



MPL NEWS

June 2021



Events and Happenings at Middletown Public Library

From the Director's Laptop

Have you heard? I'm sure you have – vaccinated folks are no longer required to mask and maintain social distancing. At the MPL this means seating has returned as well as in person events, but it will take us a while to ramp back up. That being said, we are getting started with a huge Friends of the Library book sale – thousands of great reads at give-away prices. Trust me; you don't want to miss this one!

But wait, here's more- we're kicking off summer with something for everybody. Stop by to borrow a fishing pole and tackle box; take home children and teen craft kits; pick up free flower seed packets, and don't forget to sign up for our popular summer reading program with weekly raffles and a grand prize. Last, but definitely not least, we've scheduled a live children's concert with the fabulous Atwater-Donnelly Duo.

Have I piqued your interest and now you want to know more? Great! Check out our website for the details www.middletownpubliclibraryri.org.

Looking forward to seeing you at the MPL!
Theresa

Theresa Coish is the Director of the Middletown Public Library
She is currently reading, *Of Women and Salt*, by Gabriela Garcia

Summer Reading Challenges

- Reading dates June 1st – August 21st
- Earn virtual tickets by completing activities, logging days read, and writing book reviews
- 10 weekly virtual drawings with a \$20 gift card **for each SRC**
- **BONUS** early bird registration drawing for those registered **by June 12th**
- 2 Grand Prize drawings **for each SRC**

Click below for full details and to register!



[Kids/Tween Challenge \(K- Grade 5\)](#)



[Teen Challenge \(Grades 6-12\)](#)



[Adult Challenge \(18+\)](#)

Children's Spotlight

LIVE CHILDREN'S CONCERT

June 21st

11:00am - 12:00pm

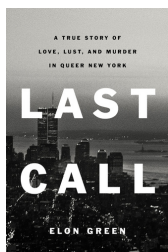


Enjoy folk music performed by musical group [Atwater-Donnelly](#). Held on the back lawn of the library. No registration required. Please bring your own blankets or lawn chairs to sit on. In the event of inclement weather, to be held in the Meeting Room.

Interested in participating in our **1000 Books Before Kindergarten?** Check out the full program details today!



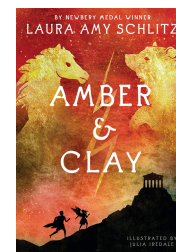
What's New at the Library



New Adult Books



New Children's Books



New Teen Books

New Enrollment Period ends Aug. 15th!

80% of HealthSource RI customers qualify for financial assistance. Coverage is now more affordable than ever thanks to the [American Rescue Plan](#).

APPLY TODAY!



**Still need health coverage? You have extra time to enroll!
Get covered by August 15!**

Learn More: HealthSourceRI.com/NEP | Call Us: 1-855-840-4774

Tech Talk



Need help downloading a [Hoopla](#) audiobook? Know how to stream and watch a documentary on [Kanopy](#)? How about downloading free music from [Freegal](#)? Or taking a free [Universal Class](#)?

Do you know about our available **in-person technical support sessions** for all of MPL's digital resources? [Email us](#) or call 846-1573 xt. 4 to set up your appointment today!



Mobile charging devices
now available at the
circulation desk for check
out for in-library use!

InFocus Q Tablet lending is available again!



21 Day
Loan Period!

Access our entire Digital Library of
purchased Bestseller Books via the
Nook app. in addition to our other
Digital Resources!

The borrower must be 18, have a valid photo ID, a full access Ocean State library card, and have at least a 3 month borrowing history.

PLAYAWAY collection coming soon to MPL!

- *Broken* by Jenny Lawson
- *Every Day Is a Gift* by Tammy Duckworth
- *Fire Keepers Daughter* by Angeline Boulley
- *Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah
- *Hour of the Witch* by Chris Bohjalian
- *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro
- *Of Women and Salt* by Gabriela Garcia
- *On the House* by John Boegner
- *Sunflower Sisters* by Martha Hall Kelly
- *Turn a Blind Eye* by Jeffrey Archer
- *Whereabouts* by Jhumpa Lahiri





JUNE IS ZOO & AQUARIUM MONTH



What a great time to check out a
DISCOUNT MUSEUM PASS!!

*Patrons of all ages are enjoying
our lobby fairy display!*



The Friends Corner

BOOKSTORE is **BACK** with a **HUGE**



Celebrating the reopening of the **FRIENDS BOOKSTORE**, we are holding a gigantic **USED BOOK SALE** in the library's Meeting Room beginning **June 1st thru June 19th** during regular bookstore hours.

Over 1,500 books!

**Fill a bag for \$5 or
a box for \$7!**

With the return of warm weather and sunny skies this is a great time to get your beach/backyard/vacation reads. Whether they are cozy mysteries, biographies, histories or other fiction or non-fiction, you can find the paperbacks and hardcovers to keep you reading wherever you go.

The **FRIENDS BOOKSTORE** is open Monday thru Thursday 10:30 AM to 4:30 PM; Friday and Saturday 10:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

Book donations are again being accepted. If you have a few books to donate, drop them off at the library during open hours. If you have a large collection, please email Lois Murray at loismurray@cox.net.

For general **FRIENDS** information and **FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP** applications, email FriendsofMiddletownRILibrary@gmail.com or pick up an application at the library.

Connect with us!



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Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday 10 am - 7 pm
Friday - 10 am - 5 pm
Saturday - 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday* - 10 am - 5 pm

*Sunday hours begin on the Sunday following Labor Day
and end on the Sunday before Memorial Day
Library closed on Sundays preceding Monday Holidays