From the Director

On September 7, over 700 people said goodbye to the building at 111 High St. Thank you to everyone who came out, and thank you to the staff and volunteers who made the event so much fun. It was emotional for me—I've spent 35 years of my life in that building and I am overwhelmed with memories. Saying goodbye is hard, but saying hello to the new library is going to be amazing. Thank you to everyone who helped us pack and move and unpack and settle in this summer. We're in a good place for the moment (in spite of the elevator) and the future of the library is bright.

See you at Boston Ave!

Elevator Troubles and Curb Service

Unfortunately, the elevator at our temporary space has serious mechanical issues and will be out of order for a number of weeks. We apologize for the inconvenience. The library space can be reached by two flights of stairs. If it is difficult for you to use the stairs, we can offer “curb service” when you have items to return and pick up.

If you call us before you come over, we can check out your materials, and set them aside. If you then call from the rear entrance when you arrive, a librarian can bring your materials up to you. You will need your library card when you call and when you pick up. We can also provide home delivery.

If you forget to call in advance, we are happy to bring things up when you are outside—it just may take a few more minutes. We are also happy to select books and other materials for you to pick up at the curb. This process does take 24 hours. If you would like to make arrangements, please call the Reference Department at (781)395-7950.

You can also have your items sent to other Minute-man Network libraries while we are having elevator troubles. Please call the Information Desk at (781) 395-7950 for details.

Home Delivery Service

Having trouble getting to our temporary space? We offer a homebound delivery service. We can pick up and drop off books at your residence. We can also arrange a curbside pickup if you can get to 200 Boston Ave, but are not able to come down to the library space. To make arrangements, please contact the Reference Department at (781) 395-7950.

Senior Center Shuttle to the Library

The Senior Center will be running a shuttle to the library on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month: October 11 and 25, November 8 and 22. The shuttle will leave the senior center at 10:00 and will pick up at 200 Boston Ave. at 12:00. Please contact the Senior Center at (781) 396-6010 for details. The second Friday is our Coffee and Books program so grab a ride over and join the fun!

Capital Campaign Update

Check out the new Medford Public Library Foundation website at www.medfordpubliclibraryfoundation.org

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Thank you to East Cambridge Savings Bank

Our reference area now features a digital charging station courtesy of East Cambridge Savings Bank and EBSCO. The charger works with all sorts of devices and features a digital screen that allows you to access the library website.

It is a great addition to our space.
Thursday Night Knit Nights
Join new and experienced knitters for an evening of knitting, socializing, and sharing tips and techniques. All levels of knitters are welcome. Please bring your own project to work on.
We will meet from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Thursdays October 17th and November 21st

Adult Game Nights
Join your fellow gamers for a evening of friendly competition on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 p.m.
October 2nd and 16th
November 6th and 20th

Molasses: From the Slave Trade to the Great Flood
with Anthony Sammarco
Sunday, November 3, 7:00 p.m.
Medford Senior Center, 101 Riverside Avenue

Massachusetts has an integral connection with molasses. Rum from New England was traded in Africa for slaves, who were brought to the sugar cane plantations of the Caribbean. The sugar cane was refined into molasses which was shipped to New England and used in the distillation of rum. This lecture will explore local connections from the 18th-century to the Great Molasses Flood of 1919.
This program is sponsored by the Medford Historical Society and Museum, the Medford Public Library, and the Medford Senior Center.

Hikes Through History
Friday, October 4, 2019, 7:00 PM,
at Medford Historical Society and Museum
In Massachusetts, many parks and trails have been carved out of historical sites including those in the Middlesex Fells. Alison O’Leary, co-author of the Appalachian Mountain Club’s new guide Best Day Hikes Near Boston, will describe several day trip destinations with historical significance and interesting features.

Middlesex Fells Hike
Saturday, October 5, 2019, 10:00 AM
Starting from Botume House, 4 Woodland Road, Stoneham
Follow up the hike lecture with a hike through the Fells! Starting from the Botume House, this 1.5 to 2-hour, level path hike will take us to Pickerel Rock, a favorite destination in the 19th and early 20th-centuries. Participants are invited to bring lunch to eat together on the Botume House grounds following the hike. No registration is necessary. The hike will be led by Doug Heath and Alison Simcox from the Friends of the Fells.
The talk and hike in the Fells are jointly sponsored by the Friends of the Fells, the Friends of the Medford Public Library, and MHSM.
Register at the Information Desk or through the online calendar. Copies of each book will be available to borrow at the Circulation Desk the month before.

### Monday Morning Mysteries
First Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (except September)

- **October 7**
  *The Skull Mantra* by Eliot Pattison

- **November 4**
  *Her Royal Spyness* by Rhys Bowen

- **December 2**
  *TBA*

### Tuesday Night Book Group
Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

- **October 8**
  *Left Neglected* by Lisa Genova

- **November 12**
  *My Name is Mary Sutter* by Robin Oliviera

- **December 10**
  *Rise of the Rocket Girls* by Nathalia Holt

### Romance Book Group
Third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

This year’s group will be looking at historical romances that address social and political issues of past eras that are still relevant today.

- **October 16**
  *A Lady’s Code of Misconduct* by Meredith Duran

- **November 20**
  *TBA*

- **December 18**
  *TBA*

Further titles will be decided by the group.

### Graphic Novel Discussion Group
Second Monday of the month (except October and November) at 7:00 p.m.

- **October 21**
- **November 18**
- **December 9**

Join us for a monthly discussion of what’s new and interesting in the world of comics and graphic novels! There is no required reading or registration, just drop by and learn about new and unfamiliar titles.

### Award Winning Book Club
Fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (Except December!)

We will be reading Award winning fiction, nonfiction, and drama.

- **October 22**
  *Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro

- **November 26**
  *Heidi Chronicles* by Wendy Wasserstein

- **December 17**
  *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr

### LGBTQ Book Group
2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

All are welcome to read and discuss literary and non-fiction works by and about the LGBTQ community; from classics to contemporary titles.

- **October 10**
  *Tales of the City* by Armistead Maupin

- **November 14**
  *Zami* by Audre Lorde

- **December 12**
  *The Stonewall Reader*
We have moved!
Thank you to the generosity of East Cambridge Savings Bank. Our new temporary location is 105 Broadway in East Arlington.

Save the date:
Saturday, December 7 at 9 a.m. our annual meeting will be coffee and donuts to come see our new location.
We will have our holiday sale from 10-3 afterwards.

We are once again accepting book donations! Smaller donations can be brought inside the library at 200 Boston Ave, for larger donations please email us at friendsofmedfordlibrary@gmail.com for a pick up.

Welcome New Friends:

Tracy & Gary Baldwin
Sanjeev Bhaskar
Sharon Boyd
Ursula Boyle
Eric Brown
Ainsley Brown & Holden Fried
Laura Buckley
Omer Can
Rick Caraviello
Brett Casta
Peter J Crowley
Nick Danger
Serpi Erdin
Tewodrose Eshetu
Darlene Fitzgerald
Leah Fitzpatrick
Story Garvie
Jonathan Guaba
Kristen Guilmette
Renee Hanley
Omar Helal
Colin Holmes
David Hosmer
Marie Izzo
Mark Jacobs
Zachary Lamb
Muhammed Mamedov
Marina Massaro
Ryan McGraw
Dat Nguyen
Ron & Sharon O’Connor
Lawrence O’Connor
Enis Oudin
David, Jessica & Simon Parks
Eric Presnam
Vincent Rabourn
Adam Roville
Basri Sahin
James Sarantidis
Holly Sargent
Jennifer M Schnabel
Penny Schwartz
Charles Shadle
Naina Sood
Charlotte Sziagyi
William Tenney & Susan Gerould
Barry Tilles
Margaret Warren
Mike Waters
Jasen Woodworth

If you love your library, please become a member of the Friends, make a donation or volunteer your time and help us bring even more excellent events and services to our community!
You can join/donate/contact us at www.friendsofmedfordlibrary.org

Find the Friends at:
www.friendsofmedfordlibrary.org  Facebook: The Friends of the Medford Public Library
friendsofmedfordlibrary@gmail.com
The Medford Public Library Teen Section is popping up at Colleen’s on Wednesday* afternoons! Join us to check out books, do a craft, play a game, or just hang out!

When? Wednesdays*, from 2-4pm
Where? Colleen’s Ice Cream, 61 High Street
For Teens in grades 6-12
No sign up needed, just pop in!

*Occasional conflicts will impact the Pop-Up Library schedule.
We’ll announce cancelations as soon as possible!
Questions? Contact Nicole at the Library at nperrault@minlib.net or 781-475-5735

A drop-in group for LGBTQIA+ youth and allies in grades 6-9! Come get creative, do fun projects, play games, and connect in a safe, open, and welcoming space.

Teen Volunteer Opportunities

At the Medford Public Library for teens in grades 6 and up

Watermark Tees
Thursday, October 17, 7-8pm

Sock Owls
Thursday, November 7, 7-8pm

Snow Globes
Thursday, December 19, 7-8pm

Registration required! Sign up through our online calendar at medfordlibrary.org

Questions? Contact Nicole in the Teen Section: nperrault@minlib.net | 781-475-5735
The Andrews and McGlynn School Libraries and Medford Public Library present:

STEAM WORKSHOPS
LEARN SOMETHING
MAKE SOMETHING

All workshops take place after school from 2:15-3pm:

Make Your Own Buttons
September 26
McGlynn Library

Balloon Hovercrafts
Group Challenge
October 10
Andrews Library

Duct Tape Wallets
October 24
McGlynn Library

Paper Tables
Group Challenge
November 7
Andrews Library

No Sew Pillows
November 21
McGlynn Library

Smartphone Projectors
December 5
Andrews Library

Book Hedgehogs
December 19
McGlynn Library

These programs are open to both Andrews and McGlynn 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students, but signing up is REQUIRED!

To sign up, complete the online registration form:
https://sites.google.com/medford.k12.ma.us/medford-middle-steam-workshops

Registration forms are also available in the school libraries.

Questions? Please contact
Ms. Johnson at the Andrews and McGlynn School Libraries:
kris.johnson@medford.k12.ma.us
Nicole in the Teen Section at the MPL: nperrault@minlib.net
We will announce information for any additional programs online! To stay up to date on these upcoming programs, follow us on Instagram @MPLteensection

Family performances and fun

Singalong

With Matt Heaton

Join us at Medford City Hall Council Chambers at
10:30AM
Thursday, October 17
Thursday, November 21
& Thursday, December 12
Story Times and Book Clubs

1st grade Book Club
THURSDAYS 3:00PM

October 3 — A Box Can Be Many Things
November 7 — Mercy Watson to the Rescue
December 5 — The Secret Kingdom

2nd and 3rd grade Book Club
THURSDAYS 3:00PM

October 10 — Monkey Me and the Golden Monkey
November 14 — Balloons over Broadway
December 12 — Meet Yasmin

4th and 5th grade Book Club
THURSDAYS 3:00PM

October 17 — Aru Shah and the End of Time
November 21 — All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook
December 19 — Real Friends

Pick up your book(s) in the children’s room in advance of the book club!

Baby Lapsit (0-24 months)
TUESDAYS Oct. 1, Oct. 8, Oct. 15, Oct. 22,
Oct. 29, Nov. 5, Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Dec. 3,
Dec. 10, & Dec. 17
9:30AM-10:30AM

Toddler Story Time (2-3 years)
THURSDAYS Oct. 3, Oct. 10, Oct. 24,
Oct. 31, Nov. 7, & Nov. 14
10:30-11:30AM

Family Story Hour (Pre-K)
23, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Nov. 13, Nov. 20,
Dec. 4, Dec. 11, & Dec. 18
3:00-4:00PM

All these story times are being hosted
by the Medford Family Network (489
Winthrop St., find the purple door)

Are you a teacher and would like a librarian
to visit your school/daycare/afterschool care program?
We’d love to come to you!
Call us at 781-475-5734
We’ve moved! Our temporary home is at 200 Boston Ave. Our space is small so we can’t do all our programming there, we have programs hosted in different spaces around town. Be sure to check the location before coming out! If you’re a daycare provider or school employee and you would like a library program to visit your school or center while we rebuild, contact Sam at ssednek@minlib.net

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**Build Your Own Board Game**

You won’t get bored with this game-filled afternoon. We have some wild games to share with you and then you’ll get to create your very own.

- **@Columbus Elementary**
  - MONDAY, November 4 2:40-3:40PM
  - @Roberts Elementary
  - TUESDAY, November 5 2:40-3:40PM
  - @Roberts Elementary
  - TUESDAY, November 12 2:40-3:40PM
  - @McGlynn Elementary
  - MONDAY, November 18 2:40-3:40PM

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**Starburst Rock Cycle Lab**

Nothing is as sweet as Science! We are going to walk through the ROCK CYCLE with this hands-on, ooey-gooey, candy-filled experiment.

- **@Columbus Elementary**
  - MONDAY, October 21 2:40-3:40PM
  - @Brooks Elementary
  - TUESDAY, October 22 2:40-3:40PM
  - @Roberts Elementary
  - MONDAY, October 28 2:40-3:40PM
  - @McGlynn Elementary
  - TUESDAY, October 29 2:40-3:40PM

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**Book Illustration Workshop**

We’re going to work our way through several different picture book illustration styles and find out which one works for you. You’ll have a chance to get your illustrations published in our next book!

- **@Columbus Elementary**
  - TUESDAY, November 19 2:40-3:40PM
- **@Brooks Elementary**
  - MONDAY, November 25 2:40-3:40PM
- **@Roberts Elementary**
  - TUESDAY, November 26 2:40-3:40PM
- **@McGlynn Elementary**
  - MONDAY, December 2 2:40-3:40PM

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**Writing Workshop**

Oh! Hi! It’s you again. Remember your fancy illustrations? We’re going to write the story to go with them! Our collaborative story will be sent out to a publisher after we finish so bring your sharpest pencil, weirdest plot devices and wildest ideas!

- **@Columbus Elementary**
  - TUESDAY, December 3 2:40-3:40PM
- **@Brooks Elementary**
  - MONDAY, December 9 2:40-3:40PM
- **@Roberts Elementary**
  - TUESDAY, December 10 2:40-3:40PM
- **@McGlynn Elementary**
  - MONDAY, December 16 2:40-3:40PM

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Science, tech, engineering, art and math (STEAM)

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PUMPKIN INVESTIGATIONS

Saturday, October 12
10AM-11AM

Measure, weigh, and explore size comparisons with pumpkins!
Registration Required.
Ages 3-6

This program is being hosted by the Medford Family Network (489 Winthrop St., find the purple door)

BUILDERS’ CHALLENGE

Bring your best builder brain because we’re bring our LEGO’s! You will have a design challenge to complete in this build-you-own-adventure program.

@Columbus Elementary
TUESDAY, October 1
2:40-3:40PM

@Brooks Elementary
MONDAY, October 7
2:40-3:40PM

@Roberts Elementary
TUESDAY, October 8
2:40-3:40PM

@McGlynn Elementary
TUESDAY, October 15
2:40-3:40PM

BACK TO NATURE

A homeschool family S.T.E.A.M. Activity
[designed for ages 6-10]

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15
11:00AM-12:00PM

Join us on the backside of Medford High School at 11:00AM.
We will set out on a nature walk and adventure!
Wear sturdy shoes and pack your most adventurous self!

Oh! Hi! We’re hoping to provide some more school day S.T.E.A.M. programming for homeschool families but we need to find a space that can accommodate us.

Think you can hook us up? Give us a call at 781-475-5734!

PROGRAMS HELD AT MEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE INTENDED FOR THE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THOSE SCHOOLS ONLY.
Calendar of Events

October

**Tuesday, October 1**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, October 2**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*

**Thursday, October 3**
CL: Toddler Storytime 10:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
CL: 1st Grade Book Club 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Friday, October 4**
Hikes Through History 7:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Historical Society*

**Saturday, October 5**
Middlesex Fells Walk 10:00 a.m.  
Starting at Botume House, Stoneham

**Monday, October 7**
Monday Morning Mysteries 10:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, October 8**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, October 9**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Thursday, October 10**
CL: Toddler Storytime 10:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
CL: 2nd and 3rd Grade Book Club 3:00 p.m.  
LGBTQ Book Group 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 11**
Senior Center Shuttle to the Library 10:00 a.m.
Coffee and Books 10:30 a.m.

**Saturday, October 12**
CL: Pumpkin Investigations 10:00 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Monday, October 14**
LIBRARY CLOSED FOR COLUMBUS DAY

**Tuesday, October 15**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
CL: Back to Nature 11:00 a.m.  
Starting behind Medford High School

**Wednesday, October 16**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Thursday, October 17**
CL: Singalong with Matt Heaton 10:30 a.m.  
*At City Hall Council Chambers*
CL: 4th and 5th Grade Book Club 3:00 p.m.
YA: Watermark Tees 7:00 p.m.
Knit Night 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, October 21**
Graphic Novel Discussion Group 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, October 22**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
Award Winning Book Club 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 23**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Thursday, October 24**
CL: Toddler Storytime 10:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
Medford Messages in Stained Glass 1:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Senior Center*

**Friday, October 25**
Senior Center Shuttle to the Library 10:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, October 29**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, October 30**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Thursday, October 31**
CL: Toddler Storytime 10:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

November

**Sunday, November 3**
Molasses Lecture 7:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Senior Center*

**Monday, November 4**
Monday Morning Mysteries 10:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, November 5**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, November 6**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
Adult Game Night 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday, November 7**
CL: Toddler Storytime 10:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
CL: 1st Grade Book Club 3:00 p.m.
YA: Sock Owls 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, November 8**
Senior Center Shuttle to the Library 10:00 a.m.
Coffee and Books 10:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, November 12**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, November 13**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Saturday, November 15**
Coffee and Books 6:30 p.m.

**Monday, November 18**
Graphic Novel Discussion Group 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, November 19**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, November 20**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Thursday, November 21**
CL: Singalong with Matt Heaton 10:30 a.m.  
*At City Hall Council Chambers*
CL: 4th and 5th Grade Book Club 3:00 p.m.
Knit Night 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, November 22**
Senior Center Shuttle to the Library 10:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, November 26**
Award Winning Book Club 7:00 p.m.
Writer’s Workshop 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 27**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*

**Thursday, November 28**
LIBRARY CLOSES AT 5:00 P.M.

**Sunday, December 1**
Molasses Lecture 7:00 p.m.
*At Medford Senior Center*

**Monday, December 2**
Monday Morning Mysteries 10:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, December 3**
CL: Baby Lapsit Storytime 9:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*

**Wednesday, December 4**
YA: Pop-Up Library 2:00 p.m.  
*At Colleen’s in Medford Square*
CL: Family Story Hour 3:00 p.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
Adult Game Night 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday, December 5**
CL: Toddler Storytime 10:30 a.m.  
*At Medford Family Network*
CL: 1st Grade Book Club 3:00 p.m.
YA: Sock Owls 7:00 p.m.
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED