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## Summer 2026 Events for Adults

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**Summer Closings** The library will be closed **June 19**—Juneteenth, and **July 3**—Independence Day

**THE NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE!** The library's new website is live! Stop by [hubbardmemoriallibrary.org](http://hubbardmemoriallibrary.org) to see the fresh look and exciting changes. We're sure you'll agree, accessing our digital offerings and services is now easier than ever. Let us know what you think!

**Adult Summer Reading - Unearth a Story** June 17-August 18

Sign up for Summer Reading on Beanstack and log your reading each day, June 17-August 18. Earn tickets to put toward our Summer Reading raffle prizes. Visit [www.beanstack.com](http://www.beanstack.com) to register. For more information, or for assistance, please call 413-583-3408 x114 or visit the reference desk.

**Adult Craft Workshop - Make a Dinosaur Rubber Duckie Soap** Tuesday, June 9, 6:00-7:00 PM

Create your own bathtime masterpiece using glycerin-based soap, vibrant colors, glitter, and delightful natural scents. Top it all off with a dinosaur rubber duckie. Ready to use the next day! Please register.

**Sound Energy Healing** Saturday, June 13, 10:30-11:30 AM

Enjoy an hour of peace and calm, absorbing healing vibrations from instruments like the quartz crystal bowl. Bring a yoga mat, towel, or something to lay on during the program. Blanket and pillow optional. Session led by Mystic Willow. Please register.

**Lenny Zarcone Sings Songs of Sinatra & Friends** Wednesday, June 17, 3:00-4:00 PM

Love the sounds of Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin? Then you'll definitely want to join us as crooner Lenny Zarcone sings popular classics of the '50s, '60s, and '70s. Please register.

**Over the Hill and Far Away: New Englanders in the Corps of Discovery** Thursday, June 25, 6:30 PM

When we imagine the members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, we often picture frontiersmen from the Appalachians or the mountain men of Missouri. In reality, 8 New Englanders joined the journey. One was born in Hampden county! Come hear more about the exciting lives of these men. Presented by Dennis Picard. Please register. *Sponsored by the Ludlow Historical Commission.*

**Women of '76** Thursday, July 2, 6:30-7:30 PM

A theatrical tribute to lesser known women of the American Revolution by Rita Parisi. Step back in time and discover the untold stories of 5 courageous women who witnessed, chronicled, and, in some cases, changed the course of the American Revolution. Please register.

**Seashell Decoupage** Thursday, July 16, 6:30-7:30 PM

Use a simple paper napkin, glue, and paint to transform a seashell into a colorful, decorative accent. All supplies provided! Workshop taught by Mary Beth Silva. Please register.

**True Crime - Dinosaur Edition** Thursday, July 23, 6:30-7:30 PM

Retired Special Agent Ian Smythe discusses the FBI's Art Crime Program and how it has worked to prevent cultural property theft and trafficking in cases involving dinosaur bones and archaeological treasures. Please register.

**Footprints and Fossils** Thursday, August 13, 6:30-7:30 PM

Interested in dinosaurs? Would you like to see a fossil up close? Curious to learn more about the earth processes that have preserved evidence of prehistoric life in our local area? Retired HCC Professor Steve Winters discusses these topics and more! Please register.

**Felted Otter Workshop** Thursday, August 20, 6:00-7:30 PM

Popup Art School joins us to give a friendly, supportive introduction to needle felting. By the end of the session, you'll have an adorable sculpted otter to take home! Please register.

**Suncatcher and Earring Making Workshop** Thursday, August 27, 6:00-7:30 PM

Join Sandy Merrill for an evening making colorful beaded sun catchers and earrings. All supplies provided! Please register.

### VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

**VIRTUAL - The Two Nerdy History Girls Discuss Everyday Life in 1776** Monday, July 13, 7:00-8:00 PM

Join authors Loretta Chase and Susan Holloway Scott for a lively Zoom Webinar conversation about everyday life during the American Revolution. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Public Library.*

**VIRTUAL - "Act Worthy of Yourselves" with author Salina B. Baker** Monday, August 10, 7:00-8:00 PM

Learn about the life of Dr. Joseph Warren, a Boston medical man and scholar who became a warrior and revolutionary. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Public Library.*

**VIRTUAL - Celebrating America's 250th with Presidential Doodler Heather Rogers**

Monday, August 17, 7:00-8:00 PM

"Presidential Doodler" Heather Rogers shares trivia and her own original artwork in this fascinating talk about lesser-known figures from American history. Please register. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Ashland Public Library.*

### RECURRING PROGRAMS & OPPORTUNITIES

**Creative Writing Hour** First Tuesday each month, 2:00-3:00 PM

Drop in and get some writing done! The facilitator will provide prompts for various genres (fiction, poetry, memoir) and a quiet space for writing. Share what you've written if you like! Please register.

**Chair Volleyball for Seniors** Every Monday and Thursday, 1:30 PM

Have some fun and join us for chair volleyball! No running or jumping required. Walk-ins welcome!

**Technology Appointments** Have questions about your smartphone, tablet, or laptop? Book a 30-minute, one-on-one technology appointment by visiting the reference desk or by calling 413-583-3408 x114.

**Mass Center for the Book Monthly Reading Challenge** Each month, you'll be challenged to read a book based on a chosen theme. Participants are entered to win a free tote bag full of books! For more information and to sign up, please visit <https://www.massbook.org/readingchallenge>

**Seeking Local Artists** The library is seeking local artists, craftspeople, and collectors who would like to display their wares or collections in the library's display case. Exhibits remain in place for one calendar month. For more information, or to arrange a showing, please call 413-583-3408 x113.

**Friends of the Hubbard Memorial Library** third Thursday of the month, 6:00 PM

Get involved! Join the Friends of the Library for their monthly meeting and learn how you can help support the library.

### BOOK CLUB MEETINGS - New Members always welcome to our clubs!

#### **Who Picked This Book? Book Club**

Meets the first Thursday of the month, 3:30 PM

June 4 [The Frozen River](#) by Ariel Lawhon

July 2 [The Old Man and the Sea](#) by Ernest Hemingway

August 6 [Book of Lives](#) by Margaret Atwood

#### **Happy Hour Book Club**

Meets the last Thursday of the month, 6:30 PM

June 25 [The Silent Sister](#) by Diane Chamberlain

July 30 [This Tender Land](#) by William Kent Krueger

August 27 [The Island of Sea Women](#) by Lisa See

### LIBRARY DISPLAYS

June: **Summer Reading: "Unearth a Story" by Mary Beth Silva**

July: **Beatrix Potter Music Boxes by Donna Brodeur**

August: **Herman Melville Birth Anniversary**