

Uxbridge Free Public Library News

15 NO MAIN ST, UXBRIDGE, MA 01569
508-278-8624 (MAIN) 508-278-8621 (CHILDRENS ROOM)

FALL PROGRAMS UNDERWAY

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:	
Searching for Roots	2
Fall Programs Cont.	2
Childrens Room	3
Library Services	3
Book Discussion Groups	4
Knitting Circle	4
Board of Trustees & Friends of the Library	4

On Wednesday, October 6th at 7pm, author Vincent Cannato, 2010 Massachusetts Book Award winner will talk about the research behind his award-winning book, *American Passage: a history of Ellis Island*. Using

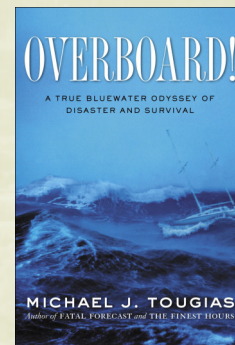


a variety of primary sources, Cannato describes Ellis Island as a place and as an experience for the

approximately 12 million immigrants who passed through it from 1892 to 1924. He follows its reincarnation as a detention center for wartime aliens to its present purpose as a monument and museum dedicated to immigration history. Copies of his book will be available for purchase and booksigning courtesy of Barnes & Noble.

Mike Tougias, an award-winning author of eighteen books, will present *Overboard! A True Bluewater Odyssey of Disaster and Survival* and other tales of adventure on Monday Octo-

ber 18th at 7pm, a retelling of the dramatic attempt to rescue the yachts *Almeisan* and *At Ease* during a vast storm off the East Coast in the spring of 2005. The two experienced sailors



aboard *Almeisan* were washed overboard. The captain died, but his first mate survived, thanks to a

WHO'S TAKING CARE OF MOM & DAD? AN OVERVIEW OF CAREGIVING SERVICES

This newsletter was generously funded by the Library Board of Trustees

Are you or someone you know a member of the sandwich generation, caring for both your parents and your children? In collaboration with Tri-Valley, Inc, The Uxbridge Council on Aging and the Uxbridge

Free Public Library, we present a forum on Thursday, October 14th at pm entitled "Who's Taking Care of Mom and Dad? An Overview of



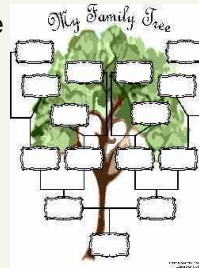
Caregiving Services."

This program will be held at the Uxbridge Senior Center, 36 So. Main St. Uxbridge and is open to all. Please RSVP the Library at 508-278-8624 for seating.

SEARCHING FOR ROOTS GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

NBC's popular primetime program *Who Do You Think You Are?* and the continuing advertisements by the show's sponsor, Ancestry.com, have awakened an interest in genealogy and family history, prompting many people to go through their shoe boxes of family papers and old photo albums in search of their own roots. Assistance is freely available at workshops held every other Saturday beginning September 18th from 10am-noon here at the Library,

led by Mike Potaski. These workshops provide knowledge resources and guidance to assist participants in acquiring the knowledge and skills to conduct their own research. For more information or to sign up, call the library at 508-278-8624 or just drop in! Newcomers are always welcome!



DONATIONS HAPPILY ACCEPTED

The Library is looking for old copies of the *Uxbridge Worsted Yarns* or the *Whitin Spindle*, employee-written newsletters from the Uxbridge Worsted Company and the Whitin Machine Works to add to our Local History collection.

If you are doing your fall cleaning, keep in mind that we are looking for old Uxbridge HighSchool yearbooks as well to add to our collection. Thank you!

FALL PROGRAMS CONTINUED...

"Marie Bostwick beautifully captures the very essence of women's friendships--the love, the pain, the trust, the forgiveness--and crafts a seamless and heartfelt novel from them" (Kristy Kiernan, author of Catching Genius and Matters of Faith)

Filipino merchant ship, and the Almeisan's three working passengers fast-learned enough seamanship to last until the Coast Guard arrived. This program is generously sponsored by the Library Board of Trustees and is open to all. Please RSVP for seating. Copies of several of Mike Tougias' books will be available for purchase and booksigning courtesy of Barnes & Noble.

For those who prefer cozier reading, we welcome Marie Bostwick, New York Times bestselling author of *A Thread So Thin* and other quilting stories on October 28th at 6:30pm. This program is



generously sponsored by the Library Board of Trustees and is open to all. Please RSVP for seating. Copies of several of Marie Bostwick's books will be available for purchase and booksigning courtesy of Barnes & Noble.

New England towns such as Uxbridge are dotted with historic cemeteries, dating back centuries. Exploring them can be a

snapshot of history as you discover instances of a smallpox epidemic, a tragedy at sea or a loved one lost in battle. On Monday, November 15th at 7pm we welcome The Gravestone Girls who have researched Uxbridge Cemeteries and will talk about their art,



history and symbolism. This program is generously sponsored by the Library Board of Trustees. Please RSVP for seating.

For more information, call the Library at 508-278-8624.

THE CHILDRENS ROOM

Drop In Story Time

Our popular Drop In Story Time meets on Tuesdays from 10:30-11am, starting October 5th. The session lasts 6 weeks and runs through November 9th.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Our fall meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 14th from 5:30-6pm. We are looking for new members, ages 13 and up—join us!

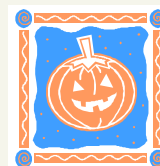
Uxbridge/Northbridge Mom's Group Meeting

Assistant Director/Head of Children's Services Debra Young will be the guest speaker at the Uxbridge/Northbridge Mom's Group at St. Patrick's Church in Whitinsville on Wednesday, October 27th at 9:30am.

Goblins and Giggles Halloween Stories

Storyteller Rona Leventhal will

entertain children with her "not-so-spooky" tales on Friday, Oct 29th at 6:30 at **River Bend Farm**. Tickets are **REQUIRED** and may be purchased at the Youth Services desk for \$5 per family. Space is limited, so reserve your seats now! This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.



Save the Date:
National Geographic photojournalist Brian Skerry will present a fundraising program on Saturday, November 13th—check the library for more details!

NEW LIBRARY SERVICES

Email Notification

Would you like to be emailed when your requests arrive at the library? It's easy! Just stop by or call the library at 508-278-8624, give your current email address and we'll take care of the rest. Access your account using your library card num-

ber and PIN. Remember that when checking the status of your requests Check Shelves means the item is still on a shelf somewhere, In Transit means it's on the way and Ready to Pick Up means come and get it! Email notification is convenient and saves time and paper. Try it!

Fax Services

The Uxbridge Free Public Library is now offering outgoing fax services at a cost of \$1 per



page. Please see a staff member for more information.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Library Book Discussion Group

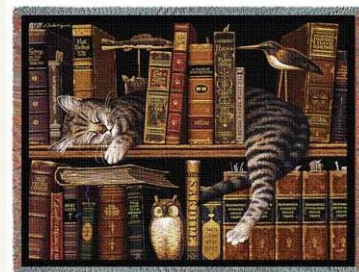
The Library's Book Discussion Group will meet on Thursday, October 21st at 6:45pm in the lower library. This month's choice is Ken Follett's *Pillars of the Earth*.

PageTurners Book Discussion Group for Seniors

All seniors are welcome to join our PageTurners book discussion group, which usually meets every second Thursday from 1-2pm at the Senior Center in Uxbridge. Because of Veterans' Day on November 11th, the meeting will be moved to November 18th.

It's a roundtable forum where we share our opinions, good and bad, on what we've been reading. You just might discover a new favorite!

Drop by, new members are always welcome!



WE'RE ON THE WEB!
HTTP://UXBRIDGELIBRARY.ORG



15 No. Main St. Uxbridge, MA 01569
508-278-8624
508-278-8621 (Children's Room)
508-278-8618 (Fax)
Library Staff
Jane Granatino, Director
director@uxbridgelibrary.org
Debra Young, Assistant Director/Head of
Children's Services
youthservices@uxbridgelibrary.org
Carol Caffrey, Library Assistant
Deirdre Girard, Library Assistant
Betsy Youngsma, Library Assistant
Christine Hutchinson, Library Assistant
Judy Byrnes, Library Assistant
Lindsey Centrella, Page
Allison VanFechtman, Page
Nicole Klei, Page
Tom Ames, Custodian

Library Knitting Circle

Whether you're a novice or more experienced knitter, join our Library Knitting Circle! It's a self-run gathering of fellow enthusiasts, sharing tips and information while working on individual or community projects. The group meets every other Saturday, starting September 25th from 10am-noon. From time to time we'll have a special guest to introduce new projects and techniques.



F R I E N D S O F T H E L I B R A R Y

Book & Bake Sale

The Friends of the Library will hold their Fall Book & Bake Sale on Saturday, October 16th from 9am-1pm. In addition to a variety of gently used books and delicious baked goods, they will hold a raffle for a beautiful afghan created and donated by Uxbridge resident Camilla Czupryna, using yarns from the historic Bernat Mill. What could be better for a crisp fall afternoon than snuggling up with a good read and a cookie?!

We are still accepting gently used books and movies for our book sale. Donations can be dropped

off during library hours. If you'd like to volunteer to bake, please drop off all items on Thursday evening, October 14th by 8pm or early Saturday morning. Thank you for your support of the Library!

Holiday Arrangements From Your Yard

On Monday, December 6th at 6pm, Massachusetts Master Gardener Betty Sanders will present a program on creating beautiful arrangements for the holiday season to decorate or give as gifts. All arrangements will be raffled off that evening. Please RSVP for seating.



L I B R A R Y B O A R D O F T R U S T E E S

The Library Board of Trustees is pleased to welcome two new members, Chris Walkiewicz and James Barto. The Board of Trustees meet every third Tuesday of the month, except July. All meetings are open to the public unless otherwise stated. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM in the Main Reading Room. The meetings for the next quarter are scheduled as follows:

October 19
November 9
December 19

Mark Francis, Chairman
Judith Lynch, Vice Chair
Cathy Parker, Secretary
Dan Donovan, Treasurer