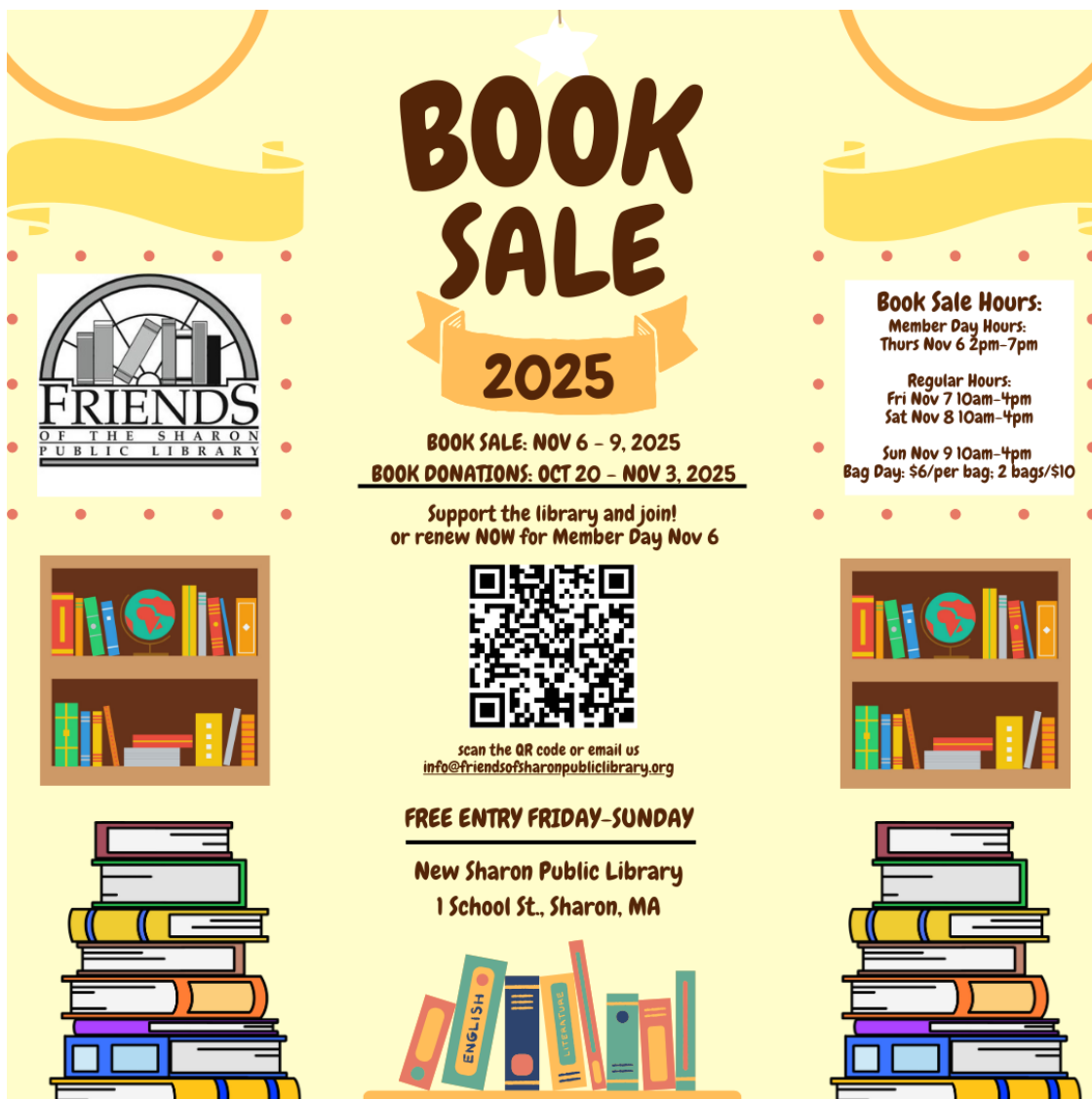


Sharon Public Library Monthly Newsletter

November 2025

Announcements



BOOK SALE
2025

BOOK SALE: NOV 6 – 9, 2025
BOOK DONATIONS: OCT 20 – NOV 3, 2025

Support the library and join!
or renew NOW for Member Day Nov 6

scan the QR code or email us
info@friendsofsharonpubliclibrary.org

FREE ENTRY FRIDAY–SUNDAY
New Sharon Public Library
1 School St., Sharon, MA

Book Sale Hours:
Member Day Hours:
Thurs Nov 6 2pm–7pm

Regular Hours:
Fri Nov 7 10am–4pm
Sat Nov 8 10am–4pm

Sun Nov 9 10am–4pm
Bag Day: \$6/per bag; 2 bags/\$10



Friends of the Sharon Public Library Annual Book Sale!!

Please review the Friends' [donation guidelines](#)

Book Collection Dates:

Final Days: Saturday, November 1 and Monday, November 3
during regular Library open hours

All donations must be brought into Community Room A
(located just inside the Library entrance, to your left - please follow signage)

Book Sale Dates: November 6-9

Member Day

Thursday, November 6 | 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Regular Sale Hours

Friday, November 7 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday, November 8 | 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sunday, November 9 | 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM*

*Please note that Library services will not be available on Sunday

For more information contact the Friends at info@friendsofsharonpubliclibrary.org





Library Closure Veterans Day

The library will be
closed on
Tuesday, November 11
in observance of
Veterans Day



THANKSGIVING WEEK HOURS

Wednesday 26 Nov	10AM - 2PM
Thursday 27 Nov	CLOSED
Friday 28 Nov	CLOSED
Saturday 29 Nov	OPEN



Library Updates



Community Rooms Temporarily Unavailable

The Library's **Community Rooms** are currently unavailable due to **Book Sale preparations**. The rooms will become available again beginning November 12. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we make room for this annual

event. During this time, some Library programs may be moved to alternate spaces in the building. **Please double-check program listings for updated locations.** Thank you for supporting the Library and the Friends of the Sharon Public Library!



New Fall Titles Delayed

Baker & Taylor (B&T), one of two major book distributors serving public libraries nationwide, is closing their business by the end of 2025. This is having a significant impact on libraries.

For many years, B&T was our primary vendor for adult fiction and nonfiction books. Due to the closure, most titles ordered between July and September have been canceled by B&T so we have not received copies of the major Fall

releases. While they have been reordered from other vendors, we are receiving the books well past their original publication dates. We understand that patrons are eager to get their hands on this season's new books, and we appreciate your patience as we work through these supply chain challenges.

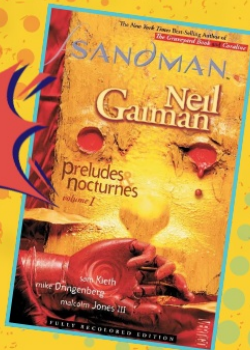
Collections

ADULT GRAPHIC NOVELS

POPULAR TITLES YOU
MIGHT RECOGNIZE
INCLUDE:



THE WALKING DEAD
COMPENDIUM THREE



SANDMAN:
PRELUDES &
NOCTURNES



ARCHANGEL



DUNE: THE
GRAPHIC
NOVEL, BOOK 1



INVINCIBLE
COMPENDIUM
VOLUME 2

Did You Know? We Have Adult Graphic Novels!

If you haven't browsed our shelves lately, you might be missing out! The Library has a growing collection of **graphic novels for adults** and we don't just mean superheroes. Think thought-provoking stories, breathtaking art, and award-winning titles across genres like mystery, memoir, fantasy, historical fiction, romance, and more.

Graphic novels are a unique storytelling medium perfect for when you want something a little different or don't have time for a long novel. Whether you're a longtime fan or new to the format, we've got something worth checking out. **You'll find the collection near the Adult Services Desk on the Main Level.**

Tech Talk



hoopla vs. Libby What's the Difference?

Libby is a massive digital library offering tens of thousands of e-books, audiobooks, and magazines. It works like a traditional library. **There are limited copies of each item**, so you may need to place holds and wait your turn. You are limited to ten (10) checkouts in your account.

hoopla has a smaller collection but there is no holds queue. It is important to note that the Library as a whole has a **daily borrowing limit**. If that limit is reached, you may need to wait until the next day to borrow an item **even if you haven't used up your 5 borrows for the month (borrows do not carry over to the next month)**. We recommend borrowing earlier in the day to avoid missing out! hoopla includes audiobooks, e-books, music, movies, TV shows, and more.

Kindle Compatibility:

Libby allows you to send e-books to your Kindle via your Amazon account. hoopla e-books must be read within the hoopla app on a device or website.

Tips for Better Browsing:

- Use Filters: Both apps let you filter by genre, format, availability, and more. In Libby, try the **"Available Now"** filter to skip the holds list.
- Try Libby's "Deep Search": Not finding what you're looking for? Use the **"Deep Search"** filter to see titles not yet in your network's collection. You can tag them to be notified if they're added.

Did You Know?

Libby is powered by library networks. Since all Massachusetts residents can use any MA network, adding multiple library cards to your Libby account can expand your access and reduce wait times!

hoopla works a bit differently, individual libraries must opt in. Here in Sharon, we allocate funds to give you access to hoopla, so take advantage of it!

Getting Started:

- **Libby**: Download the app or visit libbyapp.com. Log in with your library card number and PIN/password. Libby even auto-downloads your borrows for offline reading.
- **hoopla**: Visit hoopladigital.com or download the app. Sign up with your email and library card. Want to read/watch/listen offline? Just tap **"Download"** on the item's details page.

Upcoming Programs



Virtual

Massachusetts Library 50+ Job Seekers Networking Group

August 6 - December 17

November 5 at 9:30 AM via Zoom
November 19 at 9:30 AM via Zoom

The Massachusetts Library 50+ Job Seekers Networking Group meets via Zoom on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, from 9:30am to 11:30am. Informal networking takes place from 9am to 9:30am and 11:30am to noon. If you are aged 50+, unemployed and actively looking, underemployed, seeking a new career direction, re-entering the job market after a long employment gap, or recently retired and looking for your "Encore Career," this networking group program is perfect for you! Remember, 85% of jobs are found through networking!

Join us in a professional forum for networking with peers in a safe and comfortable environment conducive to developing new relationships and developing skills and strategies to help in your career transition. Each meeting features a new topic. Meetings include a presentation and interactive workshop on topics relevant to career transition, guest speakers, access to hiring managers, small group breakout rooms to network, and 1-on-1 coaching guidance. Participating on a regular basis will give job seekers the many tools and strategies needed for a successful job search.

Each biweekly meeting is facilitated by Deborah Hope, MBA, PCIC, an experienced executive career coach. Deborah is a former Fortune 500 executive, investment banker and entrepreneur. She transitioned to executive coaching over 12 years ago. Deborah has coached with Harvard Business School Executive Education programs and the Massachusetts Conference for Women. She has been trained or certified in a variety of coaching models and assessment tools. Deborah has facilitated 50+ job seekers networking groups since 2016.

November Meetings:

November 5: Networking ("You Must Give to Get")

November 19: Interview Strategies

*In partnership with Tewksbury Public Library (host) and other MA Libraries
Funded by the Friends of the Sharon Public Library*

**More Info Here - Registration
Required**

In-person

3 Dimensional Embroidery Workshop



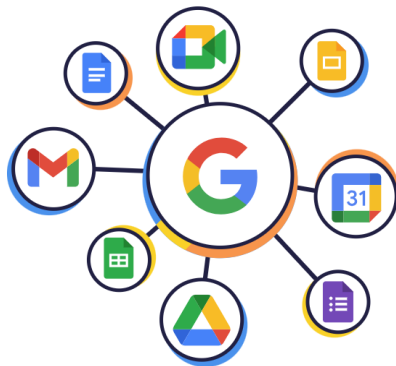
Tuesday, November 12 at 1:00 PM
Community Room A

In this workshop, you'll learn the art of **Brazilian Embroidery**, a beautiful three-dimensional technique that uses highly twisted rayon thread from Brazil to create delicate, raised floral designs. By wrapping, casting on, and looping threads, you'll bring petals to life as they stand up from the fabric surface.

Esther Begleiter has been teaching embroidery since the late 1970s and is the founder and past president of the Suffolk County Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America. Her expertise spans a variety of embroidery styles including Blackwork, Crewel, Hardanger, Canvas (Needlepoint), Pulled Thread, and Smocking. All designs taught are her own original, copyrighted works.

This workshop is free, but **space is limited to 10 participants** so be sure to register early to secure your spot!

**More Info Here - Registration
Required**



In-person
**Google Apps
Step-by-Step Guide Session**

Wednesday, November 12 at 1:30 PM
Technology Center

Want to feel more confident using **Google Drive**, **Docs**, or **Gmail**? Join us for a beginner-friendly, hands-on session designed to help you get comfortable with the tools you use every day. Whether you're brand new or just looking for a refresher, we'll walk through the basics step by step. No pressure, no prior experience needed.

The session takes place on **Wednesday, November 12 at 1:30 PM** in the **Technology Center (Upper Level)**. Come with your questions and leave with practical skills you can use right away. Bring your own computer or we can provide a chromebook for you!

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Required**

Virtual

**Virtual - The History of the Flying
Santa of the Lighthouses, 1929-2025,
with Jeremy D'Entremont**



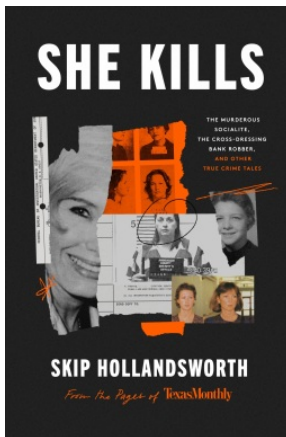
November 3 at 7:00 PM via Zoom

Since 1929, the aerial visits of the Flying Santa to lighthouses and lifesaving stations have brought joy and gratitude to Coast Guard families across New England. This tradition began with Bill Wincapaw, a trailblazing Maine pilot, and

continued with the legendary historian and storyteller Edward Rowe Snow, who carried on the flights through 1980. The nonprofit Friends of Flying Santa proudly upholds this heartfelt tradition, recognizing the dedication of the men, women, and families of the U.S. Coast Guard who safeguard our coastal waters. We hope you'll join us in the discussion!

In partnership with Ashland Public Library. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Public Library in partnership with a multitude of MA Libraries as well as the Ashland Senior Center.

**More Info Here - Registration
Required**



Virtual

Virtual - "She Kills" with True Crime Author Skip Hollandsworth

November 13 at 7:00 PM via Zoom

If you're as hooked on true crime as we are, you won't want to miss this! Join acclaimed author and journalist Skip Hollandsworth for a virtual discussion of his latest book, *She Kills*. This jaw-dropping, addictively readable collection focuses on women whose sensational crimes

placed them on the wrong side of the law. From a teen who poisoned her dad's refried beans, to a quiet nurse with a deadly secret, to a jilted dental hygienist turned mastermind, these are stories that will leave you shocked and riveted. So if you're intrigued by the darker corners of human behavior, we hope you'll join us for this unforgettable event!

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**More Info Here - Registration
Required**

Out of the Archives

**SHS Yearbook Spotlight
by Arielle Nathanson**

Nothing is more fun than flipping through old yearbooks and seeing how the generations before us wanted to be remembered. There are so many entertaining aspects to enjoy, from superlatives and silly drawings, to poems and in depth information about each senior.

In one particular yearbook from the 1940s, the nicknames and personal mantras of each graduate are listed next to their picture. One dashing gentleman has “Unc” and “I hurry only to sleep” under his name. It wasn’t just his humor that was eye-catching, but the usage of the nickname “Unc.” The younger generations of today currently use that same nickname to goodnaturedly tease those older than them. How surprising to see evidence of its usage so long ago!

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



Share Your Sharon Story!

Do you have a special memory or story about Sharon? The Sharon Public Library is **collecting community reminiscences**.

We'd love to hear from you! Whether it's a favorite local event, a memory of the library, or a story about life in Sharon, your reflections help keep our town's history alive.

Please send your stories to Arielle Nathanson at anathanson@sharon.ocln.org.

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Exciting News from the SPL Archive!

The Sharon Public Library Archive is **now accepting donations!**

Do you have photos, documents, or memorabilia that capture Sharon's history? Help us preserve and share our community's story by contributing to the SPL Archive.

Interested in donating or learning more?

Please contact: anathanson@sharon.ocln.org

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: November 20** at 1:00 PM in Community Room B
Book: *Good Neighbors* by Sarah Langan

Copies are available on the New Books Shelf on the Main Level.
This title is also available in eBook format on [Libby by Overdrive](#).

Questions? Susan Eggimann | seggimann@sharon.ocln.org | 781-784-1578 x1450

Sign up for our [SPL Book Discussion Group Newsletter](#) to stay up-to-date with meeting recaps, announcements, and book selections.

** November and December meetings are on the 3rd Thursday due to holidays.

2025-2026 Book Titles and Meeting Dates

No Registration
Required



In-person Casual Crafting

Tuesday, November 25
at 6:30-7:45 PM
Community Room B

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. Come any time from **6:30-7:45 PM** in **Community Room B**.

No Registration
Required

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