



# MPL NEWS

August 2023

Library CLOSED Monday,  
August 14, 2023 in  
observance of Victory Day

## Events and Happenings at Middletown Public Library

### MPL is excited to host an Electronic Waste Collection for the Middletown Community!



#### Electronic Waste Recycling Event

Middletown Public Library  
700 West Main Rd.  
Middletown, RI

**Saturday, August 19, 2023**

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM



**Items accepted at no charge:** Computers, laptops, servers, monitors, televisions, routers, PDA's, tablets, cell phones, mice, keyboards, inkjet printers, fax machines, plastic speakers, toner cartridges, CD/DVD players, radios, wires, cable, stereo components, gaming equipment, telephones, microwaves, small household appliances, power tools, auto/marine batteries, and battery back-ups. Anything with a wire!

**A \$10 disposal fee applies** to each large wooden-boxed speaker (\$5 for small), laser-jet printer, air conditioner, dehumidifier, and other coolant containing devices.

**Not accepted:** Light bulbs, single use batteries, tapes/disks, glass, broken TV tubes or hazardous waste.

[\*\*GO TO FULL DETAILS\*\*](#)

### What's New at the Library



New Adult Books



New Children's Books



New Teen Books



**WE THANK OUR  
SUMMER READING  
CHALLENGE  
PARTICIPANTS!**

**Come Celebrate  
with us and the**

**Toe Jam Puppet Band!**

← **Ages 3-12.**

**No registration  
required.**

**ALL new VR games  
to be played for the  
participants in the  
Teen Summer  
Reading Challenge!**



**Grades 6-12.**

**Click [HERE](#) to register  
(required)**




# Something fun for all ages!



BEST FOR CHILDREN AGES 0-5  
AND THEIR GROWN UPS.  
REGISTRATION IS NOT  
REQUIRED, BUT APPRECIATED

## Join us for Story Time!


MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS  
@10:30AM IN THE CHILDREN'S  
ROOM. CHOOSE THE DAY THAT  
IS MOST CONVENIENT FOR  
YOUR FAMILY, SINCE BOTH  
DAYS WILL HAVE THE SAME  
STORY TIME!



Ages 5-18

## Science of Slime

Want to make some slime?  
Meet us on Tuesday, August 15th @ 3pm in  
the Children's Room! Registration is not  
required, but encouraged!



Scan for more  
information or  
any updates!



Every Thursday in  
August starting on  
August 10th

## Up-Cycling Art Workshop

Join us in the Children's Room to turn things that we  
usually throw away into art! Artists ages 5-18 are  
welcome! Registration is not required, but  
appreciated.



## TEEN GAME NIGHT

SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH  
@2PM-4PM



Try out any of our  
board games with  
friends, or meet some  
new people over a  
game!



## History Mystery Party

Saturday August 19th  
@ 2pm-3:30pm

Join up with a group of amateur  
sleuths to get to the bottom of a  
bizarre historical murder! (And yes,  
this case has something to do with  
cats...)



Check out our full calendar of events [HERE](#)



# Dungeons & Dragons Master Class

**Learn how to run your own campaign!**



Register here!

## **Dates:**

**August 12th @3:30pm-4:30pm**

**August 19th @3:30pm-4:30pm**

**August 21st @6pm-7pm**

**August 26th @ 3:30pm-4:30pm**

**August 28th @6pm-7pm**

Topics include: Character Creation, Monster Guide, Creating a Campaign, Leveling up players and what that means to their abilities, Dice, Combat Options, Spells, Magic Items, Stocking a Dungeon, Villainous Class Options, Mapping a Settlement, Treasure, and Campaign Tracking!

**GO TO FULL DETAILS and to REGISTER!**

# MPL's Adult Programming

## Adult Book Club

3:30pm in our community meeting room

**Monday,  
August 7th**

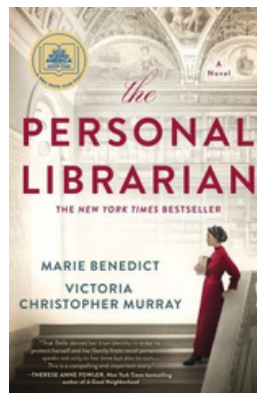
*We'll be  
discussing*



The Four Winds

Get your  
print, audio  
or digital  
copies today!

The Personal  
Librarian



**Monday,  
September 11th**

*We'll be  
discussing*



We hope you can join us! Click [HERE](#) to register.

## Adult Writer's Club

**Thursdays, August 10th & 24th  
at 5:00pm**

ALL writing styles and  
ALL experience levels are welcome!

**We hope you  
can join us!**

Click [HERE](#) to  
register.



## Adult Poetry Club

**Wednesdays, August 2nd & 16th  
at 5:00pm**

In this club, we come together to share our love  
for words, inspire each other, and grow as poets.

**We hope you  
can join us!**

Click [HERE](#) to  
register.



## Genealogy Club

**Monday, August 28th at 4:00pm**

***Find Your Voice By Exploring Your Past***

Learn to use Ancestry.com, create a book of your  
family history, and make a family tree poster!

**We hope you can join us! Click [HERE](#) to register.**



# NATIONAL FARMERS MARKET WEEK 2023

August 6-12, 2023 

Aquidneck Community Table's Growers Markets provide easy access to seasonal, regionally-grown food and greater awareness of the benefits of eating fresh local foods for our health, the strength of our local economy, the viability of agricultural life, and the future of our earth.

## The Friends Corner



August, with its hot and humid days, is the perfect time to spend an afternoon at one of Middletown's great beaches. Be sure to take along a book as you are relaxing by the water. You can pick up a novel or two to enjoy at the Middletown Library bookstore. The bookstore is open Monday -Friday from 10:30-4:30 and on Saturday, 10:00 -2:00. Stop in, and keep on reading!

When you are in the library, say hello to the new Library Director, Kim Usselman. Kim graduated from the University of Connecticut and received an MLS from North Carolina Central University. She was director of the Holbrook(MA) Public Library and past president of the New England Library Association.

Don't forget to join the Friends of the Middletown Library. Applications are in the library and the bookstore, or email [FriendsofMiddletownRILibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofMiddletownRILibrary@gmail.com).

## 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\* - 12 pm - 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