

BEAMAN BROWSER

What's new at Beaman Memorial Public Library

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Fall Library Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Friday, Saturday: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Holiday Closings: Saturday, September 3, Friday, November 11, Thursday, November 24

Early Closing: Wednesday, November 23 at 5:00 p.m.

We're happy to report that our wireless hotspot circulation program has exceeded our expectations! This grant-funded program ends in September but because it is so popular, the **Friends of the Beaman Library** have purchased hotspots for your continued use. Stop by and learn how this portable device can bring the internet with you when traveling.

Donations of books and puzzles for the **Friends of the Beaman Library Annual Book Sale** are still being accepted. To learn more, please read the letter from the Friends on the back of this newsletter.

Thank you to the **College of the Holy Cross** for their generous gift allowing the Library's Saturday fall hours to be expanded to 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., effective Saturday, September 10, 2022.

During the month of November, bring a non-perishable food item to the Library. All collected food items will be donated to the First Congregational Church of West Boylston to help feed our neighbors. Please verify that the expiration date has at least 6 months remaining on all food donations.

And, make sure you check out our 'All Ages' programming on the last page!

Anna Shaw
Library Director

The Friends of the Beaman Library Annual Book Sale

September 10 and 11, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day



Board of Trustees Meetings
All meetings are at 5:00 p.m.
Please contact the Library for location details.
Thursday, September 8
Tuesday, October 11
Tuesday, November 15

Friends Meetings
All meetings are at 6:00 p.m.
Please contact the Library for location details.
Tuesday, September 20
Tuesday, October 18 - Annual Meeting Event

Endowment Update
The June 30, 2022 balance at Greater Worcester Community Foundation was \$238,617.89

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Adults

Please call the Library or email beaman@cwmares.org at least 24 hours prior to an event to register, unless otherwise noted. Space is limited, please register early!

The Friends of the Beaman Library Annual Book Sale



**Saturday, September 10 and Sunday, September 11
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day**

Outside on the Library lawn, weather permitting. All proceeds support Library programs and museum passes.

Italian Conversation Group

Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

September 24, October 22, and November 26

Join other Italian speakers in the community for an opportunity to speak Italian exclusively for two hours!

A Discussion with Marjorie Burke, Local Author of *The Wednesday Ladies*

Tuesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m.

What began 10 to 12 years ago as simple visits over coffee grew into something quite special among *The Wednesday Ladies* during the pandemic. Hear how the author kept this group not only connected, but even closer than before.

Stress Reduction and Relaxation Yoga with Carol McGuiggan

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

September 14, October 12, and November 9

Experience the benefits of gentle yoga stretches, calming breath techniques, and the value of meditation. Dress for movement. Bring your yoga mat or a thick towel. Space is limited. **Registration will open the month before the program.*



Book Discussion Group

Thursdays at 12:30 p.m.

Join us to discuss a selected title. Copies of the book will be available at the circulation desk one month prior to the discussion.

September 15: *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd
October 20: *The Children's Blizzard* by Melanie Benjamin
November 17: *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel

Technology Office Hours

Thursdays at 3:00 p.m.

September 15, October 20, and November 17

Do you have a technology woe you need help with? If so, schedule an appointment with Jeff! During this 30-minute appointment, Jeff will help you with your device and technology-related questions! **By Appointment Only**



Nonfiction Book Discussion Group

Fridays at 1:00 p.m.

Join us to discuss a selected nonfiction title. Copies of the book will be available at the circulation desk one month prior to the discussion.

September 16: Help us to select next year's reading list.

September 30: *Sudden Sea: The Great Hurricane of 1938* by R. A. Scotti

October 28: *Finding the Mother Tree* by Suzanne Simard

November 18: *The Anthropocene Reviewed: Essays on a Human-Centered Planet* by John Green

Mindful Meditation with Carol McGuiggan Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

September 21, October 19, and November 16

This class is open to individuals wishing to develop inner awareness, health, and well-being. The practice will include techniques to improve concentration, clarity of mind, relaxation, and promote self-awareness. Bring a yoga mat or sitting cushion and a receptive attitude.

**Registration will open the month before the program.*

Lianne Dixon: Arguing with Your Teen

Thursday, September 22 at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom

Tired of arguing with your teen? Join Parent Coach Lianne Dixon, and learn how change is possible! During this online presentation, discover high-impact strategies that create less room for arguing and more room for connection, explore the benefit of using visualization to help create the relationship you want, and learn mindful practices that are critical for more peaceful communication and joyful connection. Parents of teens and tweens are invited to attend.



Woodstock Revisited

Thursday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Join music historian, educator, storyteller, percussionist, photographer, and radio show host Craig Harris for a re-examination of the historic 1969 Woodstock rock festival.

Multi-Seasonal Centerpiece

Saturday, October 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Please join Sandie in making a beautiful, multi-seasonal centerpiece. Participants will first make a fall centerpiece and then Sandie will show you simple ways to change it up for other holidays. Please email beaman@cwmares.org by October 1 to reserve your spot!

War in Ukraine

Thursday, October 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Join Crystal H. Brown, Assistant Professor of Political Science in the Social Science and Policy Studies Department at WPI, on Zoom for an examination of Russia's war on Ukraine. Dr. Brown will discuss the complex relationship between Ukraine, Russia, and the United States by highlighting what the war in Ukraine means for international politics and state sovereignty.

Friends of the Beaman Library Annual Meeting Event

Tuesday, October 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Peter Christoph, a well-known wildlife advocate, naturalist and award-winning wildlife photographer based in Lancaster, MA, will present "Birds of the Quabbin".

Card Making Workshop

Thursday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Join MaryEllen on Zoom to craft three greeting cards! Participants will be provided the materials needed to construct each card ahead of time. To register and receive a Zoom link, email beaman@cwmares.org by October 18.



Teens

Ages 12-18



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The Estimation Station Ongoing Throughout the Fall



Stop by the Teen Space and guess how many items are in the jar each week. If your guess is the most accurate, you win a prize!

100 Books Before Graduation Reading Challenge

Have you enrolled in the 100 Books Before Graduation Reading Challenge? Visit Beaman Library's Beanstack page (<https://beamanlibrary.beanstack.org/reader365>) to register and begin logging your reading. Once you complete the challenge you will be awarded a personalized prize package!

Crafternoon

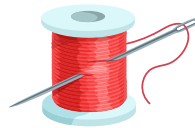
Thursdays at 3:00 p.m.

September 1, October 13, and November 3

Feeling crafty? Stop by the Library and satisfy those crafty cravings! A variety of materials will be available for you to use and create what you wish.

Hand Sewing for Beginners

Wednesday, September 14 at 5:30 p.m.



Join us at the Library to learn the fundamentals of hand sewing! During this two-hour workshop, Michelle will teach participants the basics of hand sewing while completing a simple project that you will be able to take home - a tiny emoji! Leave with a beginner sewing kit too!

Mentoring with Jasmin

Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

September 20, October 4 and 18, November 8 and 22

Students in grades K-5 can sign up for free, academic mentoring at the Library! Students will strengthen concepts learned in school, expand their knowledge, and receive homework help in Math, Science, or English! Sign up for one 45-minute session and come with homework or concepts you would like to work on!

Bath Bombs

Thursday, September 22 at 4:00 p.m.



Now that school is back in full swing, take some time to pamper yourself! Join Jessica to learn how to make a fizzy bath bomb! All of the materials needed to make this craft will be provided.

String Art

Tuesday, September 27 at 6:00 p.m.

This craft is perfect for both novice and experienced crafters alike! Join Jessica at the Library to create your own eye-catching piece of art using only a few simple materials including wood, a hammer, nails, and copious amounts of embroidery floss.

Zombie Barbie Apocalypse

Thursday, October 6 at 4:00 p.m.

Autumn is upon us and Halloween is drawing near. This is the perfect time to change unsuspecting Barbies into zombies! All of the materials required to craft our disturbing dolls will be provided.

Spooky Spider Web

Wednesday, October 19 at 6:00 p.m.

Learn how to make this splendid spider web, a perfect addition for your spooky autumn decor. All of the materials needed to create the craft using a simple macrame knot tying method will be provided.

Creepy Campfire

Tuesday, October 25 at 6:00 p.m.

Ghost stories around the fire are the ultimate spooky experience. Join Jessica for a creepy campfire and scary stories around our indoor 'blaze'. We will enjoy some scrumptious s'mores afterwards!



Chapters and Chipper Chatter

Thursdays at 4:00 p.m.

October 27 and November 17

Introducing a book discussion group for readers transitioning be(TWEEN) the children's collection and young adult collection. Join Miss Sue and Jessica for an afternoon to read and discuss the first chapter of a lighthearted teen book that tweens new to the young adult collection will enjoy. Copies of the book will be available to borrow so you can finish up the selected title at home!

Career Planning Workshop

Thursday, November 10 at 4:00 p.m.



"What do you want to be when you grow up?" What a tough question! This workshop is designed to help teens figure out future options by considering their top experiences, what's important to them, what are they good at, what they like to do, what sort of personality traits they possess, and whether college or other alternatives may be the right fit.

Safety Pin Art

Tuesday, November 15 at 6:00 p.m.

Using only safety pins and many tiny seed beads, create charming safety pin art that can adorn your clothing or favorite bag.

No Sew Coffee Cozy

Wednesday, November 30 at 6:00 p.m.

Craft a no-sew llama cozy to keep your drink toasty as the weather begins to chill! All of the materials needed to create this charming craft will be provided.



Children

Birth to Age 11

Elephant & Piggie Party!!!

Tuesday, September 13 at 4:00 p.m.

Hear dramatic readings of Mo Willems' Elephant & Piggie books, make a craft, and have a photo shoot as Elephant & Piggie! Please send an email to skelly@cwmares.org with 'Mo' in the subject field by September 8 to join the fun!



Celebrate National Pepperoni Pizza Day with Us!

Tuesday, September 20 at 4:00 p.m.

Beaman Library likes to celebrate everything! Hear pizza stories, make a pizza craft, and take home a slice of pizza! Please email ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Pepperoni' in the subject line by September 13 to attend.

My Super Self Program

Wednesday, September 21 at 4:00 p.m.

It is back to school again and sometimes dealing with peers can be difficult. Learn fun self-esteem building skills to be your best self and to celebrate your uniqueness! We will be making journals to write positive affirmations to ourselves too! This program is for elementary school children. Please send an email to ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Super' in the subject line by September 14 to attend.

Native American Day

Friday, September 23 at 3:30 p.m.

Hear stories about Native Americans and learn to make fry bread to celebrate this important day. You will leave with a craft kit and some fry bread to eat at home! Please send an email to skelly@cwmares.org with 'Native American' in the subject line by Friday, September 16 to reserve your spot.



Good Neighbor Day

Wednesday, September 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Come into the Library to hear stories about being neighborly and then make a craft to give to a neighbor! To reserve your spot, please email ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Neighbor' in the subject line by September 21.

National Taco Day

Tuesday, October 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Listen to the *Dragons Love Tacos* books by Adam Rubin, make a taco craft, and go home with a packet of taco seasoning and a recipe. Please send an email to ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Taco' in the subject line by September 27 to reserve your spot.



International Day of the Girl Child

Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00 p.m.

A girl empowerment story time and craft for elementary school students to bring out your female superhero! Please email ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Super Girl' in the subject line by October 4 to attend this program.

Family Pumpkin Decorating

Thursday, October 13 and Thursday, October 20

Between 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Bring your own pumpkin to the Library and we will provide all the craft materials to make it your own original piece of Halloween art! Sign up at the Library for a time slot that works best for your family. Sign up sheets will be available beginning October 4.



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Not-So-Spooky Stories

Friday, October 28 at 11:00 a.m.

This storytime is perfect for the younger crowd to listen to silly, 'scary' stories and complete a simple Halloween craft. Please send an email to ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Spooky' in the subject line by October 21 to attend.



National Stress Awareness Day Family Program

Wednesday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m.

Learn stress busting ideas, listen to stories, and make a stress ball to take home. Please send an email to ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Stressed Out' in the subject line by October 26 to hold your spot!

Veteran's Day Craft and Story Time

Wednesday, November 9 at 4:00 p.m.

Hear a story read by a veteran and make a special craft. Please sign up by sending an email to skelly@cwmares.org by November 2 with 'Vet' in the subject line to reserve your spot!

Thanksgiving Story Time and Puppet Craft

Tuesday, November 15 at 4:00 p.m.

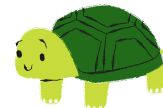
We will read some Thanksgiving books and make a turkey puppet craft to bring home. Please send an email to ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Turkey' in the subject line by November 8 to attend.



Meet with the Turtle Rescue League

Saturday, November 19 at 11:00 a.m.

The staff of the Turtle Rescue League will be coming to the Library to provide a very special program about turtles. You will meet several turtle varieties, hear about the care of turtles found in the wild, etc. This group is incredibly informative when it comes to turtles and they can tell you all about their rescue efforts. Please send an email to ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Turtle' in the subject line to reserve your spot.





**Thanksgiving Centerpiece with Ms. Sandie
Wednesday, November 23 at 2:00 p.m.**

Make a special centerpiece for your Thanksgiving table with Ms. Sandie. No table is complete without it! This is for children in grades 1-6. Please send an email to skelly@cwmares.org with 'Centerpiece' in the subject line by November 16 to reserve your spot.

Drop In Story Time

Friday, November 25 at 3:00 p.m.

We will have a drop in story time at the Library. There will be movement songs and fun stories!



All Ages

**American Sign Language Class with Deaf Experts
Thursday, November 3 at 7:00 p.m.**

Have you ever been fascinated by the sign language interpreter at press conferences? Did you learn the ASL alphabet as a child and wish you could get a refresher? Do you have a Deaf friend, neighbor, or colleague? Are you interested in exercising a dusty corner of your brain? These and more are good reasons for you to join Deaf experts from ASLdeafined.com for a live session about American Sign Language. Learn a bit about ASLdeafined.com, a language learning website available through our Library, and background information on Deaf culture. Leave this Zoom session with helpful words and phrases you can use to communicate through sign language. Be ready with questions! Space is limited, so please email beaman@cwmares.org at least 24 hours prior to this program to receive your Zoom link!

**Stargazing with Aldrich Astronomical Society
To Be Announced**

Join Beaman Library and Aldrich Astronomical Society for an evening of stargazing! A brief presentation will be followed by an opportunity to stargaze. So bundle up, grab a mug of hot chocolate, and join us for a fun evening! Please email jwright@cwmares.org if you are interested in attending this program!



ONGOING PROGRAMS



To register or for more information please call **508-835-3711 x3** or email Ms. Sue at ssmith@cwmares.org.

MONTHLY PROGRAMMING

Pokémon Club: Third **Wednesday** of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Join your friends to swap, trade, play, and talk about Pokémon! Please email ssmith@cwmares.org with 'Pokémon' in the subject line and we will send you a reminder email before the program each month!

WEEKLY PROGRAMMING

Books and Blankies on Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.

This is an early literacy program that runs in 6 week sessions during the school year. We have books, lap bounces, instrument play, parachute fun, and bubbles! For children ages 18 months to 3 years.

Alpha-bits on Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m.

Join us for 13 weeks of alphabet recognition! We cover two letters each week, read a book about each letter, hear the letter sounds, and make a craft for each letter. For children 4 to 5 years of age.

Virtual Story Time on Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m.

Hear some fun stories on Beaman Library's Children's Room Facebook page that will keep your kids entertained while you prepare dinner!

Mother Goose with Ms. Sandie on Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.

This gentle literacy program is for the youngest patrons. There will be songs, stories, simple sign language, parenting tips, lap bounces, etc. For children between the ages of birth and 18 months.

Books and Blankies Senior on Thursdays at 11:15 a.m.

Have a little fun prepping for your future kindergarten year by joining us for some songs, stories, crafts, and literacy skills. This program runs in 6 week sessions. For children 4 to 5 years of age.

Friday First Chapters on Fridays at 4:00 p.m.

Hear the first chapters of two early reader chapter books and two advanced reader chapter books on Beaman Library's Children's Room Facebook page. Then you can come into the Library to check them out if you wish!



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A Message From the Friends of the Beaman Library:

- What:** Friends of the Beaman Library Used Book Sale and Raffle
- When:** Saturday, 9/10/22 and Sunday, 9/11/22, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Sunday only fill a grocery bag for \$10.00
- Where:** Outside on the Library lawn. Weather permitting.
- Why:** All proceeds support Library programs and museum passes
- Donations:** If you would like to donate books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles or games to this sale, please call 508-835-3711 to make an appointment and review the donation guidelines. Book donations accepted include gently used adult fiction copyrighted between 2000-2022, and most nonfiction and children's books.

Books can inspire your imagination,
Doing a puzzle, can be so much fun,
CDs can introduce a new tune,
Get ready, the book sale is coming soon!
There will be books by authors you like,
Maybe some books with trails to hike,
Loads of children's books to read,
And - satisfaction of a good deed!
You see the sale is sponsored by the Friends,
And provides funds for the library to spend,
So, mark your calendar with the dates,
Your attendance, we will appreciate!

Thank you for your support!
Ann Elizabeth Ramminger and the Friends Board Members
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