

Holmes Library News—September

holmespubliclibrary.org

hfxpl@sailsinc.org

781-293-2271



A Letter to Storytime Families

September 2015

To the Storytime Families of the Halifax community,

I have loved every second being your Children's Librarian for the last 10 years. I have watched your babies toddle up from Lapsit, through Storytime, into Summer Reading and onto Book Club. Working with your children, developing the book collection for our town, founding Company H, being a part of this community, has made me a better person.

Unfortunately, I have dealt with a form of Rheumatoid Arthritis since my late teens. And as any of you with this chronic disease knows all too well, pushing through pain and fatigue is a daily challenge. For the last ten years, I have met that challenge.



We celebrated the library's 21st anniversary and the return of Saturday hours with a concert by Ginamark, funded in full by the Halifax Cultural Council.

But I think I have reached the point... (ahem)...age where I need to balance the cost to myself and my family.

I will be stepping down as Children's Librarian sometime this fall. I will miss it terribly.

But hopefully, I will not be

going far...I am applying for the Tech Coordinator position at the Holmes. As sad as I am to step away from the Children's Desk, I am very excited for this new possible venture. I already have lots of ideas. :) (continued on p. 2)

News in Brief

- **Drop-in Knitting**, Tuesdays, 10 am–12 pm
- **Afternoon Book Club**, Tues., Sept. 15, 1 pm
- **Writers' Group**, Thurs., Sept. 17, 3:00 pm
- **An Evening of Poetry**, Mon., Sept. 21, 6:30 pm
- **Evening Book Club**, Tues., Sept. 22, 6:30 pm
- **Friends of the Library**, Wed., Sept. 23, 6:30 pm
- **Growing Bonsai**, Sat., Sept. 26, 10 am
- **It's A Mystery with Hallie Ephron and Hank Phillippi Ryan**, Mon., Sept. 28, 6:30 pm

September Books & Poetry Events



It's Monday Night Madness for the grown-ups this month with two consecutive Monday night author events!

First on **Mon., Sept. 21**, at **6:30 p.m.**, we're having **An Evening of**

Poetry with Winston Bolton, who will read from his brand-new poetry collection, *Among Ruins*.

It's a Mystery on Mon., Sept. 28, at **6:30 p.m.** is a fun Sisters in

Crime panel discussion between authors **Hallie Ephron** (*Night, Night, Sleep Tight*) and **Hank Phillippi Ryan** (*Truth Be Told*) talking about how they write their best-selling crime fiction. Reservations requested.

Friends of the Library Corner

The next big Friends of the Holmes Public Library fundraiser is coming up on **Thurs., Nov. 5**, at **7 p.m.** with **Brainstorming: An Act of Mentalism**, a show by Rory Raven at Town Hall.

Brainstorming is a live, interactive, mind-reading show that runs 60 minutes. Minds are read, spoons are bent, and volunteers test their own "powers".

While the show is "TV clean", it will be more suitable for adults than children.

Tickets at \$10 per person and will be available in October, but for now, please *save the date*, and invite family and friends to support the Friends!

The next meeting of the Friends is **Wed., Sept. 23**, at **6:30 p.m.** at the library. If you're not yet a member of the Friends of the Holmes Public Library, be sure and pick up a membership form at the library, or go online at holmespubliclibrary.org/Friends to join or renew!

HALIFAX READS

Weekends with Daisy
by SHARRON KAHN LUTTRELL

OCT. 3-NOV. 17

Full details coming soon! Books will be available October 3!



Test drive the new OverDrive app!

Holmes Public Library
470 Plymouth Street
Halifax, MA 02338

781-293-2271

hfxpl@sailsinc.org

Hours

Monday, 12-8

Tuesday, 10-5

Wednesday, 12-8

Thursday, 10-5

Friday, 10-5

Saturday, 10-2

Display Case



The lighthouse and island memorabilia on display this month are courtesy of Kevin Rogers, the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands.

Letter to Families (continued)

(from p. 1) I look forward to continue to serve the Holmes Library community and am excited at the prospect of welcoming a new Children's Librarian into our building and working closely with him/her to continue to provide you with all

the services you deserve.

Many many thanks for sharing your children and smiles with me all these years and for all your support.

Much love,
Marie Coady

Art by Richard Cullen on Exhibit

Maureen Kingston of Halifax has brought oil paintings by her late father, Richard Cullen, to be exhibited in the Community Room through October. Richard lived for many years in New Hampshire before moving to Halifax.

