



# MPL NEWS

## September 2021

Library CLOSED Monday  
September 6th in  
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### Events and Happenings at Middletown Public Library

#### From the Director's Laptop

Do you have family and friends who don't have a library card? Invite them to sign up during September, National Library Card Sign-up Month. When you sign up for a library card, it's free, good for three years, and can be used at all Rhode Island public libraries. Your library card gives you access to technology, resources, and services to pursue your passions and dreams.

- You can borrow almost anything - books, DVDs, music, discount passes, fishing poles
- You can stream a movie
- You can take an online class
- You can learn a new language
- You can access a database like Consumer Reports
- You can research your family's genealogy

Getting your own library card is empowering. It is the best gift you can give your child.

"At the moment that we persuade a child, any child, to cross that threshold, that magic threshold into a library, we change their lives forever, for the better. It's an enormous force for good." Barack Obama

Even better, this September we are partnering with Middletown businesses. [Customers who show a Middletown library card will receive a special discount.](#) So what are you waiting for?

See you at the library,  
Theresa

Theresa Coish is the Director of Middletown Public Library

She is currently reading, *Unconventional Success: A Fundamental Approach to Personal Investment*, by David F. Swensen



This educational exhibition recounts the events of September 11, 2001, through the personal stories of those who witnessed and survived the attacks. Courtesy of 9/11 Memorial & Museum, told across 14 posters, this exhibition includes archival photographs and images of artifacts from the Museum's permanent collection.

*Can't make it in to see in person? Click [here](#) to view.*

September is  
**LIBRARY CARD  
 SIGN-UP MONTH!**

"A library card provides opportunity for discovery and access to a rich and diverse world. It empowers you to make change and experience new stories."

- MARLEY DIAS, Library Card Sign-Up Month Honorary Chair



LIBRARIES TRANSFORM ALA OverDrive Library Champions



## with Marley Dias and local businesses!

MPL is pleased to partner with businesses in our community offering great discounts during September when you show your Middletown Public Library card!

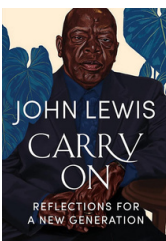
**Check out the full details!**



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## What's New at the Library



### New Adult Books



### New Children's Books



### New Teen Books



## National Hispanic Heritage Month

September 15 - October 15

Take a look at  
 MPL's Hispanic  
 collection [here](#)



- **Crisis Text Line** - Text HOME to 741741 from anywhere in the USA, anytime, about any type of crisis.
- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline** (800) 273-TALK: (800) 273-8255
- If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, call 911.





# Our new STEM kits are off to a great start!!

Hands on learning with a wide range of STEM activities that cater to different ages and interests.

***Ready, Set, Go to the full details!***



Congratulations to ALL of our Summer Reading Challenge participants!

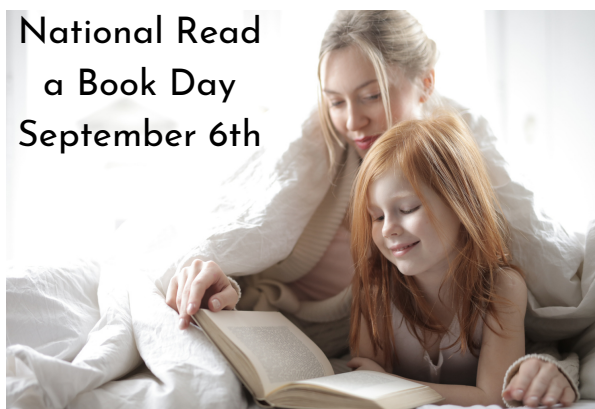


Weeks 9 & 10 Winners

Grand Prize Winners

Perfect day to get lost in a good book!

National Read  
a Book Day  
September 6th



**LAST  
MONTH'S  
TEEN TECH  
CAMP**



# School Help from the Library

## Ask RI for Kids

EBSCO databases for elementary and middle school libraries where students can learn about a variety of topics, popular magazines and reference books such as Early World of Learning, World Book for Kids, and World Book Student. An abundance of educational games, activities and engaging content awaits!



### **Rhode Island's Online Resource Center**

Learning Express Library,  
EBSCO Host including History Research,  
Biography Collection, Flipster online  
newstand, Literary Reference Center,  
Academic Search: Scholarly Journals, and  
Points of View .... and the list just goes on!

Check out the available resources today!



We are again accepting Food for Fines! Non-perishable food is accepted as payment for fines assessed on Middletown owned materials only. Up to \$1 waived for each food item.

**Watch our  
website for our  
microbit program  
for Teens coming  
in October!**



## The Friends Corner



Now that school has opened for pupils from Kindergarten to College a visit to the Middletown Library Friends Book Store will provide students with books for research and reports. The history, biography, and non-fiction sections may have just what you want, so stop in and take a look.

Just a heads up. A sale of prints, cards, and framed items done by Joseph Matose is planned for October.

The **FRIENDS BOOKSTORE** is open Monday-Thursday, 10:30 am to 4:30 pm and Friday and Saturday, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm.

For information about the **FRIENDS** or for a **FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP** application, please email [FriendsofMiddletownRILibrary@gmail.com](mailto: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**