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BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED FOR THE FRIENDS OF THE WINCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

If you are a fan of the Winchester Public Library, enjoy working with a group and want to contribute your time and intellect to a worthwhile community effort, the Friends of the Winchester Library wants you! Fall Board positions will be open for newsletter editor, assistant editor, data base assistant, programs and other event-specific work.

The Friends of the Winchester Public Library is a volunteer group of Winchester residents who support the activities and programs of the library by fundraising and public relations efforts.

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Photo at top left of page: "Library wins award for 'most in keeping with the theme of this year's EnKa Fair'."

DEAR FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY

Each year the Friends of the Winchester Public Library ask your financial assistance for programs and services that are outside the Library's budget. We are grateful to all who have so generously contributed to the Friends in past years. The Winchester Public Library is a town treasure offering free access to books, music, videos, lectures, children's programs, quiet spaces, book groups, and much more. Thanks to your generous donations to the Annual Appeal, the Library continues to provide an abundance of quality programs and services. Here are just a few of the funded items: free passes to 19 museums, children and teen programs, summer reading program, free lectures, and express books of best sellers.

Thank you again for your generosity and support without which the Library could not maintain many of these wonderful programs. We ask that you consider giving this year. Please visit the Library and rediscover the many reasons to support your Library.

Sincerely,

Karen Martin, President of the Friends



Ann Wirtanen facilitating discussion at the Seniors and Senior Book Group at the Jenks.



SUMMER PROGRAMS FROM THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

EVERY HERO HAS A STORY

READY, STEADY, GO!

ALL KINDS OF HEROES, past, present and future, are on their way to the Winchester Public Library this summer. Any child age 4–11 with a library card can sign up for the Summer Reading Program and play the Summer Reading Program Game once a day when they check out a book or audio book. The Toe Jam Puppet Band will kick off the Summer Program and will be followed by Steve Rudolph's Cowboy Magic. After that there is still Music, Science, Crafts, Stories, Kidstock, and live animals. Sign up begins Monday June 22nd for the Reading Program and continues through the first week of August. Check the online calendar for programs dates and sign ups, or stop into the Library to pick up a Summer Calendar. Children do not have to be signed up for the Summer Reading Program to attend any of the Summer Programs. The party for the children and their families who finish their reading goals will be Tuesday August 25th at Town Hall.



ADULT SUMMER PROGRAM— *Escape the Ordinary*

Don't let children and teens have all the fun! Read for fun between June 22 and August 14 and win a Kindle Fire tablet—or the second and third prizes. You are eligible for the prize drawing for every 3 books that you read; so the more you read, the better your chances of winning

FROM THE REFERENCE ROOM

NEW OPTIONS IN STREAMING VIDEO

We are now offering two new ways to watch feature films, documentaries, and TV shows online: Freegal Movies & OverDrive Video. Freegal Movies provides instant access to older movies, concert films, and TV shows with no waitlists! Winchester Residents can watch 3 movies per week. OverDrive provides a different collection of newer films, self-help videos, and more. Try them out today at winpublib.org, in the eLibrary menu.

COMMONWEALTH CATALOG MAKES INTERLIBRARY LOAN FASTER AND EASIER

Did you know we can get books, movies, music, and more from libraries all across the country? You can find and request items from our local network at find.minlib.net. If your item isn't available locally, you can try the new, self-service Commonwealth Catalog to request items from libraries across the state. Try it at commonwealthcatalog.org. And for those really hard-to-find items, contact the Reference Desk and we can track them down for you nationwide!

LEARN SOMETHING NEW IN THE COMFORT OF YOUR OWN HOME—24/7

We offer a wide variety of online resources available to Winchester residents from home and to everyone for use in the Library. These useful databases provide information on many topics such as investing, student research, genealogy, books and authors, travel planning, health and much more. Please go to our online resources page to for more information about what's available: winpublib.org/databases

DISCOUNT MUSEUM PASSES

Are friends and family coming to visit this summer? Don't forget our museum pass program that offers Winchester residents discount admission to many of the area's most popular museums and cultural institutions. Passes include art museums such the MFA, Peabody Essex Museum, Worcester Art Museum and the new Harvard Art Museums. Families will enjoy our outdoor attractions such as Boston Harbor Islands cruises, Stone Zoo, and Boston by Foot walking tours. For a complete list of our passes or to make a reservation online go to winpublib.org/museum-passes.

PROGRAMS 2015–2016

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2015 AT 7:00 PM

"Get Ready for Halloween" at the 6th annual collaborative program with the Winchester Historical Society. "A Supernatural Evening," the paranormal world of journalist Jeff Belanger's new legend tripping movement. The Emmy-nominated host & producer of "New England Legends" debuted on PBS in October 2013. He's also written over a dozen books on the paranormal and hosts a cable/web talk show "30 Odd Minutes."

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015 AT 7:00 PM

"The Dark Side of Boston" by Boston By Foot. Learn about the scourges of smallpox and the Great Influenza, the dangers of Richmond Street, the vandalization of the Royal Governor's House, the Molasses Flood, body snatchers, and the infamous Brink's Robbery, all against the backdrop of Boston's oldest neighborhood, the North End.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016 (SNOW DATE JANUARY 6) AT 7:00 PM

"The Joy of Getting Things Done" by Linda L. King. If you missed this program the last four New Year's Resolutions ago, it's a must for people who want to make their 2016 resolutions become a reality. Attendees receive handouts for developing their own action plan and note taking.

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2016 AT 7:00 PM

"Henry Beston's Cape Cod" by Don Wilding of the Henry Beston Society of North Eastham, MA. For 85 years, Henry Beston's *The Outermost House* has been THE definitive book about Cape Cod, inspiring the creation of the Cape Cod National Seashore. Now, Don Wilding, co-founder of the Henry Beston society, tells the story behind Beston's timeless nature classic.

Annual Appeal

The Friends of the Winchester Public Library

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**The Friends of the Winchester Public Library,
80 Washington Street, Winchester, MA 01890.**

We are a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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Thank you for your support!

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Ann Wirtanen
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Who are the Friends of the Winchester Public Library?

The Friends of the Winchester Public Library ("The Friends") is the grassroots organization that supports your Library's continuing excellence. We raise funds for publications, equipment, and services which are not included in the town's budget but which enhance the Library's mission of improving the quality of life for Winchester residents.

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BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED FOR THE FRIENDS OF THE WINCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Friends Board meets on the third Thursday evening of every month except June, July, August and December, typically from 7–8 pm.

If you are interested in applying to serve on the Board of the Friends of the Winchester Public Library, please email current Board President, Karen Martin, at edward.martin49@verizon.net. Applications would be appreciated by July 1.

In the email please describe your relevant background and areas of expertise and/or interest that you would like to contribute. We are seeking a diverse group of people with fresh ideas and fresh energy. Please apply!

WINCHESTER READS CONFESSIONS OF A REFUGEE BOY

The Winchester Reads committee has made its selection for this fall's community read, and you won't want to miss this absorbing memoir. *Learning to Die in Miami*, by Carlos Eire, is this year's choice for Winchester Reads. Did you know about the Pedro Pan or Peter Pan airlift that brought 14,000 children from Cuba to the U.S. around 1962 just before and during the Castro revolution? Carlos Eire, who was one of those 14,000, tells the story of his arrival in South Florida, at age 11, having "left behind my parents, my entire family, all of my possessions, and my native land...". The narrative of his assimilation to his new country, and the death of his Cuban self is incredibly interesting.

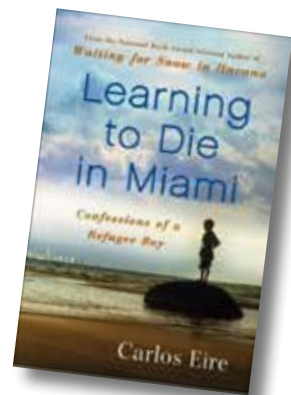
Related Events

Tuesday, October 13, 7:30 at Jenks Center. A panel discussion on Cuba past and present: 1950s–2015

Tuesday, October 20, 7:30 at McCall Middle School. Author Carlos Eire will speak about his book.

Copies of *Learning to Die in Miami* are available at the Winchester Public Library and at BookEnds.

Winchester Reads is sponsored by The John & Mary Murphy Educational Foundation. Additional support is from Book Ends, the Friends of the Winchester Public Library, the Winchester Multicultural Network, Winchester Public Schools, and many enthusiastic volunteers.



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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday – Thursday: 9:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday: 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: Closed (*Sunday hours resume on Sunday, October 4, 2015*)

Children's Room closes at 8:00 p.m.

Monday – Thursday

All other hours are the same as above.

Please note that the Library is closed on all legal holidays and on Sunday during the summer months.

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Editor: Jenifer Trevett



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