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May 2025

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Story Time!

Wednesday May 7 & 14 @ 11am

This Story Time is designed for ages 2–5 and includes singing and crafts with fun STEM connections!

Registration required; space is limited.

Bouncing Baby Story Time!

Thursday May 1, 8, & 15 @ 11am

Infants and toddlers aged 0-23 months are invited to this musical program specially designed to engage the tiniest library users while developing early literacy skills.

Registration required; space is limited.

Drop-In Tech Help

Saturday, May 3 @ 2-5pm

Drop by the library for all of your basic technology needs! Our librarians or volunteers will help you learn about using your computers, smart phones, tablets, or other devices. Stop by any time between 2-5pm.

For more advanced tech help, consider signing up for an appointment by emailing our assistant director at anix@cwmars.org so we can best serve your needs.

Tuesday Crafternoon

Tuesday, May 6 @ 4pm

Ages 6–11 are invited for a relaxed, fun craft activity the first Tuesday of the month.

Silk Painting Workshop: Magic Colors & Flowers

Tuesday, May 6 @ 5pm

Explore your creative side and experiment without fear of making a mistake! Join this workshop with Lidia Mikhaylova and enjoy a relaxing adventure into the world of freedom and creativity, and create your own masterpiece. This isn't a workshop on how to paint, but is an observation on how the paint lives and reacts on the fabric. When directing the paint wherever your imagination wants it to go, you will tap into your creativity and grow your unique creative voice! This workshop will be between 2.5 — 3 hours, so please bring refreshments if needed. All other necessary materials will be provided. Registration required, space is limited. For adults and teens 16 and up.

Afternoon Book Club

Wednesday, May 7 @ 1pm

Join us in the library or online for a discussion of our monthly book club book. For May we will read 'The Lion Women of Tehran' by Marjan Kamali. Copies are available at the library or on Libby. Registration is required for Zoom Link.

STEM Craft: Light Up Dragon Card

Wednesday, May 7 @ 2pm

Stop by the library after your half-day from school to do a fun activity. In this craft, electronic bits and pieces will come together to create a circuit that makes your picture light up!

Ages 8 and up. Registration required.

Poetry Reading: Barbara Thurston

Wednesday, May 7 @ 6pm

Join us for the second installment of our poetry reading series with local poet Barbara Thurston. Barbara, known as BG Thruston lives on a sheep farm in Warwick, Massachusetts. After a career in computers and finance, she received her MFA in Poetry from Vermont College in 2002. She taught poetry courses at Lasell Village for Vermont College and has continued to conduct poetry workshops today. Her first book, 'Saving the Lamb,' was a Massachusetts Book Award's highly recommended reading choice. And her newest book, 'The Many Lives of Cathouse Farm: Tales of a Rural Brothel,' is a forthcoming 2025 release and is the culmination of a decade of historical research about her 1770's farmhouse. Join us for the second installment of this poetry series as we appreciate the poetry in our local community and celebrate our collective creative spirit. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Boylston Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

This presentation will be taking place in the Library and virtually via Zoom. Registration is required for the Zoom link.

Kids Craft: Make a Candy Centerpiece Gift

Thursday, May 8 @ 4pm

It can feel so good to make gifts for others! Maybe you have a parent, grandparent, auntie, or friend that you'd like to celebrate. We'll create a fun candy centerpiece today that you can give to someone special.

Ages 6 and up. Registration required.

Evening Story Time

Thursday, May 15 @ 5:30pm

Join Mrs. S for a special evening Story Time perfect for ages 2–5! We'll read stories and do a craft. <u>Registration required.</u>

Evening Book Club

Thursday, May 15 @ 6:30pm

Join us online for a discussion of this month's selection, 'South to America' by Imani Perry. Copies are available at the library or on the Libby app. Registration is required for Zoom Link.

Writer's Group

Tuesday, May 20 @ 6:30pm

This is a group for aspiring writers, led by Susan Roney O'Brien, MFA. All are welcome, no matter your writing level! Join this group as they

improve their writing together. You can either join us in person at the library or virtually. Registration is required for Zoom Link.

Teen Advisory Board

Wednesday, May 21 @ 6pm

Ages 13–18 can help the library and make their voices heard on the Teen Advisory Board! We'll meet on the third Wednesday of each month to discuss library programs and other fun projects. Bring friends and enjoy snacks as our group helps to make the library a place for all teens to enjoy. Teens can commit as as little or as much time as they like, and those looking for additional volunteer hours will be offered opportunities through Teen Board meetings.

Registration encouraged.

FisHistory with DCR Watershed Rangers

Wednesday, May 28 @ 5:30pm

Join us as the DCR Watershed Rangers talk about the history of fishing at Wachusett Reservoir. DCR Watershed Rangers will present fishing history from the 1890s to today. They will draw from historical state records and showcase the species of fish found in the reservoir from surveys. A Q&A will follow the presentation so come prepared to ask any question you might have.

Registration is required as we have limited space.

World Wednesdays

Wednesday, May 28 @ 6:30pm

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) presents a monthly event for teens to try tasty snacks from around the world! We'll feature treats from countries like Greece, Colombia, and Turkey.

Open to everyone ages 12-18. No registration required.

Foraging on the Wachusett Watershed with OWL Eyes Wilderness Friday, May 30 $@5.00\,\mathrm{pm}$

Gate 8 – Sawyer Bluff to Wachusett Reservoir Trail Parking
Join Tim from OWL Eyes Wilderness as we forage through the
Wachusett Watershed. This event will start at the parking lot of Gate 8
of the Watershed in Boylston (42°22'27.3"N 71°42'57.5"W) and will
continue through the Sawyer Bluffs area where we will learn about
the most local, organic, and free food in our area!
Foraging is a growing interest in our society and more people are
searching for ways to obtain food in a self-reliant manner. It is
essential to be sure we are foraging safely, ethically, and without
causing damage to our landscape. Every season and landscape
offers unique and nutritious plants to eat and prepare as medicine!
Let's go on a walk and learn about the various plant species, and
plants to eat or collect for medicine and utilitarian use. We will be
hiking through varied terrain, on and off trail, up to 1 mile. Be sure to
bring appropriate footwear, a notebook and pen!

Registration encouraged.