

## Southwick Public Library

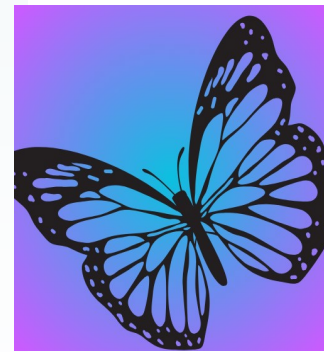
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April 2024

# Library Links

### **Butterfly House Craft: All Ages 4/18 (3:30-4:30 PM)**

Stop in and celebrate Spring by building and decorating a butterfly house. Available while supplies last. No registration is required.



### **Friends of the Southwick Public Library Book Collection & Sale**

The Friends of the Southwick Library are looking for donations of gently used books, CDs and DVDs. You may bring your items to the Southwick Public Library beginning Saturday, April 20 from 10 am to 1 pm, Monday, April 22 and Tuesday, April 23 from 10 am -1 pm and 5-7 pm. A cart will be available for you to use to bring in your donations. Please, no magazines or encyclopedias.

The Friends Book Sale is April 25 – April 27 during regular library hours. The Friends Preview is Wednesday, April 24 from 5-7 pm.

The FSPL is a 501©3 non-profit organization. Proceeds from the book sale will benefit the Southwick Public Library and its programs.



# Programs for Adults:

Please use EventKeeper  
(linked on our website) to sign up for events  
that require registration.



*The Trustees of  
the Southwick  
Public Library  
will meet*

*April 9 @  
7:00pm.*

*The Friends of  
the Library meet  
April 10 @ 5:30  
pm.*



\*Evening Book Club– April 2 @ 7:00 pm- April's book is *The Second Life of Mirielle West* by Amanda Skenandore. Registration is not required. Please register if you would like your email added to our email list!

\*Daytime Book Club– April 9 @ 10:00 am- April's book is *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern. Copies will be available for checkout. Registration is not required. Please register if you would like your email added to our email list!

\*Craft and Chat –April 8 @ 6:30 pm- All are welcome to join. Coloring supplies will be available, but please feel free to bring in any craft project that you're working on.

\*Adult Craft-Ceramic Boot Planters-April 18 @ 10:30 am. Join us for April's adult craft. Everyone will get a ceramic boot planter to paint. Registration is required as supplies are limited.

***Please note, there will be no Cookbook Club meeting  
this month due to the Book Sale.***



## Special April Programs:

### **The Only Winner in War is Medicine** - April 3 @ 6:30 pm.

Dr. Andrew Lam will present a look at how WWII spurred rival surgeons to invent new techniques that saved lives in postwar America. An in-depth look at the mavericks, moments, and mistakes that sparked the greatest medical discoveries in modern times-plus the cures that will help us live longer and healthier lives in this century...and beyond. In the Masters of Medicine, Dr. Lam distills the long arc of medical progress down to the crucial moments that were responsible for the world's greatest medical miracles. He brings to life heroic tales of embattled mavericks who endured ridicule and sometimes risked their own lives to conceive the incredible life-saving cures we depend on, and often take for granted, today. This riveting ode to mankind expertly highlights the battle against deaths from heart attacks, diabetes, infection, cancer, trauma, and childbirth; revealing why the past is prelude to the game-changing breakthroughs of tomorrow. Please register for this lecture.

### **The Lincoln Assassination with Christopher Daley** - April 16 @ 6 pm

Richmond has fallen, General Robert E. Lee has surrendered; the Civil War was ending. And then, Abraham Lincoln was plucked from this earth as if his mission here had been accomplished –to keep the United States united...to preserve the Union! This lecture is the result of many years of research and travel. The presentation begins with a short synopsis of the backdrop of the Civil War leading into a discussion about the plot to kidnap Lincoln and how that plot developed into a scheme to assassinate the President. Next, the movements of both Lincoln and Booth during the day of the assassination are meticulously chronicled using a simultaneous timeline. Then the assassination is recounted in stunning detail. Subsequently, the escape of and capture of John Wilkes Booth is fully described. Finally, the talk concludes with a vivid description of the trial of all of the conspirators and execution of four-Mary Surratt, Lewis Powell, David Herold, and George Atzerodt. Please register for this presentation.

**The Life and Times of Parley B. Hutchins of Huntington**-April 30 @ 6:00 pm. Meet local author, Steve Cormier, of Huntington and listen as he discusses the history and enduring mystery around the death of Parley B. Hutchins of Huntington. Hutchins was a resident of Huntington and worked there in the mid-late 1800's. Hutchins' mysterious death lead to an investigation that was never resolved. Cormier's book, The Life and Times of Parley B. Hutchins, provides an insight to this case as well as history of the Huntington area.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase. Please register.



# Teens

## Teen Hangouts this month:

Join us in the community room for games, snacks, and fun on the following dates in April:

Thursday, April 4

Thursday, April 11

All dates gather @ 2:15—3:15 pm



Check  
out

the Switch games in our teen library! With your library card you can borrow video games for your Nintendo Switch! Browse our collection of great games like Super Mario Wonder, Metroid Prime Remaster and Legend of Zelda: Tears of the Kingdom at the library or at home on the CWMARS app!

# Children's Room

Register for events using this QR code or go to  
<https://tinyurl.com/SouthwickEK>



**Stories and Song: Baby Play Group** : For Ages 0-2 with Caregiver  
4/2 & 4/22 @10:00am.

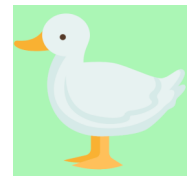
Time for babies and caregivers to socialize and play. Tina brings toys, stories, and songs to share. Registration encouraged.



**Toddler Storytime:** For Ages 18m-2 years with Caregiver

•4/4 @10:30am: "Splish, Splash, Waddle, QUACK!!"

Let's have fun with ducks! Waddle in for stories, movement, and rhymes. Followed by parachute play. Approximately 20 minutes.



**National Unicorn Day!** All Ages

•4/9 @3:30-4:30pm Unicorn Crafts

It's National Unicorn Day! We'll have unicorn themed crafts, a game and refreshments. Available while supplies last. No Registration.

**Process Art for Pre-K:** Ages 3-6

•4/12 & 4/19 @10:00am

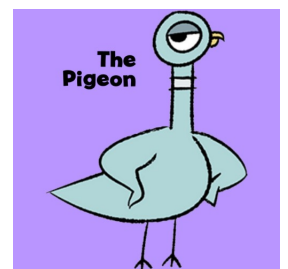
Process art is art that focuses on the experience and process involved in creating. It is free, open-ended art, meaning children are able to freely choose what materials to use, how to use them and what to create. This group is sensory friendly! Registration required.



**Mix It Up Storytime:** For Families (target ages 2-5)

•4/23 @6:30pm : "DO Let the Pigeon Crash the Storytime!"

Let's party like our favorite Pigeon! We'll start with a craft, then read some stories featuring that favorite trickster created by Mo Willems.



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After a brief hiatus, our Laporte Gallery is back up and running with a new display by Vern Wells for the month of April. Please drop by to enjoy the gallery display anytime during open hours!

The library will be closed Monday, April 15 in observance of Patriots' Day.



To sign up for Newsletters and Event emails use the QR code above.

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Wednesday 1pm-8pm  
Thursday & Friday 10am-5pm  
Saturdays 10-1

