LIBRARY NEWS

Americans Love their Libraries

According to a recent Gallup poll, visiting the library remains the most common cultural activity Americans engage in. The average 10.5 trips to the library U.S. adults report taking in 2019 exceeds their participation in other common leisure activities. Americans go to the movies at a movie theatre 5.3 times, attend a sporting event 4.7 times and see live music or theater 3.8 times.

New Resource for Job Seekers

Career Transitions is a new online resource available to our patrons. The database provides guidance and essential activities for job seekers and those investigating new career options. On this site you can explore a new career, search for jobs, write a resume and even simulate a job interview.

Career Transitions can be accessed through our website, eastlongmeadowlibrary.org.

Bruins PJ Drive
February 1st - March 15th

The East Longmeadow Public Library is once again teaming up with the Boston Bruins to collect new pajamas for children in need. The PJs will be distributed through DCF to help local children feel comfortable, cozy and warm.

The Bruin’s PJ Drive’s goal this year is to collect 13,000 pairs of new pajamas for children and teens in need. You can help us reach that goal by bringing in new pajamas, size Birth to size 16. For every set of PJs donated, you will be entered to win a family four pack of Springfield Thunderbird tickets. Winner will be notified on March 16th.

On Wednesday, February 19th at 6:30 pm the Children’s Department will have a special PJ story time.

Thank you for your generosity!
FEBRUARY EVENTS
Yoga with Ms. Jane  (registration required)  Ages 2-5
Enjoy playful expression with stories, music and movement.  
Sponsored by Pathways for Parents CFCE.
Friday, February 7th @ 10:30 AM

Read to Cassie  (registration required)
New & reluctant readers read to Cassie the Registered Therapy Dog.
Monday, February 3rd starting @ 4:30 PM (register for one time slot)

A place to connect with each other, read, sing and play. We will incorporate sensory activities.  
Sponsored by Pathways for Parents CFCE.
Mondays, February 3rd, 10th & 23rd @ 10:30 AM

Chess Club (Drop in)  Ages 6+
Help for beginners and tips for more advanced students.
Wednesdays, February 5th & 12th @ 4:00-5:00 PM

Move with me (registration required) Ages 2-3
Join Mishel Mitus from Next Step Dance Studio for a guided movement class for toddlers and caregivers.  
Registration is for both classes.
Thursdays, February 6th & 13th @ 10:00 AM

Music Storytime with Mr. Liam  (registration required)
An energetic show filled with drums, ukulele and puppets.  
Ages birth -4.
Friday, February 14th @ 10:30 AM

Tips for Taking the SAT
Taking the SAT? Learn tips for studying and taking the test.
Saturday, February 1st @ 12:00—1:00 PM

Pre-Teen Creative Writing Workshop  For grades 6-8
Saturday, January 11th @ 10:00 AM

Great Decisions  (registration required)
Discussion group on U.S. Foreign Policy.  
Topics for this month are Climate Change on Feb. 4th and India & Pakistan on Feb. 18th.  
This program is funded by the Anastasia Manitsas Memorial Fund.
Tuesdays, February 4th & February 18 @ 6:00 PM

Adult Book Group—This is How it Always Is by Laurie Frankel
Drop in for a Chapter Chat discussion on this novel about a family with a transgender child. Books can be checked out at the Circulation desk.
Thursday, February 6th @ 12:30-1:30PM

Poetry Circle  Come read a poem you wrote or one you like.
Tuesday, February 4th @ 6:30 PM

Adult Writers Workshop
Writers of all skill levels welcome.  Meets the third Saturday of each month
Saturday, February 15th @ 10:00 AM

Read to Bronson (registration required)
New & reluctant readers read to Bronson the Registered Therapy Dog.
Saturday, February 15th starting @ 10:00 AM (register for time slot)

Lunch & a Movie:  TOY STORY 4
Pack your lunch and come watch Toy Story 4.  
Tuesday, February 18th @ 11:30 AM

Pajama Night Storytime  (Drop in)  Remember to wear your PJs!
Enjoy a special storytime with Mrs. O’Brien and help support the Boston Bruins Pajama Drive!
Bring in a new pair of PJs (any size) to storytime for a chance to win a 4-pack of tickets to the Springfield Thunderbirds.
Wednesday, February 19th @ 6:30 PM

Creative Writing for Kids in grades 3-5  (registration required)
We will explore our imaginations with fun prompts and exercises.
Thursday, February 20th @ 4:00 PM

Art Club with Ms. Jaime  (registration required) Grades 3+
Wednesday, February 26th @ 4:30

Saturday FUN at the library.  Stop by between 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
Legos at the library:  Saturday, February 1st  
Puzzle Palooza: Saturday, February 8th  
Games: Saturday, February 15th

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Origami Workshop  (registration suggested)
Learn the ancient Japanese art of origami (paper folding) with an experienced teacher from Valley Folders. All levels of skill welcome.
Wednesday, February 12th @6:00 PM

Friday Flicks: The Goldfinch
A boy in New York is taken in by a wealthy Upper East Side family after his mother is killed in a bombing at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Based on the bestseller novel.
Friday, February 7th @ 1:00 PM

Friday Flicks: JUDY
A biographical drama film about American singer and actress Judy Garland. Starring Academy Award nominee Renee Zellweger.
Friday, February 14th @1:00 PM

Meditation: The Power of a Peaceful Mind  (registration required)
Learn to tap into your own mind with a resident teacher from the Odiyana Kadampa Buddhist Center.
Saturday, February 15th @ 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

East Longmeadow Cable Access Television may record some of our programs.
Register for programs at eastlongmeadowlibrary.org, or call 525-5400 x 1511, or stop by the library.