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# Thrall Library Times

What's New and Interesting at Middletown Thrall Library

## Spring 2019 Edition

"A little Madness in the Spring  
is wholesome even for the King." – Emily Dickinson

### From Our Library Director Matt Pfisterer

#### Adult Programs Return!

Adult programs are returning to the Library! Following a staff retirement last August adult programs have been on a bit of a hiatus while we searched for just the right person to plan an interesting and diverse schedule of programs that we hope will inform, inspire, entertain and enlighten you.

I am very pleased to introduce to you our new Librarian II – Adult Programmer at Middletown Thrall Library, Theresa Zacek. Many of our regular patrons, especially those with children already know Theresa from her many years working in our Children's Library where she has gained valuable experience planning and managing successful programs like "Battle of the Books." Since early March of this year she has been scheduling programs on popular topics like Birding, Gardening, Elder Law, and local author book discussions.

Theresa will also be planning programs that reflect her passion for physical fitness, and maintaining an active and healthy lifestyle. The first of which is our **All Access Yoga** program coming in May. If you have an idea for a program you would like to see at the Library feel free to contact Theresa at her professional e-mail address, [tzacek@rcls.org](mailto:tzacek@rcls.org).

#### Homebound Delivery Service

Did you know that the Library regularly delivers library materials to Library patrons who are unable to come to the Library? If you or someone you know is unable to come to the Library to select and borrow materials we can do that for you. Please contact Library Director Matt Pfisterer at (845) 341-5485 for more information about this program.

### Middletown Thrall Library

11 - 19 Depot Street, Middletown, New York 10940

#### Spring Library Hours

Mon.-Thurs.: 9 AM-8 PM Fri.: 9 AM-6 PM Sat.: 10 AM - 5 PM Sun.: 1 - 5 PM

Main Desk: (845) 341-5454 Reference Librarians: 341-5461

Youth Services: 341-5470 Local History: 341-5454, ext. 5479

For more library news and free services,  
please visit [www.thrall.org](http://www.thrall.org)

### From Our Head of Reference Services Mary Susan Flannery Climes

#### Celebrating the Importance & Beauty of Poetry

[www.thrall.org/poetry](http://www.thrall.org/poetry)      [www.thrall.org/npm](http://www.thrall.org/npm)

With April arrives *many* wonderful things, such as more welcome springtime weather, gardening, and a chance to celebrate and nurture *all* things poetic in observance of **National Poetry Month!**

If you're **new to poetry** (or are presently not *quite* yet a fan of it), we invite you to download one or all of our **free introductory poetry guides** at the website above (left). We created them to help readers, along with aspiring poets, discover how easy it can be to begin making poetry a part of their lives.

If you're **already a poetry lover** – or a poet – you might prefer jumping right into our **National Poetry Month website** above (right), where you'll find links to **websites** and **services** of interest to both readers *and* writers of poetry.

**At the library**, we have *many* **poetry books**, both classic and contemporary, awaiting your discovery and delight! For starters, simply go to our **shelves numbered 811 or 821** (in our **main collection** or **new books** area) – or just ask one of our **librarians!**

**811** is where **American Poetry** can be found. **821** is where **English poetry** is shelved. For a more in-depth guide to **locating poetry materials in our library**, try this link for our **free printable PDF guide**: [thrall.org/findpoems](http://thrall.org/findpoems)

For those wishing to go *deeper* yet, there's also our **Literature guide** ([www.thrall.org/literature](http://www.thrall.org/literature)) as well as our online **literary criticism volumes**, which include **poetry analysis, criticism, and interpretations**: simply go to [www.thrall.org/litcrit](http://www.thrall.org/litcrit) and follow the **Literature Criticism Online** option. *Enjoy!*

#### **ArtistWorks** – A Critically-Acclaimed Online Art & Music Education Service **Renewed for You!**

[www.thrall.org/aw](http://www.thrall.org/aw)

We recently *renewed* our library's subscription to **ArtistWorks**, enabling **members of Thrall** to access this **incredible art and music education service** for **FREE!** If you have not yet tried this **free service** already, please do. If you know someone who has a **Thrall card** and might benefit from this, please spread the word.

*ArtistWorks* includes:

- Access on either **desktop** or **mobile devices**
- **Art and voice classes**
- **Beginner to advanced musical instrument** instruction
- Instruction from **professional musicians**
- **Video-based lessons** with bookmarking features
- **On-the-go learning with 24/7 remote access**

Topics covered include: Acoustic Guitar, Art, Banjo, Electric Bass, Flute, Harmonica, Mandolin, Percussion, Piano, Rock Guitar, Singing, Ukulele, and more. *Try it today!*

From Our Head of Reference (continued)

## Salem Health Update: [thrall.org/healthdbs](http://thrall.org/healthdbs)

Members of Thrall can freely access the latest title in our Salem Health collection of online reference works: **Addictions, Substance Abuse & Alcoholism**. From the publisher: "This two-volume work includes 329 essays covering all aspects of addiction and substance abuse, including diseases or conditions, substances of abuse, treatment and addiction overviews, organizations and foundations dedicated to treatment and prevention, physiological and psychological issues and behaviors, trends and statistics, and social contexts and concerns related to substance abuse and treatment such as advertising and media influence, aging, ethnicity, and children and substance abuse. The essays, written for non-specialists by medical professionals, professors in science and medicine, and medical writers, will appeal to students studying science, premed, psychology, addictive behaviors, drug abuse epidemiology and public health issues, as well as individuals, family and friends directly affected by addiction." This title can also be accessed freely on computers within the library.

## From Our Government Information Librarian

If you're planning to travel by air anytime soon, you will begin to notice signage being posted at local airports from the Transportation Security Administration. These signs are being posted in an effort to remind passengers that **REAL** or **Enhanced ID-compliant driver's licenses**, or other acceptable forms of identification, such as a **valid passport** or **U.S. military ID card**, will be necessary for **any domestic air travel beginning on October 1, 2020**. The **REAL ID Act**, which was passed by Congress in 2005, "...enacted the 9/11 Commission's recommendation that the Federal Government set standards for the issuance of sources of identification, such as driver's licenses." Both a REAL, and an Enhanced ID, will allow you to fly domestically, but the Enhanced ID has the additional benefit of allowing you to cross into the U.S. border by land or sea from Canada, Mexico or the Caribbean. The Enhanced ID also carries an additional \$30 surcharge. As both types of ID must be obtained in person, at your local DMV office, updating your license sooner rather than later may help you to avoid longer waits in line. In addition, several forms of personal identification, such as your current driver's license, a valid U.S. passport or birth certificate, your social security card, a current U.S. bank statement, and possibly your marriage license, will all be required in order to obtain these new federally-compliant driver's licenses. Because all of these forms of personal identification need to be either original or certified copies, it may take some time to gather them all together! For more information, and to take a guided questionnaire to help you to determine which type of driver's license ID is best for you, please visit [dmv.ny.gov](http://dmv.ny.gov). When completing the short questionnaire, you will also be able to see exactly **which documents you need to bring with you** on your trip to the **Motor Vehicle Department!**

## Free Public Events

These **events** will be held in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor **Community Room** (unless otherwise noted):

**April 16, 5 PM: Elder Law** – health care decisions, financial decision making, guardianship issues, wills, and probate.

**April 17, 2019, 2 PM** (movie): **The Maltese Falcon (1941)**

**April 28, 2 PM: Local Author Marianne Sciucco**

**April 30, 3 PM** (book disc.): **The Good Neighbor** by M. King.

**May 5, 2 PM** (music): **All She Wrote** with **Larry Packer** on fiddle, mandolin. Presented by the **Friends of Thrall**.

**May - June: All Access Yoga**, Mondays, **10:30 - 11:30 AM** on **May 13, May 20, June 3, June 10**. Register: **341-5483**.

**May 14, 6:30 PM: Attracting Butterflies to Your Garden**  
A Master Gardener Program, Cornell Cooperative Extension.

**May 17, 2 PM: Silk Scarf Painting**. Register: **341-5483**

## Children's Events

To register for certain events  
or for more information, please visit  
our **Children's Dept.** or call us at **341-5470**.

**ALL EVENTS ARE FREE!**

### MOVIE: *Bumblebee*

**April 17, 2019, 1:30 PM**

in our **Story Time Room**

"Cybertron has fallen. When Optimus Prime sends Bumblebee to defend Earth, his journey to Become a hero begins."  
For ages 6 - 13. 113 minutes. **Registration required.**

## Craft Extravaganza!

For ages: **3 - 13**. **FREE!** No registration required!

Two dates (both in our **Story Time Room**):

**April 19:**

**10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon or 3:00 PM - 5:00 pm**

- or -

**April 29, 3 PM - 5:30 PM**

## Marie Segares, Knitting / Crochet Pro of Underground Crafter May 4, 2019, 12 Noon - 3 PM in our 2nd Floor Community Room

Please join our MTL Knit & Crochet Club as we welcome Marie Segares, who will present a hands-on workshop on Freeform Crochet & Knitting. Freeform Crochet and Knit is a fiber art that includes a number of creative techniques using a variety of stitches without a pattern.

**Registration required. \$5.00 materials fee required at the time of registration. Also required:** Participants must be proficient in crochet or knitting. Please bring different size crochet hooks or different size knitting needles.

Here is our schedule for that day:

**12:00 pm - 12:30:** Show & tell with our club

**12:30 pm - 1 pm:** A light lunch

**1:30 - 3 pm:** Freeform workshop with Marie Segares

## Mother's Day Art Project

with **Miss Rainbow** of Creative Arts

**Friday, May 10, 2019, 4 - 5:15 PM\***

(\* clean-up time 5:15 pm -5:45 PM)

in our 2nd Floor **Community Room**

Participants will create a work of art for Mom!  
**Registration required. Ages 6 - 13.**