

# McArthur Public Library Events

## April 2019

### SPECIAL EVENTS:



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#### **Kids Free to Grow Play Group - Monday, April 1st, 9:30-11:00 a.m.**

Join us on Monday mornings in our Community Room for free play with lots of fun toys and equipment plus snacks (and coffee for the bigs) courtesy of Kids Free to Grow, and to participate in planting a pinwheel garden. The Pinwheel garden is a national awareness campaign for the month of April to recognize community child abuse prevention efforts.



#### **School Early Release Game & Gadget Drop-In - Wednesday, April 3rd, 2:00-4:00 p.m.**

Join us on this school early release day for board and video games, and to try out the library's fun and interactive tech gadgets like Dash, Dot and Cue the robots, Cubelets and more!

#### **Health Science with 4-H STEM Ambassadors - Saturdays, April 6th, 13th & 20th, 1:00-2:00 p.m.**

Come learn about your health through fun and interactive activities offered by The University of Maine's Cooperative Extension's 4-H STEM ambassadors. Join us for all of these or pick and choose:



4/6-Why Water Wins - Learn through hands-on activities and games why water is important to your body!

4/13-Talk Test - Learn about the difference between light, moderate and vigorous activities through hands-on activities and games!

4/20-The 4th H for Health - A trivia challenge for kids, ages 7-12.



#### **Adult Crafternoon - Thursday, April 11th, 3:00-4:30 p.m.**

Bring your creativity—the library will provide the supplies. This month, join us to make jewelry!

#### **Laundry Love Kids' Corner - Tuesday, April 16th, 4:00-7:30 p.m.**

St. David's Episcopal Church and Seeds of Hope offer this wonderful monthly program at Boom's Laundry, 250 Elm St., Biddeford. Get three loads of laundry done for FREE (60 lbs for a 1-4 person household and 120 lbs for a 5+ person household). McArthur Library staff will be there offering fun activities and stories for kids.



### April School Vacation Activities

#### **Pizza & A Movie Family Night - Thursday, April 11th, 5:30 p.m.**

Join us for pizza and a free showing in the community room of *Mary Poppins Returns* on the library's new big screen and speakers, which were made possible thanks to support from a Maine Public Library Fund grant through the Maine State Library, and our community partner, P&C Insurance.

#### **Drawing Day - Friday, April 12th, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

Drop into the kids' room and try your hand at drawing or Spirograph!

#### **Family Fun Day - Monday, April 15th, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Drop into the kids' room for puzzles, games and fun!

#### **Make and Take Spring Crafts - Tuesday, April 16th, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Come on into the kids' room and exercise your creativity with a craft!

#### **Marble Maze - Wednesday, April 17th, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

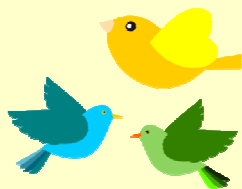
Drop into the kids' room anytime between 10:00-7:00 for marble maze fun!

#### **Poem in Your Pocket Day - Thursday, April 18th, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Drop in to the kids' room to create a pocket, then go on a scavenger hunt to find a poem to put in it! We will also offer different fun and creative ways to help you write your own original poem.

#### **Choose Your Own Adventure: House of Danger! - Friday, April 19th, 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

You are a private detective tasked with solving the mystery of Marsden Mansion in this game. Choose wisely!



**SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, May 2nd, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**  
**eBay Selling Basics 101 with Robbin Levin**

**SAVE THE DATE! Thursday, May 9th, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Wicked Wild: 25 Hikes with Greg Westrich**

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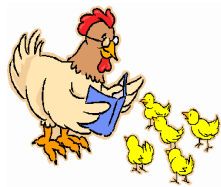
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### REGULAR EVENTS:

#### Children's Programs

\*Please note: There will be no children's story times during April school vacation: Thursday, 4/11 through Thursday, 4/18. Additionally, there will be no children's programs on Thursday, April 25th, when children's staff will be out of the building for a conference.\*

##### Baby & Me - Tuesdays, 10:00-10:20 a.m.



An interactive lap sit program for babies 0-18 months and their caregivers. Introduce your baby to the wonderful world of books through songs, rhymes and adult/child book sharing time.

##### Toddler Time - Wednesdays, 10:00-10:30 a.m.

A language enrichment program geared for children 18-36 months. Join us for beginning story books, rhymes and music & movement activities.

##### Preschool Story Time - Thursdays, 10:00-10:45 a.m.

A language enrichment program geared for children 3-6 years old. Join us for stories, rhymes, music, crafts and more!

##### Drop-in Kids' Activities - Saturdays, between 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Join us on Saturdays for open-ended, informal fun with various interactive toys like LEGOs, Lincoln Logs, Keva planks, a Spirograph and more!

#### Teen Programs

##### Teen Lounge - Tuesdays, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Teens in grades 6-12, drop in after school for crafts, video games, laptop computers and to hang out with friends in the community room.

Drop in!

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Teen Lounge

Each Tuesday in the Community Room

##### Teen Anime Club - Friday, April 26th - 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Join us to geek out over your favorite anime,



manga-style drawing and make and enjoy crafts and snacks. All teen anime fans are welcome!

#### Adult Programs

##### Adult Book Group - Wednesday, April 17th, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Discuss this month's selections with a wonderful, lively group of people. New members are always welcome!

##### This month's selection:

##### *The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore



In 1917, as a war raged across the world, young American women flocked to work, painting watches, clocks, and military dials with a special luminous substance made from radium. It was a fun job, lucrative and glamorous. The girls themselves shone brightly in the dark, covered head to toe in the dust from the paint. As the years passed, the women began to suffer from mysterious and crippling illnesses. The very thing that had made them feel alive, their work, was in fact slowly killing them: they had been poisoned by the radium paint. Yet their employers denied all responsibility. And so, in the face of unimaginable suffering, in the face of death, these courageous women refused to accept their fate quietly, and instead became determined to fight for justice.

##### Knitting Time - Fridays, 10:00 a.m.

Join us for social knitting and crocheting time. Beginners welcome!

