

Holmes Library News

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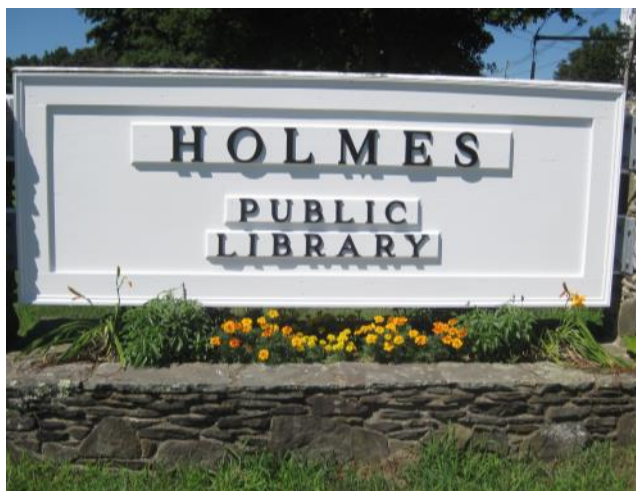
Changes at the Holmes Public Library

Due to work being done on the building's fire alarm system, we were asked to temporarily reduce our hours to stay within the hours that the school building was open, which meant closing at 6 p.m. and not being open on Saturdays.

We will switch to our regular winter hours starting Mon., September 16:

**Mon & Wed, Noon-8
Tue, Thu, Fri, 10-5
Saturday, 10-2**

Many thanks go to Gerry Elliott, Tom Schindler, Brenda Pettingill and summer



A special thank you to Brenda of Buildings & Grounds for beautifying the library with outdoor plantings and keeping our indoor ones alive!

helpers Dylan and Zach of the Buildings & Grounds Department for all of the furniture moving, preparation, and clean-up they did in order to get all of the new

painting and carpeting done in the library this summer.

Please give us your thoughts on the new arrangement of furniture we're trying out!

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News in Brief

- **Date change:** Halifax Assistive Technology Sandbox Day, **Sat, Sept. 28**, 11 am-1 pm.
- *No new holds* can be placed by patrons or staff, **Sept. 16-18**, while SAILS migrates its servers. All should be back to normal by Sept. 19.
- The library will begin regular fall/winter hours on **Sept. 16**.

Upcoming Events—Mark Your Calendar!



If you missed the Senior Singers Sing-Along in August, we hope to have them back for a holiday show.

Fall events are underway! Storytime sessions have started. There's

still time to register your child/grandchild!

Visit the library table at the TRIAD Health Fair on **Sat., Sept. 21, 10-3**, at the elementary school. Then come to the library for our Hali-

fax Assistive Technology Sandbox Day, **Sat, Sept. 28, 11-1**, to try out the new equipment.

Learn about the hundreds of free classes from Universal Class at

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SAILS Library Network Update

The SAILS Library Network is migrating its servers **Sept. 16-18**, which means some network services will not be available to patrons or staff during that time. Due dates will be adjusted so no items will come due on those days.

During this short period of time, no new holds can be placed, either at home or by staff at the library. Any previously placed holds that come

in during this time will be available as usual.

We *will* be able to check books in and out and search the online catalog. Overdrive (for downloading e-books and e-audiobooks) *will* still work.

We *will not* be able to create new library cards during this time or make changes to patron accounts.

Sorry for any inconvenience!

Tip for Smartphone Users

BookMyne is the best way to use the library catalog on a smartphone or tablet. First, download & install the BookMyne app. Add Holmes Public Library, key in your library card number & PIN (last 4 digits of phone #) under My Account, search for what you want. Tap on the item, then tap arrow symbol, then tap Place Hold.



Take free online courses from home. Sign up for our Intro to Universal Class to see how it works!

Wed., Sept. 25, 3 p.m.

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Winter Hours Start 9/16

Monday, 12-8

Tuesday, 10-5

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Thursday, 10-5

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Display Case



September's display for Emergency Preparedness Month comes courtesy of Jeff Boltz.

Please call the library if you have a collection or a hobby to display.

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(cont. from p. 1) our **Intro to Universal Class** on **Wed., Sept. 25, 3 p.m.**

September is Emergency Preparedness Month. CERT-trained specialist Jeff Boltz will tell you all you need to know at an **Emergency Preparedness** presentation at the library, **Monday, Sept. 30, 6:30-7:30**. Find out what you need to be ready for emergency situations.

Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, Oct. 22, 11 a.m** when the library will offer **Hearing Loss 101**, an informative presentation by Jonathan O'Dell of the Mass. Commission for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing about dealing with age-related hearing loss—your own or in someone you know.

Check the event calendar on our Web site for a complete listing of events!