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Library Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 9:00 pm

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9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Closed
Memorial Day
Monday, May 29th

"A library outranks any
other one thing a
community can do to
benefit its people. It is a
never failing spring
in the desert."

— Andrew Carnegie



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Library Connections

The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

MAY 2023

2023 Murder Mystery Party



The Teen Advisory Group invites you to our annual Murder Mystery Party on **May 25th at 5:30 pm in Logan Auditorium**. Registration is required!

This year join us for a 1920's Masquerade Ball. Dressing up isn't mandatory, but it adds to the fun!

On the day of the event, stop at the registration table between 5:30 and 6:00 pm to get your group assignments and party packets. Doors will close promptly at 6:00pm to start the party. Don't be late!

Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required. Register online through the Event Calendar, in person, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

Author Talk: Caroline Kautsire



Join us on **Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:00 pm in Logan Auditorium** when Caroline Kautsire comes to talk about her new book, ***Some Kind of Girl: An African Girl Looking for America***, a fresh and evocative memoir about a Malawian girl who takes the risks necessary to adapt to American culture and to find out who she really is.

This in-person event is free and open to the public. Copies of the author's books will be available for purchase, but no purchase is necessary to attend the program.

Caroline Kautsire is currently an English teacher at Thayer Academy. She has been a Professor of English for thirteen years in the Boston area and is a mentor for the Women's Launch Pad at Brown University. She is also a stage actress, a poet, an activist, and a motivational speaker for organizations that focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Caroline spoke at one of Thayer Public Library's virtual author events about her first book, *What Kind of Girl*, and we are happy to welcome her back in person. The option to attend virtually via Zoom will be available. Advance registration will be necessary only for the virtual option.

Genealogy Club



This month Lieutenant Colonel Geoffrey Love will join the TPL Genealogy Club on **Saturday, May 20th at 10:00 am in Logan Auditorium** to discuss "**Discovering Military Service Narratives in a Digital World.**"

During this session, Lieut. Col. Love will be sharing online sources and research techniques he's found useful in locating information about former service members. He'll use World War II case studies of recent research requests and walk the audience through how to find and evaluate sources and use those to construct a narrative of military service.

Lieutenant Colonel Geoffrey Love is the Director of Historical Services for the Massachusetts National Guard and curator of the Massachusetts National Guard Museum in Concord. He has served as a soldier, NCO, and officer in the Army and the Army National Guard for 35 years in the field artillery and logistics branches.

Registration is requested, but not required. Register to be on the Genealogy Club email list to learn about genealogy webinars and special events throughout the year. Register online through the event calendar, in person at the Reference Desk or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

Favorite Oldies Movie



Join us in **Logan Auditorium for an Oldies Favorite on Wednesday, May 17th. We offer two showings -- 2:00 pm and again at 6:30 pm.** Choose the time that is best for you.

This month's movie is *Steel Magnolias*, a 1989 comedy-drama film directed by Herbert Ross and starring Academy Award winners Sally Field, Shirley MacLaine, and Olympia Dukakis, with Dolly Parton, Daryl Hannah, and Julia Roberts.

A young beautician, newly arrived in a small Louisiana town, finds work at the local salon, where a small group of women share a close bond of friendship, and welcome her into the fold.

The movies are presented by the generous funding of the Friends of Thayer Public Library.

Tri-Star Pictures ~ 1 hours, 57 minutes ~ Rated: PG.

Star Wars Day



Thursday, May 4th is Star Wars Day!

For ages 4 to 7: Make a light saber of cardboard tubes, and practice some skills towards becoming a Jedi Knight.

Meets from **4:00 pm to 5:00 pm in Logan Auditorium.**

For Ages 8 to 11: Assemble a Star Wars figure. Join in some Star Wars trivia and chat about favorite scenes and characters.

Meets from **6:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the Stained Glass Tower of the Children's Room**

Mama Steph Concert

Mama Steph (Stephanie Chase) returns to Thayer Public Library to perform on **Tuesday, May 30th at 10:00 am in Logan Auditorium.** Limited to first 70 people to arrive.

The beloved South Shore musician will entertain us as she plays the guitar, sings traditional children's songs, and shares her own compositions.

Stephanie Chase is an accomplished musician, singer, songwriter, entertainer, and craftsperson.

Her interactive show allows her to weave her skills as a mother of five grown children and grandmother of nine, with her musical and creative talents for a delightful and positive experience.

This program is made possible by the use of State Aid Funds.

