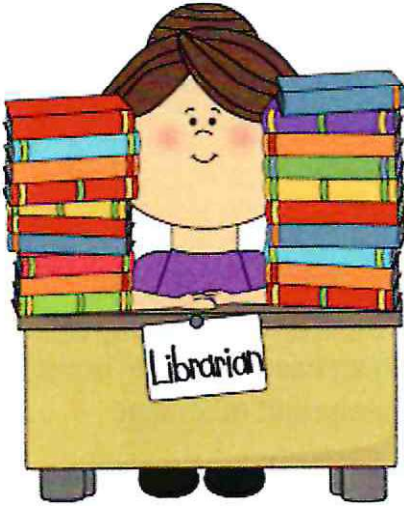


## May Library News



- Tuesdays — Adult program, 9:00 AM, Coffee and Conversation
- Tuesdays and Thursdays — Adult program, 9:00-9:45 AM, Geri-Fit
- May 2nd 10:00-11:00 Doodle Pen Project
- Saturday, May 9, 10:00-11:00 AM— Children's Program, Story Hour
- Saturday, May 16, 9:00-12:00, Adult program, Armed Forces Day Program.

- Tuesday, May 26, 3:30-4:30 PM, Adult

program, discussing *The Big Easy*.

**We will be closed Monday, May 25 in honor of Memorial Day.**

We are springing into May happily watching the greening of our landscape and digging in the dirt. Lawnmowers are coming out of retirement. School is on the countdown and summer vacations are being planned. All is set to action.

**America's 250th Birthday Fun Fact:** On **May 4, 1776** Rhode Island became the first colony to formally renounce allegiance to King George III. During the early part of May, the Continental Congress received a letter from a British governmental official saying the British would make no further concessions to American demands and threatened "to use the whole force of the Kingdom ... to reduce the rebellion and refractory (unmanageable) provinces and colonies." And so on **May 10th** the Second Continental Congress passed a resolution recommending that colonies form new, independent governments, effectively abandoning British authority. **May 17th** a national day of fasting, prayer, and humiliation is observed by the Continental Congress, with many viewing the ongoing events as a push toward total separation from Britain. These actions in May directly paved the way for Richard Henry Lee's resolution for independence in June and the final adoption of the Declaration of Independence in July. Needless to say, May was a pivotal month in our nation's birth story.

Our tower of **graphic novels** is coming together as well as plans for our **Summer Reading program**. Other activities include:

**Each Tuesday morning at 9:00 AM to whenever** we host our **Coffee and Conversation**.

**Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 to 9:45 AM is Geri-Fit** with exercise and friendly chatter.

Saturday, May 2nd 10-11 AM - Doodle Pen Project - Join us as we learn and refresh our Doodle Pen Project making skills. This project will focus on Mother's Day!

**Saturday, May 9, from 10:00 to 11:00 AM is Story Hour** for your youth. We are planning on a buzzing good time.

**Saturday, May 16, from 9:00 to 12:00 we will have an open house honoring Armed Forces Day.** There will be a short program at 11:00-11:30. We would like to honor our active service members by raising funds for you to buy a Cup of Joe for a Joe. Every \$3 given will buy a coffee shop drink for a deployed soldier, and you can even include a personal message.

**Tuesday, May 26, Book Club will meet from 3:30-4:30 to discuss *The Big Easy*.** "The Big Easy" is a 1971 novel by James Conaway featuring a reporter named Comiski who navigates a corrupt New Orleans, uncovering a violent underworld of drug dealers, black militants, and police misconduct, often centering on the investigation of a headless corpse. It explores themes of decay, racial strife, and urban filth."

### **New books include:**

#### **Graphic novel**

- *Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol: The Haunted House Next Door* by Andres Miedoso. "The new kid in town must confront the ghost haunting his house in this graphic novel adaptation of the first book in the "Desmond Cole: Ghost Patrol" series. After moving into an unsettling new house, scaredy-cat Andres meets his neighbor Desmond Cole, who has a garage full of strange equipment."

#### **Adult nonfiction**

- *The Anatomy of Awakening* by Dr. Sue Morter. "Dr. Sue reveals a deeper inner design that underlies the human body and nervous system, helping us reconnect with a steadier, more authentic way of being. She introduces us to a Greater Love—moving beyond stress-driven reactions to feel steady, clear, and connected, even in the midst of life's challenges."

#### **Adult fiction**

- *The Portrait* by Danielle Steel. "*The Portrait* by Danielle Steel is a romance novel (released Sept 2025) about Devon Darcy, a talented portrait artist hiding past losses, and Charles Mackenzie Taylor, a wealthy entrepreneur trapped in a loveless marriage. They meet in the Hamptons, where a profound connection helps them overcome fear, intimacy issues, and past emotional baggage."
- *Dear Debbie* by Freida McFadden. "*Dear Debbie* is a 2026 domestic thriller by Freida McFadden about Debbie Mullen, a brilliant, high-IQ former MIT student and popular, sharp-witted advice columnist who snaps. After losing her job, discovering her husband's secrets, and managing troubled teens, she abandons her counseling role to take violent, lethal action against those who threaten her family."

**Until next time.....keep reading!!**

