Greetings from the President of the Friends – Ginna Shahid ….

An anticipatory Happy Summer to all! Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “June is Bustin’ Out All Over” is getting heavy rotation on my iPod these days, and I’m singing along at full volume. I’m not sure anyone in the neighborhood is impressed, but the coyotes seem to like it. Oh well…

The big news coming out of our spring activities is that the Book Sale was a complete success, our best in the last three years of spring sales. Although we had fewer books to sell, the quality and range of those books was notable. I would be remiss if I didn’t thank all of our sorters for putting together such a nice selection, and Dallas Slade for making the magic happen. This was Dallas’s last book sale as manager, and he will be sorely missed. In fact, it’s hard to imagine a book sale without him. Fortunately, Anne Petty, Kelley Lax, and Hiral Gandhi are now in possession of his magic wand, so the book sale continues to be in good hands. Thank you, Anne, Kelley, and Hiral for volunteering your time and talents!

Looking ahead, this year’s Flatbread Fundraiser is scheduled for Tuesday evening, August 13th from 5:00-9:00. For every pizza sold, sit-down or take-out, the FRIENDS receive a donation from Flatbread Pizza. As always, we’ll be raffling off prizes at the event as well. So mark your calendars and come join the fun at Flatbread (pizza) on Tuesday evening, August 13th. Your tummy will be glad you did.

If you are looking for other ways to support the Burlington Public Library, don’t forget that the FRIENDS of the Burlington Public Library is a registered beneficiary of Amazon’s charity support program known as AmazonSmile, a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. It is a wonderful way to support the FRIENDS, and therefore the library, at no additional cost to you!

Supporting the Friends of the Burlington Public Library is easy using AmazonSmile.

1. Go to smile.amazon.com
2. Log into your Amazon account
3. Choose The Friends of the Burlington Public Library, Burlington, MA as the charity you want to support (be sure to click on the Burlington, Massachusetts Friends organization).

To have a 0.5% of your purchases donated to the Friends, you must always shop through smile.amazon.com.

Thank YOU once again for joining the FRIENDS and supporting our well-loved library. Your actions DO make a difference.

Wishing you a summer full of sunshine and happiness,

Ginna
Virginia Churchill Shahid, President
Friends of the Burlington Public Library
Summer means lots of opportunities for reading—whether it’s on a beach, on your travels, or just curling up with a good book during a storm. Our wonderful staff at the library is ready to keep your “to read” list full with recommendations and reasons to keep reading! Check out our new Book Bundles program, our new personalized reader's advisory or book recommendations service. It’s like a subscription box, but free! Book Bundles are one to three books (or recommendations) that have been personally selected for you by a librarian. Book Bundles can be received monthly or bi-monthly. For more information, visit bit.ly/BurlingtonBookBundles. And don’t forget our all-ages summer reading program! With prize drawings to reward you for something you already enjoy doing, what’s not to love?

If you’re travelling this summer, make sure to check out our Overdrive database which now includes a collection of *Lonely Planet Travel Guides* from New England to Tibet and many places in between. They are always available and can be downloaded to your favorite mobile device. While you’re at it, you can also download a few ebooks or audiobooks to take along as well. Call 781-270-1691 or stop by the reference desk if you have any questions.

### Digital Magazine Collection

Check out our digital magazine collection in Overdrive. Access your favorite titles, including *Newsweek*, *ESP*, *Redbook*, *Oprah Magazine*, and many more. Download issues to your mobile device with the free Overdrive and Libby apps (the same ones you use for ebooks, audiobooks, and videos) or read them in your browser. Titles are always available, can be loaned for 7, 14 or 21 days, and do not count towards your Overdrive check out limit.

### Book-a-Librarian

Make an appointment with a librarian for a 45-minute one-on-one session covering computer basics, instruction on downloading ebooks and/or audiobooks, or help using our databases or any of our library resources. We are not able to offer computer tech support or computer troubleshooting. **An appointment is required.** Call (781-270-1691), stop by the reference desk ahead of time, or send an email to ref@burlingtonpl.org (with an explanation of what you would like us to cover).

### Exhibits and Displays

The Library is looking for anyone interested in displaying their artwork in our Art Gallery or for any non-profit who wants to display items of local interest in our Lobby Cases. Contact the Assistant Director to learn more at 781-505-4985.
**Summer Storytime Sessions:**

**July - August**

**Raise your child to be a reader!**

You are your child’s most important teacher. The Burlington Public Library offers weekly storytime sessions to help your child develop reading, language and listening skills needed to succeed in school. Together, parents and librarians help children get ready to read!

**Please Note:** Caregivers are expected to stay with children during all storytime sessions.

**No registration is required for storytime – just drop by!**

Please note there are no regular storytimes from May 25 – June 30.

**Toddler Storytime**

Mondays: July 1-August 19
@ 10:30 am
For caregivers with children 18-36 months. Interact with your toddler to nurture a love of books. Be active with music and movement!

**Pajama Storytime**

Tuesdays: July 30 & August 20 @ 6:30 pm
For caregivers with children ages 3-6 years. Enjoy stories, crafts, and activities with the whole family in your PJs!

**Family Story & Craft**

Wednesdays: July 10-August 21 @ 11:00 am (All Ages)
Enjoy stories together followed by an activity.

**Baby Storytime**

Fridays: July 5-August 16 @ 11:00 am
For caregivers with children ages birth-18 months. Delight and stimulate your baby’s senses with books, songs, toys, and puppets! Build brain power!

**Movie Mondays**

Every Monday from July 1-August 19 @ 1pm (All Ages)
A new movie every week! Enjoy our air conditioning and homemade popcorn. Bring your own bag lunch as well, but please no nuts.
SUMMER READING KICKOFF

Coming to a galaxy near you….

The Burlington Public Library Summer Reading Programs!

A Universe of Stories (Birth-Grade 5) & Defend Your Galaxy…Read (Grades 6-12)

Games
Scavenger Hunts
Storytimes
Movies
Reading Programs
Free Performers
Prizes

All this excitement in one place! To participate in the reading program, please download the Beanstack App (Zoobean) or see our website for details.

The fun begins Friday, June 28. Call 781-270-1692 or email ahoguelavalle@burlingtonpl.org for more information.

Friday, June 28 @ 10-12pm (All Ages)
Celebrate the beginning of Summer Reading with face painting, raffles, activities, and more!

Space Character Meet N’ Greet from 10:30-12pm.
Sign-up for our reading programs and get your Summer Reading Bags!
Lunar Tea Party:
Tuesday, July 2 @ 11am
(Ages 2-6)
Children will enjoy space
stories, cookies, and tea
(orange juice).

Lego Night:
Tuesday, July 2 @ 7pm
(Grades K-6)
Build and create crazy creations and
maybe a robot or two.
Snacks will be provided. The whole family
is welcome to come.

Make N’ Take 4th of
July Crafts:
Wednesday, July 3 @
11am (All Ages)
Make fun crafts to
celebrate Independence Day.

Meet Buzz Lightyear:
Tuesday, July 9 @ 11am
(All Ages)
Take a picture with Buzz and
make some Toy Story crafts.

Rocket Workshop:
Tuesday, July 9 @ 6:30pm
(Ages 8+)
Ed the Wizard will show us
how to make real working
rockets!

Tech Take Apart:
Wednesday, July 10 @
6:30pm (Grades K-5)
Take electronics and
appliances apart like
computers, coffee makers,
and calculators to see what’s inside!

Preschool Science:
Thursdays, July 11 &
August 8 @ 11am
Enjoy fun and educational science experiments with
your preschooler.

Science Blast:
Thursday, July 11 @
4pm (Grades K-5)
Do fun science experiments with
Amanda! Both hands-on and demonstrations will be enjoyed.

Mother Daughter Book Club:
Thursdays, July 11 & August 8 @ 6pm (Grades 3-6)
Book club for mothers and daughters involves activities and book discussions. Books will be at the Youth Services Desk.

Preschool Fun & Games:
Fridays, July 12 &
August 2 @ 1pm
Fun activities for preschoolers!

Spiderman Party: Saturday,
July 13 @ 11am (All Ages)
Join Spiderman for some web flinging fun. Crafts, pictures with Spiderman, and other activities available.

Kevin Driscoll, Ventriloquist:
Tuesday July 16 @ 11am (All Ages)
This is not your everyday puppet show. Kevin’s humorous dummies will keep you laughing all day long.
Tween Anime and Candy Sushi:
Tuesday, July 16 @ 6:30pm
(Grades 4-8)
Make sushi out of candy and watch Detective Pikachu.

Interactive Movie
Men In Black
Thursday, July 18 @ 6pm
(Grades 3 & Up)
Be a part of a movie like you never have before! The movie will leap off the screen and into real life right in front of your eyes! Props, catch phrases, and snacks help bring this out of this world movie to life.

Playing is Learning:
Thursday, July 18 & August 15 @ 11am
(Ages 2-6)
Drop-in playgroup with stories, STEAM activities, and songs. Presented by Family ACCESS.

Happy Julie Sings:
Tuesday, July 23 @ 11am
(All Ages)
Enjoy some fun music and dance with Julie!

Stuffed Animal Sleep Over:
Wednesday, July 24 @ 6:30pm (Pre-K-Grade 2)
Drop your stuffed friends off tonight and enjoy a short storytime before you leave your friends at the library overnight. You may pick them up the next day from 11am-4pm. Pictures of what your animals did overnight will be on the library's Facebook Page Thursday, July 25 after 11am.

Out of this World Snacks:
Thursday, July 25 @ 11:30am (Ages 2-6)
Enjoy some fun healthy space-themed food with Miss Joanna.

Mad Science Up, Up, and Away:
Thursday, July 25 @ 6:30pm (Grades K-5)
This spellbinding show illustrates the principles of air pressure and demonstrates how the forces at work affect the world around us.

Dinoman Space Show:
Tuesday, July 30 @ 11am (All Ages)
This show explores how comets and meteors might have led to the dinosaurs’ extinction. Best for grade school students, but younger children are welcome.

Harry Potter Birthday Party:
Wednesday, July 31 @ 7pm
(Grades 3 & Up)
Let’s celebrate Harry’s birthday with cakes and wizard activities.
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Magic Show:
Thursday, August 1 @ 6:30pm (All Ages)
Scott Jameson is back with some magic to delight us all.

Lindsay and Her Puppet Pals:
Tuesday, August 6 @ 11am (All Ages)
Enjoy a puppet show with some crazy, fun puppets!

Edible Mars Rover:
Tuesday, August 6 @ 7pm (Grades 4-8)
Make the Mars Rover out of cookies, candy, and other yummy parts.

Burlington Science Center: Moon Craters
Wednesday, August 7 @ 3pm (Grades K-5)
Shawn from the Burlington Science Center will talk about the moon and do a fun moon crater activity with students.

Story Tech:
Tuesday, August 13 @ 11am (Ages 3-6)
Fun stories, songs, and other app activities will be projected on a screen. An iPad will be used, and some app interaction will be available.

Star Wars Party:
Thursday, August 15 @ 6:30pm (All Ages)
Some of your favorite Star Wars characters will be walking around for pictures. Star Wars activities will also be enjoyed!

Marcos Valles Music:
Tuesday, August 20 @ 11am (All Ages)
Marcos will entertain us with some classic children songs and some bilingual originals.

Slime Making:
Tuesday, August 20 @ 4pm (Grades 4-8)
Make some gooey slime with Jenna. Plan to get messy and have fun!

Techbots Guru– Art Bots:
Thursday, August 22 @ 6:30pm (Ages 8+)
Learn to build some doodling robots. This program brings technology and art together.

Summer Finale—Rainforest Reptile Show
Friday, August 23 @ 11am (All Ages)
See some amazing, out-of-this-world reptiles.
TEEN EVENTS
Grades 6-12 Only

SUMMER READING KICKOFF
Friday, June 28 at 3 PM
Join us for Candy Bar Bingo! Sign up for summer reading, win candy & more.

AFTERNOON EVENTS

Stranger Things Party
Friday, July 5 at 4 PM
The third season was JUST RELEASED. Join us in celebration with crafts and food.

Taste Test Tuesdays
Tuesdays, July 9 & August 6 at 3:30 PM
In July, we’ll taste test sweet snacks, and in August, we’ll taste test the salty ones.

Teen Tie-Dye
Friday, July 12 at 3 PM
Bring a shirt, socks, hat - anything white - to tie-dye with us!

DIY Bath Bombs
Tuesday, July 23 at 4 PM
Create your own bath bombs!

Are You Smarter Than a Librarian?
Thursday, August 1 at 4 PM
Can you beat Nicole & Jenna in a trivia competition? Come and find out!

Will it Waffle?
Friday, August 2 at 4 PM
We’ll be putting various foods in a waffle maker to find out: Will it waffle? Join us to see and taste the results!

Chilling Adventures of Sabrina Party
Friday, August 9 at 4 PM
Fan of the show? Join others to discuss it while completing fun activities!

The Best Friend Test
Friday, August 16 at 4 PM
Grab a friend and compete against other pairs of friends to see who knows each other best!
**Tween Slime**
*Tuesday, August 20 at 4 PM*
Make your own slime!
Grades 4-8.

**Gingerbread Rocket Contest**
*Wednesday, August 21 at 4 PM*
Build your own rocket with graham crackers, cookies, frosting, and more!

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**EVENING EVENTS**

**Lip Sync Battle**
*Monday, July 1 at 7 PM*
You’ve seen the show - come and compete for yourself. No practice or routine necessary - just pick a song you know!

**Netflix Book Club: *To All the Boys I Loved Before***
*Monday, July 8 at 7 PM*
Join us for the first Netflix Book Club of the summer for discussion and activities around *TATBILB*.

**Videogame Tournament**
*Monday, July 15 at 7 PM*
Battle your friends in a Smash Brothers Competition.

**Tween Anime & Candy Sushi**
*Tuesday, July 16 at 6:30 PM*
Join us for a showing of some tamer anime (think Pokemon/Digimon) and create a candy sushi snack. Grades 4 - 8.

**Interactive Movie: *Men in Black***
*Thursday, July 18 at 6 PM*
Join us for a showing or the original *Men in Black* with props, sound effects, snacks, and more to create an interactive experience.

**Escape Room**
*Monday, July 22 at 7 PM*
Find the clues, solve the puzzles. If there are more than six of you - we’ll split into teams and see who will win.

**Library Lock-in**
*Friday, July 26 6 - 9 PM*
Join us after hours for video games, crafts, pizza, and more.

*Registration required.*

**Netflix Book Club: *13 Reasons Why***
*Monday, July 29 at 7 PM*
Join us for discussion and activities about *13 Reasons Why*. 
Harry Potter Birthday Party
Wednesday, July 31 at 7 PM
Join us for Harry Potter fun celebrating his birthday!
Grades 3+

Chocolate Hunger Games
Monday, August 12 at 7 PM
Compete against your friends in a food-themed Hunger Games. Even if you aren’t a winner, you’ll still enjoy some chocolate at the end!

Paint Night
Monday, August 5 at 7 PM
Be guided step-by-step and create a one-of-a-kind painting!

All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet & Anime
Tuesday, August 13 at 6:30 PM
Join us for an anime showing and a breakfast-for-dinner buffet.

Tween Edible Mars Rover
Tuesday, August 6 at 7 PM
Build a Mars Rover with graham crackers, frosting, cookies, and candy!
Grades 4 - 8.

Netflix Book Club: Dumplin’
Monday, August 19 at 7 PM
It’s the last Netflix Book Club of the summer. Let’s discuss, craft, and eat with a Dumplin’ theme.

SUMMER READING FINALE
Friday, August 23 at 3 PM
Join us for raffle prize announcements, an ice cream treat and more!
ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

JUNE 1 TO AUGUST 31

A Universe of Stories: Summer reading isn’t just for kids! Read a book and earn a chance to win a prize.
For each book you read between June 1 and August 31, fill out a form and automatically earn chances to win a monthly prize drawing! Record the titles of the books either online or by filling out a paper form. Find the online link on the library website, or fill out paper forms and drop them in the raffle box in the library. Include a review of the book, and we will share it with other readers!

ADULT EVENING PROGRAMS

Be Happy! The Science of Happiness and How to be Happier with Lizzie Linn Casanave
Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 7pm

Do you ever find yourself wishing you could feel happier? Many of us do, and we think we will feel happier as a result of something – such as finding a new job, finishing a project, losing ten pounds, etc. However, psychologists and neurologists are now realizing that happiness can be more readily achieved through changing the way we think. Lizzie Linn Casanave, professor of philosophy at NECC, will explain this revolutionary concept and provide you with practical tools for achieving this new mindset.
EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Our Evening Book Group meets on Thursday, June 27. Join us, starting at 7pm, for a discussion of *Hillbilly Elegy* by J. D. Vance. Margaret Carayannopoulos will lead the discussion. Books are available at the circulation desk. For more information, please contact the Assistant Director at 781-505-4985. The Evening Book Group will not meet in July or August, but will return September 26.

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DISCUSSION GROUPS

English at Large conducts weekly English conversation groups at the Library on Monday evenings from 7-8:30pm; and Wednesday mornings from 10:30am to 12noon. These groups provide an opportunity for learners to improve their speaking confidence and meet other adults who are learning English.

English at Large Conversation Groups are open to all adults who want to practice their English speaking skills. Groups are free, but registration is required. Summer group registration begins mid-May. To register, go online to www.englishatlarge.org/conversation-groups or call the English At Large office at 781-395-2374.

CHESS CLUB

BPL Chess Club
Meets the Last Tuesday of Every Month starting June 25th
6:30PM-8:30PM
Ages 16+

Join fellow chess enthusiasts and sharpen your skills with a friendly evening of chess on the last Tuesday of every month. No need to register, just drop in. A few boards will be provided, but feel free to bring your own.
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