



Truro Public Library

# FOOTNOTES

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*FOOTNOTES is issued three times a year. Issues are distributed to all Truro and North Truro box holders. Copies are available in the Library and Truro Central School; and at the Chamber of Commerce in the summer. We hope that you'll keep the issues handy to remind you of library and town events. Many thanks to **The Friends of the Truro Library** for underwriting the cost of producing FOOTNOTES and to **Seamen's Bank** for its contribution.*

## **Courtney Francis Joins Library Staff**



The library staff is pleased to welcome our new Library Assistant, Courtney Francis. Courtney's last library position was at Sturgis Library in Barnstable. Prior to that, she worked in the Framingham State University Library and in her home-town library in Eastham, where she has lived her whole life. We are thrilled to have such a competent, energetic, and friendly addition to our team!

## **eBooks Now Available for Kindle and Kindle Fire**

The CLAMS Digital Downloads website (powered by Overdrive) now supports Kindle (as well as many other readers and devices). Download directions may be found on the bottom of the homepage on our website ([www.trurolibrary.org](http://www.trurolibrary.org)) and in the library at our circulation desk. Select "Digital Downloads" and look in the left hand column for Kindle. Downloads to Kindle require the use of your computer and an Amazon.com account; downloads to the Kindle Fire don't require a computer.

## **Early Learning Station Now Available**

The AWE Early Learning Station in the children's room is installed and available for use! The ELS is a self-contained educational tool for children ages 2 – 10 featuring 50 educational software programs with some 500 activities. It covers seven curricular areas, including reading, writing, phonics, math and problem solving, science, social studies, arts and music. Only positive reinforcement is provided. Not a toy and without games, the Internet-free ELF fosters the love of reading, math and science in a fun and entertaining environment. We've set it up for 20 minute times sessions. Sign up with your child at the circulation desk and have some fun learning!

## **Science for the Pre-school Set**

The library is sponsoring "Second Saturday Science Sessions with Lucy Gilmore" from 10:00 a.m. till noon on Saturday, January 14th, February 11th and March 10th. Drop by and explore several discovery based science play stations featuring balls, magnets, magnification and much, much more. These activities are geared for your young toddler and preschool aged children.

## **Make Your Website Work Harder Workshop**

**Wed., Jan.18 and 25, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

Visitors on the Internet move at lightning speed, scanning for what they want. If they don't find it, they move on. You have to work hard to keep your prospect's attention. There are a handful of simple things you can fix that can make the difference between turning a prospect into a customer and driving your prospect away. In these sessions, the main aspects of your website that can make or break your online presence will be discussed. You'll leave with ideas to improve your website and a deeper understanding of how the website works and how people respond to it so that you're representing your business in the best possible light. Pre-register for this informative workshop by Sarah Johnson ([etruro.com](http://etruro.com)) and co-sponsored by the Truro Chamber of Commerce and the Library at [info@trurochamberofcommerce.com](mailto:info@trurochamberofcommerce.com) .

## **4-H Informational Event and Garden Celebration**

**Sat., Feb. 4 from 1-3 p.m.**

All are welcome

### Green Thumb Gardening

Learn how to grow your own vegetables and flowers by starting seeds. Decorate your pots and fill them with soil, seeds and luck! Watch them grow and exhibit your bounty at the Truro Ag Fair!

### Mr. Potato Head

Be as creative as you'd like by making your own version of Mr. Potato head using

real veggies! Bring your creativity.

### Veggie Valentine Prints

Let's celebrate Vegetables using them in a different way to create beautiful cards for a special someone. Make another one for a community service project and we will donate them to a local nursing home.

### How Does Your Garden Grow?

Make and plan your very own garden choosing your favorite plants to grow and learn about some good bugs too!

## **Paper Marbling Workshop**

**Fridays, Feb.10 and Feb. 17 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.**

Create your own designs using Japanese freestyle (simple) marbling techniques. We'll marble paper during the first session and craft with it during the second. Suitable for ages 5 and up. Please sign-up by calling the library (508-487-1125).

## **4-H Babysitting Course**

**Tues., Feb. 21 – Fri., Feb.24 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**Graduation & Certification Feb. 24 at 3 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. There is a \$10.00 charge for this course and you must be 11 years old or older to participate. *Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Truro Library.* Sign-up by calling the library (508-487-1125).

## **Hunger Games**

**Sat, Mar. 10 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

To celebrate the movie release of Suzanne Collins' *The Hunger Games* on March 24, try some challenges from the book: The Reaping, Training Stations (knot tying, plant identification, camouflage face-painting and bird calls), Costume Contest, Cornucopia Competition, Hunger Games Jeopardy, Peeta's Bakery (decorate your own cupcake) and Miniature Bows and Arrows Craft. Please sign-up to attend and/or volunteer by calling Maggie Hanelt at the library (508-487-1125).

## **Gaming @ yourlibrary**

**First and Third Sat.of the month at 12:30 p.m.**

**Second and Fourth Thurs. of the month at 1:00 p.m.**

All kinds of Wii games and new board games will be available for your playing pleasure. Open to all ages and abilities.

## **Tuesday Afternoon Book Group**

This book group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. New members are most welcome. For additional information, contact Linton Watts at 487-7914. Upcoming titles:

Feb. 7 *Limits of Power* by Andrew J.

Bacevich

Mar. 6 *No Ordinary Time* by Doris Kearns

Goodwin

Apr. 3 *In the Garden of Beasts* by Erik Larson

May 1 *State of Wonder* by Ann Patchett

Jun. 5 *The Wedding Officer* by Anthony

Capella

## **Truro Library Book Group**

The Truro Library Book Group meets year-round at 6:30 p.m. on the last Wednesday of the month. The group is very informal, decides the book for the following month at each meeting (fiction and non-fiction), and participation varies from month to month.

Discussions are usually lively, occasionally controversial, and everyone has a good time.

We welcome new participants at any time. For additional information, contact Sharon Sullivan at 487-1125, or inquire at the Circulation Desk about this month's selection.

The library is very willing to establish and coordinate additional book groups. One or more groups with a particular interest are a possibility. If you are interested in participating or discussing this further, please call Sharon Sullivan at 487-1125.

## ***Knit or Knot now on Tuesday Afternoon***

Dig out those needles and hooks! Do you knit or crochet? Perhaps you embroider or quilt? Looking for company? Need some ideas or instruction? Come to the library Tuesday afternoons and join a fun group that's been meeting to knit, crochet and do other needlework. *Knit or Knot* meets on the lower level from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. All are welcome.

## **Truro Tots Playgroup**

The playgroup follows the school calendar every Monday until May 21, 2012 from 9-11a.m. This free activity is provided for children aged birth-3 and their parent or caregiver and is funded by the Town of Truro. Toys, stories, songs, crafts and snack provided. For information, please contact Maggie Hanelt (508-487-2693)..

## **Thursday Morning is Story Time**

Calling all tots and preschoolers! There's a story hour at the library each Thursday morning starting at 10:30. Come and join Maggie and friends for an hour or so of stories, songs, and crafts.

## **Museum Passes**

Phone the library (508-487-1125) for the availability of reduced price admission passes to local and Boston museums.

## **FOTL's Wednesday Morning Program Schedule**

The following Wednesday morning programs are presented by FOTL. Coffee is served at 9:30 and the presentations begin at 10:00 a.m. in the library's Anne H. Brock Community Room.

- Jan. 11 Hawaii, Tahiti, and the French Polynesian Islands: a slide presentation by Cathy Van Stratum on her recent 30-day cruise to the South Pacific.
- Feb. 8 "Talkin' Turkey": Brewster's Chet Lay will speak on the reintroduction of wild turkeys to Cape Cod.
- Mar. 14 Lower Cape Ambulance's Steve Roderick will speak on recent capabilities at Lower Cape Ambulance and how they can save your life.
- Apr. 11 Safety and self-defense: Truro Police Officer Carrie D'Angelo will demonstrate safety and self-defense techniques for all.
- Apr. 18 Boston bus trip to Isabella Stewart Gardner museum and the Mapparium. Details to follow.
- May 9 Digital Photo Imaging: Truro's Maryellen Kelley will explain how Digital Disc Restoration works and how you can preserve your photos.
- Jun. 13 Annual FOTL meeting and luncheon with election of new officers.

## **On Exhibit at Your Library**

A different artist or group of artists exhibits works each month in the Anne H. Brock Community Room. Look for scheduled openings on our web site ([www.trurolibrary.org](http://www.trurolibrary.org)).

Upcoming exhibits include:

- January: Robert Valois
- February: The Children's Garden
- March: Truro Central School
- April: Elizabeth Lazeren
- May: Robert Hager
- June: The Truro Group

The library also has a glass fronted display case with three adjustable shelves that is available on a monthly basis for the display of small collectibles or thematic displays. If you have a collection you'd like to share or an idea for a display, please contact Meg in the library (508-487-1125).

## **Thankful Tree**

This year's Thankful Tree in the Catherine Woolley Children's Room bore colorful leaves inscribed with the following:

- My brother and food (Monica)
- For my cusins (sic) (Brayden)
- My family and being healthy (Anon)
- My dog! (Emilia)
- Sister and brother (Landen)

For books (Anon)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Science Fun (Anon)

And we're very grateful for the help and support from the community that enables us to provide programming and activities throughout the year.

### **Books Down Under**

*Books Down Under*, FOTL's year-round used bookstore is open for business during regular library hours, and it is self-serve. Please feel free to donate books any time the library is open and come and shop while you're here. If you have a LARGE number of items to donate, please call ahead to arrange for assistance. Please remember that all materials must be in good condition with **no magazines, text books, condensed books, or VHS tapes**. Many thanks for your continuing support.

### **Looking for some assistance...**

Do you have a few hours a week to spare? The library has openings for volunteers to help us read shelves, shelve materials, and make new materials shelf-ready. Maybe you're interested in helping to arrange programs and presentations or in teaching others basic computer use or how to access the Internet. Perhaps you have an interest in local history. Schedules can be very flexible. If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Meg at the library (508-487-1125).

### **Join the Friends!**

If you are not already a member, please consider joining the Friends of the Truro Library. This non-profit organization provides advocacy, programming and supplemental funding to the library. Become as active as you like—there are plenty of volunteer opportunities or give your support financially. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!