Holmes Library News—January

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New at Your Library!

January is e-Technology Month at the library! Not sure how to even turn your new device on? Drop-in tech help is available 10-1 on Sat., Jan. 3 and Jan. 10, or you can call to schedule a one-on-one session.

If you already know how to use your new toy, the library has new resources for you to try!:

The library is starting its own **OverDrive Advantage** collection of downloadable e-books and e-audiobooks that are available only to Holmes patrons. Less waiting!

Also new: Reserving museum passes on the library Web site and resources to



try — **NoveList Plus** and **NoveList Plus K-8**. (See the article below for more details.)

And, especially for seniors! Did you get a new tablet as a gift this year? Stop in for coffee/tea on Sat., Jan. 31, at 11 a.m. for Best Free

Apps for Seniors, or "What Do I Do with This Tablet Thing"?

Give us just one hour to convince you not to stick your brandnew tablet or ereader in a drawer and forget about it!

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News in Brief

- Mystery Book Club, Wed., Jan. 7, 2:00 p.m.
- Word Game Night, Thurs., Jan. 8, 6-8 p.m.
- Afternoon Book Club, Tues., Jan. 13, 1 p.m.
- Genealogy Club, Wed., Jan. 14, 1 p.m.
- Writers' Group, Thurs., Jan. 15, 3 p.m.
- Evening Book Club, Tues., Jan. 20, 6:30 p.m.
- Children's Book Club, Wed., Jan. 21, 2:45 p.m.
- Best Apps for Seniors, Sat., Jan. 31, 11 a.m.

Looking for a Good Book?



The library now offers NoveList Plus, a help-ful resource to help readers find books that are right for them and recommendations on what to read next.

One of the most popular elements is readalikes. This feature suggests titles that are "just like" other titles. Log in and find readalikes for favorite titles, authors, and series!

Consider NoveList Plus your one-stop guide to great reading! It covers fiction and nonfiction for all ages, including lists of recommended reads and award-winners. Audiobook recommendations are a recent addition to NoveList Plus. Sound clips are included for sampling!

Ask about NoveList Plus on your next visit. Or look for it on the library website at http://holmespubliclibrary.org/reference.html.

Friends of the Library Corner

Thank you to all who donated items and bid on items in the Friends' 5th Annual Silent Auction! This year, the auction brought in just over \$800, the highest amount yet!

Special thanks to Joan Brides for organizing the auction this year! It's her special baby, and it gets bigger and better every year!

Many thanks also go to Friends who baked and brought in cookies to go with the cider provided by the Friends for the Holidays in

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Learn from home with real instructors through Universal Class! Start from the library's home page and click on the Reference tab.

Halifax celebration at the library!

Please support the work of the Friends by becoming a member or renewing your membership. If you did not receive a fall/winter newsletter in October, your membership may have expired.

Annual Membership Dues:

Seniors \$2/year Individual \$5/year Family \$10/year Patron \$25/year Business \$50/year Sponsor \$100/year Lifetime \$250



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Winter Hours Monday, 12-8

Tuesday, 10-5 Wednesday, 12-8

Thursday, 10-5

Friday, 10-5

Saturday, 10-2

Display Case



Wicker baskets from the Halifax Historical Society & Museum's collection are in the display case this month. If you have a collection to display, please let us know!

Book Museum Passes Online!

Starting this month, you will be able to check availability and reserve museum passes on our library Web site. We will still be happy to reserve a pass over the phone for you, but with the new service, you won't have to wait for the library to be open!

To reserve a museum pass from home, you will be asked to sign in with your library card barcode number and PIN. (Your PIN is usually the last four digits of your phone number.)

This new service is funded through a grant to expand the library's digital offerings and enhance options for using library services from home or while on the go. Funding is from federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

For a complete list of museum passes or for more information about borrowing library passes to area museums, please visit the library's Web site at http://holmespubliclibrary.org/museums.html. If the pass you are looking for is not available, you may be able to borrow it from another SAILS library.