

## **Richard Salter Storrs Library** 693 Longmeadow Street Longmeadow, MA 01106 (413) 565 - 4181

#### **Library Hours**

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

## What's Happening in Youth Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: May 28-June 3, 2023



The Library will be closed Saturday, May 27th through Monday, May 29th for Memorial Day.

## **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**

## Tuesdays with Johnny Appleseed (gr. 3-5)

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



#### Read More/Register

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.

## Grow Play Learn (birth-5yrs)

Wednesday, May 31, 9:30-10:30



#### Read More/Register

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.

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.

## Our Feathered Friends (Gr. K-3)

Wednesday, May 31, 3:30-4:00



#### Read More/Register

Join us for a story about the birds around you and learn to recognize their calls, then make a unique bird feeder that will bring the birds to your yard!

This program is made possible through a partnership with Hampden Hampshire Conservation District.

## Tiny Tales (ages 1-2yrs)

Thursday, June 1, 9:30-10:00



#### Read More/Register

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.

## Melty Bead Masterpieces (gr. K+)

Thursday, June 1, 3:30-4:15



#### Read More/Register

Children kindergarten ages and older are invited to create mini melty bead masterpieces to display in the library. Make tiny works of art to add to the library's summer reading decorations!

## Family Yoga with Lisa Katz (ages 2-5)

Friday, June 2, 9:30-10:15

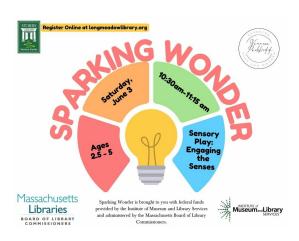
Read More/Register



Pathways for Parents CFCE presents Family Yoga at Storrs Library with Yoga Instructor Lisa Katz. 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.

# Sparking Wonder (ages 2.5-5) Saturday, June 3, 10:30-11:15



#### Read More/Register

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 openended 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.

Sparking 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.

## Western Massachusetts Youth Robotics (Gr. 5–6) Saturday, June 3, 2:00–3:00



#### Read More/Register

Western Massachusetts Youth Robotics and high school FTC team Cosmic Loop (independent) will be teaching advanced robotics skills to prepare youths for the FIRST LEGO League Challenge (FLL) competition (season starts on August 1st). No technology experience is required, just enthusiasm! The 8 hand-on sessions cover: 1) Scratch coding skills to move the robot accurately, 2) design of gear attachments and base robot, and 3) robot strategies. Each session is mostly free standing but some do build on previous ones. Each participant is recommended to

bring a laptop (any operating system) or Chromebook. Setup instructions will be emailed prior to the session.

This session is best for rising 5th and 6th graders who are new to robotics and are planning to compete in FIRST LEGO League Challenge (FLL) competition.

### 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**



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!

### **Summer Volunteens**



The Richard Salter Storrs Library is asking for teen volunteers to work at our summer reading desk. This volunteer work would consist of checking reading logs, distributing raffle tickets and discovery dollars, as well as running the Storrs Store.

If you're interested please fill out this form.

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