

March 2018



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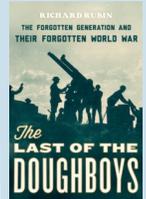
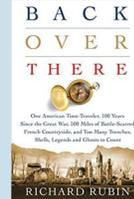
**Poetry Writing Workshop
March 22**

**College Admissions Talk
March 27**

**Piano & Flute Concert
Author Marie Bostwick
March 29**

An Afternoon with Author Richard Rubin Sunday, March 18 at 2:00pm in Memorial Hall

As we commemorate the 100th anniversary of American involvement in WWI, author Richard Rubin returns to share his latest book, which chronicles his months-long journey in France along the trail of the American Expeditionary Forces on the Western Front. He found trenches, tunnels, bunkers, and century-old graffiti, along with an abiding fondness for America and Americans. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL and the Andover Historical Society's *Under the Stars and Stripes: Andover During World War One*. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.



WWI Connections & Book Discussion of *Back Over There* Tuesday, March 13 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

Lawrence City Councilor, Marc Laplante, will share his fascinating journey researching WWI veterans from Lawrence and lead a discussion of Richard Rubin's book. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.

Friends' Concert Series: The Kelly Girls Sunday, March 11 at 2:30pm in Memorial Hall

Enjoy an afternoon of traditional, contemporary and original Celtic tunes, ballads, folk and pub songs rooted in Irish, Scottish, American and Canadian musical traditions. Kick up your heels, dance, clap and sing along with this lively and talented all female band from Massachusetts. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.



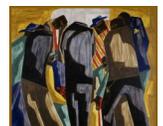
Meghan Jacoby & Svetlana Krasnova Thursday, March 29 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

In honor of Women's History Month, flutist, Meghan Jacoby and pianist, Svetlana Krasnova will perform works by female composers. Both have performed with chamber ensembles and orchestras worldwide and teach at Powers Music School. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.



American Painting and Sculpture in the 1940s Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00pm at Addison Gallery

Join Assistant Curator Stephanie Sparling Williams for a close look at several works in the permanent collection. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.



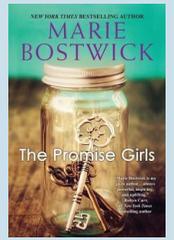
March 2018 Adult Programs



Author Marie Bostwick @ MHL

Thursday, March 29 at 7:00pm in Activity Room

Marie Bostwick is a *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestselling author of uplifting historical and women's fiction, including the popular *Cobbled Court Quilt* and *Too Much, Texas* series of books. An unabashed advocate of happy endings, Marie crafts strong female characters who feel like friends, bringing messages of hope and encouragement to readers' lives. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Space is limited. Marie's books will be available for sale and signing, courtesy of the Andover Bookstore. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.



An Evening with Local Authors

Wednesday, March 14 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

Meet some of the writers among us. Some of them write here at the library. They'll each talk about their work, followed by an opportunity to answer questions and mingle with the audience. Meet and hear from Ellen Alden, a writer of historical fiction, J.M.

Erickson, a science fiction author, Joyce Poggi Hager, a writer of creative nonfiction, Steve Jungmann, who writes about elite performance, Christopher Klein, who specializes in history, travel and sports, and Dr. Jayan Landry, who writes about healing trauma. Most will have books to sign and sell. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

Poetry Writing Workshop with Andover's Poet Laureate

Thursday, March 22 from 6:30-7:30pm in Memorial Hall

In celebration of the upcoming National Poetry Month, Linda Flaherty Haltmaier will lead a poetry writing workshop. She'll explore different techniques to create poems so that all participants will leave with a completed poem or two. Come and join the fun! Poetry is for everyone —beginner and advanced writers, and adults and teens are welcome. Space is limited. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.



Navigating the World of Elder Care

Wednesday, March 7 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

Navigating options in elder care can be a daunting task. Our speakers will help demystify the decision process, as well as provide information on how to pay for assisted living, short stay rehab and long term care. Naomi Prendergast has served as the President & CEO of D'Youville Life & Wellness Community in Lowell since 2004. Rabbi Karen Landy serves as rabbi and staff chaplain for Hebrew Senior Life at NewBridge on the Charles, and as the rabbi of Havurat Shalom. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. A collaboration of MHL & Havurat Shalom of Andover.



Introduction to Basic Knitting, Wool Appliqué & Rug Hooking

Wednesday, March 7 at 7:00pm in Alcove 2, Level G

Try your hand at knitting, appliqué and rug hooking. Learn the basic technique and stitches for all three, and staff members and avid crafters, Gerry Deyermond and Vicki Murphy, will guide you through the process. They'll have the tools and supplies for you to get a sense of whether any of these hobbies might appeal to you before investing in any equipment. Space is limited. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.





Andover Seed Library Lecture Series

The Andover Seed Library at Memorial Hall Library, now in its third year, will be opening soon. It offers free seeds and educational programs to nurture a community of gardeners and a healthy connection to our food systems and the earth. You can find information at <https://www.mhl.org/green-thumb>.



Greenscapes 101: Create a Healthier Landscape at Home

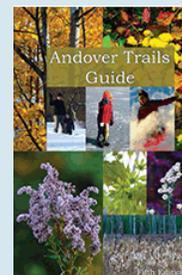
Thursday, March 8 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

Learn how to transform your own lawn and gardens into “Greenscapes.” Once established, they have plants and turf with deep roots, which are naturally resistant to drought, weeds, and disease. Greenscapes are good for you, your wallet and the environment. By following the recommendations in this presentation, you’ll save money on your water bills, nurture a safe environment for your family, create more habitat for wildlife, spend less time doing landscape maintenance, reduce stormwater pollution & help protect your community’s water resources. Presenter Robert (Rusty) Russell is Merrimack River Watershed Council’s executive director. He’s taught graduate students in Tufts University’s urban and environmental policy and planning program, is a certified planner and has been a journalist and a corporate attorney. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Andover Municipal Services Department, Greenscapes North Shore and the Andover Seed Library at Memorial Hall Library. Check out <http://greenscapes.org/> for more information about healthy lawn care practices.

No Child Left Inside: Connecting with Nature, Right Here, Right Now!

Thursday, March 15 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

In the decade since author Richard Louv published *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder*, a growing body of research has demonstrated the importance of direct connections to nature for healthy childhood development. Time spent exploring forests, fields, riverbanks and gardens leads to happier, healthier, better adjusted children and adults. Andover and surrounding towns have many natural places for children and adults to get outdoors and enjoy all that nature has to offer. Come learn from our panel of invited speakers about some of the most exciting local opportunities for all ages to have fun in the great outdoors — and how you and your family can join in! Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Andover Seed Library at Memorial Hall Library and AVIS.



Foster’s Pond Corporation Annual Meeting

The Shape of Water (In Foster’s Pond)

Wednesday, March 21 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall



The public is cordially invited to the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Foster’s Pond Corporation. A panel will discuss issues related to protecting water and watersheds everywhere in town. Panelists include Bob Hartzel, former Coordinator of MA Lakes and Ponds Program, Tom Carbone, Andover Health Director, Bob Douglas, Andover Conservation Director, and Marc Fournier, Andover DPW Director/Highway Supt. Sponsored by MHL & Foster’s Pond Corporation. Photos l to r: Jon Richards, Winslow Townson, Mike & Stacy Fitzgerald.



The Andover Seed Library welcomes donations of seeds, including leftover seeds. You can drop them off to the labeled basket at the seed library. This year, we’ll be offering sunflower seeds saved by students who worked on the Andover High School Sustainable Garden Project. We encourage you to try your hand at saving seeds from your favorite crops to share with the seed library.

March 2018 Programs & Library Resources



COLLEGE READINESS PROGRAMS
AT MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY

Demystifying College Admissions with Terry Greene Clark Tuesday, March 27 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

Have all the pieces of the college application process become so overwhelming that they have paralyzed you? That is exactly how author, Terry Greene Clark, felt in 2010 when her eldest daughter entered her junior year of high school. It was only through extensive research into the mysteries behind those universities that she was able to gain a sense of confidence about the admissions process. Clark authored *Demystifying College Admissions: A Parent-to-Parent Guide to the Reality of the College Process*, and will offer practical advice and real world experience, bringing together all of the information you need to know about the college matriculation process, from freshman year in high school to acceptance into college. Teens and parents/caregivers are welcome to attend.



Tutorials and Free Practice Exam Services

LearningExpress Library and Tutor.com are two free tutorial and test prep services offered by Memorial Hall Library. Both are available to everyone while at the library and include practice exams, tutorials, and study aids. The services overlap in some areas, which means patrons get to experiment and see what services they feel more comfortable with, or use both for extra practice. Andover cardholders can access both services from home with their Andover library card. Subjects include math, science, reading, grammar, PSAT, SAT, ACT, AP Classes, TOEFL, MTEL, GRE, U.S. Citizenship and much more!

LearningExpress Library offers practice tests and study aids for adult basic skills, in addition to exam preparation for careers in civil service and law enforcement, real estate, teacher certification, computer skills and many others. Some offerings are available in Spanish.

Tutor.com offers general academic tutoring and other unique services, including live tutoring in a wide variety of subjects for students of all ages from 3:00pm-10:00pm, daily. Their drop-off resume and essay review service lets you get expert feedback on your resume or essay within 24 hours. Their drop-off math help offers step-by-step help, and their SAT/ACT test prep includes practice tests, detailed score reports, video lessons and practice drills. Test prep for MCAS, ASVAB and others is available, as well. Tutor.com is best used by creating a free account. You can access live tutoring without an account, but some of the other sections require registration. Setting up an account is free and easy.

Visit <https://www.mhl.org/online-resources/databases> for complete information.

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming College Readiness Programs

Practice SAT administered by the Princeton Review—Saturday, March 3 at 9:30am (registration required)
Practice ACT administered by the Princeton Review—Saturday, March 10 at 9:30am (registration required)
Finding the Right College Fit with Greystone Educational Counseling—Tuesday, April 3 at 7:00pm
How to Write Great College Essays with College Wise—Tuesday, April 10 at 7:00pm

Discover Your Past Genealogy Club

Thursday, March 8, 10:00-11:00am, Memorial Hall

Adult Board Games in Activity Room

Sunday, March 4 from 1:30-4:45pm

Career Networking Group

Thursdays, March 1, 15 & 29 from 10-11:30am

Conversational English Group

Mondays, March 5, 12, 19 & 26, 10:00am-noon

To register, contact Carolyn Fantini at 978-475-4602.

