



Richard Salter Storrs Library
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Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9–8
Friday 9–5
Saturday 9–4

What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: April 30–May 6, 2023

Community Donation Drive

Lydia's Closet

Monday, May 1 – Wednesday, May 31



Lydia's Closet at St. Andrew's Church collects donations of new and gently used clothing for infants through teens and baby and toddler gear. Foster Care families and families in need in Western Massachusetts can shop at Lydia's Closet for clothing, shoes, and other supplies for their children at no cost. Lydia's Closet depends on the generous donations of people in the community to help keep the shelves stocked each season.

To continue to support children and families this summer, Lydia's Closet needs donations of the following:

Summer Clothing for Teenage Boys and Girls – Adult Sizes S, M, and L (tee shirts, shorts, jeans, sweatshirts, bathing suits)
Summer Clothing for Boys and Girls - Toddler Sizes 2T through 5T and Youth Sizes 6 through 14/16 (tee shirts, shorts, sweatshirts, bathing suits)
Sneakers for Teens - Women and Men Adult Sizes
Sneakers for Toddlers and Youths
New Socks and Underwear for Toddlers through Teens
Lydia's Closet also welcomes donations of Car Seats (not expired), Pack N' Plays, Cribs, Strollers, High Chairs, and Baby Clothing and Supplies.

You can drop off donations at the Library between May 1st and May 31st or anytime in the donation bin for Lydia's Closet in the parking lot behind St. Andrew's Church; 335 Longmeadow St.

Youth Programs

Youth Chess (gr K+)

Monday, May 1, 3:15-4:15



[Read More/Register](#)

All skill levels are welcome for chess and a challenge! Chess instructors will provide help for beginners and more advanced players will get tips to sharpen their game. Registration is required and space is limited.

BOLT: Board of Library Teens (gr. 9-12)

Monday, May 1, 4:30-5:00



[Read More/Register](#)

Teens in grades 9-12 are you looking to volunteer at the library? Then join BOLT! The Board of Library Teens is the spot to make a difference for our community. The group will meet monthly to help plan events, programs, and displays. These gatherings are also a great chance for everyone to hangout, have fun, and get to know each other!

Tot Time (ages 2-3yrs)

Tuesday, May 2, 9:30-10:00



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A circle storytime for children ages 2-3 years with their caregiver. Children will listen to stories, sing songs, dance, and enjoy hands-on fun with art or manipulatives.

Newbies (birth-15mo)

Tuesday, May 2, 10:45-11:30

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Pathways for Parents CFCE presents Newbies at Storrs Library. Participants in

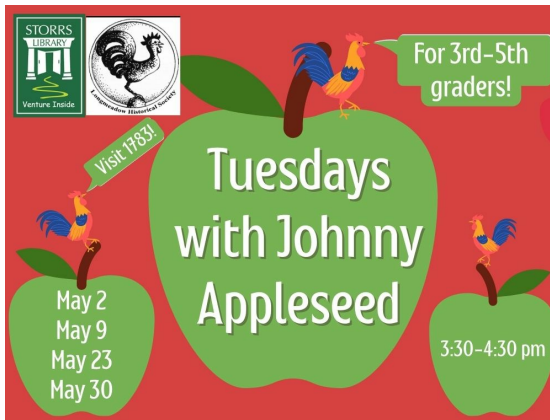


this group will receive developmental milestone information, ways to engage in floor time play, resources, and opportunities to connect to other caregivers of children this age. Newbies is targeted for ages birth-15 months old.

This program is sponsored by Pathways for Parents. Pathways for Parents is funded by the Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grant through the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care.

Tuesdays with Johnny Appleseed (gr. 3-5)

Tuesday, May 2, 3:30-4:30



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Students in grades 3-5 are welcome to register for an exciting new opportunity in collaboration with the Longmeadow Historical Society. Local historian and Historical Society board member, Melissa M. Cybulski, is writing a new chapter book all about our town and one of its most famous boy heroes, Johnny "Appleseed" Chapman! The group will tour the Storrs House Museum next door to the library and hear about life for Johnny and his friends in 1783. Participants will have the chance to offer real-time feedback as Melissa works to edit her manuscript and get her new book published.

Group will meet in library lobby and walk over to the Storrs House Historical Society.

Bike & Roll To School Day

Wednesday, May 3, 8:15-8:30



Celebrate National Bike & Roll To School Day! Strap on your helmet, lace up your shoes, and meet on the front lawn of Storrs Library to ride to **Center School** with Miss Christina and her electric bike.

Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs)

Wednesday, May 3, 9:30-10:30

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Join Pathways for Parents CFCE for Grow Play Learn at Storrs Library. This group will include a storytime curriculum, fun play activities and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire. This program is geared for children up through age five with a caregiver.

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Tiny Tales (ages 1–2yrs)

Thursday, May 4, 9:30–10:00



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A lapsit storytime for children ages 12 to 24 months with their caregiver. Children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, fingerplays and free play, with an emphasis on repetition and social interaction.

Family Yoga with Lisa Katz (ages 2–5)

Friday, May 5, 9:30–10:15



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Pathways for Parents CFCE presents Family Yoga at Storrs Library with Yoga Instructor Lisa Katz for children ages 2-5. Join Lisa to enjoy stretching, balancing, focused breathing, and movement activities.

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

LEGOs at the Library (gr K+)

Friday, May 5, 3:30–4:15

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Children in kindergarten and older are



invited to join us for a LEGO building experience. Design and build a structure, then name it and display it!

Sparkling Wonder (ages 2.5–5)

Saturday, May 6, 10:30–11:15



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Open-ended play is essential to a child's growth and development. Through play, children are able to make connections, ask questions, think critically and ignite their imagination. Join us for a series of open-ended play sessions in which we will invite children and caregivers to experience the magic of open-ended play while engaging in STEM education and sensory activities! Together we will tinker, construct and each session will focus on a different theme. All activities are geared towards children ages 2.5-5.

Sparkling Wonder is brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

In Case You Missed...

Discovery Room Guessing Jar



Pop into the Discovery Room to test your estimating skills and enter a chance to win a prize. The participant who guesses correctly, or has the closest guess, wins the jar, the contents and a plush.

Discovery Room Scavenger Hunt

MONTHLY SCAVENGER HUNT

Go on an adventure in the
Discovery Room!



Go on a quest in the Discovery Room and locate the list of items hidden around the room. Each month a new Scavenger Hunt will be displayed. One lucky participant will win a prize at the end of the month. Join us in the fun!

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