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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

Closed
Memorial Day
Monday, May 27th

"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



Library Connections

The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

MAY 2024

2024 Murder Mystery Party



The Teen Advisory Group invites adults and teens to the library's annual Murder Mystery Party on **Thursday, May 16th from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm in Logan Auditorium**. Light refreshments will be served.

This year join us at Camp Firefly in the year 1985. Attendees are welcome to dress up, so plan to wear your best 80's garb!

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

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

Coffee With Local Authors



A panel of three area authors will get together to discuss their writing and publishing experiences on **Saturday, May 4th from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm in Logan Auditorium**. This event is being held in person, with a virtual option available for the discussion portion of the program. Register by Thursday, May 2nd for the virtual option.

- Lisa Braxton, author of *Dancing Between the Raindrops: A Daughter's Reflections on Love and Loss*
- Dan Manning (writing as C. L. Manning), author of *Rhodesian Doll Hunt*
- Carolyn Killian, author of *Bea Beluga's Big Adventure*

Coffee with Local Authors is free and open to the public. Books will be made available for purchase by the authors. No purchase is necessary to attend.

Complimentary light refreshments will be served.

Spring Concert Series



The Thayer Public Library Spring Concert Series presents *Top Shelf Jazz with the Randy Cloutier Jazz Trio* on **Saturday, May 18th at 3:00 pm in Logan Auditorium**.

Playing together for 20 years throughout MA, CT, and RI, The Randy Cloutier Jazz Trio features drummer Randy Cloutier, upright bassist James Hunter, and pianist Rufus Davis. This dynamic jazz trio's repertoire includes jazz standards, driving swing, the Great American Songbook, R&B, Latin, and original music.

Fun and Games for Adults

The Library offers a lot more than just books and movies to check out and take home. We also offer programs for adults to have fun, play games and socialize.

Like to play Scrabble? Join us **every Thursday night for open Scrabble play on the Lower Level**. Come alone or bring a friend. All players are welcome. Meets **May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th**. Play starts promptly at **6:30 pm**.

Mah Jongg Open Play. Join us and play Mah Jongg on Monday mornings! We will meet in the **Reading Room on the Main Level from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm**. May meetings will be held on the **6th, 13th, and 20th**.

Board Game Night for Adults. Do you enjoy playing board games? Then make plans to join us at our Monthly Board Game Nights for Adults! Stop in solo or bring a friend and join us for the May board game night, on **Monday, May 6th from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the Reading Room**.

Jigsaw Puzzles on the Lower Level. Stop by the **Lower Level any time during regular library hours** and help piece together a jigsaw puzzle! The current one is a 1000-piece puzzle of Van Gogh's *Starry Night* — please help us finish it! Prefer to take a puzzle home to work on? Ask about the jigsaw puzzle swap!



Academy Award Winning Movie



Join us on **Friday, May 24th at 10:00 am in Logan Auditorium** for a screening of *Oppenheimer*, winner of seven Academy Awards including Best Picture, Directing, Actor in a Leading Role, Actor in a Supporting Role, Film Editing, Cinematography, and Original Score.

“Oppenheimer, Christopher Nolan’s staggering film about J. Robert Oppenheimer, the man known as “the father of the atomic bomb,” condenses a titanic shift in consciousness into three haunted hours. A drama about genius, hubris and error, both individual and collective, it brilliantly charts the turbulent life of the American theoretical physicist who helped research and develop the two atomic bombs that were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki during World War II —

cataclysms that helped usher in our human-dominated age.” -- New York Times

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

Universal Pictures ~ 3 hours, 2 minutes ~ Rated R

Big Ryan's Tall Tales



Big Ryan Returns to Thayer Public Library **on Monday, May 6th at 10:15 am in Logan Auditorium** to entertain toddlers with his silly stories and colorful puppets.

Children will be enchanted by this world of imagination and fun. Come and enjoy a morning full of laughter at Big Ryan's Story Time. This free program is best for ages two-and-a-half to five.

This program made available through the use of State Aid Funds for Libraries.

Mamasteph Concerts

Mamasteph (Stephanie Chase) returns to Thayer Public Library to perform on three days in May.

Join the fun on **Thursday, May 9th, Thursday, May 23rd, and Thursday, May 30th at 10:15 am in Logan Auditorium**.

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.

