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THE SUMMER SEASON

This Summer is going to be wild. I told the Staff to make sure there is something going on **every single day** this Summer, and they made it happen! We have animals, crafts, music, authors...and books, of course!

Summer Eats is back again with free lunches for kids and \$5 adult meals. In addition to free food, there's always games, crafts, or activities to entertain the kids.

There's so much to do at the Library, you can't possibly be bored. See you soon!

Sondra Murphy, Library Director

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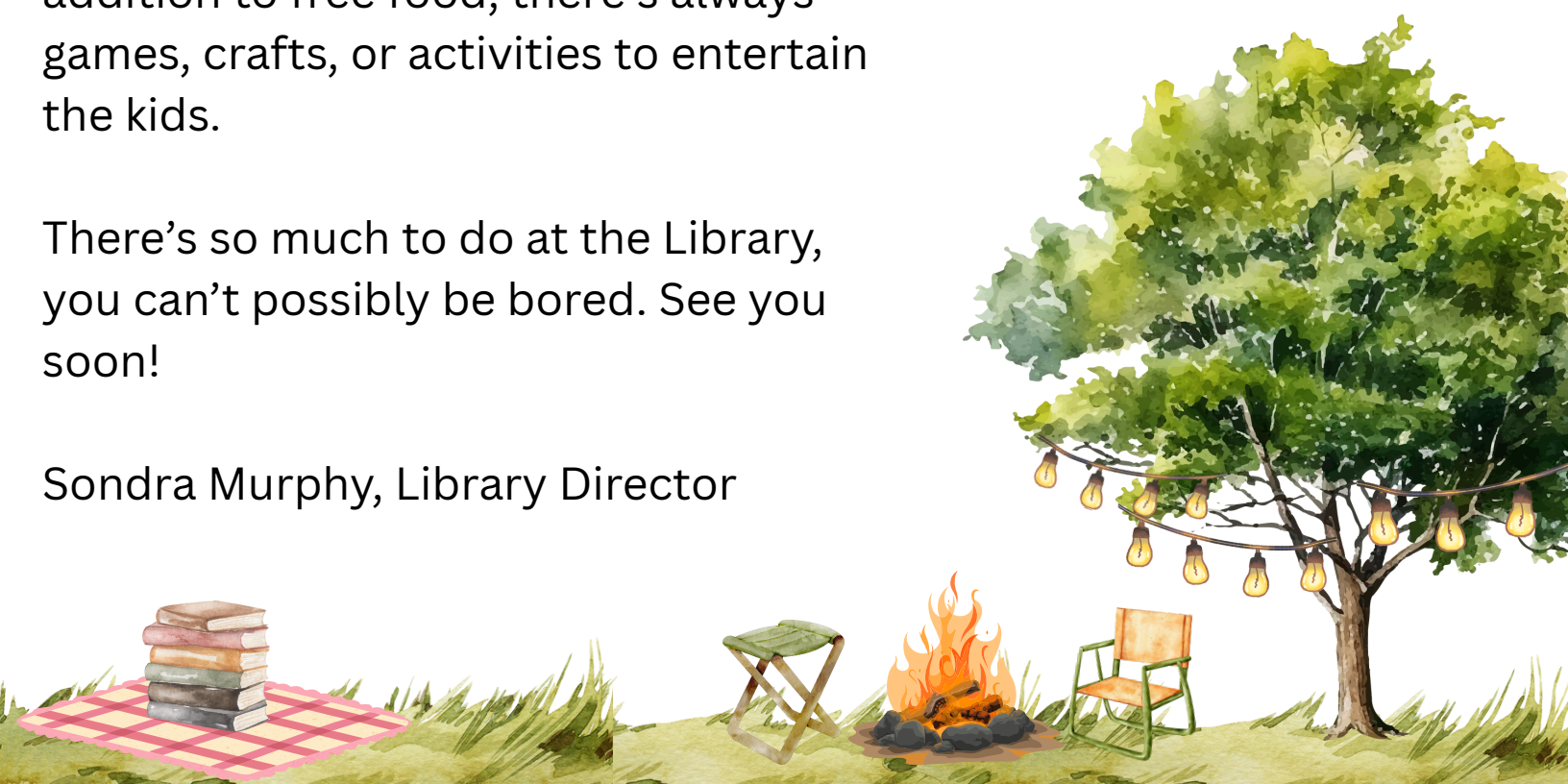
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THANK YOU 2024 Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Library Members!

As we wrap up our fiscal year and step into a new season, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all our Friends for your generous support over the past year. Your membership contributions have made a real difference—helping to fund community programs that bring us together through music, crafts, Summer Reading, and so much more. Quite simply, we couldn't do it without YOU.

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TRUSTEES CORNER

The Board of Trustees is beginning it's new year and started with the election of officers for the coming year. Elected at the May meeting were :

Richard Franas, Chairman

Susan Veshi, Vice Chairperson

Jeanne Mikels, Secretary

Martina Koziak, Treasurer

Thank you to all for your continuing service to the Board. I extend a special note of Thanks to Rena Klebart for her great work and continuing support to the Board of Trustees.

We had a very successful year and a number of positive programs for our patrons. This could not have been done without the hard work of our Director Sondra Murphy , her Assistant Director Evan Hale, and the staff, all of whom continually strive for excellence in all that they do.

Also, thanks to the Friends for their support of our Library programs.

For the coming year we will continue to focus on Long Term Action Items. We will stress Community involvement and support. This is especially true of our Nest program which is developing forward progress. We will be facing some uncertain times with the lack of clarity regarding funding and the impact of changing Federal programs. All of this impact is uncertain and not fully developed as of this writing.

We look forward to volunteers adding their support throughout the year. If you are able we encourage you to volunteer and contribute to the success of your Library.

As things develop we will keep our patrons and Friends up to date. We are looking forward to a positive and progressive year full of continuing success.

Rich Franas



SUMMER SPOTLIGHT

Summer Eats

The Program

A totally free-of-charge program that provides free meals to all kids and teens, ages 18 and under, at locations all across Massachusetts during the summer months. From July 9 to August 14, the program will run Monday through Thursday at Gladys Kelly Library.

Kick Off Party!

Join us to kickoff our annual summer eats program on June 23rd! Free pizza, games, music, and fun! We'll have Flying High Dogs here, canines fly through the air doing frisbee tricks in an interactive show! Rain date Monday July 1st. Part of Project Bread, the Massachusetts' Department of Education, and local school and community meal providers.

Summer Reading

Beginning on June 23rd, kids ages 1 to 17 can sign up for our Summer Reading Raffle for a chance to win prizes! Earn raffle tickets by completing your reading log—1 ticket per item, plus bonus tickets for each full row. Read 5 hours for a free book, 10 hours for an ice cream ticket (Aug 15), and 15 hours for a Book a Cruise event ticket!

JJK's Summah Readin' Roadtrip

Thursday, July 17 at 6:00 pm author Jarrett Krosoczka, creator of the Lunch Lady and Star Wars Academy series, is coming to Webster Library for an author talk and live drawing session! Discover his creative process, enjoy live illustrations, and get tips on cartooning and graphic novels.



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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

SUMMER 2025

*We have an exciting lineup of programs for kids from
June through August!*

Mystic Aquarium Touch Tank	JUNE 3RD 4 PM
Animal Talk for kids with Author Sy Montgomery	JUNE 6TH 10 AM
'Records & Burpee' Petting Zoo	JULY 8TH 10 AM
Henna & Balloon Animals	JULY 9TH 10:30 AM
Animal World Experience	JULY 14TH 10 AM
Jarrett Krosoczka Author Talk	JULY 17TH 6 PM
Vinny the Bubble Guy	JULY 18TH 4 PM
Wingmasters Owls	JULY 21ST 10 AM
Mobile Petting Zoo	JULY 28TH 10 AM
The Caterpillar Lab	AUGUST 13TH 10 AM



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ADULT PROGRAMS

SUMMER 2025

Swing by the library this summer! We've got fun and free events for adults all June through August.

**Has Anyone Seen \$500 Million in
Art Lying Around Boston?**

The Rail Road in Song- Concert

The Catnip Junkies- Concert

Fun Fused Glass Class

Trivia Palooza

Paint Night Moonlight Landscape

Music of The Beach Boys- Concert

Matt York Classic Country and

Honky-Tonk- Concert

JUNE 26TH 6 PM

JULY 3RD 6:30 PM

JULY 10TH 6:30 PM

JULY 21ST 6:30 PM

JULY 31ST 6 PM

AUGUST 4TH 6 PM

AUGUST 7TH 6:30 PM

AUGUST 14TH 6:30 PM

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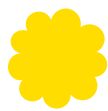


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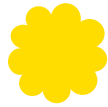
These programs bring together people of all ages to learn, create, and connect through shared activities and experiences.

All Ages Programs



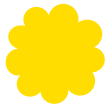
Local History Walk – 6/14

Join the National Parks Service for a historic walking tour of downtown Webster. All ages welcome—meet in the lobby!



Puzz Fest – 6/26 • 7/24 • 8/21

Team up (up to 5) for a 500-piece puzzle race! Popcorn provided. Keep the puzzle. Registration required.



Gardening With Children -7/7

Family gardening session!
Learn how to plant seeds and
go home with a plant!
Registration Required.



Turtle Dance Music Show -8/22



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- In 6-8 weeks, your child will receive their first book in the mail, 'The Little Engine That Could'.
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The Nest

The Nest is a collection of tools, technology, resources, and community connections for entrepreneurs and small business startups.

The Space

The Nest accommodates groups, non-profits, and businesses looking for a meeting space for up to 20 people. Mobile furniture can be reconfigured to meet the needs of the presenter, and a Smart Board is available for presentations. Study Rooms may be booked to use as break-out rooms. A Meeting Owl, a video streaming device, allows for outside groups to watch and participate.

Small Business Workshops & Mentorship From

- E for All, Worcester
- Center for Women & Enterprise
- Nichols College
- One-on-One Legal advice for Business Start-ups with David Dupont
- The Webster-Dudley Business Alliance

Services We Offer

Large Format Printing

Large Format Lamination

Vinyl Printing & Cutting

Heat Press for Imprinting Logos onto Fabric

Social Media Content Creation Kit

Upcoming Events: Local Business Success Stories

Featuring:
Afro-Fusion

June 9th, 2025 6:00 pm



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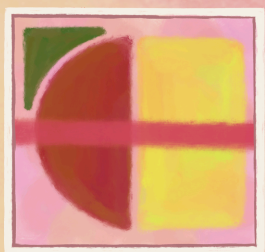
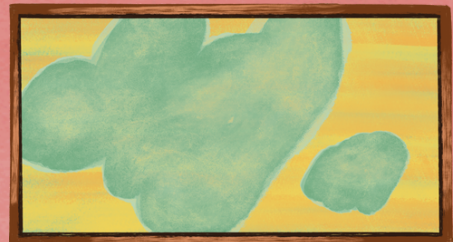
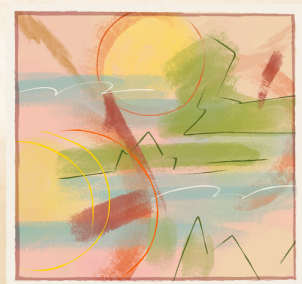
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