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What's Happening next week at Storrs Library

Dates: June 28 – July 4, 2021



Library Services

Storrs Library is open; no appointments needed!
Our new hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10-5, and Thursday from 10-8. On Saturday, we'll offer curbside pickup only from 12-3.
We look forward to seeing you soon.

Storrs Library will be closed July 3-5 for Independence Day

Summer Reading

The Summer Reading Program began on June 24 for all ages! This year's theme is Tails and Tales, and the program runs from June 24-August 28th. Register at longmeadowlibrary.beanstack.org, and find out more at <https://www.longmeadowlibrary.org/summer-reading-coming-soon>.

The 2021 Statewide Summer Reading Program is sponsored by the Storrs Library, The Massachusetts Regional Library System, the Boston Bruins, & the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and the Institute of Museum and Library Services with support from the National Women's Hockey League

Youth Programs



Kid Craft Kit: Grow Your Own Sunflower

Available June 28– July 3

Stop by the library to pick up a fun craft or activity to complete at home! Kid Craft Kits will be available on a first come, first serve basis, while supplies last.



Teen Take and Make: Grow Your Own Sunflower

Available June 28– July 3

Teens are welcome to pop by the library to pick up a fun craft or activity to complete at home! Each Take and Make will be available on a first come, first serve basis, while supplies last.



Scavenger Hunt: Week One

Available June 28– July 3

[View Here](#)

Join Storrs Library for a weekly scavenger hunt! Visit our website to view and print this week's scavenger hunt for young children, school-aged children, and/or young adults.

Teen Book Club: Twisted Tales

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Monday, June 28
3:30-4:00

[Register](#)

Join us for a Teen Book Club rooted in fantasy and fairytale adaptations! This month, we'll be reading *Seraphina*, by Rachel Hartman. Teens, come to our meeting on the library lawn to talk about the book, and whatever else you've been reading this month! You can pick up a copy of the book in the Discovery Room at the Library. Participants must register in advance, and are welcome to bring their own mat or blanket. Social Distancing suggested. In case of inclement weather, this program will be moved to Zoom.

About the book: "In a world where dragons and humans coexist in an uneasy truce and dragons can assume human form, *Seraphina*, whose mother died giving birth to her, grapples with her own identity amid magical secrets and royal scandals, while she struggles to accept and develop her extraordinary musical talents."



Rainforest Reptiles

Tuesday, June 29
3:30-4:30

[Join Our Waitlist](#)

This program is now full. Feel free to join our waitlist, and we will contact you if spots become available.

Join Storrs Library as we welcome Rainforest Reptiles! Don't miss the fun and informative presentation by a herpetologist, who will share information about larger animals, including a python and an alligator! The program also includes bugs, frogs, snakes, and lizards. Come learn and have fun at the same time! This event will be held on the library lawn, weather permitting. Registration is limited and required in advance. Social Distancing suggested. Please bring your own blanket or lawn chair to sit on. In the case of inclement weather, this program will be moved to Zoom.

This show is funded by a grant from the Longmeadow Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

**GROW
PLAY
LEARN**

For Children 15 months-4 years with Caregiver
June Theme: Puzzles
Manipulatives provided: Knob & Chunky Puzzles
Registration required

Pathways for Parents is administered by Ludlow Public Schools & is funded by the Coordinated Family Community Engagement Grant through the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care

EEC Brain Games Storrs Library

Grow Play Learn, sponsored by Pathways for Parents (birth – 4 years)

Wednesday, June 30
9:30-10:00

This program is now full. We hope that you can join us in the future.

This program and manipulatives are provided by Pathways for Parents CFCE. Come Zoom with us for stories, songs, and skill-building with books led by an Early Childhood Developmental trained staff member. This program is geared for children from 15 months to 4 years with a caregiver. The Ages and Stages Questionnaire must be completed before the first session.

The manipulatives provided for this session are chunky puzzles. Registered participants will be able to pick up manipulatives at the library. Registration is limited and required in advance. Make sure to register in advance to receive the Zoom meeting link.

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Families in Harmony, sponsored by Pathways for Parents (Level One, ages 2-5)

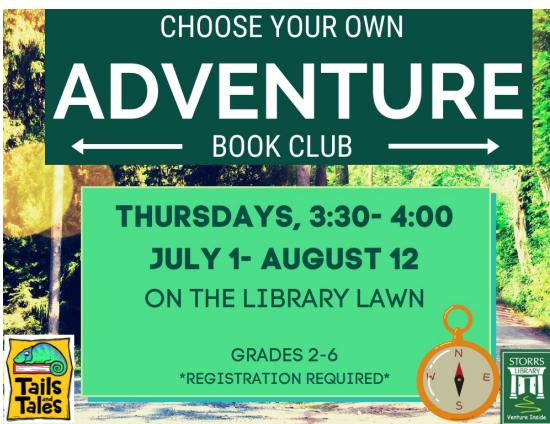
Wednesday, June 30
11:00-11:45

[Register](#)

FAMILIES IN HARMONY IS MOVING OUTSIDE! JOIN US ON THE FRONT LAWN OF STORRS LIBRARY. Please bring a mat or blanket. If there is inclement weather, the program will move to Zoom.

Families in Harmony Level One is a music-based, mindfulness program assisting children ages 2-5 and their caregivers in becoming more aware of the present moment focusing on both their physical and emotional well-being and connection to the world around them. We teach simple techniques with the use of singing, instrumental play, breathe work, books, and basic yoga poses to integrate a mind-body experience fostering the healthy identification and expression of emotions. We will identify home techniques serving as a foundation to cope with stress and mental health in a family's evolving life. Space is limited, and registration is required in advance.

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Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club (entering Gr 2-6)

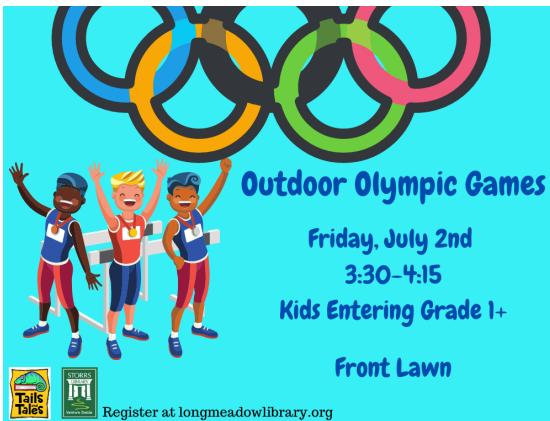
Thursday, July 1
3:30-4:00

[Register](#)

Join our Choose Your Own Adventure Book Club, for kids entering Grades 2 through 6, meeting weekly on Thursday afternoons until August 12th.

Library staff will read out loud a new Choose-Your-Own-Adventure book each week and attendees will vote on which path to take together. Pet the cobra? Turn to page 13. Run away from the cobra? Turn to page 22. There's no need to pick up a book beforehand to participate. If your reader enjoys the format, we have plenty of similar books for them to check out of the library.

This program will be held on the Front Lawn under tents. Social Distancing suggested. Advanced registration is required each week, and please register separately for each child who will be attending. If there is inclement weather, the program will be held on Zoom.



Outdoor Olympic Games (entering Gr 1+)

Friday, July 2
3:30-4:15

[Register](#)

Kids, are you excited about the Summer Olympics? Join Storrs Library for some fun outdoor activities. Kids entering grades 1 and up will enjoy noodle javelin tossing, balance beam walking, water balloon toss, and more. Each registered child will receive a participation prize.

Advanced registration is required. This program is weather-dependent. This program will be held on the Front Lawn under tents, social distancing suggested.

Adult Programs



Monthly Craft for Adults: **Braided Pet Toy** Available through July 3

Stop by the Storrs Library to pick up our monthly craft for adults. Materials are available on a first come, first served basis while supplies last.

A black and white poster for a reading. At the top, it says "Reading with Robert CHIPKIN from his book Paws to Remember". Below that is a photo of a golden retriever looking upwards. To the left, it says "Monday, June 28 at 6:30 on the Front Lawn". At the bottom left is the Storrs Library logo. To the right, it says "bring a blanket or lawn chair (rescheduled from June 7)".

Reading with Robert Chipkin: Paws to Remember

Monday, June 28
6:30– 7:30

[Register](#)

Join Storrs Library for a reading with Robert Chipkin, long-time journalist and columnist for the Springfield Republican and Masslive. He recently published *Paws to Remember: the Wit and Wisdom of Theo the Golden Retriever*, a compilation of his columns written from the point of view of his dog, Theo. Robert will be reading selections from his book, which will also be available for purchase.

Please bring a blanket or lawn chair as this program will be held on the Front Lawn of Storrs Library. This program was rescheduled from June 7th, and is weather-dependent. Advanced registration is required, and space is limited. Social distancing should be maintained.

A black and white poster for a virtual event. At the top, it says "Our Hidden Voices Series Presents: The American School for the Deaf 200 Years of History & Innovation". Below that is a photo of three hands making various hand gestures. At the bottom, it says "Wednesday, June 30 @ 6:30 via ZOOM". Logos for Storrs Library, Massachusetts Libraries, Longmeadow Library, and the American Museum of the Deaf are at the bottom. There is small text about funding at the very bottom.

The American School for the Deaf: 200 Years of History and Innovation

Wednesday, June 30
6:30– 7:30

[Register](#)

Storrs Library is pleased to virtually host "The American School for the Deaf: 200 Years of History & Innovation." Jeff Bravin and Jean Linderman will share with us the history of Sarah and Richard Storrs from Longmeadow, the community of Deaf students from Massachusetts who attended ASD, and share some pertinent items from their archives. This presentation will be signed and feature an interpreter. Please register in advance. You will receive an email invitation to join shortly before the program begins.

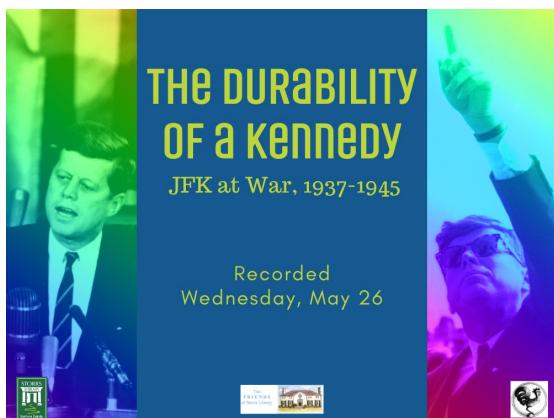
This program is cosponsored by Storrs Library, Longmeadow Historical Society, Longmeadow Adult Center as part of our "Hidden Voices of History" series. This program is made possible through CARES Act funding to Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services as administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.



Recording of Tea: the First Wicked Weed Recorded Tuesday, May 25

[View Here](#)

On Tuesday, May 25, historian Dory Codington joined Storrs Library to explore the material culture shifts leading up to the American Revolution. View the recording on our Youtube channel [here](#). This program was sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library.

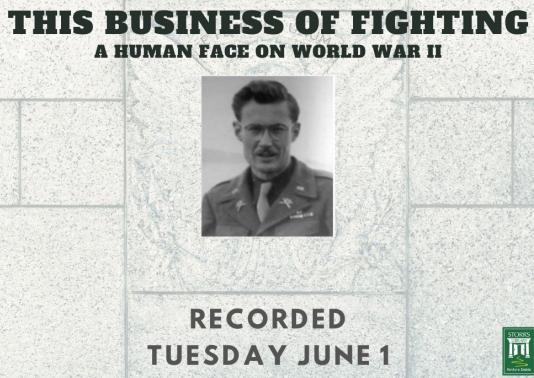


Recording of The Durability of a Kennedy: JFK at War, 1937–1945 Recorded Wednesday, May 26

[View Here](#)

On Wednesday, May 26, historian Philip Goduti explored John F. Kennedy's experiences before his time in public office by examining letters, diaries, and newspaper articles that JFK wrote during this coming of age period in an effort to delve deeper into how those events shaped him as a leader. View the recording on our Youtube channel [here](#). This program is co-hosted by Storrs Library and Longmeadow Historical Society, and sponsored by Mass Humanities and the Bridge Street Fund.

Recording of This



Business of Fighting: A Human Face on World War II

Recorded Tuesday, June 1

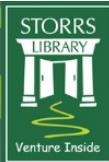
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On Tuesday, June 1st, Arnie Pritchard joined Storrs Library via Zoom for a performance of his father's historical letters as a soldier in World War II. View the recording on our Youtube channel [here](#).

In Case You Missed It...

Beginning Wednesday, June 9, and for the duration of our roof replacement project, our outdoor book return bins will not be accessible before 10 am.

Thank you for your patience!



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Summer Donation Dive:
Thomas J O'Connor
Animal Control and
Adoption Center
June 24- August 28



Thomas J O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center wishlist

We will collect supplies from June 24 to August 28
Check out their Amazon and Chewy wishlists, too!

Canned dog and cat food

Paper towels

Assorted cat toys



Laundry soap

AA batteries

Dishwashing gloves

Liquid bleach

Postage stamps



Fabric softener or dryer sheets

Tennis and ping pong balls

Leashes and collars (for all size pooches)

Brooms, mops, and dustpans



Stainless steel dishes and ceramic bowls (tip proof and any size)



Please join Storrs Library in raising awareness and support for Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center. From June 24 until August 28, Storrs Library will collect the following items of need: AA batteries, assorted cat toys, brooms and dustpans, canned dog and cat food, dishwashing gloves, fabric softener or dryer sheets, laundry soap, leashes and collars (for all sizes), liquid bleach, mops, paper towels, postage stamps, stainless steel and ceramic dishes bowls, and tennis and ping pong balls. Items will be collected in the lobby.

Virtual Wish Lists are available on Chewy and Amazon to send donations directly to Thomas J O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center.



Tails and Tales Dinosaur Raffle

June 24– August 28

[Enter Here](#)

ALL children are encouraged to enter for a chance to win "Brachio Book" the Dinosaur. Submissions can be entered from June 24-August 28 at longmeadowlibrary.org. The winner will be announced on August 30.

Please note the Dinosaur measurements: 43 inches in height, 83 inches in length and weighs about 20 pounds. The winner is responsible for picking up "Brachio Book" from the Library by September 10.

Social Media for Teens: Photo Challenge June 24-July 3

[Find Out More](#)



Teens (entering Grades 7-12), do you love taking pictures? Enter the teen photo challenge at longmeadowlibrary.org. Click the link above to find out more. Email your entries to storrssteens@gmail.com.

A graphic for "Storrs Library Story Stacks". It features a row of colored squares (green, white, purple, yellow, green, purple, yellow, green) at the top and bottom. In the center, there is a logo for "STORRS LIBRARY Venture Inside" and the text "Storrs Library Story Stacks" in purple. Below the text is a colorful illustration of several books stacked in a semi-circle. A purple button on the right side says "Start Your Stack".

Are you looking for your next great reads? Let us help! A team of librarians will create a stack of books for you based on the information you provide in the Story Stack form [HERE](#). Librarians will be in touch once your stack is ready. This service is for readers of all ages.

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