

Hobbs Library Newsletter

What's happening this month

- Nov 1 (Wed): 9-10:30am Tech Help
- Nov 1 (Wed): 1-3pm Martha's Knitting Group
- Nov 1 (Wed): 7pm All Booked Up (zoom)
- Nov 2 (Thurs): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 2 (Thurs): 3-5pm Mahjong
- Nov 2 (Thurs): 5pm Movie: Coco
- Nov 4 (Sat): 8:30am Yoga Flow (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 4 (Sat): 6pm Friends-giving potluck & book swap
- Nov 6 (Mon): 10am Storytime
- Nov 7 (Tues): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 7 (Tues): 4:30pm Yin Yoga (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 8 (Wed): 9-10:30am Tech Help
- Nov 8 (Wed): 1-3pm Martha's Knitting Group
- Nov 9 (Thurs): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 9 (Thurs): 1pm Writing Group
- Nov 9 (Thurs): 3-5pm Mahjong
- Nov 10 (Fri): 6:30pm Date Night Movie: Mrs. Doubtfire
- Nov 11 (Sat): 8:30am Yoga Flow (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 13 (Mon): 10am Storytime
- Nov 13 (Mon) 1pm Page Turners (zoom)
- Nov 13 (Mon): 6pm Death Cafe
- Nov 14 (Tues): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 14 (Tues): 4:30pm Yin Yoga (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 15 (Wed): 9-10:30 Tech Help
- Nov 15 (Wed): 1-3pm Martha's Knitting Group
- Nov 15 (Wed): 7pm CHML Board Meeting
- Nov 16 (Thurs): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 16 (Thurs): 3pm Mahjong
- Nov 16 (Thurs): 7pm Speaker Series: Debra Spark (zoom)
- Nov 18 (Sat): 8:30am Yoga Flow (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 20 (Mon): 10am Storytime
- Nov 21 (Tues): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 21 (Tues): 4:30pm Yin Yoga (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 22 (Wed): 9-10:30 Tech Help
- Nov 22 (Wed): 10am Pumpkin Guts Slime
- Nov 22 (Wed): 1-3pm Martha's Knitting Group
- Nov 25 (Sat): 8:30am Yoga Flow (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 27 (Mon): 10am Storytime
- Nov 28 (Tues): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 28 (Tues): 4:30pm Yin Yoga (\$5-\$25 suggested)
- Nov 29 (Wed): 9-10:30 Tech Help
- Nov 29 (Wed): 1-3pm Martha's Knitting Group
- Nov 30 (Thurs): 10-11am Group Training (\$150/8 classes)
- Nov 30 (Thurs): 3pm Mahjong

Dear Library Community,

As many of you already noticed, Dan Roy rebuilt the garden bed in front of the library. He generously donated his time and expertise and replaced the rotted garden bed with pressure-treated lumber. It looks beautiful!

We've also just had a handicapped door opener installed! This is a long time coming, and I couldn't be happier. It makes our library more accessible for anyone with a walker, wheelchair, baby stroller, or just hands full of books!

Huge thanks to board member Amanda Albert and everyone who helped Amanda with the library's Fryeburg Fair display. Thanks to all their work, we took home a second place win!

And last but not least on our list of improvements, we're getting a new kitchen stove installed! The community room is and has always been a well-utilized space, and now it can be even more so. We're planning potlucks, luncheons, cooking classes, and programs that partner with the Lovell Food pantry. We're so happy to have one more way to connect with the community!

Sincerely,
Jen

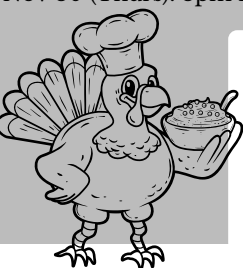


Our Annual Appeal is in full swing! If you'd like to make a donation to help support the library, you can do so by check, on our website or by scanning this QR code. Every donation helps!

Library Hours

- Mon: 9-6
- Tues: CLOSED
- Wed: 9-6
- Thurs: 9-7
- Fri: 9-4
- Sat: 9-1
- Sun: CLOSED

Closed: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Indigenous Peoples' Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day



The Library will be **CLOSED** on Nov. 11th in observance of Veteran's Day and Nov. 23rd in observance of Thanksgiving.

A Letter from the CHML board:

Greetings CHML Community –

We approach the start of the holiday season with beautiful fall colors in full display! This is also the time of year when we ask for your continued support by making a donation to our annual fundraising appeal. Your financial support is essential to keep our programs running, our staff working, and our lights on. You are the reason we are here to provide library services and much, much more!

Our Director, Jen Dupree, provides a wide variety of programs and services for everyone in our community. And our support staff of Marie, Deana, and Jenn are always available to greet you, manage library operations, and answer questions.

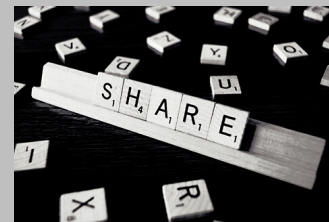
Charlotte Hobbs Memorial Library opened its doors in 1908 and serves the towns of Lovell, Stow, Stoneham, Sweden, and Chatham, NH. Since the beginning we have expanded our services, building and grounds, and programs to create a wonderful place for everyone to learn, connect, share, and have fun! Your tax-deductible donation of any amount is welcome and there are several ways for you to donate. See our website at www.hobbslibrary.org or use our convenient QR code (see above).

Thank you from all the CHML Trustees and staff!



Story Swap: Remembering the Ancestors Wednesday, November 8th @ 1pm

Who are your "ancestors"? Stories of earlier family members are welcome, and also stories of other forebears, not necessarily related to your family, whose lives you see as providing some sort of model or lesson for you. If you can, bring and show a photo of the "ancestor" you choose to talk about. All kinds of stories are welcome! and all kinds of ancestors.



For more information or for the zoom link, contact Jo Radner at jradner@american.edu.

Writing Group

Thursday, November 9th from 1-2:30pm



We invite you to join us. This group offers a safe and inclusive space where all styles and types of writing are welcome. Our fall focus will be on free-writing. Members may also choose to pursue their own work-in-progress.

We will continue to encourage voluntary sharing.

Our ground rules stress respect, communication, and creativity.

Joining by zoom is available on request.

What's New?

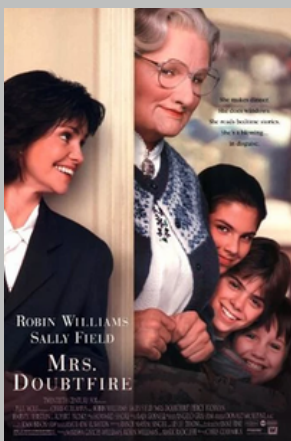
New adult books coming soon!



New Kid's & Teen books coming soon!



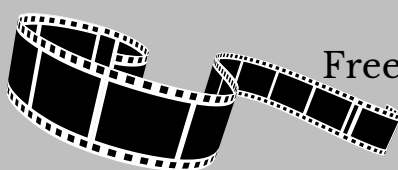
Date Night Movie: Mrs. Doubtfire Friday, November 10th @ 6:30pm



It's date night at the library!
A divorced dad poses as a British nanny to see his kids, and learns how to be a good parent. Meanwhile, his ex-wife's new boyfriend enters the picture. Rated: PG-13 Runtime: 125 minutes
Cast: Robin Williams, Sally Field, Pierce Brosnan, Harvey Fierstein, Polly Holliday



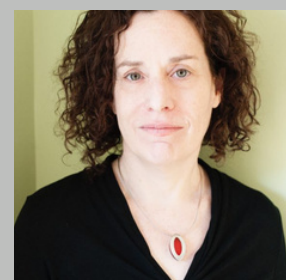
Free refreshments served! (wine, beer (for 21+), water, & popcorn)



Speaker Series: Debra Spark

with Jen Ward from Flyaway Farms and Rachel Thurston from the Lovell Food Pantry
Thursday, November 16th @ 7pm (zoom)

Debra Spark is the author of four novels, two collections of short stories, and two books of essays on fiction writing. She co-edited *Breaking Bread* with Deborah Joy Corey to raise funds for a nonprofit working to end food insecurity. An award-winning collection of essays by internationally recognized writers and foodies, *Breaking Bread* celebrates local foods, family, and community, while exploring how what's on our plates engages with what's off: grief, pleasure, love, ethics, race, and class.



Page Turners:

Monday, November 13th @ 1pm (zoom)

Our November book selection is Thomas Hardy's classic novel *The Return of the Native*. The second of Hardy's "Wessex" novels and one of his most popular works, *Return of the Native* introduces us to a memorable set of characters intertwined in a plot considered sexually daring for its time.

FMI: Sue Lanser (925-6244 or lanser@brandeis.edu)

Death Cafe:

Monday, November 13th @ 6pm

Join us for light refreshments and an informal group discussion about death. Bring your thoughts, questions, stories, and concerns.

We'll talk, learn things, and meet new people in a comfortable, casual setting. This month, we'll take a look at the 5 wishes as well as the Go Wish card game.

*Please note, this is not a grief or support group.



All Booked Up: Short Story Club

Wednesday, November 1 @ 7pm

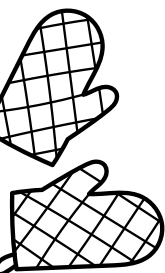
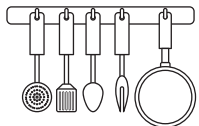
Want to be part of a book club but don't have time to read a book? This group is for you! Each month, we'll read a short story or essay and then come together via zoom to discuss it. Everyone is welcome! For November we'll read "Ten Year Affair" by Erin Somers which can be found in "The Best American Short Stories, of 2022," online in "Joyland," or printed out at the library.



We're Putting Together a Cookbook!

In celebration of the NEW stove in the community room kitchen, we're putting together a community cookbook! We know there are some great cooks in our community, and we want to gather both your recipes and the memories behind them. Savory, sweet, family favorites, passed down for generations, tweaked here and there--we want to know it all! Please send recipes and the story behind the recipes as a word document to jdupree@hobbslibraryorg. You may also send pictures as a .jpg or .png file. We may not use all pictures or all recipes (depending on room!), but we'll do our best to have representation of the community. Recipe-gathering will stop when we have enough. The cookbook will be sold as a fundraiser for the library at some point in 2024.

We can't wait to read your recipes!





Pumpkin Guts Slime:

Wednesday, November 22nd @ 10am

Join us for ooey gooey fun as we turn the insides of pumpkins into slime! All ages welcome!

Day of the Dead Movie: Coco

Thursday, November 2nd @ 5pm

Celebrate the Day of the Dead with a movie!

A boy named Miguel dreams of becoming a famous guitar player, despite the misgivings of his close-knit family. When his lofty ambitions cause him to run afoul of a curse, he must journey into the Land of the Dead to seek forgiveness from his ancestors.

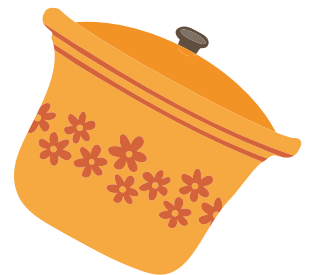
Rated: PG Running time: 109 minutes



Friendsgiving Potluck and Book Swap

Saturday, November 4th @ 1pm

What's better than Thanksgiving? Thanksgiving with your friends! And Thanksgiving when you don't have to cook all the food. And Thanksgiving when you talk about books. Bring a potluck dish (it doesn't have to be Thanksgiving-themed) and a book you'd like someone else to read (if you don't have one at home, maybe check out the book cellar OR just bring a suggestion!). Everyone is welcome!



Save the Date for the Tree Lighting!

Friday, December 1st @ 6pm

Sing some carols, have hot chocolate and cookies, and kick off the holiday season with the community tree!



Storytime

Mondays, November 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th @ 10am
(check our website or Facebook page for cancellations).

Featuring stories, songs, fingerplays, rhymes and crafts or other extension activities. Recommended for kids 5 and under and their adults.

Group Personal Training Sessions

Tuesdays & Thursdays, Nov. 2nd, 7th, 9th, 14th, 16th, 21st, 23rd, 28th, 30th
from 10-11am

Learn how to exercise properly for weight loss, muscle toning, increased energy and stamina. 1:1 private training can be expensive, while large classes can be difficult for people to learn. Small group personal training is the best of both worlds, as its less expensive than 1:1 training, while still maintaining the feeling of personal training sessions. Come ready to exercise!

Sign up with Dan: 781-258-4647 or craftedfitnessandart@gmail.com



Tech Help

Wednesdays, November 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th
from 9-10:30 or by appointment

Every Wednesday morning, library volunteers can help with your basic questions: "How do I use Zoom?" or "How do I log on to my library account on the library website?" or "How do I forward photos from my phone?" To schedule an appointment: 207-925-3177



Yoga Flow

Saturdays, November 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th from 8:30-9:30am

This alignment-based practice uses conscious breath to link the poses together in order to create a complete practice. This flow will move at a comfortable pace and modifications will be offered. Build strength,

flexibility and balance. Suggested Donation \$5-\$25

FMI: 207-925-3177 or TheDesk@HobbsLibrary.org



Yin Yoga

Tuesdays, November 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th @ 4:30pm

Yin Yoga with Barefoot Nichole is an all levels, very accessible practice. Yin yoga moves beyond the muscles to target fascia and connective tissue, where we tend to hold resistance and rigidity. Yin is a passive and meditative practice focusing on relaxation through the use of props for support. Poses are held for 3-5 minutes to encourage more flexibility and mobility in your body. Great for beginners as well as advanced students.

Suggested donation is \$5-\$25.



Mahjong

Thursdays, November 2nd, 9th, & 16th, from 3-5pm

Join us for a multi-generational group of mahjong players! Players are using the original version of the game and, if there are enough players, a group will split off to play American League Mahjong. Onlookers and beginners welcome! Bring a friend!

FMI: Steve and Jodi Smith: 207-925-1287

