

# AINSWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## SUMMER READING CELEBRATION



This year we are celebrating the end of the Summer Reading Program online! Join us Saturday, August 14th 10AM Zoom link will be on Facebook and Website for a fun party as we celebrate our accomplishments together.

## OPEN HOURS



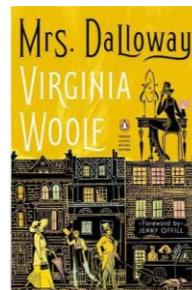
We are happy to announce that we now have more OPEN DAYS! We are still offering two days for appointments and curbside. For appointments: we guarantee no more than a total of six people in the library, you can make an appointment by phone, email or Facebook Messenger. Curbside services are still available twice a week for patrons that are not comfortable entering the library; you can reserve your items online with our online catalogue, email, phone or Facebook Message us. Thank you for all of your patience as we continue to safely navigate reopening.

## STORYTIME IS ON BREAK



We are taking the month of August off. In the meantime, stop by to pick up some books and keep reading! You can read at the lake, or in a boat, with a fish or while feeding a goat! You can read on the floor or in a chair, at a farm or at the fair! We look forward to all of the fun stories and crafts we will share together again in September.

## BOOK GROUP



Join us for a discussion about one of Ms. Woolf's best known novels. If you have read it before, you will enjoy seeing it from a new angle and if it is your first time, you are in for a treat! This book group is both in person and online on Thursday, August 19th at 4pm.

Did you know that we purchase new books each month for our collection? Stop by for that best seller or to find a treasure you haven't heard about yet!



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## MEET OUR PATRONS

Heather Funk's first experience with a library was when she started school. Growing up in Chelsea, she was introduced to the magical world of books and stories by the school librarian, known as the "Library Lady". For years, any time Heather saw Winnie Royce, at school or around town, she was delighted to recognize her friend, the "Library Lady". Now as a mom, Heather's library use mostly revolves around the interests of her six-year-old daughter, Mataya. Now living in Williamstown, and wanting to encourage

Mataya to be a reader, Heather became a patron of the Ainsworth Public Library soon after her daughter's birth. This summer Mataya is excited about the Summer Reading program, loving the daily reading and completing the challenges. As a dedicated reader, Mataya often asks her mom, "When are we going back to the library for more books?" Heather also gets the free activity kits provided by the library and says, "Mataya loves arts and crafts. We take pictures of what she makes and send them to Ms. Snow, and they get posted on the library's website." They also use the free library passes to state parks, historical sites, and museums, a great way to enjoy VT resources and stretch the family budget. Heather says, "A lot of people don't realize all these programs are available at little or no cost. I sign up for them and we get to spend time together". During the pandemic, Mataya became a patron of the Boston Public Library, by way of Zoom,

participating in weekly story and activity time. The 6:00 PM time slot fit well into the busy life of a single working mom. Although Heather doesn't have a lot of time for her own reading, when she does she likes mysteries. One of her favorite authors is Janet Evanovich.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Friday, August 13th at 10am**

Board of Trustees Meeting

**Saturday, August 14th**

Online Summer Reading Celebration

**Monday, August 16th**

CLOSED for Bennington Battle Day

**Tuesday, August 17th- Saturday, August 21st**

Youth Craft Give Away

**Thursday, August 19th at 4pm**

Book Group

~Free Youth Craft Giveaway August  
17th-August 21st~

~New Storywalk on the Ramp.  
Come see it! ~

**CLOSED FOR BENNINGTON  
BATTLE DAY**



"They lived for America and died  
for America.

So on the eve of Bennington  
battle day, let's keep their dream  
of seeing a liberating country  
alive.