](#)



MAGAZINES on Libby by OverDrive

Magazines Recently Added!

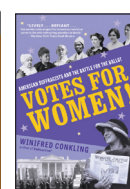
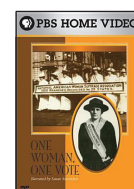
The Economist
The Hollywood Reporter
The New Yorker
The Pioneer Woman
Rolling Stone
Wired



BOOKS AND FILMS ON WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

On August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment was signed into law, guaranteeing women's constitutional right to vote. Achieving this victory was a difficult struggle, taking decades of agitation and protest. *Celebrate the 100th anniversary with a book or video from our catalog or digital resources!*

Books and DVDs in our [CATALOG](#)
eBooks and Audiobooks on [HOOPLA](#)
eBooks and Audiobooks on [LIBBY/OVERDRIVE](#)
Videos on [KANOPY](#)



CLICK ON THESE SUGGESTED TITLES

SEE PAGE 2 FOR A SPECIAL EVENT!

There's still time to join in on the fun.



Adults are invited to participate in our Adult Summer Reading program.

Log onto framinghamlibrary.org/asr to register online and play Summer Reading Bingo. Once you have filled in the Bingo sheet, you can choose to play the same Bingo card again or select a new one. Submit a photo of your completed Bingo card to

framinghamsummerreading@gmail.com for a chance to win one of our prizes and receive a digital badge to post on social media.

Drawings will be held for one of four \$50 Wegmans gift cards generously donated by Wegmans Natick.



"Imagine Your Story" is sponsored by the Framingham Public Library, the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

Join us for an all-ages summer reading celebration with a performance by Tonks. **CHECK HERE** for more details.

[Visite nosso site para mais detalhes.](#)
[Visite nuestro sitio web para más detalles.](#)

Thank you Framingham!

The City of Framingham is well on our way to a goal of 10,000 homemade face coverings for our community. A huge thank you to all who have donated! As we reopen, more face coverings will be essential. Be part of this incredible effort to help your community. [LEARN HOW HERE.](#)

Obrigado Framingham!

A cidade de Framingham está a caminho de atingir uma meta de 10.000 coberturas faciais para a nossa comunidade. Um enorme obrigado a todos que têm doado! À medida que reabrimos, mais coberturas faciais serão essenciais. Ser parte de esse esforço incrível para ajudar sua comunidade. [SAIBA COMO AQUI.](#)

Gracias Framingham!

La ciudad de Framingham está en camino de alcanzar una meta de 10,000 cubiertas de tela para la cara para nuestra comunidad. Un enorme agradecimiento a todos los que tienen donado! A medida que volvamos a abrir, serán esenciales más cubiertas de tela para la cara. Ser parte de este increíble esfuerzo para ayudar a su comunidad.

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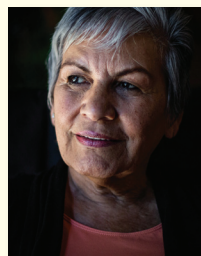
Over 9,000 face coverings donated and counting!

GOAL: 10,000



Especially for Seniors

Look here first for one stop access to resources for our seniors. We have compiled a list of topics relevant to your interests in an easy to navigate format. You will find information about our digital books, audiobooks, movies and music and how to access them. There are resources for you to stay up-to-date with COVID-19 and social service organizations that can help you during this time. There are also links to health and wellness activities as well as online resources to keep you entertained while you stay safe at home. To take a look [CLICK HERE.](#)



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Please join the Friends during our 2021 Membership Drive! The Friends are here to support the Library as it continues to serve the public 24/7. But we can't do it without you. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to become a renewing or first-time member today.

Many thanks to our renewing corporate member Automatic Appliance Service Inc.!

We apologize, but we cannot accept book or DVD donations at this time.

Framingham Public Library Foundation News

Help the Framingham Public Library Foundation help the Library when you shop at Amazon.

Always start at

smile.amazon.com,

and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the FPLF.



NEW!

We want
to Chat
with you!

Library staff are available for live chat Monday through Friday 9am-5pm. Click on the chat icon at the bottom right of the Library webpage www.framinghamlibrary.org.

Don't have a library card?



Sign up for an eCard to request books, music, movies and more in our catalog for curbside pickup at our Libraries and to use our online resources!

[CLICK HERE](#)

YOUNG ADULTS

GRADES 6-12

AUGUST PROGRAMS

There's no question about it, Summer Reading and our summer programs are very different this year. Everything will be either a Take & Make or virtual program, but we'll still have lots to keep you occupied all summer long.

Registration is required for all Summer programs at www.framinghamlibrary.org/calendar/31.

Fantastic Creations Take & Make: Terrariums

First two weeks of August –
Register to reserve your kit

Register online to reserve your take & make kit, and create your very own fantasy wonderland inside a fishbowl.



Virtual Online Games

Friday August 7, 1-3pm –
Register for Zoom code

We've been meeting for months online to play games like Werewolf, SmashKarts, Codenames, and more. After a short break, we're back! Register online for the Zoom code to play.



Fantastic Creations Take & Make: Pokemon Planters

Pick up 2nd and 3rd weeks of August –
Register to reserve your kit

Make your very own Pokemon friend to watch over your plants! Register online to reserve your craft kit.



Virtual Anime Club

Friday August 21, 1-3pm –
Visit website for room code

Just like we've been doing since March. Visit our website to get the web address for the private virtual screening room. We can chat while we watch anything available on Crunchyroll!

The Bookmobile wants to visit YOU!*



The Bookmobile can't wait to get back on the road and to celebrate we want to visit you!

Get out your crayons and pens and draw us a picture or write us a story (or both) about why we should visit your house *when we are back on the road. The Bookmobile will throw a party at the home of five lucky winners to be selected at random! For ages K-12. Entry deadline date to be decided.

TO ENTER: [CLICK HERE](#) to fill out a form and attach your picture or drawing.

The Seed Lending Library There Is Still Time to Grow

Email framinghamlibraryseeds@gmail.com to request seeds from the Seed Lending Library and start planting your fall seeds.

Our seed supply includes:

- Broccoli
- Kale
- Spinach
- Radishes
- Beets
- Swiss Chard
- Lettuce
- Arugula
- Carrot
- Asian Greens



We will package your seeds and help you schedule your curbside pickup.

About the Seed Lending Library:

Local seeds will be available for patrons to borrow each season. Patrons are welcome to share pictures and stories as they nurture their plants to harvest. After each harvest patrons are encouraged to save seeds collected from their plants to donate to the Seed Lending Library in the hope that their crop will bring joy to others and strengthen local resiliency.

The Seed Lending Library is supported by Transition Framingham and the Framingham Garden Club.

Tonks Virtual Concert

ALL AGES

Wednesday August 19,
7pm – [Visit our website](#)
for the link to watch.

Celebrate the end of summer with a live, virtual concert from Wizard Rock superstar Steph Anderson from Tonks & the Aurors!



The Library staff wants to share with YOU.
[BEGIN READING](#)

KICKING OFF A NAMING CONTEST!

Deadline extended
due to the addition
of Remote Tutoring
as another benefit
we provide!

Help us choose a new name
for this Library program
that encompasses all
we do! Start sending
your ideas now to
jgatlin@minlib.net.



The Homework Center at Framingham Public Library does so much more than homework!

With over 50 tutors proficient in all subjects taught in the Framingham Public Schools, we provide:

- Free individualized tutoring
- School project help
- Guided research and crafting assistance in project creation
- SAT, ACT, subject test tutoring, college essay writing, mentoring college search process
- Membership on the Student Advisory Board – community service, leadership training, event planning
- Annual academic enrichment programming: Environmental Awareness Fair, Essay Contest, Robotics Day, March Math Madness, Fashion Show, Spelling and Geography Bee, academic enrichment classes, Just Another Mandarin Monday, The Road to Code, Annual Kids Ham Radio Day, Rock Talk and more!

Homework Center News

The **Homework Center** will remain open throughout the summer to provide remote tutoring to students K-12, in all subjects.

Summer Reading Initiative

The Homework Center is running a Summer Reading Initiative; Zoom Book Groups based on the Framingham Public Schools required reading list!



Small groups of students will meet weekly on Zoom to read, share journal entries and write book critiques on required summer reading.

To request tutoring or join a Zoom Book Group, contact jgatlin@minlib.net.

A Thousand Paper Cranes Challenge:

Join us in making a thousand paper cranes to decorate the Libraries upon our reopening. An instructional video by Lucas Gustafson, our Origami Club leader, on how to make an origami crane is on our [YouTube Channel](#).



Adult Coloring

Enjoy the lazy days of summer with music, a refreshing drink and some new adult coloring pages. [CLICK HERE](#).

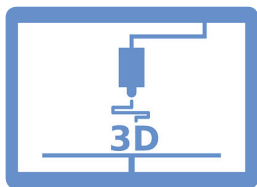
Look for our FB and Instagram posts to share your creativity.



THERE WILL BE NO LATE FEES FOR RETURNED MATERIALS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 11. PLEASE RETURN YOUR ITEMS AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE! RETURNS ARE OPEN AT BOTH LIBRARIES DURING THESE HOURS.

Where is our 3D Printer?

Our Little Lulzbot is happily part of a solid supply chain. She is continuing to crank out face shields and mask straps. The parts then go to Make It Labs in Nashua for post production, then to Lowell Makes for distribution to health care workers. A world of thanks to John Walsh, Assistant Director for Innovation and Technology at Woburn Public Library, and Reference Sub at Framingham.



The Library may be closed, but you may still access free WiFi throughout the Main Library and McAuliffe Branch Library parking lots. Please continue to practice social distancing (6 feet apart from others) to help stop the spread of Coronavirus.



By using the free wireless service, you are agreeing to abide by the Framingham Public Library Internet Policy. All users are expected to use the Library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner.

**Pop Up!
Log In!
Be Counted!**



Fill out your Census and be counted!

- The 2020 Census is **ONLINE!**
- The Census is **important, confidential** and **easy!**

Preencha o seu censo e seja contado!

- O censo de 2020 está **ONLINE!**
- O censo é **importante, confidencial** e **fácil!**

¡Llene la forma del censo y sea contado!

- ¡El censo de 2020 está **EN LÍNEA!**
- ¡El censo es **importante, confidencial** y **fácil!**

United States®
**Census
2020**

<https://my2020census.gov>

Watch a short video about the census [HERE](#).



**LET'S PLAY
B-I-N-G-O!**

**Framingham
PUBLIC LIBRARY**
Look here first.

2020 Summer Reading July 1—August 23

Sign up for Summer Reading at home from our website!

Each time you complete a row or column on your bingo board you'll have a chance to win prizes.

Take a photo of your completed bingo board and email it to us, or submit it on our website. You can also bring it to the library with your returns!



Top to bottom

Diagonal



Left to right



They all count!

For each complete bingo you will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win a prize of your choice. We will pull the winning names **Tuesday, September 1.**



**AVAILABLE TO WATCH
ALL SUMMER LONG!**
**Scienctellers present Dragons :
Return of the Ice Sorceress**

(ages 5+)

[https://vimeo.com/421330198/
de94ac01b0](https://vimeo.com/421330198/de94ac01b0)

Things don't go as planned when two villagers try to release the dragons and save their kingdom. They must look to science for help!

ZOOM STORYTIMES

All storytimes are via Zoom.

Please email

mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com
to receive an invite to join.

- ♦ **Mondays ♦ 10:00-10:20am**
- ♦ **Thursdays ♦ 10:15-10:45am**
Storytime with Jillian & Dana (ages 2-6)
- ♦ **Tuesdays ♦ 10:00-10:20am**
- ♦ **Fridays ♦ 10:30-11am**
Baby lapsit with Joanne & Lucy (ages 0-2)
- ♦ **Sunday July 12 & July 26 ♦ 2-3pm**
Bookworm Book Club with Max
both books are available as eBook
July 12 *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar
July 26 *Dragons and Marshmallows* by Asia Citro

TAKE & MAKE CRAFTS

All materials are provided in a kit available for curbside pickup.

Please email

mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com
to register or schedule a time for pick-up.

- ♦ **Week of July 6** Curbside pick up begins July 6
Watch it Grow! (ages 4-12)
Everything you need to plant your bean seeds and watch them quickly sprout into bean plants, just add water!
- ♦ **Tuesday, July 28 ♦ 11:00am-12noon**
Curbside pick up begins July 20
KiwiCo Mechanical Bird Building (ages 9-14)
Engineer a model mechanical bird and experiment with gear-driven wings from home! Join us on Zoom & we can build together!
- ♦ **Week of August 3** Curbside pick up begins Aug 3
Fairy Tale Masks (ages 5-12)
Create a fairy tale themed mask from home! Choose between a dragon, unicorn, knight, or fancy mask design.

**VISIT THE MAIN LIBRARY
LEXINGTON STREET
BUS STOP AREA
for FREE LUNCH!**

**FREE
Lunch**



EVERY
MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY
AND FRIDAY
**12:00PM
to 1:00PM**

June 24—August 21



t-shirts available while supplies last



SUMMER EVENTS

with the
**Framingham
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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@frampub www.framinghamlibrary.org

FraminghamISH Intergenerational Scavenger Hunt—ONLINE!

Monday, July 13 - Sunday, July 19

Sign up with a team, or go solo, and join our week long scavenger hunt at www.framinghamlibrary.beanstack.org

Do as many challenges as you can and tag us with #FraminghamISH
Finish at least 10 challenges to be posted on our social media as a winner!
Finish 20 or all 30 and become a champion!



For all programs via Zoom.
Please email
mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com
to receive an invite to join.

SPECIAL EVENTS JULY

- ♦ **Thursday, July 9 ♦ 2-3pm**
¡Olé! Flamenco with Eve Costarelli (ages 5+)
On Zoom and Facebook live
Join us for an upbeat and educational dance program while participating in mindfulness, yoga and a special reading.
- ♦ **Thursday, July 16 ♦ 12-1pm**
Pop Up Art : Create a Flying Dragon (ages 8-12)
On Zoom, you must register
Join us for step-by-step directions to help you create a mythical flying dragon to hang in your room. Class size limited to 15—siblings welcome.
- ♦ **Wednesday, July 22 ♦ 3-4pm**
Wingmasters : Falconry & the Medieval World (ages 5+)
On Facebook live
Learn about the rich history of falconry as an ancient sport in the medieval period.
- ♦ **Wednesday, July 29 ♦ 3-4pm**
Mark Parisi : Virtual Drawing Workshop with an author (ages 7-12)
On Zoom, you must register.
Join author/illustrator of Marty Pants series for a virtual drawing workshop to learn about cartooning. A live drawing and Q&A will follow.

SPECIAL EVENTS AUGUST

- ♦ **Wednesday, August 5 ♦ 3-4pm**
Lego Zoom Challenge (ages 5+)
On Zoom
Join your children's librarians as they pose some live Lego challenges to be made with a limited bag of Lego pieces supplied by the Library. Starting July 22, call the library to arrange pickup of your official bag of Legos for the challenge.
- ♦ **Wednesday, August 12 ♦ 3-4pm**
Lion Heart Puppet Company : Jack Tuesday (ages 3+)
On Facebook live
A puppet show of Jack Tuesday helping Little Bo Peep find her lost sheep. He's the guy who can track them down!
- ♦ **Wednesday, August 19 ♦ 7-8pm**
Tonks & the Aurors : Harry Potter Concert (all ages)
On Facebook live with video on Youtube channel after
Wrap up your summer of imagination with Wizard Rock! Everyone will enjoy this high energy music with Harry Potter themed lyrics for the Potter fans.

Contests
run from
**July 6 -
Aug 23**

Our trivia contest will run every week
on our Instagram and our website.
Receive an extra raffle ticket
each time you win!