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JANUARY - New Year News

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January is a flurry of activity!

This month we look forward to many wonderful events here at the library ...from Children's Book clubs, Star Wars programming and storytime!

But libraries aren't just for the kids....

Our adult **Genealogy Group** meets on the first Wednesday of every month. This month's meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6 at 1pm. Each month this incredibly informed and helpful group gets together to share their personal stories and genealogical research. Each month they will present and try to resolve a 'Brick Wall' issue, a spot at which someone's ancestry investigation goes cold.

Interested in Mystery...? Miss Susan's **Mystery Book Club** will be reading the first in a series. This month the group meets on Wednesday, January 13th at 2pm. January's selection is "The No.1 Ladies Detective Agency" by Alexander McCall Smith. What a great way to discover a new series to read! Please call the library to register for this *puzzling group!*

Visit our book club blog , <http://holmesmysteryreaders.blogspot.com/> to discover what we thought of previous titles. Current titles are available for checkout at the front desk.

STORIES FROM THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

The New Year is here and the children's room is ready for another full year of programming and fun!

Our Storytimes will resume on January 7th. We'll be learning about snowmen, groundhogs, and penguins.

After a rousing discussion of *Escape From Mr. Lemoncello's Library*, the **Children's Book Club** voted to read Chris Colfer's *The Wishing Spell*. We'll be meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 20th 2:45 – 4pm. We are also beginning a **Teen Book Club** for grades 7 and up, and have chosen *Miss Peregrines Home for Peculiar Children* meeting Feb. 10th at 6 pm. New members are always welcome! Call to register for either book club. Copies of both books are available at the library. Lastly on Sat., January 16th at 11am, we will be having a **Star Wars "Art2 -D2"** This program is recommended for kids K and up. Please register at the library or by calling us at [781-293-2271](tel:781-293-2271).

~Miss Stacey

We are looking for collections to fill our **Display Case**.

Patron collections are displayed monthly in our beautiful glass display case given

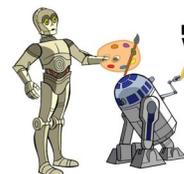


to Jean Gallant.

to the library as a gift from the Friends of the Library. If you are interested in sharing your collection with the community speak

SPECIAL EVENTS IN JANUARY

- **Drop In Knitting**
Tuesdays 10am -noon
- **Genealogy Club**
Wed., Jan. 6, 1pm
- **Mystery Book Club**
Wed., Jan. 13, 2pm
- **Star Wars "Art2 -D2"**
Sat., Jan 16 11am
- **Afternoon Book Club**
Tues., Jan. 19, 1pm
- **Children's Book Club**
Wed., Jan. 20 2:45-4pm
- **Writers' Group**
Thurs., Jan 21 3pm
- **Evening Book Club**
Tues., Jan., 26 6:30pm



STAR WARS 'ART2 -D2'
A Star Wars themed art program for kids grades K and up.

SATURDAY
JANUARY 16TH
11AM



THE FRIENDS' CORNER

Friends of the Holmes Public Library

Thanks to all Friends, Staff and Trustees who donated a wonderful variety of items to our annual Silent Auction.

And a heartfelt THANK YOU to those who generously bid! The Friends raised over \$967.00 to support programs and activities at the library.

We end this year on a great note and look forward to a wonderful 2016 at our town library.

Need to join or renew? Pick up a membership form at the library.

The Friends of the Holmes Public Library is a 501©3 nonprofit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible. Please consider making a year-end contribution

Happy Retirement, Miss Paula!

The Staff and patrons of the Holmes Library wish a happy retirement to



Library Assistant, Paula Walker.

Paula has been a smiling face

in this library for over 7 years; shelving books and keeping the Children's Area appealing and organized. Paula is the friendly voice that calls you when you have books to pick up. And most importantly, Paula has been the Library's Outreach person; delivering books to the homebound through our Bookmobile Program.

We wish you all the best, Miss Paula! XO

"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life." ~Henry Ward

Of Historical Note

Climbing the greased pole during Old Home Day celebration in the back of the Town Hall - 1900.
-Halifax Historical Society and Museum

More images of Halifax History can be found online at <http://sailsinc.omeka.net/>



FROM THE REFERENCE DESK

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday12-8 pm
Tuesday10-5 pm
Wednesday12-8pm
Thursday.....10-5pm
Friday10-5pm
Saturday10-2pm