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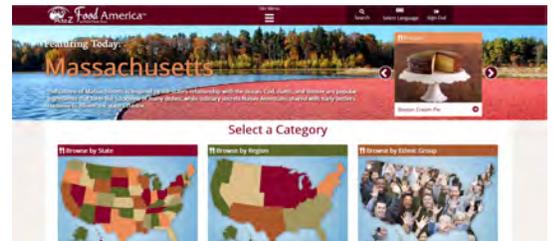
AtoZ Food America

*Chelsea Paige,
Social Media / Emerging Technology
Librarian*

The Nesmith Library website is our home for all kinds of digital content, including program descriptions and registration information, links to our digital reading services, and a host of databases covering our patrons' reference needs. From test prep, to school research, to language learning, and what to read next, we've got you covered!

On our Databases page, you can scroll through all of our available options, or narrow the list by various topics. This month, we're highlighting **AtoZ Food America**, a search interface to make research more reliable and streamlined for patrons of any age.

AtoZ Food America has something



sure to educate and entertain everyone. Providing 7,000 recipes, 650 ingredient articles, vintage food labels and ads, historical "What Did They Eat?" articles, How To food videos, and more, AtoZ Food America is the world's largest database of American food, culture, and recipes. It features food, recipes, and research combined with beautiful graphics and illustrations for each region of our country, and invites trying new things!

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Strawberry Festival Update



*Sandy Sun,
Friends of the Library of Windham*

Save the date! The annual Strawberry Festival sponsored by the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) is scheduled for Saturday, June 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The next Strawberry Festival meeting will be held in the conference room of the Fire Station from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, February 17, for

anyone interested in being part this special event.

We need your help to make the Strawberry Festival a success. There are open Chair (face painting and raffles), co-Chair, and other volunteer positions. If you are interested please contact Skot at (603) 818-8175 or strawberryfestival@flowwindham.org.

February Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter,
Adult Programming Librarian

Our Learn to Knit group will meet on February 4 at 6:00 p.m. We'll continue to meet the first Tuesday of every month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Bring your own



needles and yarn, as supplies are not provided. This workshop is now open to teens ages 13 and up, and no registration is required. Just stop on in!

The Nesmith Library Book Group will be meeting a week earlier this month on Wednesday, February 5 at 6:30 p.m., and this month we've been reading *Fleishman Is in Trouble* by Taffy Brodesser-Akner. If you didn't have a chance to read the book, no worries! Come to the meeting and start with our next book (title to be revealed at the meeting!) and mark your calendar; we meet every second Wednesday of the month at 6:30



p.m. In order to participate, you must have a Nesmith Library card or a card from one of the libraries in our consortium, you need to be over the age of 16, and you must register.

Curious about Reiki and all it has to offer? Join us on Wednesday, February 19 at 6:00 p.m. when Reiki master Carissa Sikora guides us through this sacred, ancient, gentle, hands-on healing art. We'll begin with a short introduction to Reiki, and then move into some practical applications. Carissa's healing journey has included challenges with anxiety, depression, chronic pain, and autoimmune disease. Nothing fulfills her more than helping others connect to their higher self to unlock their healing potential. She believes that we are all our own best healers.

Carissa Sikora is a psychic medium, intuitive coach, and Reiki master who lives in Windham with her husband and two daughters. She provides energy healing services through 1:1 or group readings, coaching, Reiki sessions, and training. Carissa offers support and spiritual guidance as well as using psychic impressions, intuitive downloads, oracle cards, spirit loved ones, and guides to help her clients identify where their blocks and challenges stem from. For more information about Carissa and her services,



please go to her website at www.carissasikora.com. This program is for ages 16 and up, and you must register.



Celebrate Mardi Gras a little early on Monday, February 24 at 6:00 p.m. by decorating a traditional carnival mask! Once worn to provide anonymity, thereby allowing mingling among the classes, the masks have become a fashionable staple at Mardi Gras balls all over the world. You'll use feathers, sequins, and glitter to make a spectacular mask of your own! Beads and King Cake, too! Space is very limited, so register early! This program is for Nesmith Library card holders ages 16 and up, and registration is required.

To register, go online by visiting www.nesmithlibrary.org/events. If you have any questions about registration, please call the Nesmith Library at 432-7154 or email Maria at mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org.

Leap Year, Leap Yeah!

*Molly Pevna,
Youth Services Librarian*

This year is a Leap Year, which means that there's an extra day for programs! February brings with it Valentine's Day, Galentine's Day, and so many other special events...

FOR KIDS

What better way to celebrate Valentine's Day than with chocolate? On Tuesday, February 11 at 4:00 p.m. we have our **Choc-o-Fun Storytime**. This program is drop-in, but please email Molly in advance to let her know if your child has any food allergies we should accommodate.



As always, we'll have **Hogwarts** on Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 p.m.

On Thursday, February 20 we have the traveling **Welcoming Library** coming to the library! This specific collection is a compilation of picture books that travels around the tri-county area, specially cultivated for the demographics of this area. The purpose of the Welcoming Library is to encourage discussion and welcome refugees, immigrants, and new Americans.

Lastly, reminder to Preschool Storytime attendees: we will not be having Storytime the week of the FLOW Book Fair (February 12 and 13)!

FOR TEENS

On Friday, February 7 at 3:30 p.m. we'll be celebrating **Galentine's Day**. As Leslie Knope describes it: "It's only the best day of the year!" for "ladies [and



everyone] celebrating ladies [and everyone]". Celebrate Laura Jean Covey style with some self-care and show your love for your friends!

With winter break around the corner, it may be getting hard to concentrate, but it's the perfect time to do some studying with our **SAT Practice Test** happening on Tuesday, February 25 at 8:30 a.m. To register, please visit our website at www.nesmithlibrary.org/events/Teens or email Molly. Questions, concerns, excitement? Always feel free to reach out to Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

Join Us for Family Storytime

*Azra Palo,
Head of Youth Services*

Do you have children of different ages? Are you looking for a drop-in storytime? Look no further than our Family Storytime!

Every Friday (unless otherwise noted) starting at 10:30 a.m. in the multi-purpose room, Azra leads all ages in singing, dancing, and more! We use scarves, musical instruments, bubbles, parachutes, and other fun to get children excited about literacy and music. There is also a special story and craft with every

storytime. Each storytime is drop-in and no registration is required. Questions? Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org or call her at 432-7154.

As always we welcome you to our other drop in storytimes: Toddler Storytime with Miss Chris (Mondays 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. and Fridays 9:30 a.m.) and Busy Bee Baby Storytime (Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.).



Nesmith Library Parties

Azra Palo

Valentine's Day Party

Saturday, February 8

1:00 p.m.

No registration necessary.

All ages welcome.



Join your friends at the Nesmith Library on Saturday, February 8 starting at 1:00 p.m.

for sweet treats of all kinds in time for Valentine's Day! There will be music, games, and craft stations for all ages. No registration is required. Questions? Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

Special Family Storytime:

Leap Year Party

Friday, February 28

10:30 a.m.

No registration necessary.

All ages, with caregiver.

Celebrate the Leap Year during this special Family Storytime, Friday, February 28, 10:30 a.m. at Nesmith Library! At Family Storytime, we will sing, read, dance, AND we do a craft that you get to take home. There will

be plenty of instruments, bubbles, and more to go around. This age-inclusive storytime at the Nesmith Library is meant to accommodate families of all types and sizes. No registration is required and all ages are welcome. We ask that all children be accompanied by an adult caregiver during the program. Questions? Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.



FLOW Winter Book Fair

The Friends of the Library of Windham's Winter Book Fair will be held February 13-15 in the multi-purpose room at the Nesmith Library. The hours are as follows.

- Thursday, February 13 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. for teachers, retirees, and FLOW members only.
- Friday, February 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., open to all.
- Saturday February 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m, open to all.

Not a FLOW member? Join us with no strings attached! Only \$35 per family per year.

Not sure if you're a member? Email us at membership@flowwindham.org to find out.



If you'd like volunteer at the Winter Book Fair, slots are available on Wednesday, February 12 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 15 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Sign up at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C49A8AF2CA4FD0-flow>

Visit www.flowwindham.org for more details.

Thank you for your continuous support!

Build a Buddy Family Fun Day



FLOW presents Build a Buddy Family Fun Day at the Nesmith Library on Saturday, February 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Windham residents are invited to a FREE Build a Buddy workshop, where

they can choose a 15" plush, design a t-shirt, play games, win prizes, shop the book fair, and enjoy some snacks! Every plush comes with a free carrying box, shirt, and birth certificate.

Pre-register by calling the Nesmith Library at 432-7154. You may request a specific plush for your child by stopping by the circulation desk at the library and choosing

from a variety of designs. Supplies are limited and are available on a first come, first serve basis. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, email Michelle Tieman at michellertieman@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!



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Dates to Remember

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| 2/3 | Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. | | brary Board of Trustees, 7:00-8:15 p.m. | 2/19 | Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Healing Art of Reiki, 6:00 p.m. | | Library Hours |
| 2/4 | Learn to Knit Workshop, 6:00 p.m.; Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m. | 2/12 | Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m. | 2/20 | Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Time with Mr. Miloro, 4:30 p.m. | Mon | 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. |
| 2/5 | Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Library Book Group, 6:30 p.m. | 2/13 | FLOW Winter Book Fair (teachers, retirees, and FLOW members only), 3:00-8:00 p.m.; Time with Mr. Miloro, 4:30 p.m. | 2/21 | Nesmith Quilters, 12:30-2:30 p.m. | Tue | 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. |
| 2/6 | Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Time with Mr. Miloro, 4:30 p.m. | 2/14 | FLOW Winter Book Fair, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m. | 2/24 | Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.; Mardi Gras Mask Craft, 6:00 p.m. | Wed | 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. |
| 2/7 | Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Quilters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Galentine's Day Party, 3:30 p.m. | 2/15 | FLOW Fun Day and Winter Book Fair, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | 2/25 | SAT Practice Test, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | Thu | 9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. |
| 2/8 | Nesmith Library Valentine's Day Party, 1:00 p.m. | 2/17 | Presidents' Day, library closed; Strawberry Festival Meeting, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Fire Station | 2/26 | Busy Bees Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m. | Fri | 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. |
| 2/10 | Toddler Time, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. | 2/18 | Hogwarts, 6:30 p.m. | 2/27 | Time with Mr. Miloro, 4:30 p.m. | Sat | 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. |
| 2/11 | Choc-o-Fun Storytime, 4:00 p.m.; Li- | | | 2/28 | Toddler Time, 9:30 a.m.; Special Family Storytime: Leap Year Party, 10:30 a.m.; Fandom Fridays, 3:30 p.m. | Sun | 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. |

The library will be closed on Monday, February 17 for Presidents' Day.

