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The Library is located
directly across from
Town Hall.

Winter Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday and Saturday
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Library will be
closed
Monday, January 17th
for
Martin Luther
King Jr. Day

*A library could show you
everything if you knew
where to look.
– Pat Conroy*



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Library Connections

The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

JANUARY 2022

Writing and Publishing Your Family History



Join the Thayer Public Library Genealogy Club and Writers Group on **Saturday, January 22nd at 10:00 am** for a special presentation with Certified Genealogist® Melissa A. Johnson on writing and publishing your family history.

You've spent years researching – now what?

Learn how to preserve your hard work for future generations by writing and publishing an interesting, compelling and well documented compiled genealogy, family narrative, memoir, biography, or case study.

This 90-minute session will take attendees through the process and best practices for genealogical writing, editing and publishing.

Melissa Johnson is a Certified Genealogist® specializing in genealogical research on families from NJ, NY, PA and the British Isles; DNA testing for adoptees and unknown parentage; dual citizenship; lineage society research; and genealogical writing, editing, and publishing.

This will be a hybrid event -- attend in person in Logan Auditorium or virtually over Zoom. Registration is required by Friday, January 21st to receive the Zoom invitation, which will be sent out the morning of the event.

Register online through the event calendar, in person at the Reference Desk, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

Hockey Bingo and Raffle

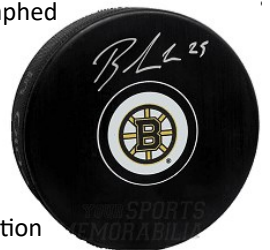
Congratulations Braintree Readers!

Your participation in Thayer Public Library's Summer Reading Program helped our library win a Brandon Carlo signed Bruins puck. As part of the Second Annual Summer Challenge with First Lady of the Commonwealth Lauren Baker and Bruins Mascot Blades, the Bruins donated prizes to be awarded to selected libraries that met their summer reading goals.

Now, the library is holding a free raffle and one lucky kid will win the autographed puck.

Join us on **Tuesday, January 18th from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the Stained Glass Tower section of the Children's Room** to play Hockey Bingo, make a Bruins Bookmark, and enter to win the Bruins Puck autographed by Brandon Carlo.

This program and the free raffle are for kids ages five to eleven. No registration required.



New England Author QuickReads

Terri Bruce, Jane C. Esther, M. Dalto, Anne E.G. Nydam, Sarah Smith, Elaine Isaak



Thayer Public Library and Strong Women, Strange Worlds present a special New England Author QuickReads virtual event on **Tuesday, January 18 from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.**

Join this free event via Zoom to hear six New England authors read short stories or brief excerpts from their published

works of speculative fiction. Six authors, eight minutes each! Just as with New England weather, if you don't like something, there'll be something completely different coming right along next!

Featured readers include MaryBeth McCarthy of Braintree, writing as M. Dalto. Her four-book fantasy series, *The Empire Saga*, is published by The Parliament House. MaryBeth is also editorial director and co-founder of an independent publishing company, Sword & Silk Books.

The mission of Strong Women, Strange Worlds is to elevate the voices of women and other underrepresented gender identity authors of science fiction, fantasy, and horror; to highlight stories featuring strong female and non-binary characters; and to share these stories with readers of all ages.

Explore strange worlds from the comfort of your home! Advance registration is required to receive the Zoom invite. Register online at <https://strongwomenstrangeworlds.weebly.com> or call us at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

January New on DVD Movie



Each month we show a newly released on DVD movie on the library's big screen! Join us this month on **Wednesday, January 5th** for a showing of Disney's *Jungle Cruise*.

The first showing is at 2:00 pm and the second showing at 6:30 pm in Logan Auditorium on the Upper Level of the library.

Join fan favorites Dwayne Johnson and Emily Blunt for the adventure of a lifetime on Disney's *Jungle Cruise*, a rollicking thrill-ride down the Amazon with wisecracking skipper Frank Wolff and intrepid researcher Dr. Lily Houghton. Lily travels from London, England to the Amazon jungle and enlists Frank's questionable services to guide her downriver on La Quila—

his ramshackle-but-charming boat. Lily is determined to uncover an ancient tree with unparalleled healing abilities—possessing the power to change the future of medicine. Thrust on this epic quest together, the unlikely duo encounters innumerable dangers and supernatural forces, all lurking in the deceptive beauty of the lush rainforest. But as the secrets of the lost tree unfold, the stakes reach even higher for Lily and Frank and their fate—and mankind's—hangs in the balance. -- *Disney*

This program is intended for adult audiences. The first 100 people will be admitted
Walt Disney Pictures ~ Runtime: 2 hours, 7 mins. ~ Rated: PG-13

The movies are presented by a generous donation in loving memory of Steve Burns.

Chinese New Year Take and Make Tiger Craft

Come to the **Children's Room on Tuesday, January 25th** for a bag with the supplies to make a tiger craft to celebrate the Chinese New Year! You'll be ready when the Year of the Tiger starts on February 1st.

The **craft bag will be available from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm in the Children's Room while supplies last.** This craft is best for ages three to five, but the craft is available to children of all ages.

