

## Sharon Public Library Monthly Newsletter May 2023



### Announcements

#### New Library Project Update

##### **A message from the Board of Library Trustees:**

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The Friends of the Sharon Public Library are accepting donations for the Annual Used Book Sale through May 16th!

Bring your donations to the Community Room during the Library's [open hours](#)

(The lower entrance on High Street provides easy access to the Community Room)

Click [here](#) for FOSPL donation guidelines.

## Used Book Sale May 18-21, 2023



Book Donations May 1-16, 2023 Library Community Room  
11 N. Main St Sharon, MA

### 2023 Book Sale Hours:

**Member day\*:** Thurs May 18, 2-7pm

**General Public:**

Fri May 19 10am-4pm

Sat May 20 10am-4pm

Sun May 21 10am-4pm \$5/our Bag

\*Join or renew your membership for

**Member Day**

Scan the QR code

or go to:

[friendsofsharonpubliclibrary.org](http://friendsofsharonpubliclibrary.org)

Avoid a line at the door on Thursday!



### Volunteer with us at the Book Sale

Email us at: [info@friendsofsharonlibrary.org](mailto:info@friendsofsharonlibrary.org)

Thank you to our Membership Sponsor



**Dedham Savings**

Proceeds from the Annual Book Sale fund museum passes and programs!



## Collection News

Check Out our Musical Instruments

*Fun for all ages!*



## Have you always wanted to try a new instrument?

Check out one of our musical instruments from our Library of Things collection! Each instrument comes equipped with a case, tuner, and beginner instruction booklet.

### Our musical instruments include:

- **2 Mandolins**
- **4 Ukeleles**
- **2 Violins**
- **1 Banjo**
- **1 Lap Harp**

...plus **1 Music Stand**.

Stop by the library and check one out today! These must be picked up and returned to the Circulation Desk. Only Sharon cardholders may place holds.



## Online Spotlight



Sharon Public Library provides access to Consumer Reports for patrons!

### To access the physical Consumer Reports issues:

1. Visit the Sharon Public Library's periodical collection (upper level).
2. The latest CR issue is available to read in-library only.
3. Older CR issues\* can be checked out by patrons.

### To access the digital Consumer Reports subscription\*\*:

1. Must have a Sharon library card.
2. Visit [sharonpubliclibrary.org](http://sharonpubliclibrary.org) on your smartphone or computer.
3. Click *Online Resources*.
4. Click *eResources by Title A-Z* and scroll down to *Consumer Reports*
5. Click *Consumer Reports*.
6. From home you will be prompted to type in your library card number.
7. In-library at *Select Resource* prompt, click on *ConsumerReports.org*.

8. Enjoy!

Still need assistance? Visit the Reference Desk for further assistance.

*\*SPL keeps a limited number of older issues due to space limitations.*

*\*\*Patrons must log into the digital Consumer Reports subscription via this method each time.*



## Tech Talk

### HP Chromebooks: Now Available to Circulate!



As a friendly reminder, HP Chromebooks are **now available** at Sharon Public Library to check out and bring home!

The HP Chromebooks - which come equipped with a laptop charger, mouse, mousepad, headphones, laptop bag + shoulder strap, and instruction sheet - offer easy access to Zoom and Google Workshop applications plus internet browsing.

Chromebooks have a 14-day loan period, with one renewal, provided there are no holds by other patrons (only SPL cardholders may place a hold).

Visit the Adult Circulation Desk to learn more - and check one out today!



## Youth Services

### Youth Services Programs

Click on the images for full-sized view. Register for events on our website's [Event Calendar](#).

# MAY 2023

Recommended Program

- Age Ranges
- Babies/Toddlers
- Preschool
- Kids (Ages 5-10)
- Tweens (Ages 11-13)
- Teens (Ages 14+)
- All Ages

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Follow us on social media  
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Register for all programs on the library website!  
Scan or visit [tinyurl.com/spl-cal](https://tinyurl.com/spl-cal)



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1 10:30 AM Stollers and Stories <sup>^</sup> Week Craft Kit Registration	2 	3	4 11:00 AM Enchanted Meadow Story Time * All Day May the 4th	5 	<b>Outdoor Programs!</b> As the weather warms up we are moving some programs outside! Be sure to register for programs online to make sure you get weather updates. And check the bottom of the calendar for locations.	
8 10:30 AM Stollers and Stories <sup>^</sup> Week Tiny Art Show Registration	9	10 4:00 PM Silly Science Bubbles ^	11 11:00 AM Spring Story Time * 3:30 PM Tween/Teen Slime Party	12 		
15 10:30 AM Stollers and Stories <sup>^</sup>	16	17	18 11:00 AM Spring Story Time *	19 	20	21
22 10:30 AM Stollers and Stories <sup>^</sup>	23 4:00 PM Graphic Novel Book Club (Grades 5-5)	24 4:00 PM Crafternoon	25 11:00 AM Spring Story Time *	26	27	28
29 	30	31 4:00 PM Marvelous Math				

<sup>^</sup> Lawn of First Congregational Church

\* Crescent Ridge Dairy

Otherwise, programs are at the library



Sign up for SPL's  
**Tweens'/Teens' Newsletter**

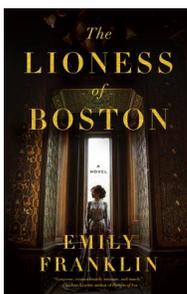



Sign up for SPL's  
**Children's Newsletter**




## Upcoming Programs

*As the Community Room is being used this month by the Friends of the Sharon Public Library for the Annual Used Book Sale, the Library will have limited in-house programming in May.*



*Virtual*

### The Lioness of Boston: The Life of Isabella Stewart Gardner

May 8th @ 7:00 PM

Author Emily Franklin will discuss her brand new novel, *The Lioness of Boston*, in conversation with author Dawn Tripp, in this ZOOM

webinar. *The Lioness of Boston* is a deeply evocative novel of the life of Isabella Stewart Gardner, a daring visionary who created an inimitable legacy in American art and transformed the city of Boston itself.

*Presented in partnership with Tewksbury Public Library. Sponsored by the Corning Foundation and the Tewksbury Friends of the Library.*

[More information here](#)

Registration Required.



*Virtual*

## A Conversation with Charlotte McConaghy

**May 25th @ 7:00 PM**

Virtual presentation with the author of *Migrations*. The conversation will be led by Meena Jain, Director of the Ashland Public Library (MA).

*Presented in partnership with Chelmsford Public Library.*

[More information here](#)

Registration Required.



*Virtual*

## A Trip to Greece (Macedonia) with the Traveling Librarian

**May 30th @ 10:30 AM**

Join Jeff Klapes, the Traveling Librarian, for another of his popular armchair travel presentations. This series highlights travel photography and stories and travel tips about destinations around the world. This month, journey to the northern provinces of Greece.

*Presented in partnership with the Tewksbury Public Library. Sponsored by the Corning Foundation and the Tewksbury Friends of the Library.*

[More information here](#)

Registration Required.



*In-Person*

## The Life and Times of Deborah Samson with Steve Connolly

**June 8th @ 6:30 PM**

Join us for local resident Steve Connolly's presentation about Deborah Samson (or Sampson), who disguised herself as a man and served for more than a year in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War. After her discharge, Deborah married Benjamin Gannett of Sharon, and lived here until her death.

[More information here](#)

Registration Required.



*In-Person*

## Create an Aromatic Herb Garden with Therapy Gardens June 14th @ 6:00 PM

Topics include growing and drying herbs, creating your own herb garden, and herbs for flavorful cooking. Each participant leaves with their choice of seasonally available herb/flower plants or seeds and their own personal herb pots.

[More information here](#)

Registration Required.



*In-Person*

## Connie Hertzberg Mayo in conversation with Elizabeth Gonzalez James

**June 14th @ 6:30 PM**

The Friends of the Sharon Public Library invite you to a conversation between local authors Connie Hertzberg Mayo and Elizabeth Gonzalez James in the Community Room. Connie will read an excerpt from her newest book, *The Sharp Edge of Mercy*, then have a discussion with Elizabeth before opening up for Q&A.

[More information here](#)

Registration Required.



*In-Person*

## Tech with Tim: Topic TBD

**June 28th @ 6:00 PM**

Technology specialist, Tim Lumnah, is eager to hear from *you*, our patrons!

What are your biggest technological challenges? What technology courses would you like to see at the Sharon Public Library? We'd love to hear from you!

*Your feedback will help determine the topic for our next Tech with Tim program on June 28th at 6:00 PM in the Community Room.*

"I'd like to learn how to..."

**Browse the web more efficiently**

**Use Microsoft Word or Google Docs**

**Use Microsoft Excel or Google Sheets**

**Manage my emails**

**Create and maintain strong passwords**

**Best organize my digital files and folders**

**Use QR codes**

**Use Zoom for videoconferencing**

**Use social media**

**... Other. Email [reference@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:reference@sharon.ocln.org) with your suggestions!**



## Ongoing Programs



### Sharon Public Library Book Discussion Group

*In-Person*

May 25th @ 1:00 - 2:30 PM

*Libertie* by Kaitlyn Greenidge

**The SPL Book Discussion Group** meets from Sept-June on the 4th Thursday of each month @ 1:00-2:30 PM in the Library's Community Room.

No registration required!

For more information, please contact

Susan Eggimann at [seggimann@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:seggimann@sharon.ocln.org) or 781-784-1478 ext. 1422

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