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**Andover Reads 2016** is coming next spring! The book selection committee (MHL staff, Friends, Trustees and community members) narrowed the list to three nonfiction titles, and the public votes on the final selection during the month of October. The ‘winner’ will be announced in November.

**North Sea Gas: The Very Best of Scotland**  
**Wednesday, October 7 at 7pm**

The Friends’ concert series kicks off with an encore performance by one of Scotland's most popular bands. Dave Gilfillan, Grant Simpson, and Ronnie McDonald play a mix of traditional, contemporary and original songs, with plenty of craic (humorous banter) mixed in. RSVP at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

**Paul Parent: Everything You Want to Know About Gardening**  
**Tuesday, October 13 at 7pm**

Join us for an educational program with Paul Parent, host of the Sunday morning radio show, *The Paul Parent Garden Club*. Paul gives accurate and up-to-date information, and mixes education with gentle humor. He maintains that "there is no such thing as a dumb gardening question." RSVP at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL and Spade and Trowel Garden Club.

**Authors Among Us: Michael Levy, PhD**  
**Thursday, October 29 at 7pm**

In a world where information is instantaneous, and celebrities are made overnight, what makes us stop and stare at famous entertainers, spend our money on tabloids, and glue our eyes to the television? In his book, *Celebrity and Entertainment Obsession*, Michael S. Levy, PhD, explores the psychological nature of our obsession and offers suggestions for tempering our responses to celebrity culture. Levy, an Andover resident, is a clinical psychologist and the Director of Substance Use Services and Clinic Coordinator of the adult outpatient clinic at the North Shore Medical Center in Salem, MA. RSVP at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar.

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**National Friends of Libraries Week is October 18-24. Join at www.mhl.org/friends.**

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October 2015 Adult Programs

Irish Online Resources with Genealogist Marie Daly
Thursday, October 15 at 7pm
Learn about Irish online resources from Marie Daly, genealogist at New England Historical & Genealogical Society. Ms. Daly wrote Problem Solving in Irish Research, is behind the Irish Genealogy subject guide at the Online Learning Center at AmericanAncestors.org, and teaches a course on Irish genealogical research. Register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

Genealogy for Beginners
Friday, October 2, 2015 from 10-11am
Have you always wanted to trace your family tree but don’t know where to begin? Join us to learn the basics. Register online at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31.

Discover Your Past Genealogy Club
Thursday, October 8 from 10-11am
Everyone is welcome. Most meetings will have a predetermined topic to discuss. Participants will learn from each other. Please register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31.

Sai Maa Enlightened Living Group
Mondays, October 5 & 19 at 7pm
Andover resident, Irina Dobrina, leads this group based on the teachings and philosophy of a world-renowned spiritual master, healer, and humanitarian. Visit www.sai-maa.com or contact Irina at SaiMaaMeditationAndover@gmail.com. Register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31. Drop-ins are welcome. Meets in Activity Room.

Jeff Buckridge’s Uke Joint
Sunday, October 18 at 2:30 pm
Professional guitarist, Jeff Buckridge, teaches music at Andover’s Doherty Middle School, and leads the Andover High School Jazz Band. Jeff is back again with a group of talented Boston area musicians who will perform and improvise a repertoire that includes jazz standards, pop songs, and world music. There may also be a few surprise guest performers. RSVP at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

Crafts with MHL Staff
Tuesday, October 6 at 7:15pm
MHL staff members demonstrate some of their favorite crafts, including needle crafts, paper crafts, and more. Try your hand and learn some techniques. In the Activity Room. Register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31.

Mysterious Massachusetts
Thursday, October 22 at 7pm
Reports of UFO’s, alien abductions, sea serpent sightings, haunted houses and the like abound in Massachusetts. Librarian Sarah Hodge-Wetherbe presents her program for teens and adults about "Mysterious Massachusetts" - all the weird and spooky happenings and urban legends from our state. RSVP at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

LWV @ the Library: Planning Board 101
Thursday, October 8 at 7pm
Learn more about the Planning Board and its role in the community, what it can and cannot do, and how it functions within the framework of state and local statutes, bylaws and regulations.
-Andover Director of Planning Paul Materazzo
-Attorney Carol Hajjar McGravey, Of Counsel, Urbelis & Fieldsteel, LLP
-Members of the Planning Board
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MHL Monday Movie
Monday, October 26 at 6:30pm
Mcfarland USA
Enter to win the DVD after watching it! Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.
In Memorial Hall.

Fall into Films Movie Series
Wednesday, October 28 at 6pm
Hocus Pocus
In Memorial Hall. Introduction by Luke Terry.

Creative Café
Monthly Craft Night
Monday, October 5 at 7pm in Friends Alcove 2
Open to all adults who knit, sew, scrapbook, or create other portable crafts. New members welcome.

Career Networking Group
Meets Thursdays, 10-11:30am in Friends Alcove 1
- October 1 - Using Social Media
- October 15 - Using LinkedIn
- October 29 - Ace Your Interview

Conversational English Group
Mondays, October 5, 19, 26 from 10am-noon
For non-native speakers of English who have studied formal English and would like to practice their skills. Contact Carolyn Fantini at 978-475-4602.

Book Groups & Writing Groups at MHL
Nonfiction Group - Wednesday, October 7, 7pm
Dead Wake by Erik Larson
Morning Group - Monday, October 19, 10:30am
The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson
Great Books Group -Tuesday, October 27, 7:30pm
Tortilla Flat by John Steinbeck
Critique Group - Wednesday, October 14, 7pm
Writers’ Group -Thursday, October 8, 7pm

eBook How-To Sessions
- Wednesday, October 14 at 7pm
- Thursday, October 22 at 10am
Download free best-selling titles to read on your computer, iPhone, Android, Kindle, or other compatible eBook reader. Bring eBook reader and library card. Kindle users bring Amazon login and password, iPad users their Apple ID. Register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar and email gdeyermond@mhl.org the device you’ll bring. Meets in Friends Alcove 2.

Introduction to Microsoft 2010 Word
Part 1: Wednesday, October 21, 7-8:30pm
In Activity Room
Part 2: Wednesday, October 28, 7-8:30pm
In Friends Alcove 2, Ground Floor
Learn to create and format documents, work with images and graphics, and more. Staff librarian, Curtis Wyant, will provide hands-on help. Computers provided by the Library. By registering at 978-623-8401, x31 or online at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar, you will be signed up for both sessions.

Gmail for Beginners
Thursday, October 23, 10am
in Memorial Hall
Do you need an email account to apply for jobs or contact the kids? Do you have a gmail account and want to learn how to make the most of it? Register at www.mhl.org/eventcalendar or call 978-623-8401, x31.

Merrimack Repertory Theatre
Each pass gives $10 off on up to 6 tickets for a performance. Reserve tickets by phone (978-654-4678), at tickets.mrt.org, or in person. Use redemption code LPMEM. The pass must be presented to the ticket office when the tickets are picked up, and tickets are subject to availability. This pass can be picked up in advance. Sponsored by the Merrimack Repertory Theatre.

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During the month of October, you can vote for one of these three nonfiction titles and help select the next Andover Reads. Vote in person or online at www.mhl.org/ar2016vote. The winning title will be announced in November. Programs and book discussions and other events will be rolled out in the Spring of 2016.

Vote for your choice at www.mhl.org/ar2016vote.

**The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics** by Daniel James Brown, 2013
The remarkable story of the University of Washington's 1936 eight-oar crew and their epic quest for an Olympic gold medal. Cast aside by his family at an early age, young Joe Rantz turns to rowing as a way of escaping his past. What follows is an extraordinary journey, as Joe and eight other working-class boys exchange the sweat and dust of life in 1930s America for the promise of glory at the heart of Hitler's Berlin. Told against the backdrop of the Great Depression, *The Boys in the Boat* is a personal story full of lyricism and unexpected beauty that rises above the grand sweep of history, and captures instead the purest essence of what it means to be alive.

**Waiting for Snow in Havana: Confessions of a Cuban Boy** by Carlos Eire, 2003
A memoir of the Cuban Revolution, both an exorcism and an ode to a paradise lost. For the Cuba of Carlos's youth becomes an island of condemnation once Fidel Castro ousts President Batista on January 1, 1959. Suddenly, the music in the streets sounds like gunfire. Christmas is made illegal, political dissent leads to imprisonment, and too many of his friends are leaving Cuba for a place as far away and unthinkable as the United States. Carlos will end up there, too, and fulfill his mother's dreams by becoming a modern American man—even if his soul remains in the country he left behind. Narrated with the urgency of a confession, it's a eulogy for a native land and a loving testament to the collective spirit of Cubans everywhere.

**The Wright Brothers** by David McCullough, 2015
The two-time Pulitzer Prize winner tells the surprising, profoundly American story of Wilbur and Orville Wright. Far more than a couple of unschooled Dayton bicycle mechanics who happened to hit on success, they were men of exceptional courage and determination, and of far-ranging intellectual interests and ceaseless curiosity, much of which they attributed to their upbringing. The house they lived in had no electricity or indoor plumbing, but there were books aplenty, supplied mainly by their preacher father, and they never stopped reading. McCullough draws on the immense riches of the Wright Papers, including private diaries, notebooks, scrapbooks, and more than a thousand letters from private family correspondence to tell the human side of the Wright Brothers' story.