

FRIENDS

of the Joshua Hyde Public Library

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From Our President

Fall is upon us, which for the Friends means looking back on the past year as we assess our work in preparation for our **Annual Meeting**. While life is still not 100 percent back to normal, it does seem well on its way! We were able to have an in-person, successful **Summer Reading Program** which ended with our much-anticipated **Bookmark Contest Awards Ceremony**. Hopefully many of you were able to come to the Finale Event for the program and were able to see some of our local young artists and their fabulous creations. If you weren't able to attend, check the front desk and pick up some colorful new bookmarks. All of the winning entries have been printed and will be distributed throughout the year.

Other in-person events taking place are our **Book Discussions** that are geared toward helping the library celebrate its **125th Anniversary**. This celebration is still mostly in the planning stages, but there will be many more exciting programs, discussions, author events, movie series and parties, so check the websites often to make sure you don't miss any of the fun! We hope you are also able to attend some of our inclusive programs being offered through our **You Belong Here** campaign.

And, of course, what would a fall in Sturbridge be without our Harvest Festival. And the main event of the Festival (at least according to the Friends!) is our annual Book Sale. So, if you're in town October 16, make sure to stop by the Common and pick up some good books to keep you warm all winter.

Now back to our **Annual Meeting**. It will be taking place **October 28th at 6:30 pm** in the basement Meeting Room...as long as the COVID situation remains under control. If the situation worsens, we will hold the meeting via Zoom. Because of the on-going pandemic, we will again be foregoing any type of program prior to the actual meeting. Those who attend will be voting on the Library's annual Wish List and the Slate of Officers. We are currently looking to fill the Vice President spot, so if you are interested, please reach out to any Board Member.

See you at the library!

Donna Englander

From Our Librarian

Dear Friends,

The JHPL 125th Anniversary kicks off in October

The Joshua Hyde Public Library is turning 125! Stay tuned for more information about programs and getting involved with the celebration!

Open on Sundays

With the exception of December 26, we are open every Sunday from October 17th through April 10th from 12-5pm.

Curbside Delivery & Library In Motion

A reminder that we are still doing curbside delivery – just call and let us know you would like to pick up curbside and we will bring your items out to you. Also, we continue to offer our homebound delivery service to individuals who, for long-term or temporary reasons, cannot get to the library to pick up materials. We would like to thank our volunteer delivery drivers Barbara Kalber and Lori Main. Please call the library at 508-347-2512 for more details.

You Belong Here

The YBH campaign continues to roll on with several interesting and innovative programs coming up!

October 5 at 7pm at the Sturbridge Senior Center – Author and Journalist Ted Reinstein talks about his new book "Beyond Brooklyn", a fresh look at baseball and the color barrier.

October 13th at 6:30pm (on Zoom) – Flag Use Today with Ted Kaye. Ted Kaye is the author of "Good Flag, Bad Flag". He will discuss the social and historical context of flags today.

October 14th at 10:15am – Sturbridge resident Lama Khayat Oneyssi is at the library to give you an introduction to the Arabic language as well as Lebanese culture.

November 9th at 7pm (on Zoom) – A conversation with Judith Avila, co-author of Code Talker. In celebration of Veterans Day and Native American Heritage Month, we will talk about the first and only memoir by an original member of the 29 Navajo Code Talkers in WWII with the co-author, Judith Avila.

Your Librarian,
Becky Plimpton



Friends Online

Find out what the Friends are doing or renew your membership online:
slfriends.org
or
www.SturbridgeLibraryFriends.org

Can You Help the Friends Out?

Our Annual Meeting is almost upon us, which means it is time to vote for the Slate of Officers that will run the Friends for the next year. Are you looking for a way to turn a little bit of your time into a huge investment in your community? Consider joining the Board of the Friends of the Joshua Hyde Public Library.

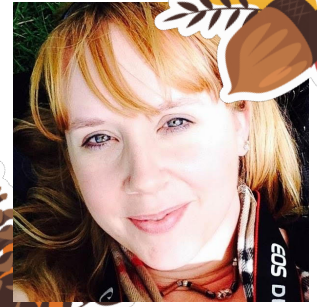
Anyone is welcome to run for any of the positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer or Clerk. But right now, we are really in need of someone to run for Vice President.

The person in this position conducts meetings at the request of, or in the absence of the President and should be available to attend monthly meetings. Our meetings usually occur midweek in the afternoon. The Vice President is also in charge of publicity. If you have never done this before, we are here to help get you started. This position will require around 10 hours a month.

Our annual Board meeting will take place in the library's **Basement Meeting Room on October 28, 2021**. If you are interested in helping the organization that supports all the great programs offered at the library, contact us at: www.SturbridgeLibraryFriends.org

WE would like to welcome Patty Owens to our staff! Patty is the new part time Program Coordinator here at the JHPL.

While Patty has only lived in town for a few years, she is excited to be able to become more involved in our community. If you see Patty around, say hi and welcome!



ANNUAL MEETING

October 28, 2021 at 6:30 pm

in the Basement Meeting Room

We will be voting on the Library's Wish List and the Slate of Officers. This year's Slate of Officers is as follows:

President
Donna Englander

Vice President
Open

Clerk
Alice Kao

Treasurer
Carrie Braney

Give a big congratulations
to the winners of this years
bookmark contest!!!

Joshua Hyde Public Library
2021 Bookmark Contest



Chloe Deane
First Place, 4 - 6 years

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Lora Goodwin
First Place, 7 - 9 years

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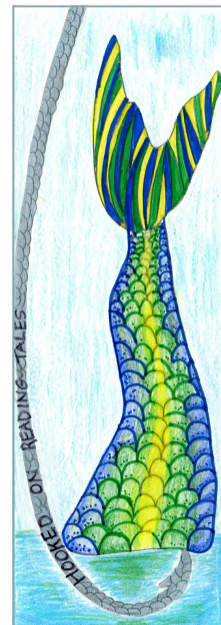
Jackson D'onofrio
First Place, 10 - 13 years

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Alexandra Lemovitz
First Place, 14 - 17 years

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Dawn Thomas
First Place, 18+ years

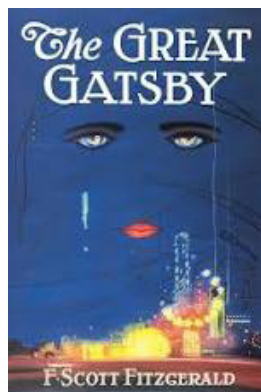
Armchair Travelers

MEETS EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY AT 6:00PM

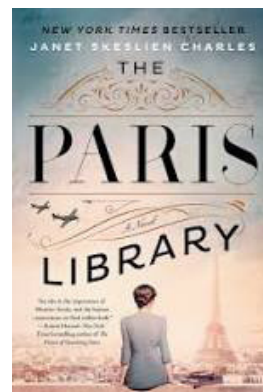
AT THE JOSHUA HYDE PUBLIC LIBRARY



OCT 20
THE COLOR OF AIR
GAIL TSUKIYAMA



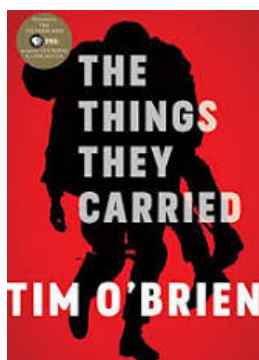
NOV. 17
THE GREAT GATSBY
F. SCOTT FITZGERALD



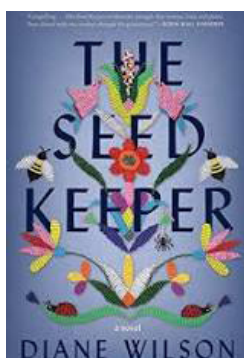
DEC 15
THE PARIS LIBRARY
JANET SKESLIEN



FEB 6
THE VANISHING HALF
BRIT BENNETT



MAR. 16
THINGS THEY CARRIED
TIM O'BRIEN



APR. 20
THE SEED KEEPER
DIANE WILSON

THIS YEAR'S BOOK SELECTIONS

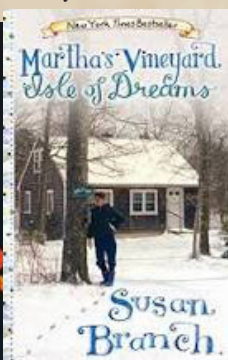
*In celebration of
the JHPL's 125th
Anniversary!*

Memoirs: Gateway to

Meets every second Tuesday at 1:00 PM



Oct 12
Finding Freedom:
A Cook's Story;
Remaking a Life from
Scratch
Erin French



Nov. 9
Martha's Vineyard
- Isle of Dreams
Susan Branch



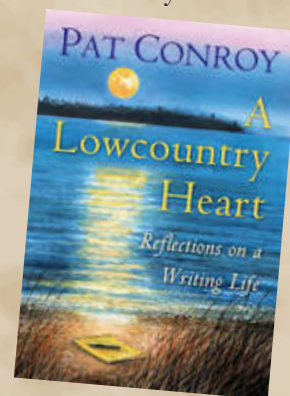
Dec 14
Comfort Me With
Apples
Ruth Reichl

Dreams and Reflections

at the Joshua Hyde Public Library



Feb 8
Becoming Michelle
Obama



Mar 8
A Lowcountry Heart:
Reflections on a Writing
Life
Pat Conroy



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PLACE
STAMP
HERE

Friends Fall Book Sale

Saturday, October 16 10 am – 2 pm

Great new selections!

Thank you to everyone who donated books for our October sale! We have loads of children's books and a great new selection of both fiction and nonfiction. Come stock up for those "stay inside" winter days.

Most children's and fiction books will be on tables outside with the non-fiction on shelves inside. **Masks are required inside and recommended outside. A cash box will be available for donations.**



From the Children's Room

Dear Friends,

Storytimes are back! Lisa and I will be offering storytimes on most Tuesday and Friday mornings, weather permitting. They will be held on the library's front lawn. These have been well received; we will continue offering them as long as possible. The format basically remains the same with stories, songs, rhymes, and movement to shake the sillies out! Craft activities, however, are packaged to create at home. COVID protocols will be followed when planning for future storytime gatherings as colder weather settles in.

The Children's Room staff is also offering special activities on select weekends. With schools now in session, Saturday events allow families to enjoy some library time together! Lisa facilitates "STEM Saturday" each month.

There will also be occasional special storytimes or family entertainment throughout the year.

I am delighted to be offering outreach programming once again! Visits to local nursery schools and child care centers have begun!

December and February school vacation week entertainment and activities are in place. We expect these to be popular as families are pleased to have the library return to a full calendar.

Best regards,

Patricia Lalli
Children's Librarian

