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The Library is  
located directly  
across from  
Town Hall.

#### Library Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Friday & Saturday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

"Whatever the cost of  
our libraries the cost is  
cheap compared to  
that of an ignorant  
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-Walter Cronkite



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# Library Connections

## The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

MARCH 2020

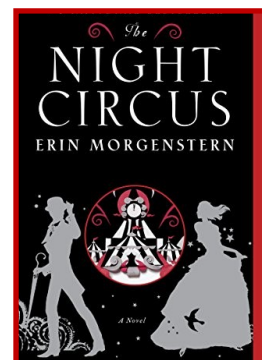
## Braintree Reads

The 2020 Selection is *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern

This year's **Braintree Reads** starts on **March 20th** and runs through the end of **April**. The featured title is *The Night Circus* by Massachusetts author Erin Morgenstern. Children's selections are *May Magic* by Ron Roy for grades two to three, and *Magic Misfits* by Neal Patrick Harris for grades four through six. The Teen recommendation is *Daughter of the Burning City* by Amanda Foody.

Keeping with the big top theme, we will have lots of magical, circus-themed events scheduled! Be sure to check the Event Calendar or pick up a flier at the library so you won't miss anything!

Braintree Reads is designed to encourage people to read the same book, and talk about it, while the library offers events relating to the book's themes.



## Learn to Play Mahjong



Now you can learn to play Mahjong at the library!

Have you ever wondered what all the fuss is about? Or haven't played in years? Or just want to play more? Come play! We have the game and we have a teacher, too. The lessons will be for the American version of the game, but if you know the Chinese version feel free to come and teach others.

Meets weekly on **Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00 PM on the Lower Level, starting on March 4th.**

Everyone is welcome. Come meet new people and make new friends!

## Decorate a Masquerade Mask



As part of our Braintree Reads 2020: *The Night Circus* celebration, come decorate a Masquerade Mask on **Saturday, March 28th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM in Logan Auditorium!**

This program is open to teens and tweens in grades six through twelve, as well as adults.

Registration is required. Register online, in person at the Reference Desk or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext 4415.

# Learn Juggling and Clown Skills



Be a clown!

On **Monday, March 30th from 3:45 to 4:45 PM in Logan Auditorium** you can learn juggling and clown skills with Elisabeth and Cathie! Put on some clown face paint, and try out some funny clown moves.

Learn two different techniques for juggling! Library staff Elisabeth and Cathie create a friendly and welcoming environment for kids to have creative circus fun. For ages 7 to 11. No registration necessary.

This program is part of **Braintree Reads 2020: The Night Circus**.

## March Book Clubs

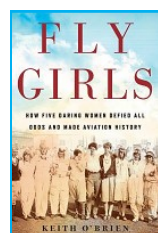
Come join one of our book discussion groups and meet other readers (and cooks!). Thayer Public Library has five adult book groups that meet regularly.



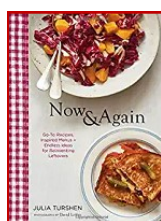
Both the **Second Tuesday Book Club**, which meets on **Tuesday, March 10th from 7:15 to 8:45 PM in the Reading Room**, and **The Reader's Group Book Club**, which meets on **Wednesday, March 25th from 7:15 to 8:45 in the Reading Room**, are reading the Braintree Reads 2020 selection, *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern.



The **Nonfiction Book Club**, which is meeting on **Monday, March 16th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in Conference Room B**, will discuss *I Beat the Odds: From Homelessness, to the Blind Side, and Beyond* by Michael Oher.



The **Brown Bag Book Club's** selection this month is *Fly Girls* by Keith O'Brien. The group meets on **Wednesday, March 11th from 12:00 to 1:00 PM in Logan Auditorium**. Feel free to bring bottled or covered beverages (and lunch or a snack, if desired).



The **Good Taste Cookbook Club** meets on **Tuesday, March 24th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in Logan Auditorium**. This month's main selection is *Now and Again* by Julia Turshen. The alternate selection is *Small Victories* by the same author.

## March Newly Released Movie



Join us on **Wednesday, March 11th at 6:30 PM in Logan Auditorium** for a screening of the newly-released-on-DVD movie, *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*, starring Tom Hanks.

Tom Hanks portrays Mister Rogers in *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*, a timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism, based on the true story of a real-life friendship between Fred Rogers and journalist Tom Junod. After a jaded magazine writer is assigned to profile Fred Rogers, he overcomes his skepticism, learning about empathy, kindness, and decency from America's most beloved neighbor.

Can't make it to the Wednesday night movie? Don't forget about the encore matinee on **Thursday, March 12th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM in Logan Auditorium**.

This program is intended for adult audiences. The first 100 people will be admitted.

Movie license provided by the Friends of Thayer Public Library.

Big Beach Films ~ 1 hour and 49 minutes ~ Rated PG