

## Sharon Public Library Monthly Newsletter

### May 2026



## Announcements

### Library System Upgrade Update

Our new Integrated Library System went 'live' yesterday, April 30!

This is a major project affecting all OCLN libraries. Please note that OCLN is still transferring and testing service connections, and some resources may not be fully accessible until next week. We will continue to provide updates on our website under [News & Announcements](#). We appreciate your patience as we work through this process.

\*General patron services are now available including:

- Patron look up by name
- Issue new library cards
- Place, cancel, or modify holds\*
- Make changes to patron accounts/Pay bills
- Item look up/Checking item status
- Check materials in
- Receive delivery from other libraries
- SPL Mobile App

\*OCLN is aware of issues within patron accounts, including PINs and holds. They are working to resolve them issues as quickly as possible. Please contact Circulation Services at 781-784-1578 x1420 or [mkaar@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:mkaar@sharon.ocln.org) with questions regarding your library account.

## Online Services



These online resources are not yet available.

- Libby | Overdrive
- Barron's
- Wall Street Journal
- Commonwealth Catalog | Interlibrary Loan

If you experience issues with other resources, please contact Adult Services at 781-784-1578 x1422 or [reference@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:reference@sharon.ocln.org)

Welcome to the [new library catalog](#)! Please note that it continues to be a work in progress. Find helpful information in this [brochure](#).


**Meet your new library catalog.**



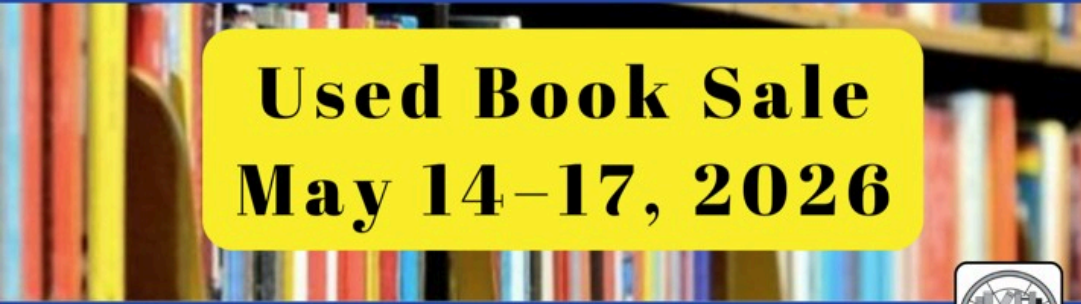
**On April 30<sup>th</sup>, we'll be migrating to a new library catalog!**

- View, manage, and check out ebooks all in one place
- Virtually browse and see titles by format
- Discover new titles through recommendations
- Manage your account
- Create and view lists

**... and more!**




The Friends of the Sharon Public Library



**Used Book Sale**  
**May 14–17, 2026**

**Book Donations April 28–May 12**



Library Community Room 1 School St. Sharon, MA

### Friends of the Sharon Public Library Used Book Sale

The Friends of the Sharon Public Library will hold their annual Used Book Sale in the Library's Community Room (1 School St., Sharon). Donations of used books will be accepted April 28 through May 12. [Donation guidelines](#)

**Book Donations:** April 28–May 12 during regular Library hours

**Member Day (join or renew to attend):** Thursday, May 14: 2pm–7pm

**Public Sale Hours:**

Friday, May 15: 10am–4pm

Saturday, May 16: 10am–4pm

\*Sunday, May 17: 10am–4pm (\$6 per bag; 2 for \$10) \*No Library services

Payment is accepted via cash, check, Venmo, or credit card.

*Sponsored by Dedham Savings*

[Join or Renew Your Membership Here](#)

## Online Spotlight



### New Online Resource!

Sharon Public Library has teamed up with **Ompractice** to offer Sharon cardholders unlimited access to Ompractice completely FREE of charge. Over 100 live camera-on yoga, tai chi, fitness and mindfulness classes a week to help you reduce stress, improve flexibility, get strong, and age well - at times that work for you.

- Live, Interactive Classes & On-Demand Videos
- Expert Teachers, Supportive Community
- Something for Everyone: From short, energizing sessions to longer, restorative practices, we offer a wide variety of classes for all fitness levels and abilities. Beginners are very much welcome here!

Join the community and be at home in class! Includes Monthly Challenges, Special Classes, and a [Better Living Newsletter](#) to help you stay accountable, learn new skills, and have fun!

#### May Highlights:

5/17 @ 8PM: Special Class: Sound Meditation for Sleep with Reggie

5/23 @ Noon: Special Class: Yoga for Stress Relief with Cornelius

Monthly Challenge - Make It A Habit: take 4 classes, one per week

[More Info Here](#)

## Upcoming Programs



*Virtual*

### A Discussion with Romance Author Rebecca Zanetti

Monday, May 4 at 3:00 PM via Zoom

We're excited to chat with bestselling romance author Rebecca Zanetti, including her recent and upcoming releases [You Can Scream](#) (Dec 2025) and [One Shattered Crown](#) (June 2026), while celebrating her career and stories. Join us for a fun conversation about her books, success as a #1 bestselling author, and the surprising "research" behind her novels.

*In partnership with Ashland Public Library.*

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



*Virtual*

## "A Guardian and a Thief" with author Megha Majumdar

Monday, May 11 at 7:30 PM via Zoom

We're excited to be chatting with author Megha Majumdar about her new novel [A Guardian and a Thief](#), an Oprah's Book Club pick set in a near-future Kolkata. We'll discuss the story's gripping tale of two families facing desperation and hope, along with her acclaimed career following her bestselling debut [A Burning](#).

*In partnership with Ashland Public Library.*

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



*In-person*

## Energy Efficiency Office Hours with Julie Barbour-Issa

Tuesday, May 12 | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Rose Study Room 105

Meet with the Town of Sharon's Energy Advocate, Julie Barbour-Issa, for help navigating Mass Save®, scheduling a free Home Energy Assessment, and finding rebates, loans, and programs for which you may qualify. Appointments can also cover income-eligible benefits like fuel assistance and discount rates.

Appointments are 20 minutes long and can be scheduled by calling Julie at **781-390-9913** or by **registering online** at the link below.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



*In-person*

## Graves of the Revolutionary War Patriots - The Fame, the Shame but not Mundane!

Sunday, May 17 at 1:00 PM

Sharon Public Library Archivist, Arielle Nathanson, will give a presentation about Cemetery Art. The group will then proceed to Rock Ridge Cemetery where Sharon Historical Society volunteers will deliver short biographies at the gravesite of each Patriot and Ms. Nathanson will point out examples of cemetery art.

Location: 1:00 PM, Sharon Historical Society, 16 High Street

Reception and Cemetery Art Talk followed by a tour of the Graves of Revolutionary War Patriots at Rock Ridge Cemetery.

*In partnership with the Sharon Historical Society in Celebration of America's 250th*

[More Info Here - No registration](#)



*Virtual*

## "Banning Books in America: Not a How To" with Author Samuel Cohen

Monday, May 18 at 7:00 PM via Zoom

We're excited to be in conversation with author and professor Samuel Cohen about his new release [Banning Books in America: Not a How-To](#), a timely exploration of book bans, censorship, and the fight over what Americans are allowed to read. Join us for a thoughtful discussion on why books are being challenged, what it means for readers and educators, and how people are responding across the country.

*In partnership with Ashland Public Library.*

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



*In-person*

## The Declaration of Independence: Pathway to Our Freedoms with Justice Dennis J. Curran (Ret.)

Wednesday, May 27 at 6:30 PM  
Community Room B

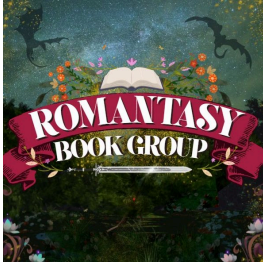
We're excited to welcome back Justice Dennis J. Curran (Ret.) for an in-person program marking the 250th anniversary of the U.S. Declaration of Independence, exploring its history, global impact, and lesser-known details. Join us as he shares fascinating insights including 13 facts about this world-changing document and its missing draft by Thomas Jefferson.

*This program is funded by a gift from the Carnegie Corporation of New York through Carnegie Libraries 250, celebrating the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.*

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)

*In-person*

## Romantasy Book Group



Wednesday, May 27 at 6:30 PM  
Cheyer ESOL Room 201

This drop-in book group is designed for readers who enjoy fantasy stories where romance plays a central role. Instead of assigning a single book each month, the group operates as a genre-based discussion space. Participants are welcome to dive into any of this month's recommended titles or bring along any romantasy book that catches their eye.

*For more information, contact Emily Greco at [egreco@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:egreco@sharon.ocln.org)*

[More Info Here - No Registration Required](#)

## Out of the Archives

### Sharon History Cryptogram

This month we have a cryptogram featuring a secret message related to Sharon's history. Can you solve it? Want to know more? Contact the archive at [anathanson@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:anathanson@sharon.ocln.org) or drop by. The Archivist is always happy to answer questions and share Sharon's history with you!

[\[Link to Article\]](#)

## Ongoing Programs



### Sharon Public Library Book Discussion Group

#### *In-person*

**The SPL Book Discussion Group** meets September to June on the 4th Thursday of each month @ 1:00 PM in Community Room B. No registration required and no obligation to attend all meetings. We read across many genres and enjoy lively discussion!

**Meeting: May 28** at 1:00 PM in Community Room B

**Book:** *The Book That Matters Most* by Ann Hood  
Copies available on Main Level. eBook and eAudio available in [Libby by Overdrive](#) and [hoopla](#)

Contact Susan Eggimann | [seggimann@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:seggimann@sharon.ocln.org) | 781-784-1578 ext.1450

No Registration Required



*In-person*  
**Casual Crafting**

Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30-7:45 PM  
Cheyer ESOL Room

Join us for a drop-in crafting group for adults! Bring your current craft project or use some of the supplies we'll have on hand. Drop by any time from **6:30-7:45 PM in the Cheyer ESOL Room.**

No Registration Required

## Youth Services



### **New Parents Support Program** **Tuesday, May 5 at 10:30 AM**

Join us for an innovative and comprehensive weekly program for parents with children from newborn to 5 years of age, featuring dedicated programming for both parents and their children. This initiative offers a vital space to connect with other local new parents. The psychoeducational component is grounded in the Commit to You framework, providing a supportive environment

to cultivate self-compassion, navigate emotion regulation, and embrace intentional parenting. Sessions will also feature guest lectures from local health professionals on essential topics like feeding and sleep.

*This program is presented in partnership with the Sharon Health Department and Commit to You, PLLC.*

[Learn More and Register](#)



Looking for information about youth programs and services? Sign up for our Youth Newsletters by clicking below.

[Sign up for Birth - 5th Grade Newsletter](#)

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