



# Walpole Town Library

## April 2023 Newsletter

### PROGRAMS

#### Special Events:

One Hundred Nights Film and Discussion:

Tuesday, 4/4, 7 pm, WALPOLE TOWN HALL

Caregivers Support Group: Tuesday, 4/11, 2 pm, Main Library.

Library Trustee Meeting: Tuesday, 4/11, 4:30 pm, North Walpole Branch Library.

Author Visit Story Time with Ioana Stoian:

Wednesday, 4/19, 10 am, Main Library.

#### On-Going Adult Programs:

Knitting Group: Mondays 1-3 pm, Main Library.

Beginners welcome!

Conversations With Friends: Mondays 2-3 pm, North Walpole Branch.

Majong: Tuesdays 1:30 pm, Main Library.

Beginners welcome.

Library Book Group: Last Thursday of the month, 12 noon, Main Library.

Social Justice Discussion Group: 3rd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm, Main Library

Crafternoon: Second Friday of the month, 1:30 pm, Main Library. All supplies provided.

Writing It All Down Writers Group: Third Saturday of the month, 10 am, Main Library.

#### On-Going Kids and Families Programs:

Wiggle Time: Mondays at 10 am, Main Library.

Story Time: Wednesdays at 10 am AND 5:30 pm, Main Library.

Story Walk: Distant Hill Nature Trail. Dawn to dusk every day. New stories each month.

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS IN APRIL

#### Life, Death and Cake

Monday, April 17, 3-5 pm, Main Library

Join author Susan MacNeil and End of Life Doula Kasey March for a two-hour discussion on death and dying.

Susan shares the lessons she learned from the recent passing of her mother, Jean, as described in her book "18 Minutes: A Daughter's Primer on Life & Death."

Kasey will explain how end-of-life doulas support the dying and their loved ones.

Following is an open group-directed discussion of death over cake, coffee, and tea.

#### One Hundred Nights Film and Discussion

Tuesday, April 4, 7 pm

Walpole Town Hall

We are pleased to host Mindy Cambiar, Executive Director of Hundred Nights Inc., an organization in Keene providing shelter and crisis intervention services for those experiencing or at risk of homelessness. Joining her will be Sara Barrett, a consultant working with nonprofits to better serve their communities. Mindy and Sara will present an overview of the work Hundred Nights is doing in the area, followed by a short film. There will be a question and answer session after the film.

Both these events are free and open to the public. Contact the library at 603-756-9806 for more information.

### Special Author Visit Story Time with local author Ioana Stoian

Wednesday, 4/19, 10 am Main Library

Join us for a special Story Time with Ioana Stoian. Ioana, a Walpole resident, is the author of *Begin One Way*, *Always Be You*, and *The Origami Garden*.

Don't miss this special event!

#### Children's programming note:

There will be no Wiggle Time 4/10 & 4/17.

There will be no Story Time 4/12.

There will be no Code Clubs 4/9-4/21.

## Non-fiction Book Spotlight

**Slow Birding: The Art and Science of Enjoying the Birds in Your Own Backyard** by Joan E. Strassmann

In this inspiring guide to the art of slow birding, Strassmann tells colorful stories of the most common birds to be found in the United States—birds we often see but might not have considered deeply before. This essential guide to the fascinating world of common, everyday birds features detailed portraits of individual bird species, the scientists who have discovered and observed them, advice and guidance on what to look for when slow birding so that you can uncover clues to the reasons behind specific bird behaviors, and bird-focused activities that will open your eyes more to the fascinating world of birds. *Slow Birding* is the perfect guide for the birder looking to appreciate the beauty of the birds right in their own backyard, observing keenly how their behaviors change from day to day and season to season.

## Get to know our Board of Trustees Members

Each month we'll ask a Board member these five questions to get to know them better.

Gail LaHaise, Board Member

1. What does your family look like?

My immediate family consists of my daughter, son in law and 2 grandsons. Plus I have a huge Italian extended family.

2. What's the last book you read?

I just finished *Peril in Paris* A Royal Spyness Mystery by Rhys Bowen.

3. What 3 things would you bring to a deserted island?

I think I'd bring books, a knife and a pillow.

4. If you could travel anywhere, where would you go?

Naturally, I'd go to Italy.

5. What was your first job?

I worked at Gays Express in Bellows Falls as a clerk the summer between my junior and senior year of high school.

## Fiction Book Spotlight

**Every Man a King** by Walter Mosley

White nationalist Alfred Xavier Quiller has been accused of murder and the sale of sensitive information to the Russians. Ferris has reason to believe Quiller's been set up and he needs King to see if the charges hold.

This linear assignment becomes a winding quest to uncover the extent of Quiller's dealings, to understand Ferris' skin in the game, and to get to the bottom of who is working for whom. Even with the help of bodyguard and mercenary Oliya Ruez—no regular girl Friday—the machine King's up against proves relentless and unsparing. As King gets closer to exposing the truth, he and his loved ones barrel towards grave danger.

## Overdrive Users:

### It's Time to Switch to Libby

This month the OverDrive app will be discontinued and you will need to switch to Libby. DON'T PANIC. It's time to give Libby a try! All your loans, holds, and wish list items will be waiting for you in Libby when you add your library card. If you are a Kindle Fire user there is a Libby app for you.

We have lots of information and resources on our webpage to help with the transition. If you need additional information or assistance email Julie [jrios@walpoletownlibrary.org](mailto:jrios@walpoletownlibrary.org)



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