A Message From Our Acting Library Director: Doreen Shoba

Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

One morning on my way to the Children’s Department, I ran smack into a group of our very young library patrons spilling out of Miss Melissa’s Peppa Pig Craft party. Without breaking a stride, children (with parents in tow) dashed for the nearest bookshelves, and the kids were singing: Let it snow! Let it snow! I thought, even though winter officially begins on December 21, I’ll share a list of my favorite kids’ winter books:

- Wow! Weather! Snow (2018) by Paul Deanno
- Wolf in the Snow (2017) by Matthew Cordell
- Pete the Cat: Snow Daze (2016) by James Dean
- The Jacket I Wear in the Snow (1994) by Shirley Neitzel

These books can be found in our library. I am happy to announce that we have also added two more AWE Early Literacy stations (touchscreen gaming computers) in the Children’s Department. No more waiting for your turn to practice!

The winter season is the time of the year when most of us find ourselves in confined spaces with extended family. If that’s the case for you too, grab a book to decompress. I have a good list for the adults too:

- The Great Believers by Rebecca Makkai
- Unsheltered by Barbara Kingsolver
- Big Fella: Baby Ruth and the World He Created by Jane Leavy
- These Truths by Jill Lepore
- The Spy and the Traitor by Ben Macintyre
- Becoming by Michelle Obama

Young adult - there’s something for you too; see if you’ll like these titles:

- What If It’s Us by Becky Albertalli
- Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi
- Check Please! by Ngozi Ukazu
- The Tales of Beedle the Bard by J.K. Rowling.

However, the most important book of all at the Wayne Public Library is our very own “Cooks Among The Books” — it costs only $15.00 and all the proceeds go towards the library in preparation for our upcoming centennial anniversary.

From myself and the entire staff at the Wayne Public Library: Happy New Year!

In an effort to cut the amount of money spent on toner cartridges and paper for printing, the library has changed the format of our newsletter for 2019: it will now be available on a bimonthly schedule, with the addition of a monthly double-sided calendar for adult programs at the Main Library and the Preakness branch. You can also receive it digitally via email as a PDF file, which saves even more on printing expenses! (To sign up, see the instructions on page 2 of this newsletter).
**Mission Statement**

The Wayne Public Library is committed to providing outstanding materials, access and services that assist the individuals’ quest for knowledge and provides for an informed citizenry in a democratic society. It serves the life-long informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community.

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Doreen Shoba, Acting Library Director

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**Where can you find the Library’s program information?**

- The Events Calendar on the Library website: waynepubliclibrary.org
- Wayne Public Library Facebook Page
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  - FIOS Channel 44
  - Wayne Patch (online)
- HomeTown News Wayne (online)
- Check It Out! Bimonthly Newsletter & Monthly Adult Calendar
  (PDF via email; linked on our website, or in print)

**UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS & CLOSING INFORMATION**

Visit waynepubliclibrary.org and click on ‘About Us’

**Tuesday, January 1st (New Year’s Day):**
CLOSE

**Monday, January 21st (Martin Luther King Jr. Day):**
CLOSE at 5:00 PM

**Monday, February 18th (President’s Day):**
CLOSE at 5:00 PM

**In the case of inclement weather and for your safety, please phone ahead or check our website before attempting to visit the library.**

**ESL PROGRAM AT THE WAYNE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

We closed 2018 by celebrating the graduation of Emel Gumustop, one of the most conscientious students “I ever taught”, said Audrey Malec, who tutored Emel for more than a year. Emel hails from Turkey with a doctoral degree in Education; she’s happy to raise her daughter in the United States and is looking forward to a brighter future now that her English language skills have been tremendously improved. Thanks for the job well-done Audrey Malec!

Talking about a great teacher, the name of another great teacher comes to mind – the late June Eckhardt, beloved sister of Jim Woodmancey. June was a big supporter of the Wayne Public Library. The library purchased a book titled *Heart of a Teacher* in her memory with the funds donated by her loving sister Lynn Walker.

The ESL Classes for 2019 will continue to follow the same schedule as 2018.

**Pictured L to R:** Audrey Malec, Emel Gumustop, Doreen Shoba (Acting Director)

**Pictured L to R:** Doreen Shoba (Acting Director) and Jim Woodmancey (Maintenance)
CHECK IT OUT! Wayne Public Library

MAIN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

LUNCHBOX LEARNING series
The 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the Wayne Public Library Meeting Room.
12:00 PM Lunch; 12:30PM Program begins.
All are welcome. Coffee, tea and cookies provided by the Friends of WPL, bring your own lunch. Limited seating: first-come, first-serve basis. Groups call in advance for reservations. (Reservations not made for individuals).
For detailed information, see the monthly calendar in print or online, or contact the Reference Dept. at 973-694-4272 x5401. (No programs scheduled for July and August; one program only in September and December).

WPL’s Open Knitting–Crochet – Needlework Time
Stop by the library to meet other “needlework crafters” and to chat, share ideas and show other’s your finished projects!
This is not an instructor led class, but open time at the library to work on your needlework projects.

Location: Meeting Room B—Main Library

Keep You in Stitches Knit/Crochet Group!
Meets the first Thursday of every month from 6:00 - 8:00 PM
Location: Meeting Room B at the Main Library
Contact: Karen Sharp at 973-694-4272 x5401
Join us on Yahoo Groups!
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/keepyou_institches/info

Beginner Computer Instruction Classes 2019
Classes begin at 10:00 AM in the Computer Training Room of the Wayne Public Library. Registration for all classes starts March 1st. Register in-person or by phone at the Reference Desk.

Thursday, March 28: Introduction to the PC
Thursday, April 4: Introduction to the Internet
Thursday, April 11: Using E-mail
Thursday, May 9: Using E-Mail, Part II

Tech-Help from Teens for Your Electronic Devices
Monday, January 21st from 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Get Device-Advice from our CommuniTeens. Bring your portable electronics and questions for one-on-one help.
Adults: REGISTER with the Children’s Dept. starting Jan. 7th.
Teen Tech Helpers: Young Adults in grades 5-12 interested in volunteering their time & tech skills should register online OR contact Lisa Jorgensen to enlist. (Phone: 973-694-4272 x5301 or Email: jorgensenl@waynepubliclibrary.org)
**Current Events Discussion Group**
Meet Tuesday–Thursday–Friday mornings  
**Time:** 10:00 AM  
**Location:** Preakness Library Meeting Room  
**Contact the Preakness Branch Library for more information.**

**Movie Discussion Group at the Preakness Branch**
Come join in the fun of discussing the latest releases and some of your favorite movies.  
Meets once a month on a Monday @ 6:00 PM  
January 7; FEBRUARY 25  
No registration required!  
*For information:* Arnold Rogoff @ 973-694-3648

**How Money Works**
Monday, January 28th @ 7:00 PM  
How can you win the "money game" if you don't know the rules? Learn the basics of how money works in areas such as banking, savings, interest rates, credit, budgeting, tax benefits and market advantages. Primerica finance professionals will lead this free educational seminar on finance.  
*All interested are welcome to attend.*

**AARP INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE @ the Preakness Branch Library**
The AARP is holding income tax preparation assistance for seniors and those with low and moderate income.  
**AARP volunteers are making in-person appointments** at the Preakness Branch Library between **10:00 AM and 2:00 PM on Wednesdays** and **Fridays** from February 8, 2019 through April 12, 2019.  
*Please bring important financial documents and last year's tax forms.*

**PAWS for Reading**
Meets once a month on a Monday;  
from 3:30—4:30 PM  
January 7; February 4  
Children (age 5-10) relax, have fun, and love reading with our trained therapy dogs.  
**Did you know?** Reading to dogs can boost reading skills in children as well as help with emotional and social skills.  
Register online or by phone for these **PAWSome Mondays!!!**

**Watercolor Painting Class**
Basic watercolor styles & techniques, color study and composition.  
Classes meet at the Preakness Branch Library Meeting Room each Thursday afternoon at 2:00 PM.  
Merrill Crowell, instructor, designer & painter, conducts the classes. **All levels (including beginner) of adult watercolor painters are welcome!**  
*For more information, please contact:*  
Janette Pardo at 973-694-7110

**Eating Healthy on a Budget**
Wednesday, January 16th @ 2:00 PM  
Start the year off right by learning smart tips for eating well when you’re strapped for cash. Learn how to save at the grocery store by planning your meals before you shop, shopping with a list, replacing meats with other proteins and buying in season produce. You will also discover the benefits of cooking at home instead of eating out and how cooking large portions can be good for you.  
Presented by Stacy Botbyl, an Oakland Rehabilitation Dietician.  
Light refreshments will be provided.  
*All interested are welcome to attend.*

**Fall Prevention 101**
Wednesday, February 6th @ 2:00 PM  
You can prevent falls by doing everyday exercises that will make you feel stronger, steadier and help with strengthening your balance. Learn techniques and strategies to improve your balance and enhance your flexibility and strength.  
Lecture presented by a Licensed Physical & Occupational Therapist from Atrium Health & Senior Living.

**Coupon Exchange @ Your Library**
Drop off your unused and current coupons and pick up any you need.  
The bin is located on the table in the new book section.
The Wayne Public Library is still open to facilitating the Next Chapter Book program for young adults with developmental disabilities. We encourage students to participate in reading a chapter in a chosen title, followed by a movie after a book has been completed.

For more info, contact Doreen Shoba, Acting Library Director at (973) 694-4272 ext. 5102 or by email: shobad@waynepubliclibrary.org

Planned Book Discussions:

**The NEXT CHAPTER BOOK CLUB**

- **Romantic Fiction**
  - Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month: **10:30 am**—Preakness branch
  - Contact: Janette Pardo; 973-694-7110

- **Mystery Fiction**
  - Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month: **10:30 am**—Main Library
  - Contact: Pat Zerbe; 973-694-4272 ext. 5409

- **Non-Fiction Books**
  - Meets on the 1st Wednesday of every other month: **10:00 am**—Main Library
  - Contact: Pat Padden; 973-694-4272 ext. 5410

- **Preakness Page Turners Book Discussion Group**
  - Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month: **10:30 am**—Preakness branch
  - Contact: Janette Pardo; 973-694-7110

- **Evening Book Discussion Group**
  - Meets once a month on a Tuesday: **7:00 pm**—Main Library
  - Contact: Patty Slezak; 973-694-4272 ext. 5401

- **Literary Classics**
  - Meets on the 2nd Friday of the month: **2:00 pm**—Main Library
  - Contact: Pat Padden; 973-694-4272 ext. 5410

**Monday Monthly Book Talk**

- Meets once a month on a Monday: **from 6:15 pm-7:15 pm**—Main Library
  - Contact: Eleana Cordova; 973-694-4272 ext. 5406

**Book Discussion Group**

Join us in blogging about your latest book! Share what you like or dislike. Would you recommend it to others? waynebookdiscussion.blogspot.com

Celebrating the holidays in the Circulation Department of the Main Library!

Pictured L to R: Karin, Marianne, Nancy, Elaine, Janine, Jeanine and Jennifer

Showing their **ART** for Halloween!

Pictured L to R: Jeanine, Jennifer & Karin

Santa Claus paid the township a visit in early December for the Ho-Ho-Holidays!

Pictured L to R: Doreen, Marianne, Elaine, Santa, and Alexa
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Donate the purchase price of an item to the library, and we will insert a bookplate with your name on it in to acknowledge your generosity. Your gift will benefit many in our library community!

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Children had a fun time creating their very own Peppa Pig and Suzy Sheep Mud Puddle Craft at our Peppa Pig Party with Miss Melissa.

All aboard…!!!

Children decorated their own “Polar Express Cookie Train”

The McKenna School of Dance presented their holiday ballet show, “Mischievous Mice”

Children had fun decorating their own Gingerbread Man

Making mini typewriter desk calendars for a Happy 2019!

Teens create their one of a kind reindeer stalls!

ComuniTeens come together to make beautiful autumn leaf decorations.

CommuniTeens Meet!
Monday, February 18th from 1:30-2:30 PM
(President’s Day no School in Wayne)

Fun, friends and food! Come and help create colorful works of art of the Children’s Department.

Open to Young Adults in 5th - 12th grade.
Online Registration starts Thursday, February 4th @ 7:00 AM