



Uxbridge Free Public Library News

Fall Programs

The Uxbridge Free Public Library is happy to announce its Fall Programming Schedule. Unless otherwise specified, all programs will be held in the Trustees Room on the main floor of the library. All programs are also free and open to the public.



The economic climate has touched everyone in some way, and like many others, you may be concerned about the safety of your money and whether you can even afford to retire. Join us on **Thursday, September 10, 2009 from 6:30-7:30pm** for an informal discussion on **Retirement Planning Strategies** with John Galvin from Ameriprise Financial. John will guide you through preliminary steps to help ensure your dreams become reality. Please RSVP by Wednesday, September 9th. Light refreshments will be served.

On **Thursday, September 17th, from 6:30-8pm**, naturalist John Root

will present a program funded by the Uxbridge Cultural Council on **Edible Wild Plants of New England**. Learn how to identify, examine and sample and use native plants for food and beverages. Please RSVP by Wednesday, September 16th for this unique presentation.

For parents of teenagers, you've heard how college tuition costs have skyrocketed and financial aid is competitive. How can you afford higher education without taking out a second mortgage? On **Thursday, October 8th, at 6:30pm**, John Galvin of Ameriprise Financial will be back to help parents navigate the often confusing financial waters of **Sending Your Child to College**. Please RSVP by Wednesday, October 7th. Light refreshments will be served.

Local Certified Green Cleaner Leslie Reichert will be here on **Thursday, October 15th at 6:30pm** for a program on natural cleaning products. All participants will be able to take home samples

to try. Copies of Leslie's book, *The Joy of Green Cleaning*, will be available for purchase and signing after her presentation. Please RSVP by October 14th.

Do you wonder if that family Bible has more than sentimental value? What makes a first edition valuable? On **Thursday, November 19th at 7pm**, Kenneth Gloss of the Brattle Book Shop will be here for a presentation on **"Is There Value in Your Old & Rare Books."** The Brattle Book Shop in downtown Boston is the oldest and best-known antiquarian bookshops in America. Kenneth Gloss has appeared on Antiques Roadshow, writes and lectures all over New England. Bring a few books for evaluation and appraisal! Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 18th.

Additional programs may be added as time permits, so please visit the library website at <http://uxbridgelibrary.org> or call the library at 508-278-8624 for updates and information.

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Library Hours (beginning Sept 8th)

- Monday 10am-8pm
- Tuesday 10am-5:30pm
- Wednesday 10am-5:30pm
- Thursday 10am-8pm
- Closed Friday
- Saturday 9am-2pm
- Closed Sunday

Library Board of Trustees & the Friends of the Library

The **Library Board of Trustees** meets every third Tuesday of the month (except July) and all meetings are open to the public unless otherwise stated. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM in the Main Reading Room.

Current members are:
Mark Francis, Chair
Judith Lynch, Vice Chairman
Catherine Parker, Secretary
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Ellen Bisson Kroll
Daniel L. Baker
Daniel P. Donovan
John Karagosian
Alan Keeler
Margaret Paul
Ernest Pouliot
Mark Wickstrom

The **Friends of the Library** was founded as a non-profit group, whose purpose is to support and promote the services and programs of the library.

Current officers are:
Lisa Anderson, President
Laura Derderian, Vice President
Linda Fraga, Secretary
Cathi Harding-Cone, Treasurer
Tina Valliere Alberto, Publicity
Sue Hill, Membership
Amanda Ayers, Nominations

The Friends are always looking for new members. Their fall meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10th at 7pm in the Childrens Room, and all are welcome. With an annual membership, you too can help support the Library!

Fall Book & Bake Sale

The Friends will be holding their Fall Book & Bake Sale in October, date to be announced. If anyone would like to help bake or to donate gently used books, please contact any of the Friends or call the library at 508-278-8624 for more information. Due to space limitations, we ask that all book donations be delivered to the library **after** October 1st. If you would like to volunteer to help sort and setup before and/or after the sale, let us know.



Thank you for your support of the Library. We hope to see you there!

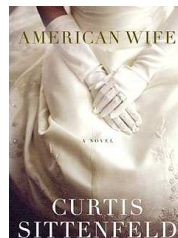
Uxbridge Free Public Library Book Club

The Uxbridge Free Public Library Book Club will meet on Thursday, September 24th at 7pm in the Childrens Room.

The selection for the next meeting is *American Wife* by Curtis Sittenfeld, a New York Times Notable Book, which “presents a fictional portrait of First Lady Laura Bush. In a memoir told entirely in the first person, Alice Black-

well relays her unlikely ascent to the White House from her humble Wisconsin beginnings.

She conveys in convincing, thoroughly riveting detail a life far more complicated than it appears on the surface...No one is more surprised than Alice when her hard-drinking,



sports-team-owning husband morphs into a born-again Christian with political ambitions. Suddenly, Alice’s life is no longer her own as her every move is parsed for its political implications.” -- Joanne Wilkinson, *Booklist*

Anyone who may be interested in joining the Book Club should send an email to Patty at padd@charter.net for information on the group.

Local History/Genealogy Center

You may have noticed some activity in the top floor of the library lately. What was once storage is now slowly being transformed into a Local History/Genealogy Center!

Years of old newspapers, now available on microfilm, have been recycled as well as old magazines. Books, vital records, genealogies, pamphlets and ephemera relating to Uxbridge history are now

being cataloged.

A donation of an antique chest suitable for housing historical maps has been added to the furnishings. The library’s microfilm/microfiche reader will eventually be moved upstairs, and a computer and printer added for genealogy researchers.

Of course, before the Center is open to the public, much more must be done to

inventory and secure the collections. Lighting must be updated, and the walls and ceilings will need a fresh coat of paint. In addition, air quality, temperature and humidity issues must be addressed.

Any cash donations would be gratefully accepted as we move forward with this project. We’ll keep you posted on our progress!

The Childrens Room

Summer Reading Wrap Up

This year, a total of 1617 books were logged as read over the eight week summer program! Thirty-two adults, one hundred and seventy-five children and forty-six young adults participated in our summer of fun, including a free family concert on June 22 featuring Davis Bates & Roger Ticknell. The Friends served ice cream following the concert.

Every week, prizes were awarded to one lucky winner in each age category. All prizes were donated by the Friends of the Library.



Drop In Story Time

Drop-In Story Time will resume for the fall on Tuesday, September 29th at 10:30am and will run for six weeks. Children of all ages are welcome to attend. No registration is required.

Story Time Kits

Assistant Director and Head of Childrens Services Debra Young will be working with Uxbridge High School teacher Sue Priore on a new project. Sue wrote a grant to the



Uxbridge Education Foundation and received funds to purchase materials to create theme story time kits.

Her Early Childhood Education classes will assist in this project as well. When the kits are complete, they will be available to circulate here at the library in the children's room. This is a wonderful collaborative effort and we look forward to working on the project!

For more information on childrens' programs or services, call the library at 508-278-8621 or just stop by!

Teen Advisory Group

A YA Pizza Party for all Young Adult participants of the 2009 Summer Reading program will be held on Wednesday, September 23rd from 4:30-5:30pm. Each registered participant will receive an invitation with all of the details. Prizes and food will be provided by the Friends of the Library.



The Teen Advisory Group has been reactivated! High School students from Uxbridge have begun meeting in the YA room at the library. They recently organized and held a successful Wii Gaming Tournament as a fundraiser. Twenty-four players participated, and the tournament raised \$60. Proceeds will be used to build a graphic novel book collection.

The Teen Advisory Group is looking for new members. Please log onto the Uxbridge Library TAB Facebook Page and send the group a message or ask a question. The Uxbridge TAB helps plan programs for teens, advises on additions to the YA collection and helps the library in other ways. (And remember, it really looks good on your college resume!)

Museum Passes

Due to the generosity of the Friends of the Library and the Board of Trustees, we are able to offer several discount-Museum Passes, which you can now reserve online! Using the new Library-Insight software, pass availability can be checked either by museum OR by date—just visit our website, enter your library card number, click and reserve!

In order to reserve a Pass, you must have a valid CMARS library card (with no outstanding fines/fees) and a PIN

(personal identification number). You may reserve a pass up to three months in advance with this system. If you prefer to have library staff make a reservation for you, please have your library card with you when you come in. Individual passes may be free or have a small co-pay, depending on the museum. Most allow 4 discounted tickets per use. For more information, please call the library at 508-278-8624 or 508-278-8621.

Museum of Science, Boston
Higgins Armory Museum, Worcester
Worcester Art Museum, Worcester
Davis' Farmland/Mega Maze, Sterling
Ecotarium, Worcester
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
Massachusetts State Parks Pass
Mystic Aquarium, Mystic CT
Childrens Museum, Providence RI
Roger Williams Park Zoo, Providence
Salem Witch Museum, Salem
Tower Hill Botanic Garden, Boylston

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Mission Statement of the Uxbridge Free Public Library...

The mission of the Uxbridge Free Public Library shall be to serve the town of Uxbridge as a center for education, culture, recreation, and information. Our purpose is to provide an opportunity for all to inform and educate themselves. The staff of the library will attempt to identify community needs and to meet them whenever possible.

The library's goal is to develop a balanced collection that is used extensively. The library's mandate is not to take positions, but to provide users with information on all sides of an issue. In order to meet the diverse needs and interests of all residents, the library provides materials in a variety of formats, including books, magazines, audio recordings and books on tape, video, large-type, microforms, and electronic media. Children's programming is emphasized.

Collection development focuses on recent popular adult fiction and non-fiction, picture books for preschoolers, and fiction and non-fiction works for elementary age children and young adults.

As a member of the Central Massachusetts Regional Library System and the CW MARS network, the library supplements its collection by making use of interlibrary loan service to help meet the needs of library users of all ages.

New Titles

New Fiction

Embers/Bass
Rain Gods/Burke
Wildwater Walking Club/Cook
Medusa/Cussler
Roadside Crosses/Deaver
Sacred Hearts/Dunant
Devils Food/Greenwood
All Other Nights/Horn
Physick Book of Deliverance/Dane
Black Hills/Roberts
Matters of the Heart/Steel
Die For You/Unger
Best Friends Forever/Weiner
Get Real/Westlake

New Nonfiction

Mark Bittmans Kitchen Express
Wine Makers Answer Book/Crowe
War of Necessity War of Choice/Haass
Container Gardeners Bible/Harrison
Digital Barbarism/Helprin
Fence: a police coverup/Lehr
Complete Herb Book/McVicar

Robin Rescues Dinner/Miller
Horse Soldiers/Stanton
Renegade: the making of a president/Wolffe
How to Write Wedding Speeches & Toasts/Jeffrey
Backyard Beekeeper/Flottum
Accidental Billionaires/Mezrich

Playaways

German: the short course
Spanish: Latin American short course
Story of Edgar Sawtelle
Handle With Care/Picoult
Shakespeare: Ten Great Comedies

Large Print

The Shooters/Griffin
The Whole Truth/Baldacci
The Beach House/Green
Sail/Patterson
The Lucky One/Sparks
Hollywood Crows/Wambaugh
Moscow Rules/Silva
Hot, Flat and Crowded/Friedman

The Catch/Mayor
Knitting for Dummies/Allen
Crocheting for Dummies/Manthey

DVDs

Confessions of a Shopaholic
Curious Case of Benjamin Button
Gran Torino
Normal People Scare Me
King Lear
Weeds
Vicar of Dibley
Gilmore Girls
New in Town
Keeping Mum
Audubon Butterfly Essentials

Music

Very Best of Steely Dan
Celtic Woman: Greatest Journey
Elvis Costello—Secret Profane & Sugar-cane
Michael Buble Meets Madison Garden
Rob Thomas—Cradlesong
Brad Paisley—American Saturday Night