



GLADYS E. KELLY
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Winter 2022

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THE WINTER SEASON

It's always warm at the Library!

There have been a few changes in staffing lately-- former Circulation Manager Evan Hale has been promoted to Assistant Director, and former Library Assistant Randa Cox is now our Program Coordinator for Adults! We are really excited for these two, so be sure to congratulate them.

With the creation of a Program Coordinator position, we now have a dedicated person to designing and hosting programs and events, and she has a lot planned for you all! Don't miss out on our new Cookbook Club or Spice Club-- see more details inside!

The Strategic Planning process is moving along, we've had several focus group sessions with key Library support groups. Coming soon is our Community Survey, so please take a few minutes to fill that out! It will be available online and on paper in the Library in the next couple of months.

Finally, in case you haven't seen me yet, I am (once again) very pregnant and expecting a boy in February. Luckily, we have an Assistant Director and an amazing Staff who will watch over the Library while I am out on maternity leave!

Hope to see you at our next great program,
Sondra Murphy
Library Director



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WEEKLY PROGRAMS

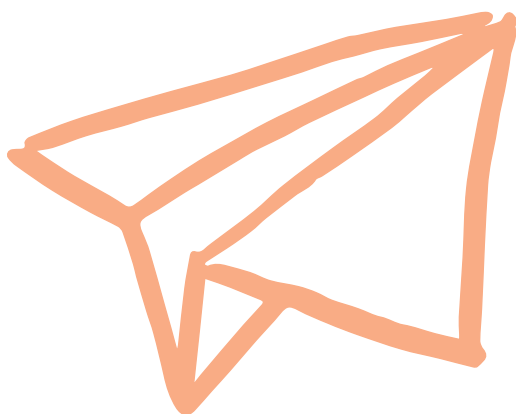


STEM BEGINNINGS

WEDNESDAYS DECEMBER 7, 14, 21, 28
JANUARY 4, 11, 18, 25
FEBRUARY 1, 8, 15, 22
10 - 11 AM

With each class, the children will learn STEM concepts through hands-on activities, engaging stories, music and movement, challenges, and even simple experiments ideal for little hands.

Weekly Registration is required.



To register for programs, please email atai@cwmares.org
or call the Children's Room at 508-949-3880

WIGGLES AND GIGGLES

FRIDAYS (12/9, 12/16)
10 - 11 am

Children, ages 2-5, will sing, move, play musical instruments, learn rhythm and listen to stories. Facilitated by music teacher Laine Hanlon. This series is sponsored by the YMCA Family & Community Partnership (YFCP), a Massachusetts Coordinated Family & Community Engagement (CFCE) grant funded by the Department of Early Education & Care and awarded to the YMCA of Central Massachusetts. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**

MUSIC TOGETHER

SATURDAYS DEC 10, 17
JANUARY 7, 14, 21, 28
11:15 AM

Fun, fabulous, uplifting, magical early childhood music class! Sponsored by the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**

MAKER MONDAYS

3:30-4:30PM

Every month we will rotate our craft material- check our website for more information.

EVERY WEEK! MINI-STEM CHALLENGE

TUESDAYS 3:30-4:30PM

Every month we will have a rotating challenge for you to complete! This program is self-guided with instruction sheets provided. Adult supervision recommended. Ages 5+.

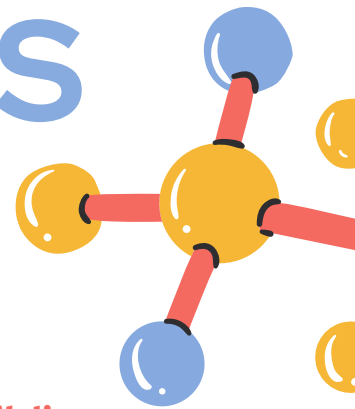
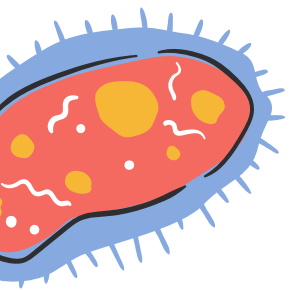
STEM THURSDAYS

12/8, 12/15, 12/22
1/12, 1/26
2/9, 2/16
3:30- 4:30 PM

Thursday STEM programs will be run by our staff, and will alternate with special STEM events held on Fridays.

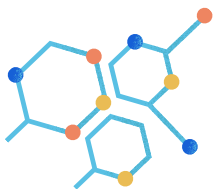
STEM EVENTS

DECEMBER



Thursday, December 8th : Polygon Structure Building

3:30 - 4:30PM



Show us how tall you can build a 3-D polygon structure using marshmallows and toothpicks!

Thursday, December 15th: Build a Catapult

3:30 - 4:30PM



Showcase your aim and engineering skills by building a catapult and shooting at a target!



Thursday, December 22: Make Your Own Bouncy Ball

3:30 - 4:30PM

Science is bouncy! Mix some simple ingredients together to make your very own bouncy ball.

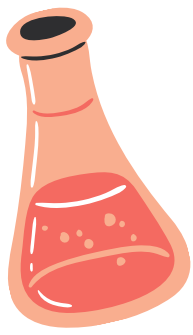
Thursday December 29th:
Playful Engineers Program

3:30 - 5:30PM



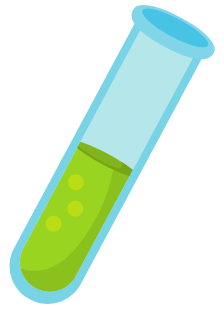
In these hands-on, STEM focused workshops, participants design, build, test, and play with Rube Goldberg Machines, paper constructions, domino towers, exploding popsicle-stick snakes, and other awesome engineering explorations.

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STEM EVENTS

JANUARY



Friday January 6:

STEM Crime Lab Program

3:30 - 4:30PM



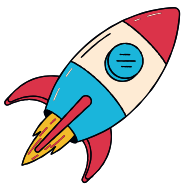
Students become super sleuths as they decode fingerprints and analyze ink composition. They will be challenged to solve a crime using their new skills.



Thursday, January 12: Magic Milk

3:30 - 4:30PM

Try this colorful chemistry experiment and see what happens when simple ingredients react!



Thursday, January 26: Tiny Rockets

3:30 - 4:30PM

Create your own mini rockets!

All materials provided, just come ready to have a blast.

Thursday January 20:

Chem Tech Program

3:30 - 4:30PM



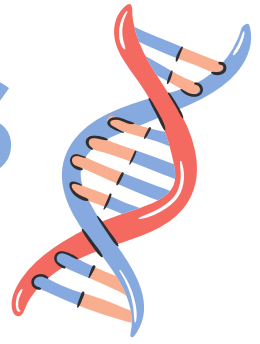
This microchemistry program challenges students to analyze variables and discover the causes of more than 25 surprising chemical experiments. *For ages 10-13*

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STEM EVENTS

February



Friday February 3:

MAD Science Sun & Stars Program

3:30 - 4:30PM



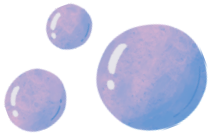
This stellar program leads you through the life cycles of the stars! Learn about our star, the sun, and see stardust form.



Thursday, February 9: Elephant toothpaste

3:30 - 4:30PM

Create foamy eruptions using hydrogen peroxide, yeast, soap, and water



Thursday, February 16: Bubbles on tables

3:30 - 4:30PM

Use straws to blow some bubbly experiments on our tables!

Friday February 24:

ZooMobile presents Animal Ecology Program

12:30 - 1:30PM



A ZooMobile is an educational outreach program that involves an educator and some animal ambassadors traveling to the library where they cover a range of topics about animal ecology, behavior, and conservation.

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Events for Adults



GHOST OF CHRISTMAS PAST WITH DUSTIN PARI

Thursday, December 15th
6:30-8:00PM

In this frightful, festive, and fun presentation, Dustin Pari takes the cobwebs off of a classic tradition, the Victorian Christmas Ghost Story. Not only does he explain the history of this often forgotten practice, but he shares a few timeless tales and even some real-life stories of holiday visits from the Ghosts of Christmas Past.

No registration required.



TOWN OF IRON TOYS RICHARD DONOHUE

Thursday, January 19th
6:30-8:00 PM

Historian for the Town of Cromwell, CT, demonstrates his collection of mechanical banks and explains their history and the amusing tales that inspired their design.

Events for Adults



HISTORY OF NINTENDO WITH ONE UP GAMES

Thursday, February 9th
5:00-8:00PM

Players will be able to learn about how Nintendo started and see how the iconic console evolved to where it is today. All Nintendo systems from NES to Switch are available to play throughout the exhibit on old-school CRT TVs. There is also a relic table of rare Nintendo equipment on display (non-playable). At the end of the exhibit, players will have the chance to play all the OG Nintendo games on Switch emulators.

YOGA WITH JULIE Saturdays at 9:30 AM*

December: 10th and 17th

January: 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th

February: 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th

Bring your own mat- all levels are welcome! Classes may be cancelled due to illness or inclement weather--please call to confirm prior to attending.

*Time has changed from 10 to 9:30AM



CRAFTS FOR ADULTS



PAINT NIGHT WITH JEAN WALKER

Thursday, January 26th 6:00PM

Jean Walker will be providing the art supplies to do a wintery paint night! Registration will be required, please email rcox@cwmars.org or call the library to register! Registration opens January 3rd!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

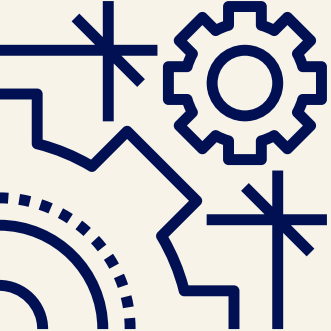
FUN FUSED GLASS WORKSHOP

Thursday, February 16th 6:00 PM

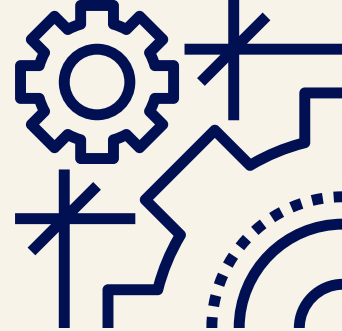
Join us in welcoming Deenie a glass artist! She will be bringing supplies to create dichroic fused glass pendants, magnets, or a combination of both. 30 participants total. This is an intergenerational program. Ages 9 and up. Ages 9 through 12 must be accompanied by an adult for safety reasons! The pendant will be brought back to Deenie's house to be kiln-fired. The projects will then be brought back 8 days later. Please email Randa at rcox@cwmars.org or calling the library.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED





STEM FOR ADULTS



SOURDOUGH STARTER IN A JAR

Thursday, January 12th
6:30-8:00PM

Using Paul Hollywood's Baking book adults come one and all and learn how to make your own Sourdough starter! We will provide you with all of the ingredients and directions for you to be able to start your own wonderful sourdough! Limited supply!

COMING SOON! TECHNOLOGY 101



- Excel Tips & Tricks
- Build Your Own Computer
- 1-on-1 Device Help

Classes and activities will be held in January & February keep an eye on the website, newspapers or flyers!



COMPUTER 101

FEBRUARY 21ST AT 6PM

LEARN HOW A COMPUTER WORKS!

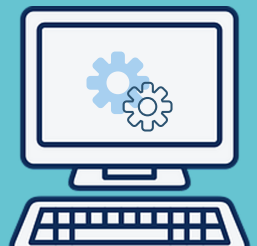


Tools and computer parts will be provided to explore and learn about the inner workings of computers! You will walk away with a computer for you or your family after learning how to build your own.

****Attendees under the age of 18 need to be accompanied by an adult.****

Registration Required Via our Website!
There are 10 spots available for this event

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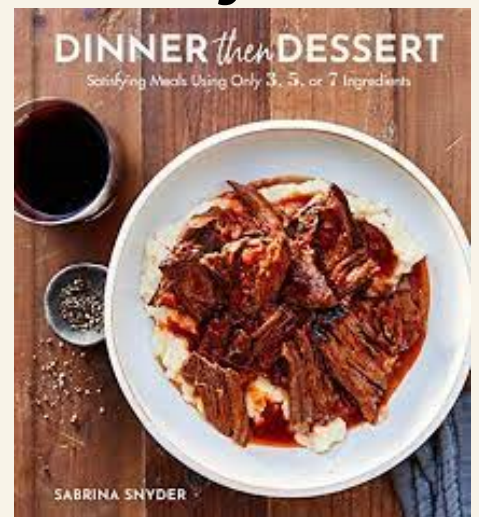
Cookbook Club



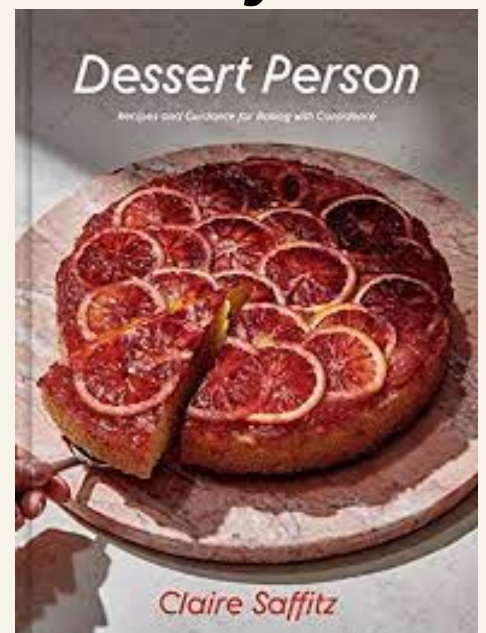
**First Meeting:
January 24th, 6:00 pm**

Every month, there will be a new cookbook to make a delicious treat out of. You can choose anything out of the cookbook to make & bring. Whether you like to cook or bake, there will always be something for you! At our monthly meeting, we will eat and discuss our favorite parts of the cooking adventure! You can pick up your copy of the cookbooks from behind the desk prior to the meeting.

January's Book



February's Book





SPICE CLUB



A five month series, each month will feature a new spice, recipes, and cookbooks.

Stop by the lobby to grab a sample of that month's spice, then take it home and cook!

January's Spice: **Cardamom**



February's Spice: **Cacao**



FALL
2022

THE GLADYS E. KELLY PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS

DAN GABEL & THE MOON MAIDS



ABOUT THEM

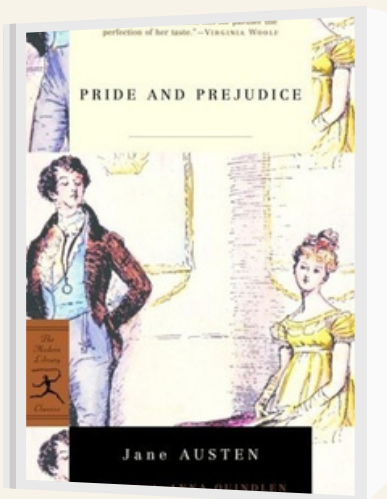
THE MUSIC OF THE 1940S DEFINED THE ENTIRE ERA, AND THE SOUNDS OF THE BIG BANDS AND CLOSE HARMONY VOCAL GROUPS DOMINATED THE AIR WAVES, DANCE HALLS, AND RECORD GROOVES. NOW, THAT LEGENDARY SOUND IS ALIVE AGAIN WITH: THE MOON MAIDS, AUTHENTIC 4-PIECE VOCAL GROUP.

DEC. 8 | 6:30-7:30PM

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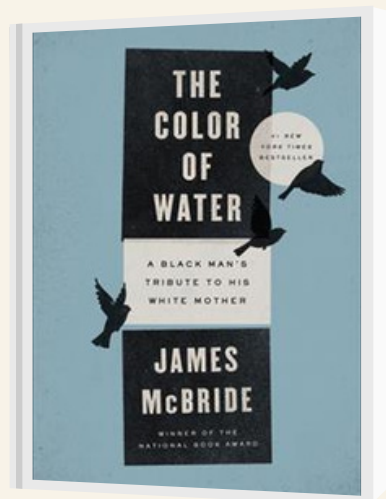
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Meetings will be held on the 3rd Monday of the Month (unless otherwise noted) 6:30PM The meetings will be held in the Library Community Room.



**December 19,
2022**

Since its immediate success in 1813, *Pride and Prejudice* has remained one of the most popular novels in the English language. Jane Austen called this brilliant work "her own darling child" and its vivacious heroine, Elizabeth Bennet, "as delightful a creature as ever appeared in print."



**January 16,
2023**

In *The Color of Water*, McBride retraces his mother's footsteps and, through her searing and spirited voice, recreates her remarkable story. It touches readers of all colors as a vivid portrait of growing up, a haunting meditation on race and identity, and a lyrical valentine to a mother from her son.



**February 13,
2023**

Minnesota—the Lincoln School is a pitiless place where hundreds of Native American children, forcibly separated from their parents, are sent to be educated. It is also home to an orphan named Odie O'Banion, a lively boy whose exploits earn him the superintendent's wrath.

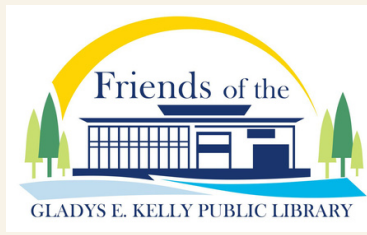


TRUSTEES CORNER

On Friday, November 4th trustees Mary Chabot and Rena Klebart attended the 2022 American Institute of Architects (AIA) of Central Massachusetts design awards dinner. The AIA design awards recognize best practices, innovative thinking and design excellence of AIA members from Central Massachusetts.

This year's recipient was the architectural firm of Oudens Ello. The firm was recognized for their design of the Gladys E. Kelly library of Webster, Massachusetts. The project was selected by a jury made up of distinguished professionals: Stephen Schreiber, professor and chair of the Department of Architecture at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst; Tolya Stonorov, associate director of Norwich University's School of Architecture and John Priestley, a third generation architect and head of his own firm.

It was an honor to be able to celebrate the design of our library and to recognize the architects who made our vision a reality.



The Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Library

Hello Friends of the Library,

The Board of the Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Library wish you a warm and merry upcoming winter season! There is nothing like curling up with a treasure found from the library to pass the time when the snow is blowing outside.

People often ask - what do the Friends do? We are a non-profit volunteer organization whose purpose is to financially support the library so that it can thrive by helping improve and expand library services, facilities, equipment, and provide programming for all ages.

In November, we had a very successful Mini-Golf in the Stacks. We had almost 40 volunteers over two days - a record! Thank you, thank you, thank you volunteers - it was our pleasure getting to know you. All who attended had a wonderful time and it was amazing to hear the laughter throughout the library to 10 holes of golf. It was such a financial success that we plan on having it again next year - see you then! Check out our amazing sponsors and thank them next time you use their business.

We would like to acknowledge the time and dedication of two recently retired Board members, Father William Konicki and Charles Baron. They have served the library and Friends for many years to the benefit of our community, we wish them well in their new endeavors. In addition, we have two new Board Members, Allison Caraceni and Steven Place - welcome!

New and former members are always welcome to join. Becoming a Friend is an easy way for you to help our library and community. Membership cards are available at the front desk, or go to our Friend's page on the library website to print one out.

April 27th, 2023 Bites, Books and Blooms: A Taste of Webster will be at the library. We are looking for volunteers - checkout the flyer for details.

We cannot do this without you,

The Friends of the Gladys E. Kelly Board

We are looking for Volunteers for our next big event!

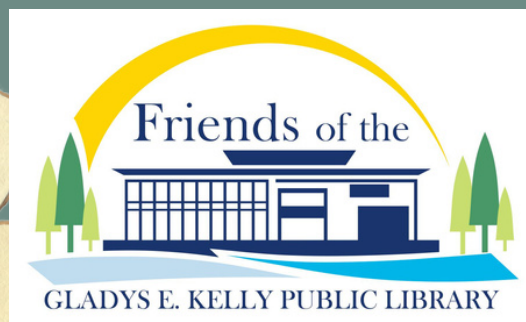


BITES, BOOKS +BLOOMS: *A Taste of Webster*

April 27th, 2023

Save the date! Come celebrate Earth Day by enjoying the fruits of Webster - delicacies from our local restaurants. Experience our first ever Books in Bloom exhibit - your favorite reads interpreted in Spring blossoms. We are looking for volunteers who would like to join the committee and help with marketing, developing the Books in Bloom side, as well as individuals or groups interested in doing a floral arrangement and restaurant coordination.

If you would like to help us organize this event, let us know by emailing us at FriendsoftheGladysKellyLibrary@gmail.com as soon as possible. More information will follow on the event.



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