

# AINSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## PLEASE VOTE!



Show your support of the Ainsworth Public Library by attending town meeting **Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am** at the Williamstown High School and voting on our budget. Our budget has been parted out from the rest of the town's municipal budget (We are Article 12.) for a separate vote and will not be on the paper ballot. If you would like your local library to purchase new books, offer programming and continue to thrive in the coming year, please support us by **voting yes** on our budget!

## A SPECIAL VISIT!



Interim State Librarian, Jason Broughton, stopped by to learn about our library. Sarah Snow, APL Director, had a great time showing him around. Becky Watson, from the Williamstown Historical Society just happened to stop by and join in on the visit!

## READERS OF THE MONTH

Every month, students from the third and fourth grade classes at Williamstown Elementary School get to come to the library during school hours. They spend time with the librarian, make a fun craft, get a library card, and check out books to enjoy at home. Two readers from each grade are selected by their teachers to participate in this enriching and rewarding collaboration.



## SERVICES

We are happy to bring books to our patrons who are unable to get to us. In addition to providing this service, we also host monthly workshops, two book groups,

weekly story time and fun activities like our Winter Reading Challenge! Stop in to use our computers or access our free wifi, pick up a pass to a state park or museum or use your library card to take advantage of free Universal online classes.

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## RESULTS ARE IN

Thank you to all who filled out our most recent survey. Patrons filled them out in the library, online and sent them to us through the mail. We received a lot of positive and helpful feedback. The main issues that were brought up include how important the library is to people, patrons would like the library to be open another morning each week, how inviting the atmosphere is at the library and that it is important to patrons that we address our current parking situation. The Board will be considering the results and working on solutions.



## STORY TIME

Hurray! Story time begins again **Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 am.** Join the librarian, Sarah Snow as she brings stories to life, sings songs

and does a craft with the children. Story time is a great way to get out of the house and meet other grownups with young children. Instill a love of books and reading in the young people in your life and make sure to tell your friends!

## NEW CLERKS

We are happy to announce that we have two new clerks. Our previous

volunteers Monique Hayden and Margaret Snelgrove will be sharing the Saturday position. We are open every Saturday from 9am-2pm. Stop in and say hello!



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 4pm**

Senior Book Group at the Gardens

**Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

Town Meeting at Williamstown High School

**Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

Library Board of Trustees meeting

**Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 10am**

Fiber Arts Group at the United Federated Church

**Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

Williamstown Readers at the Gardens

## WORKSHOPS AT APL

The library has had several inquiries about why we no longer host Williamstown

Academy. Although the Academy was successful in having both dynamic and

diverse events, we did not have enough people consistently attending what was offered. In addition, being a small library with a tight budget (see our article about voting on this year's budget at town meeting), we couldn't afford the expenses of the programming. We appreciate the effort that went into creating the events and we strive to continue to offer diverse programming each month. Most recently we have had an all ages Winter Reading challenge, a Valentine gnome making workshop, and the popular Fiber Arts group. We are always open to new event ideas as well as volunteers and funding to make them happen!

