

Enhanced Version

# Library Links

## Southwick Public Library Summer 2014

Member of the Massachusetts Library System

### Southwick Library To Begin C/W MARS Conversion

Plans are underway for the conversion of the Southwick Public Library's operating system from the closed provider Follett Software Company to the open, regional network provider C/W MARS (Central Western MASS Automated Resource Sharing). The move is the result of Town Meeting approval of the library's FY 2015 budget which begins July 1, 2014, and provides support for the conversion. The library's current Online Affiliate status, which allowed for one computer port for Interlibrary Loan functions, will be entirely eliminated by C/W MARS on June 30.

A C/W MARS project manager will be appointed to guide the library through the conversion and organize the training of librarians.

### Suntime Reading Starts July 7 Adult Theme Is "Literary Elements"

The Southwick Public Library Adult Suntime Reading Program will kick off Monday, July 7 under the theme "Literary Elements," and will run through Friday, Aug 15, 2014 featuring weekly prizes for the lucky winners and a bonus prize drawn from the six weeks of unlucky entries. Prizes will include gift certificates from area establishments as well as library totes, library logoed materials and goodies including books, CD books and DVDs. Certificates to Subway, The Summer House, Dunkin' Donuts, Big Y, Mrs. Murphy, and Moo-licious will be awarded.

To participate adults need to be patrons in good standing and read any fiction or biography from the Southwick Public Library's collection during an inclusive Suntime Reading Week. Each participant will then fill out a form with name, phone number, card number and the title of the completed book. (One form per book please.) Each Friday of the program a name will be chosen with the bonus prize drawn along with the weekly prize on the final Friday of the program. Good luck!

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## Southwick Public Library

95 Feeding Hills Road • Southwick, MA 01077 • 413-569-1221  
Official Website: [www.southwickma.org](http://www.southwickma.org)

### Library Hours

Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesdays, 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursdays & Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m (Closed July - August). • Closed  
Sundays

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### Library Telephone Numbers (413) 569-1221

Circulation Ext. 2

Reference Ext. 3

Children's Room Ext. 4

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- *Town of Southwick* website: [www.southwickma.org](http://www.southwickma.org)
  - Library page on Town website: [www.southwickma.org/library](http://www.southwickma.org/library)
  - (Unofficial) Library website: [www.southwicklibrary.info](http://www.southwicklibrary.info)
  - (Unofficial) *Economic Development Commission* [www.southwickma.info](http://www.southwickma.info)
  - *Southwick Cultural Council* [www.southwickma.org/cultural](http://www.southwickma.org/cultural)
  - *MA Board of Library Commissioners* (MBLC): [www.ma.gov/libraries](http://www.ma.gov/libraries)  
A locator of public libraries statewide
  - *MA Library System* (MLS): <http://www.masslibsystem.org/>
  - *State of MA* website: [www.ma.gov](http://www.ma.gov)
  - *U.S. House of Representatives* [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov)
  - *U.S. Senate* [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov)
  - Visit the "Southwick Public Library Young Adult Department" on [Facebook](#)
  - [Visit the Friends Facebook page](#)

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This *version* of **Library Links** is **not** produced at government expense or by town employees. **Library Links** is not published in July or August.

## ***“Spark a Reaction” YA Sun Time Reading 2014***

The Young Adult Department will be offering special programs throughout our Sun Time Reading Program, “*Spark a Reaction*”. In addition, after you register, each time you visit the library and have read a book from the library you will be given a chance for our weekly prize drawing. Teens will also collect a coupon from a local business. Earn an extra chance by answering our weekly trivia contest question and in July by bringing a non-perishable food item to the library for the Food Bank. Ask at the Reference Desk for more details about our special programs:

### YA Special Programs

TBA-Walkalong glider- Construct your own glider

July 29th-“Living in Space”-CT. Science Center to hold workshop at Southwick Public Library

July 30<sup>th</sup> 6:30- 8:00 PM Medieval Swords

Aug. 19<sup>st</sup> 6:30-8:00 PM –Ghostology 101

August 21<sup>st</sup> 2:00-3:00 pm-Young Adult Book Discussion

*(see Children’s Room News for Children’s Programs)*

## ***Last Teen Lounge for the School Year***

Before you challenge your brain for finals, take the challenge performing feats of agility at the Southwick Public Library Teen Lounge on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> from 3-4 p.m. Our Wii system and cookies will also be available.

## **Friends Schedule August Book Sale**

The Friends of the Southwick Public Library have scheduled a summer book sale beginning with a book collection in the Community Room on Saturday, August 9, 2014, from 9 a.m. until noon. Book donations of recent material in good condition will also be accepted Monday and Tuesday August 10 and 11 from 10 a.m. until noon. Please do not bring encyclopedias, magazines, abridged books or textbooks. A Friends Only sale will be held Wednesday, August 13 from 5 until 7 p.m. Individual Friends’ membership remains at \$5 with a cost of \$10 for a family, any size. These may be purchased at the Friends’ sale or before at the Circulation Desk. The sale will complete its run Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 14 through 16, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Thank you for making the Book Sale a success.

## **June Events**

June 3, 10	Tuesday Storytime, 10:30 a.m.
June 3	It’s Not About the Hike, 6:30 p.m.
June 10	Teen Lounge, 3-4 p.m.
June 12	Lego Club, 3:30 p.m
June 12-14	Father’s Day Craft
June 16	Suntime Reading Pre-Registration Begins
July 7-August 15	Suntime Reading Program
June 24	Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m.
August 4	Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m.
August 8	Trustees Meeting 4:00 p.m.
August 19	Ghostology 101 6:30 p.m. (Teens & Adults)
<b>August 22 - 25</b>	<b>The Library is closed for carpet installation</b>

### ***In the Laporte Gallery:***

*June: Mary Jean Tash, photography.*

*July: Bill Ferro, photography*

*August: Penny Crochetiere, watercolor*

### ***Reading Nook***

*June –August*

*Granville Drum Factory, 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary*

### ***Summer Closings***

The library will be closed Friday, July 4, 2014 for Independence Day.

The Library will begin its Saturday closings July 5, 2014, which will run through August 30, 2014.

The Library will be **closed** Friday August 22 - Monday August 25 due to the installation of new carpeting in part of the facility. The Library will also be closed Friday September 5 - Monday September 8 for carpet installation. This will impact the return on the Library being open on Saturdays.

## Children's Room News

### NEW MATERIAL (May 2014)

#### ADULT BOOKS

*Black Horizon*, James Grippando; *Stone Cold*, C. J. Box; *Destroyer Angel*, Nevada Barr; *I've Got You Under My Skin*, Mary Higgins Clark; *The Kindred Of Darkness*, Barbary Hambly; *Waiting For Wednesday*, Nicci French; *Cavendon Hall*, Barbara Taylor Bradford; *And The Dark Sacred Night*, Julia Glass; *Keep Quiet*, Lisa Scottoline; *Carnal Curiosity*, Stuart Woods.

#### ADULT CD BOOKS

*The All Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion*, Fannie Flagg; *Big Cherry Holler*, Adriana Trigiani; *The Death Of Santini*, Pat Conroy; *Red Dragon Rising*, Larry Bond.

#### ADULT DVD'S

Captain Philips (PG-13), Enough Said (PG-13), Gravity (PG-13), Saving Mr. Banks (PG-13).

#### CHILDREN'S DVD'S

Ballerina Princess (NR), Team Snoopy (NR), Young Pioneers (NR), Monsters University (G).

#### NEW YOUNG ADULT BOOKS

*Tin star*, Cecil Castellucci; *Manor of Secrets*, Katherine Longshore; *Buzz kill*, Beth Fantaskey; *We were liars*, E. Lockhart; *The story of Owen : Dragon slayer of Trondheim*, E.K. Johnston and *Other Worlds (Guys Read series)*, edited by Jon Scieszka.

#### NEW PICTURE BOOKS

*Tap Tap Boom Boom*, by Elizabeth Bluemle; *Washday*, by Eve Bunting; *Betty Bunny Wants a Goal*, by Michael B. Kaplan; *I Can't Do Anything!*, by Thierry Robberecht; *This Monster Cannot Wait!*, by Bethany Barton; *The Baby Tree*, by Sophie Blackall; *Toe Shoe Mouse*, by Jan Carr; *Number One Sam*, by Greg Pizzoli; *Big Bug*, by Henry Cole; *Duck & Goose Go to the Beach*, by Tad Hills; *Miles to the Finish*, by Jamie Harper.

Due to the current conversion of the library collection information on the latest addition to the library collection is not available. More information and materials will be added in the coming months.

### Time is Right for Suntime “Fizz, Boom, READ!”

This year's *Fizz, Boom, READ!* Suntime Reading Program brings science fun to Southwick Public Library. Registration for this annual event begins June 16 giving kids plenty of time to read for opening day July 7, first day to submit chances for prize drawings.

This year's exciting programs include: Make a glider at the Walkalong Glider Workshop; Try your hand at Fingerprinting learn about different kinds of fingerprints as you take your own fingerprints, and solve a mini-mystery; Learn the history of the hula hoop, see a hooping demonstration dance and try hula hooping yourself with Pinto Bella Hoops; and much more. Weekly “make and take crafts”, coupons for free stuff from local businesses are annually the highlight of the summer. You can also enter our weekly prize drawings. Twenty-four special prizes will be awarded, including toys, gift cards, and more.

*Special thanks to the Shurtleff Children's Services, Inc., Southwick Cultural Council a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, the Boston Bruins, and the Massachusetts Library System, as well as all of the local business supporters.*

### Join LEGO Club Fun at Southwick Public Library

LEGO Club for kids in grades 2-6 will meet on Thursday, June 12 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. (Parents please note: the Library closes at 5 p.m. on Thursdays and LEGO Club members must be picked up before closing).

### Tuesday Storytime

Two June Storytimes at Southwick Public Library will be full of fun for 2-5 year olds on Tuesday June 3 & 10 at 10:30 in the Children's Room. We will hear summer stories, make a craft and sing a song. Sign up in the Children's Room for story time fun.

### Father's Day Craft

Make Dad happy on Father's Day with a Love Bug Pencil you decorated to give him on his special day! Materials for this craft will be available in the Children's Room beginning Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Teen Poetry Contest Winners Announced

The Southwick Public Library's Young Adult Department is pleased to announce the winner of our Teen Poetry Contest is Cameron Young for his poem "*Life of Color*". Cameron won a Sports Authority gift card. We appreciate the talented teen poets that shared their poems.

### *Life of Color*

In one life,  
Many colors are seen.  
A color for happiness or strife,  
One yellow, one as a maroon bean.

In my life,  
Color is bountiful:  
Jagged, like a knife,  
But true; it's beautiful.

A simple rainbow.  
Beauty in drag,  
My life it will tow  
Without any lag.

My simple rainbow,  
Never-ending, eternal.  
Everything I would ever know,  
Reprehensible, infernal.

Red, for blood.  
For passionate rage.  
For the impending flood  
Upon this page.

Orange, for the dud  
Of excitement, of misery.  
For fun in the mud,  
Cut short in poor memory.

Yellow, for *all* the joy.  
A bright glimmer,  
Happiness that must toy  
And grow ever dimmer.

Green, for clever ploy  
Meant to hide hideous envy.  
Such thoughts then employ  
Naught but Seven Sins deadly.

Blue, for all that be teary.  
For rain, for a face.  
Eyes that are true and bleary  
Turn tears into patterns of face.

Violet, for the regal and eerie.  
For kings, for magistrates.  
People like this, one may theory,  
Have only pride as their traits.

From this rainbow,  
I bear a mask  
Surrounding it, a halo,  
As divine be my task.

From an endless river's flow,  
There I lay,  
Under my rainbow,  
And am told knowledge to relay.

To you, my peers,  
I give wisdom holy:  
Face your fears,  
And final act wholly.

## Addendum to *Library Links*

The following are additions to the paper version of *Library Links* and are **not** part of the official document produced by the Library and is not produced using public funds or staff.

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### ✓ **Successful August Book Sale**

The August Book Sales conducted by the Friends of the Southwick Public Library was held on August 14 - 16. The Friends Preview scheduled for August 13 was not held due to a power outage on Feeding Hills Road that caused the Library to be closed. Details will be provided at the Friends September meeting or on their Facebook site.

### ✓ **Follow on Senior Computer Training**

(August 18, 2014) Dates have been announced for the computer training. [Click here](#) for more information or visit the Town website. Classes are being held with 18 attendees. Press coverage was provided in the August 15 issue of the ***Southwick Suffield News***.

(June 25, 2014) *The Library has been notified that it will receive some funding from a Westfield area foundation to fund some of the cost of the series of computer workshops for seniors this summer. As details become available on dates, registration process, etc. the information will be provided here and in area newspapers. We anticipate additional funding for this training from the Friends of the Southwick Public Library.*

Pending funding the Library plans on providing a series of workshops on using a computer. This would be for senior citizens and would be a follow on to the materials covered in the sessions held last year. The sessions would be held during Summer or Fall 2014. More information will be provided in Library Links if funding is secured.

### ✓ **School Summer Reading List**

The Library has received the Summer Reading List for Powder Middle School. A copy is posted near the Circulation Desk as you enter the library. The library will have available any copies of the books as they are provided by the School. Copies of the books may be limited since the list was provided in June 2014.

### ✓ **Online Access to The Republican and other newspapers**

Library users in the four counties of western Mass. now have online access to more than 10 regional newspapers for one year. The funding is courtesy of the *Mass. Library System*, *UMASS*, the *Springfield Public Library* and several other organizations. Pending funding this resource will be available in future years. The newspapers include *The Republican* and the *Berkshire Eagle*. Access is available using a library computer or for access from your computer at home or on the road contact the Reference Department staff at the library. The effort to make this happen was the result of efforts by volunteers with the *Western Mass. Library Advocates*. A link is available from the Library page on the town website.

### ✓ **Library Building Updates**

The carpet replacement project will take place over two weekends (Friday - Monday). The Library will be closed during the weekends. The first closure will be August 22 - 25 and the second closure will be September 5 - 8. This work will include the most heavily used areas of the building. The Children's Room carpeting was replaced several years ago. The insulation project has resulted in significant savings of natural gas during the winter heating season (installed in late January). This has also improved the temperature in the building and allowed for energy savings when the building is closed. As a result of the heating savings the FY 2015 library budget has been reduced in anticipation of continuing the savings.

### ✓ **Non-town Funding for the Library**

Each year the Library applies for funds from area charities and foundations to support programs and materials for children, adults and senior citizens. Based on the amount of available funds and the number and amount of requests by others the Library is usually able to obtain small amounts in this way. These organizations include Westfield based non-profits, the [Mass. Board of Library Commissioners \(MBLC\)](#)<sup>i1</sup> a state agency, the [Friends of the Southwick Public Library, Inc.](#) [a local 501(c)(3) charitable organization], the [Southwick Cultural Council](#)<sup>2</sup> and recently the Westfield Kiwanis. Several programs during the year were funded by the [Southwick Cultural Council](#).<sup>i1</sup> A number of programs annually are funded by the Friends. Please consider supporting these organizations in their respective

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fund raising activities. This includes book sales and other events and activities. Watch this space, **Library Links** or local media outlets for more information.

The funds from the MBLC are used in part to purchase computers, shelving and other capital items not funded by the Town of Southwick. In 2013 it also included replacement of the computer server in the Library as well as replacement of several computers. This Summer several computers will be replaced (as part of the normal rotation) using the state funds. It is subject to the annual appropriation by the State Legislature. The second half of the MBLC funding for FY 2014 is anticipated to be received during the May/June period.

Training and other resources for friends groups and library trustees are provided in part by the [Mass. Library Trustees Association \(MLTA\)](#), the [Mass. Friends of Libraries \(MFOL\)](#) and the [Western Mass. Library Advocates](#). Several members of the **Friends** attended the *Annual MFOL/MLTA Conference* in Worcester in November 2013 and have brought back ideas for potential use in Southwick.

#### ✓ **C/W Mars membership**

*(August 18, 2014) The Library is in the process of converting more than 50,000 items from the existing database to the C/W Mars catalog. This also involves new barcodes for thousands of library items. In addition the staff have begun issuing new library cards to existing library users that don't have a C/W Mars library card.*

*(June 25, 2014) The library is awaiting scheduling of training for library staff on the use of Evergreen (the C/W Mars software) in the coming weeks. Scheduling of installation of the software is pending as well. New library cards for those patrons that do not already have a C/W Mars card from another library have been ordered and the library is awaiting their arrival. Library patrons that will need new cards are being asked to complete a registration form so that they can be entered into the new software system. This does not impact those with active Westfield, Granville, Agawam or other full member libraries.*

*As a result of the beginning of the new fiscal year (July 1) and the conversion to the C/W Mars software there may be a delay in receipt and processing of some new materials (books, etc.) for the public. There will be changes to the process for patron placed holds, etc. when the new software is fully installed. This should improve service to the public. Thanks for your*

*patience.*

*(May 30, 2014 Update) The approved Library budget for fiscal year 2015 includes funding for C/W Mars .at the regular library rate This will allow library users access to C/W Mars features not currently available.*

The change in membership in C/W Mars will involve new software which will impact the look and use the public and library staff. New library cards may also be involved for those with only an existing Southwick Public Library card. Some information is provided on page one of the Summer 2014 issue of *Library Links*.

#### **Library Director**

(August 18, 2014) Library Director Retiring

Anne Murray the Director of the Southwick Public Library for the past fifteen years is retiring from the position at the end of August. Prior to her current position she served as Assistant Director for five years. Currently the Board of Trustees are in the process of hiring a new Director with the concurrence of the Southwick Board of Selectmen. The Selectmen are expected to approve a new Library Director at their August 25 meeting. Further information will be available following the Selectmen's action.

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<sup>i</sup> Funded by the State Legislature through the State budget process. *Approximately* \$ 10,000 per year provided by the MBLC . In prior years this was as high as approximately \$ 15,000.

<sup>ii</sup> Funded **in part** by the State Legislature through the State budget process and **in part** by the Town of Southwick. (\$ 1,500 municipal appropriation)