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The Newsletter of the Shrewsbury Public Library - SUMMER 2015



making the way...

A Letter from Library Director **Ellen Dolan**

On a blustery cold day at the end of March 2015 Assistant Director Priya Rathnam and I found ourselves digging around the storage site near the temporary library. We were in search of the various commemorative plaques that hung in the "old library". All the items, we knew, were safely stored in the vault. The question was: exactly where? If you could have witnessed our exertions as we climbed over and under the stacked furniture, squeezed between the piles of boxes, peered through the tightly wrapped paintings-- all in search of those treasured pieces of our library history -

you surely would have chuckled.

Our quest was at the behest of the designer working on the Donor Recognition and Library History walls, which will have a prominent place in the renovated library. With a measuring tape and a lowly home scale as our tools, we were on a quest for the approximate dimension and

weight of each item. Although our method was a bit comical, the significance and value of each piece of our library's remarkable history was evident as we uncovered each item. We found a black and white photograph of the Bond House,

the former private residence which housed the public library from 1895 to 1902, at the same spot on Main Street.

We measured the large portrait of Jubal Howe, who funded the construction of the 1903 building, the portion that remains standing today and will be the featured element of our new design. We unearthed

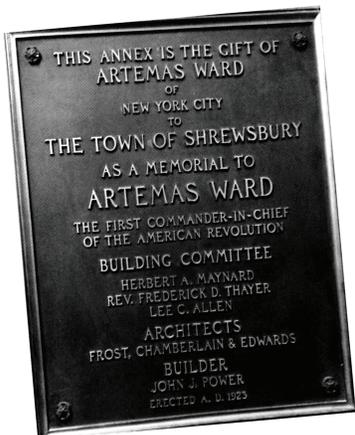
the original building plaque for the 1903 building, and struggled to weigh the 36 pound bronze commemorative plate.

We measured the portrait of benefactor Artemas Ward, a descendent of General Artemas Ward, the first commander in Chief of America's Revolutionary forces. Mr. Ward funded the construction of the Ward Annex in 1923, to honor his grandfather, and to provide a separate children's room and historical collection area in the growing library.

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"Among those of superior order must hereafter be classed Worcester's nearest neighbor to the eastward, viz., Shrewsbury, on whose hilltop centre now stands one of the most complete and well equipped edifices for library use that even Massachusetts possesses."

**- From Worcester Magazine,
"Shrewsbury's New Public Library", 1903**



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We carefully measured the beautiful portraits of Anthony and Olive Borgatti, who contributed to the 1979 addition, funded our second bookmobile and created trust funds that help sustain our library collections to this day.

We read the names of the building committees and donors to the 1979 construction, evidence of the passion and commitment they had to our library's progress.

Each plaque or portrait reminded us that in great part, it was the generosity and determination of private citizens that shaped and built our library. We were reminded that such contributions over the years helped create a legacy we all enjoy today.

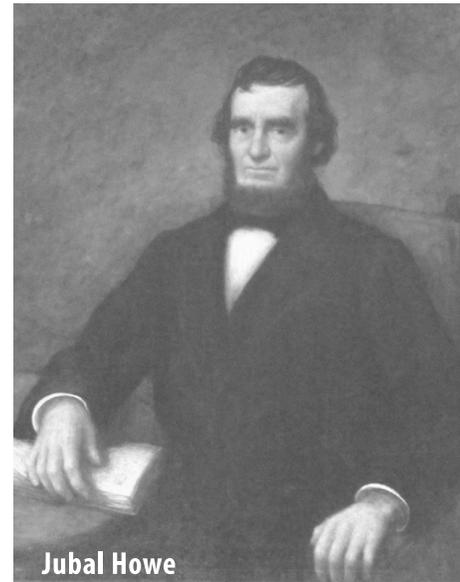
I found it fitting that we were creating this detailed inventory of the plaques and portraits that honored past donors - for the very designer who is working on the donor wall to honor this generation's donors to our library building. The designer is actually planning two walls. One will have images of Shrewsbury's historic past, with names of private, corporate and foundation donors to the current building project highlighted in front of the images. Another section of the wall will feature the library's history, and will incorporate a number of the plaques from previous projects. It will be a wonderful connection of our past to our future.

The Chairs of the Capital Campaign, Matt Hogan and Mary Casey, have been hard at work with their volunteer team working to raise funds for the project.

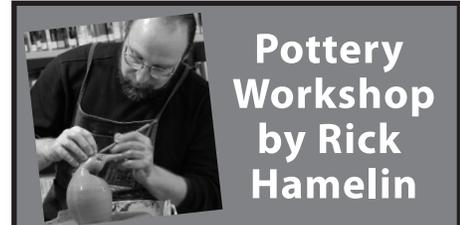
Together they have raised over \$1.1 million and have gathered the support of more than 25 contributors who have made significant contributions to the campaign. We are well on our way to reaching our \$1.75 million goal, and we have just begun construction! The names of these donors, and those who might join them in the coming few months, will have their names appear on our new donor wall, honoring their commitment to furthering the legacy of Jubal Howe, Artemas Ward, Olive and Anthony Borgatti, and others who have shaped the face of our library.

"Certain it is that the library for which you have good foundation laid here, and for which you have a most attractive home, will have a powerful influence on the future of the youth of Shrewsbury. This influence may not to a great extent... become manifest all at once. Few of us may live to see great perceptible effect, but its ultimate effect is beyond question. It will grow like money on compound interest in a savings bank to the end of time. Blessed be the memory of Jubal Howe."
- From Address at the Dedication of the Howe Memorial Library, Major William T Harlow, 1903

Many libraries trace the beginnings of their buildings to gifts from the 19th century industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie, who said "A library outranks any other one thing a community can do to benefit its people. It is a never failing spring in the desert." In Shrewsbury, we owe a debt of gratitude to our residents who have long supported our library- and to our local benefactors, both past and present, who have created a true community treasure! - ED



Jubal Howe

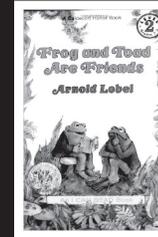


Pottery Workshop by Rick Hamelin

Saturday, July 11th
11AM-12:30PM

Pied Potter Hamelin does workshops and demonstrations for children, teens and adults. Since 1985, he has created dragons, penguins, chickens and other awesome creatures on his potter's wheel. He will demonstrate teapots from around the world and also show how Clay Boy became Superman. Participants get a chance to make their own pinch pots which they can take home. Please check with the library to see where this program will take place.

Writing Workshop with April Jones Prince
Saturday, July 18, 2-4 PM at the Fire Station
Interested in writing and illustrating children's books? Join Shrewsbury author April Jones Prince for an overview of the children's book publishing industry. April will discuss myths, tips, and pitfalls about writing for this exciting and singular audience. This program is for beginner authors and/or illustrators. Limited spots available, so please register.



Congrats Frog and Toad!
This past March, we held our first Literary March Madness contest. 32 popular and/or classic books were voted on by patrons with *Frog and Toad Are Friends* winning the overall competition! Thanks to all who voted in this fun bracket-style showdown!

Summer Multicultural Festival - Thurs. July 9th, 7PM-8PM

Larissa Dyan, Docent at the Museum of Russian Icons and originally from St. Petersburg, Russia will describe the history and tradition of Russian nesting dolls. She will bring in her collection of dolls and will also incorporate logic games and an art project for children. This is a drop-in program for the whole family. Children older than 6 years will be able to participate in the games. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Home Staging/Selling Workshop - Wed. June 17th, 6:30PM

If you are putting your home on the market next week, next month or next year this two-hour workshop is for you. The reason why some houses sell for more money is that the house was prepared for market. At this workshop hosted by Lorrie Card (home stager with "The Best Dressed House") along with Lisa Bradley (Realtor with "Re/Max Vision"), participants can learn how to best prepare their home, their paperwork and their emotions prior to entering the housing market. Please register online.



BE A HERO!
JOIN THE FRIENDS!
OF THE SHREWSBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library is a non-profit organization dedicated to the support of the Library. The Friends provide the SPL with additional resources not otherwise available due to limited budgets. The Friends run the following programs:

- *Annual Book Sale (when not at temp site)
- *"My First Library Card" Program
- *Holiday Open House
- *Museum Passes for Shrewsbury patrons
- *Summer Concert on the Common and much more!

Member benefits include advance e-mail of special events, and the satisfaction of supporting one of Shrewsbury's most valued resources.

Levels of 'Friend'ship:	(circle one)
Friendly Acquaintance	\$ 5
Pal	\$ 10
BFF (Young Adults)	\$ 15
Good Buddy	\$ 25
Friend	\$ 50
Best Friend	\$ 100*
True Admirer	\$ 250*
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We might want to thank you publicly or note that you are a Friend.

Check here () to remain anonymous.

Make checks payable to:
 "Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library"
 Mail to: 214 Lake Street, Shrewsbury, MA 01545
 or drop off at the Library.

Annual Friends Concert!

Thursday August 6 at Dean Park
 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m.



To mark the 100th Anniversary of Dean Park, the Friends of the Library is joining forces with the Shrewsbury Parks and Recreation Department to host a free summer concert for all.

Dan Gabel and The Abletones is an authentic 18-piece Big Band, specializing in the music of the 1930s and 40s. Bandleader Dan Gabel played with the Glenn Miller Orchestra on a world-tour, with the Tommy Dorsey and Hal McIntyre Orchestras, and is considered an expert on the big band era. The band features vocalist Elise Roth, who encapsulates the look and sound of the big band era, dazzling audiences with her vocal precision and pizzazz. Pack your elegant (or otherwise) picnic supper and join us on the lawn at Dean Park for a dazzling night! In the event of inclement weather, the concert will be moved indoors to the Shrewsbury Senior Center at 98 Maple Ave in Shrewsbury.



THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who supported the Friends of the Library mini-golf event "Golfin at Glavin", held in February. The event raised over \$3,000 for library programs and services! And thank you to Joe Buckley, of Mobile-Mini Golf, who provided the course for our event, and for his exceptional helpfulness and flexibility (even allowing us to use the course an extra day).

Thank you to the event organizers Carol Geary and Claire Nagle for their hard work and excellent organization. Thank you to our generous sponsors and raffle gift donors, to the volunteers who staffed the event, and to the many families and individuals who attended the event.

Tee Sponsors

Shrewsbury Firestone, Danielson's Flowers, Central One Federal Credit Union, Farmer Financial, In Memory of Mary Ryder Harvey, Paw Spa, Comeau Contracting, The Crowells, Industrial Packaging, Bryan Dental Associates. In Memory of Doug Scarff, Shrewsbury Federal Credit Union, Shrewsbury Board of Selectmen, Polito Development, Sach's Jeweler, Hit Quarters, Hannah Kane, Jason Palitsch, Shrewsbury Parks and Rec. Dept., Financial Foundations, Inc., Wegman's, Robbin Miller's ESL Tutoring Services.

Donors of Raffle Gifts

AAA Southern New England, AMF Town and Country Lanes, Bertucci's, Bob's Stores, Butterfly Place, Cheng Du, Clay Time, Concord Museum, Davis Farmland & Mega Maze, Discovery Museums, Buffalo Wild Wings, Ecotarium, Fruitlands Museum, Five Guys Burgers and Fries, Green Thumb, Inc., Hebert Candies, Jimmy's Tavern & Grill, Lowe's Variety and Meat Shop, New England Aquarium, Paw Spa, Price Chopper, Publick House, Roller Kingdom, Sam's Mobil Service Center, Scissors, Scrub a Dub, Shaw's, Ski Ward, Sky Zone, Special Teas, StoryLand, Tatnuck Bookseller, Tavalino's, Trader Joe's, That's Entertainment, YMCA of Central MA Boroughs



ESCAPE THE ORDINARY

in the Shrewsbury Public Library
Adult Service Dept!

Drop-in Tabletop Game Nights

Every first & third Wednesday of the month between 6:30 and 8:30, stop by the Shrewsbury Public Library for our exciting new tabletop gaming program! Great cooperative and competitive games like Settlers of Catan, Pandemic, and Forbidden Desert are available - or bring your own games and introduce them to some new players. These events are for teens and adults.



Starting soon, you'll be able to check out a variety of handy gardening tools for a week at a time as a part of a special new Tools Library!

Our collection will include bulb planters, edgers, weed and root removers, and much more!

Let's Make: Screen Printing!

Ever wanted to design your own t-shirt or tote bag? In June's "Let's Make" series, we'll learn to create unique screen printing designs, build our own screens, and use them to print personal, unique garments and accessories. You provide the shirt (or any cloth object), we'll provide everything else. Limited spots are available, so please register through the library's website or by calling 508-841-8533.

You must be able to attend all three sessions: Tuesday, June 9; Tuesday, June 16; and Tuesday, June 23, all at 7:00 PM.

OPEN MIC NIGHT!

Thursday, July 23 from 7-8:30pm

Calling musicians, poets, and performers of every kind! Talents are meant to be shared - come strut your stuff at the library's open mic. Register in advance for a ten-minute performance slot, or just drop in to enjoy a great home-grown variety show featuring some of Shrewsbury's most creative performers. This is an all-ages event.

Jurassic Park Movie Marathon Saturday, June 6th at the Temp Site

Before *Jurassic World* hits movie theaters, come see how it all began with a marathon projected on a big screen! It's the way these dinosaurs were meant to be viewed! Free for all, just drop in! All three films are rated PG-13.

- 10:30AM - *Jurassic Park*
- 12:45PM - *Jurassic Park: The Lost World*
- 3:00PM - *Jurassic Park 3*



in the Shrewsbury Public Library
Young Adult Dept.!
Events for 6th-12th Graders



Avengers Assemble

Saturday, July 11th, 2:30PM
Register for this fun free presentation on superheroes and comic creation from Shrewsbury resident Dana Perkins - a Marvel contributor and comic enthusiast!

Hollywood Movie Makeup!

Date and Time TBD
She's worked with Kate Hudson and Anne Hathaway (just to name two), and now professional makeup artist Claudia Moriel will give tips for costumes and party application! For ANY teen interested! Reg. online once the date is set. Late July/early Aug.



BEWARE!

Be on the lookout this summer for:

- *Family Trivia Night
- *Photo Scavenger Hunt
- *Malala Book Club
- *Teen Craft Night
- and other events!

GET ON THE YOUNG ADULT e-MAIL LIST FOR BREAKING EVENT/VOLUNTEERING NEWS! <http://bit.ly/1xFzslY>

GAME-APALOOZA!!! Wednesday, July 8th 2:30-4:30pm

A two-hour gaming extravaganza that will feature hands-on time with a ton of awesome games you may not have heard of. Pizza will be provided. Register online!

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BREAKING NEWS...THIS SUMMER WILL BE EPIC AT THE SPL TEMP SITE!

We will be getting stars in our eyes with Bedtime Math -ask us about this great opportunity to have fun with numbers!



in the Shrewsbury Public Library Children's Room!

at the SPL!

WIN PRIZES this summer



John Porcino Storyteller

Hardly told stories, joyfully sung songs, and fascinating musical instruments from around the world.

Woven together in an entertaining bag full of tricks and skills, a playful touch of audience participation, and a message of caring for our planet and each other.



MEANWHILE....

Talent Show - Tuesday, July 28 6:30 pm

Come and show us what you can do. All performers welcome from Kindergarten and up. This year our Reader's Theater Group will be there with their play! Registration to perform in the Talent Show will open on July 13th.

4th of July Party - Thursday, July 2 2-4 pm

Celebrate America with a storytime, craft and snack! Register beginning on June 18th. For preschoolers and up.

Celebrate Pakistan - Saturday, Aug 1 1-3 pm

Come and enjoy what makes Pakistan so unique!

Librarians and volunteers will be available for Read and Roll too! Don't forget to pick up one of our Take Home Packs for your 3rd - 4th grader.

We'll be celebrating all kinds of heroes... including YOU!

The Art of Books: Picture Book Art and Reading Club

Thursdays - July 16, 23, 30, Aug 6, 13 at 10:30am
Get your Eric Carle on! Explore and celebrate the art of picture books in this art workshop and book club for students entering grades 3-5. Registration opens 2 weeks before the date of each program.

Reader's Theater



Tuesdays, June 30, July 14, 28 at 5:30pm
Now is your chance to shine! For readers in grade 3-5 who want to act out! Please be able to commit to attending each rehearsal. We need a minimum of six to save this program. The final performance will be held at our annual Talent Show on Tues. July 28 at 6:30 pm. Registration begins on June 15th.

Pajama Storytime

Wednesday, July 15 at 6:30 pm
Come wearing your pajamas and bring a favorite stuffed animal - or other lovey - and join us for a craft, stories, a bedtime snack, and a lullaby sing-a-long. This event is a family event geared to children 2-5 years and their parents or caregivers. Siblings are welcome. Registration is required and will begin Tuesday, June 30th.



Your PJs are your costumes lil' heroes!

Take Home Packs!

For 3rd - 4th graders
Are you going into 3rd or 4th grade? Be a part of our pilot program for Take Home Packs. The Packs contain a book, an activity page and the materials for a craft. Bring in the finished craft (or show us a picture) for a raffle ticket!

We've got your summer fun COVERED!



Babies, Books & Bubbles

Wednesday, July 8 August 5 at 10:30 am
Enjoy songs, fingerplays and books with the littlest listeners. Babies from birth to 2 are welcome, along with their caregivers. Come for the stories and songs, stay for the bubbles and toys! No registration required, just drop in.

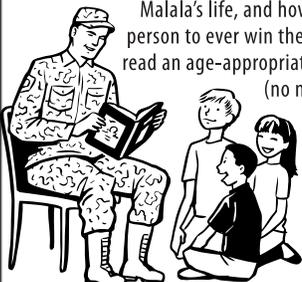
This summer is full of fun events!

Book Discussions: Malala Yousafzai's Story

Friday July 10, 10:30 am
Tuesday July 21, 6 pm
Friday August 7, 10:30 am



Learn about a contemporary hero! Join us as we learn about Malala's life, and how she became the youngest person to ever win the Nobel Peace Prize. We will read an age-appropriate book about Malala Yousafzai (no need to read a book before the program) and do a related activity. Registration for each program opens 15 days before the date of the sessions.



You got questions? WE GOT ANSWERS!

READ & ROLL is back this summer!

We'll see you at the Temp Site for a great summer of heroic programs and fun!



Recurring favorites and brand new amazing events!

SUPERHERO TRAINING CAMP

Saturday, July 18
10am - Noon

Can you leap tall buildings? Do you have super strength? Do you have a superhero certificate? Come to our Superhero Training Camp to get in shape to be the best superhero you can be! Registration opens on July 2nd. For heroes-in-training in Kindergarten and up!

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Friday 10AM-5PM

Sat. 9AM-5PM

Sun. 1PM-5PM (Oct. - May)

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Phone: 508-842-0081

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www.shrewsbury-ma.gov/library



Network! Network! Network!

Questions? Want to register? Contact Priya Rathnam at 508-841-8531 or prathnam@cwmar.org

English Conversation Circle

If you are new to the country and wish to practice speaking English in a safe and non-threatening environment, join the FREE English Conversation Circle for adults. You can make new friends and learn about American culture. Four sessions a week facilitated by four experienced ESL teachers.

Work Initiative Network (WIN)

If you are looking for a new job or planning a career transition, attend the WIN (Work Initiative Network) meetings on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8 PM. At this forum, you can network with people from different professional fields and listen to specialists talk about various job-search related resources.

Greenhouse of Entrepreneurs

A collaborative venture with Krosslink.org is a networking opportunity for anyone interested in start-ups and small businesses. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month from 6:30-8:30 PM. Aspiring entrepreneurs and successful entrepreneurs can brainstorm ideas and share tips and advice. Former attendees have established rewarding mentor-mentee relationships.

FREE COMPUTER/TECH WORKSHOPS!

Smartphone Anonymous Location Services - Thursday, June 11, 6:30-7:30 PM

Who is tracking the cell phone in your pocket? Bradshaw Lupton, teaching engineer, provides an amazing eye-opening class for seven pre-registered participants with either Apple IOS or Android smart phones. Pick up the pre-class 30-minute assignment at least 72 hours prior to the session from the front desk at the Library. Experience the 2015 meaning of the word anonymous!

Let's Develop It!

The Computer Programming Club is BACK! Learn to Code with Kiran Adapa – for older teens and adults. Saturdays, June 13, 27, July 18, 25, August 8, 22, 2-4 PM
Limited spots available, so register online.

Facebook for Beginners Tuesday, June 2nd 5:30-6:30pm

Learn the basics of how to use the world's most popular social media website, including how to create a profile, how to add friends, how to make a status update, and more.

MS Excel for Beginners Tuesday, June 16th 5:30-6:30pm

Learn the basics of Microsoft Excel including designing spreadsheets, formatting cells, rows, and columns, and implementing some basic formulas.

Intro to the Commonwealth eBook Collections Tuesday, July 7 5:30-6:30pm

Learn how to access all the exciting new content provided by the Massachusetts Library System's Commonwealth eBook Collections.

MS Word for Beginners Tuesday, August 4 5:30-6:30pm

Learn the basics of MS Word, including how to modify text, how to format a paragraph, and how to save and open files.

Windows 8 for Beginners Tuesday, August 18th 5:30-6:30pm

Learn the basics of using the Windows 8 operating system, including how to navigate the start screen, manipulate tiles, and locate many of the key features from previous versions of Windows in the new interface.

TO REGISTER, GO ONLINE OR CALL THE SPL!