A note from Tricia and staff:

Spring is nearly upon us! We are greeting the season of growth and renewal with a series of gardening programs geared toward early season garden preparation, with two focusing on tree and orchard health.

Other spring series include sewing classes for beginners, basic social media instruction in Google, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Pinterest, and Truro Trivia with Tricia.

The Friends of the Truro Library have planned a great trip to the New Bedford National Whaling Park and Museum, which encompasses both the park and waterfront (once a whaling port) and the museum itself.

We have added an exciting new digital offering this winter: Freegal Music allows three hours of daily streaming, and three song downloads per week, from the SONY catalog. All you need is your Truro library card number and an email address. Also coming: live event streaming from Facebook!

We also hope you’ve taken time to explore our revamped website. Under “Great Reads,” you will discover many ways to find a book you’ll love—from staff picks, to archives from our themed displays, to best sellers lists. Let us know if you have any comments or questions.

Friends of the Truro Library Spring Trip
THE NEW BEDFORD WHALING MUSEUM
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15
More information on the back page!

Upcoming Art Exhibits in the ANNE H. BROCK COMMUNITY ROOM

March: Truro Central School Student Art Exhibit
In celebration of Youth Art Month, Truro Central School students share a sampling of their artwork with the community through this exhibit, which features figurative sculptures, papier mache masks, colorful circular weavings, watercolor landscapes, and more. All classes have at least one project in the uplifting show. A full display of all the children’s artwork can be found on the school’s digital art gallery on Artsonia.com—take a peek—and don’t forget to see their artwork in the library during the month of March.

April: Cape Cod Viewfinders Club

May: Truro Artist Byrne Marston

June: Photographer Nancy Bloom

July: The Truro Group, local artists

Under One Sky: A Song and Story Celebration
Tuesday, April 18, 1:30 p.m. at the Truro Community Center

The Truro Public Library, the Truro Council on Aging, and the Truro Department of Recreation will celebrate the diverse heritage of the New England region and April school vacation with a performance by Parents’ Choice award recipient Davis Bates. The program, for ages 0–100, embraces a variety of cultural traditions and includes traditional songs and tales from around the world, sea songs and chanteys, farming and sugaring songs and stories, and family tales. There will be sing-alongs, a short lesson in how to play music with spoons, and an appearance by a dancing wooden dog named Bingo. This performance is funded, in part, by a grant from the Truro Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.
Library Activities and Events

Gardening Grows on You
Basic Gardening Q&A
With Cynthia Lindgren, Children’s Community Garden Instructor, and volunteer Russ Cherry
Wednesday, March 8, 4:30 p.m.
Free Zebra Haworthia succulent transplant activity: materials provided, all ages welcome!

Garden Fertility with Dave DeWitt
Wednesday, March 15, 4:30 p.m.
Join us for a talk about the importance of soil fertility in the garden. We will discuss macro and micro nutrients, pH, organic matter, and Cation Exchange Capacity. Learn how water and air relate with the soil. Soils rich with microorganisms and complete nutrition will be able to withstand pest and diseases.

What to Expect in 2017: Tree & Forest Health with Russel Norton,
Cape Cod Cooperative Extension
Wednesday, March 22, 4:30 p.m.
Over the last several years, trees and forests in our area have suffered from a number of stresses. These stresses impact the health of our trees and forests. This presentation will cover the causes leading to stress, its impact on tree health, and what you may be able to do to improve the health of your trees.

The Home Organic Orchard with Dave DeWitt
Wednesday, March 29, 4:30 p.m.
The home orchard can be both rewarding and a test of patience. We will talk about site location, fertility, planting, pruning, pests, and diseases. We will discuss Integrated Pest Management (IPM) procedures to help achieve a productive harvest.

Realizing Mindful Ease with J.C. Hotchkiss
Every other Tuesday, 5:30–7 p.m.
March 7, 21, April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30…

Truro Trivia with Tricia
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
March 14, March 28, and April 11
Teams of one, two or three will compete for prizes, local fame, and the honor of having their names inscribed on the coveted “Truro Cup.” Nightly prizes, and additional prizes for the highest score over all three nights. You don’t have to come to all three nights, and your team can change members. This event is popular, so please sign up.

Library Activities and Events continued

For Adults:
Poetry: Keith Althaus
Saturday, March 11, 1:00 p.m.

FOTL Spring Trip
The New Bedford Whaling Museum
Wednesday, March 15, bus at 8:00 a.m.
Bus trip and admission to the national park and museum included, with tours ($60). Limited seating. More information on back page. Call to reserve your spot.

Truro Public Library Book Group
Wednesday, March 29, 6:30 p.m.
We’ll meet to discuss Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine and the Murder of a President by Candice Millard. Books available at circulation desk.

For Everyone:
Winter Music Finale: The Chandler Travis Three-O
Saturday, March 4, 1:00 p.m.
What good is a Three-O with only three people? Chandler Travis is joined by like-minded, talented, and enthusiastic partners John Clark, Berke “Rev. Earl Speedway” McKelvey, and The Valet, vocalist Fred Boak. Expect the unexpected! Thanks to the Friends of the Truro Library for supporting this series!

Meet Your Sewing Machine—Age 11 and up
Tuesdays, March 14, March 28, April 11, 6:00 p.m.
Want to learn the basics of sewing? Bring your sewing machine, with its manual (if you have it), thread, and small scissors. Space is limited. Please sign up.

And now!
In-house Social Media classes with Courtney Francis
Saturdays, 1:00–2:30 p.m.:
April 1: Facebook
April 8: Instagram
April 15: Twitter
April 22: Google
April 29: Pinterest
Learn the basics of five social media platforms with Courtney Francis. A short tutorial on each will be followed by a Q&A. Please call or check our website for more information on what to bring with you—including devices, chargers, user names, and passwords.

The Next Chapter Book Club
We are excited that the Next Chapter Book Club is launching in March! The book club for intellectually or developmentally disabled adolescents and adults will meet on Tuesdays from March 7 through May 23. Please call the Library for more information.
YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Kids’ Puppetry Workshop
With Dream Tale Puppets
Saturday, March 4, 10:00 a.m.–noon
A workshop with master puppeteer Jacek Zuzanski. We have twelve spots for 6 to 12 year olds in a full-of-fun introduction to puppet arts. The workshop teaches improvisation, scenes and character building, text interpretation, and principles of cooperation and stage presence, all in a gentle, friendly, and enjoyable format that employs games and supportive guidance. Puppets are provided. Please sign up!

Wii & Board Games, 10:30 a.m.–noon
Saturdays, March 11, April 29
Play some fun games like Apples to Apples, Operation, Snap Circuits, Checkers, GoldieBlox and the Spinning Machine, and Just Dance.

First Planting
in the Children’s Community Garden
Wednesday, March 15, 4:00 p.m.
Gardening sessions will begin in mid April. Please check our website for more info.

LEGO® Fun, 10:30 a.m.–noon
Saturdays, March 18, April 8
Build your own unique creations!

Drawing Workshop with Kenneth Hawkey
Saturday, March 25, 10:30 a.m.
Learn some basic drawing techniques. Grades 1–5.

StoryWalk® & Seed Planting
Saturday, April 1, 10:30 a.m.–noon
Walk and read And Then It’s Spring by Julie Fogliano; illustrated by Erin E. Stead. Then plant snap peas in a pot to take home.

DIY STEAM Power: Stixplosion!
Saturday, April 15, 10:30 a.m.
Build a chain reaction model using blocks, sticks, and rubber bands—then set it off!

Weekly Activities for the Little Ones
Storytime
Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.
Stories, songs, fingerplays and crafts for ages birth to five year olds. Drop-ins welcome.

Truro Tots Playgroup
Every Monday, 9:00–11:00 a.m. (except school holidays)
For ages birth through 3 years, the playgroup meets every Monday morning at the library. Toys, stories, songs, crafts and snacks are provided. Funded by the Town of Truro.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES CONTINUED

April Vacation
Amazing Animal Ambassadors
Saturday, April 22, 10:30 a.m.
Celebrate Earth Day with a live animal show, including a unique variety of animals such as parrots, exotic mammals, large reptiles, and even insects from around the world. During the presentation, audience members will have the opportunity to handle several animals, if you want.

4-H Babysitting Course
Tuesday, April 18–Friday, April 21 from 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Graduation & Certificate
Friday, April 21 at 3:00 p.m.
Sessions include child safety, first aid and emergencies, stages of child development, feeding babies and children, discipline and entertainment, and the business of babysitting. Please sign up by contacting the library. Sponsored by the Friends of the Truro Library.

Youth Website Pages
If you haven’t already, we hope you’ll take a moment to check out the offerings on our youth webpages. We have reading ideas as well as links to homework help and web-based fun. For teens, there are pages on more advanced research, college, jobs and work, and health and social situations. Do you have favorite books you would like to share? Let us know and we can include them as we develop our Youth Book Lists!

Build a Better World
Summer Reading 2017
We are looking forward to this year’s summer program, with goodies, prizes, and best of all: Reading!

Check for updated postings!
www.trurolibrary.org
MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

Please join this wonderful group of library lovers. This group keeps all the “little libraries” in Truro supplied all summer long, and their fundraising efforts help pay for library programming. These meetings are open to all.

SPRING TRIP: THE NEW BEDFORD WHALING MUSEUM
Wednesday, March 15, 8:00 a.m.–about 6:00 p.m.

Join the Friends of the Truro Library on a chartered bus trip to New Bedford’s Whaling Historical National Park, a lively urban setting of historic, stately buildings and cobblestone streets juxtaposed with art galleries and funky restaurants. After a walking tour of this vibrant area (once the whaling port), we will enjoy a Park Ranger-guided tour of the famous Whaling Museum. Pick up and drop off locations in Truro, Wellfleet, and Orleans. Please call the Library at 508-487-1125 to sign up.

AN EVENING WITH THE AUDUBON: SPRING BIRDS
Wednesday, April 12, 6:30 p.m. (refreshments at 6:00 p.m.)

Bob Prescott from the Wellfleet Audubon Society will present a program on birds in the springtime.

A VISIT WITH POLICE CHIEF KYLE TAKAKJIAN
Wednesday, May 10, 6:30 p.m. (refreshments at 6:00 p.m.)

FRIENDS OF THE TRURO LIBRARY
MEMBERSHIP FORM

We invite you to become a member of FOTL. Please complete this form (or a likeness) and return it to:
FOTL, P.O. Box 357, North Truro, MA 02652

Name: ____________________________________________

Home address: ________________________________ Tel: __________

Truro address: _________________________________ Tel.: __________

Email Address: _________________________________

Membership valid January 1 through December 31

Dues: Individual $10.00 ☐ Would you like meeting reminders?
Family $25.00 ☐ YES ☐ NO
Patron $50.00 ☐ Are you interested in volunteering?
Donation __________ ☐ ☐ YES ☐ NO

Please make check payable to: Friends of the Truro Library