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**Bristol Public
Library
Adult Services
Newsletter**



**Winter 2015/2016
Dec/Jan/Feb
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Connections

This Issue:

The *Farmer's Almanac* is predicting an unusually cold and snowy winter (*The Old Farmer's Almanac* disagrees), but the library is warming things up a little with a **Soup, Book and Movie** event, featuring *The Hundred-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared* by Jonas Jonasson. Also, relax after Christmas with a movie and our **hot cocoa bar**.

The annual **Holiday Coffee House** features the music of Roger Tincknell who entertained us on St. Patrick's Day (remember spring?). In January we say goodbye to the Downton Abbey series with tea and a visit from the **Edwardian Lady**. We observe the St. Valentine's season with historical songs of love and parting from **Rick Spencer**. Black History Month sees a special presentation of *Habit of Survival: The Story of Ruth*, co-sponsored with the **Bristol Historical Society**. There is a presentation on **Turning & Working with Wood** by craftsman Vincent Wojtusik. And the schedule of movies and book discussions continues as well.

There's a lot going on at Bristol Public Library!

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BPL Winter Movie Schedule:

Tuesday, December 29
@ 1:00 PM

Mr. Holmes (2015)

Long-retired and near the end of his life, Sherlock Holmes (Ian McKellen) grapples with an unreliable memory and must rely on his housekeeper's son as he revisits the still-unsolved case that led to his retirement.

Thursday, January 14 @
1:00 PM

Little Boy (2015)

When auto mechanic James Busbee is sent to fight during World War II, he leaves behind his wife and two sons, London and Pepper. An encounter with a magician, and advice from a priest, convince Pepper that the power to bring his dad back safely may be within himself.

Monday, February 29
@ 1:00 PM

A Walk in the Woods (2015)

Travel writer Bill Bryson (Robert Redford) takes a long-lost old friend (Nick Nolte) for a hike along the Appalachian Trail.

Soup, Book & Movie Combo: *The Hundred Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared*

Saturday, December 5 @ 12:30

Join us for a showing of the inspirational Swedish comedy, *The Hundred Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared*. Bring yourself, your friends and your lunch. We will supply the soup, the beverages & the movie. Copies of the book by Jonas Jonasson will also be available to borrow at the library when you register. Read the book; join us for lunch and the movie along with a short book/movie discussion afterwards. No charge. Please RSVP at the library or by calling: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.

Holiday Coffee House

Roger Tincknell



Thursday, December 10 @ 1:00 PM

The December Coffee House features *A Winter Solstice Celebration* with the popular Roger Tincknell. The program includes songs from Chanukah, Christmas and other traditions combined with seasonal sing-alongs and songs of light from around the world. No charge. Please RSVP at the library or by calling: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.



Roger Tincknell appears courtesy of a grant from The Bristol Brass General Grant Fund, the Gnazzo/Reidy Charitable Fund and the Elizabeth Tyrell Fund for the Arts at the Main Street Community Foundation. Thank you!

Cocoa Cafe

Movie & Hot Cocoa Bar!

Tuesday, December 29 @ 1:00 PM

Relax, de-stress from the holidays, and join us for a winter warm-up at the hot cocoa bar and enjoy a showing of the movie *Mr. Holmes* (2015) starring Ian McKellan.

No charge. Please RSVP at the library or by calling: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.



A Farewell to Downton Abbey

Kandie Carle

**Thursday, January 28
Tea @ 12:30 PM
The Edwardian Lady @ 1:00 PM**

A last library “huzzah!” for the Downton Abbey series. Tea and light refreshments will be served at 12:30 PM, followed by a presentation of humor, history and intriguing anecdotes about fashion, home life and the etiquette of Edwardian men and women. Presented by historian and performer Kandie Carle in full Edwardian dress.

No charge. Please RSVP @ the library or call: (860) 584-7787 x 2023

***Sweet Sorrow: Historic Songs of Love, Pursuit,
Connecting and Parting***

Rick Spencer

Thursday, February 9 @ 1:00 PM

An entertaining, amusing and light-hearted musical journey through the adventures and misadventures of lovers.
Presented by musician, researcher and historical interpreter
Rick Spencer.

No charge. Please RSVP @ the library or call: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.

Sponsored by The Friends of the Bristol Public Library

***Turning & Crafting with Wood
Display & Presentation***

Vincent Wojtusik

Tuesday, February 16 @ 1:00 PM

The library is pleased to host a display and presentation featuring the wooden craft work and techniques of Connecticut Institute for the Blind graduate Vincent Wojtusik. His work includes wooden bowls, jewelry boxes, goblets, utensils and other finely crafted pieces. There will also be a discussion of Vincent’s lathe turning and wood-crafting processes & techniques.

No charge. Please RSVP at the library or call: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.

Refreshments courtesy of The Friends of the Bristol Public Library.

**Winter Book Bites
Book Discussions:
@ BPL**

**December 16 @
1:00 PM**

Big Little Lies by
Liane Moriarty

**January 20 @
1:00 PM**

The Girl on the Train
by Paula Hawkins

**February 17 @
1:00 PM**

*Miss Hazel and the
Rosa Parks League* by
Jonathan O’Dell

**Copies of all
Book Bites titles are
available to borrow
at the library**

**Winter Computer Class
Schedule:**

Computers 101:
12/14, 12/21, 12/28 & 1/4
@ 10:00 AM

Internet Basics I-IV:
1/11, 1/25, 2/1 & 2/8
@ 10 AM

Encore (library catalog):
1/21 @ 6:00 PM & 2/22
@ 10 AM

Zinio (digital magazines):
1/28 @ 6:00 PM &
2/29 @ 10:00 AM

OneClickDigital
(Ebooks & audio books):
2/4 @ 6 PM

Social Media: 2/18 @ 6 PM

Facebook: 2/25 @ 6 PM

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STATEMENT

The Bristol Public Library System is committed to providing the community with a friendly and knowledgeable atmosphere where educational, informational, recreational, cultural, and professional materials and services can be found in a variety of formats. An emphasis is placed on encouraging the use of the library by persons of all ages in order to stimulate lifelong learning and an appreciation for reading, and to provide a resource center for ideas and information for the entire community.

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Habit of Survival: The Story of Ruth

Gwendolyn Quezaire-Presutti

What was it like to be an enslaved person? Ruth provides an unflinching portrait of her kidnapping, the horrors of the Middle Passage and of escape. Ruth's story is a composite gleaned from slave narratives, captains' log books, doctors aboard slave ships and slave owners. This program is the story of American slavery and of the people who lost their liberty under its yoke. It is the story of Africans becoming African-Americans, under unimaginably oppressive and inhumane conditions, told in their own words.

Co-sponsored with The Bristol Historical Society.

No charge. Please RSVP @the library or call: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.

Winter Program Schedule

December:

Saturday, December 5 @ 12:30 PM Soup, Book & Movie

Thursday, December 10 @ 1:00 PM Holiday Coffee House w/Roger Tincknell

Wednesday, December 16 @ 1:00 PM Bristol Book Bites Book Discussion

Tuesday, December 29 @ 1:00 PM Afternoon Movie: *Mr. Holmes*

January:

Thursday, January 14 @ 1:00 PM Afternoon Movie: *Little Boy* (2015)

Wednesday, January 20 @ 1:00 PM Book Bites Book Discussion

Thursday, January 28 Downton Abbey: Tea @ 12:30 PM & *The Edwardian Lady*, Kandie Carle @ 1:00 PM

February:

Tuesday, February 9 @ 1:00 PM *Sweet Sorrow* w/Rick Spencer

Saturday, February 13 @ 1:00 PM *Habit of Survival: The Story of Ruth* w/ Gwendolyn Quezaire-Presutti (Co-sponsored with Bristol Historical Society)

Tuesday, February 16 @ 1:00 PM *Turning & Working with Wood* w/ Vincent Wojtusik

Wednesday, February 17 @ 1:00 PM Book Bites Book Discussion

Monday, February 29 @ 1:00 PM Leap Day Movie: *A Walk in the Woods* (2015)



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Manross Connections

Movies for Adults at Manross

*Light refreshments provided by the Friends of the Bristol Public Library.
Please call or stop by to register.*

Tue., Dec. 22 @ 1 pm : The Longest Ride

Based on the bestselling novel by master storyteller Nicholas Sparks, *The Longest Ride* centers on the star-crossed love affair between Luke and Sophia. As conflicting paths and ideals test their relationship, the couple makes an unexpected and fateful connection with Ira, whose memories of his own decades-long romance with his beloved wife deeply inspire the young couple. Starring Britt Robertson, Scott Eastwood and Alan Alda. (2015)(PG-13)(128 min.)(info. from MovieInsider.com)

Thu., Jan. 7 @ 1 pm : Everest

Inspired by the incredible events surrounding an attempt to reach the summit of the world's highest mountain, *Everest* documents the awe-inspiring journey of two different expeditions challenged beyond their limits by one of the fiercest snowstorms ever encountered by mankind. (2015)(PG-13)(121 min.)(info. from IMDb.com)

Tue., Jan. 19 @ 1 pm : Max

(A "Soup & Movie" Event—more information on reverse.)

A dog that helped US Marines in Afghanistan returns to the U.S. and is adopted by his handler's family after suffering a traumatic experience. (2015)(PG)(111 min.)(info. from IMDb.com)

Thu., Feb. 18 @ 1 pm : The Age of Adeline

A young woman, born at the turn of the 20th century, is rendered ageless after an accident. After many solitary years, she meets a man who complicates the eternal life she has settled into. Starring Blake Lively, Michiel Huisman and Harrison Ford. (2015)(PG-13)(112 min.)(info. from IMDb.com)

More events are listed on reverse.

Library Holiday Closings: 12/24 & 12/31: closing at 12pm
12/25, 1/1, 1/18 & 2/15: closed

Manross Book Bites Discussion Dates

**Tue., Dec. 8 @ 1:30 pm &
Thu., Dec. 10 @ 5:30 pm**

***The Crane Wife*
by Patrick Ness**

**Tue., Jan. 12 @ 1:30 pm &
Thu., Jan. 14 @ 5:30 pm**

***Descent*
by Tim Johnston**

**Tue., Feb. 9 @ 1:30 pm &
Thu., Feb. 11 @ 5:30 pm**

***West With the Night*
by Beryl Markham**

**Books are available
a month before
the discussion.**

**No need to register.
Please join us!**

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Manross Connections

A Renaissance Christmas with the Entwyned Early Music Trio Tuesday, December 15 @ 2:00 pm

The Dee Hansen, Baroque & Renaissance flute, soprano; Neal Humphreys, viola da gamba, cello; and Eric Hansen, lutes, will perform Renaissance settings of some of their most beloved Christmas carols, and a few charming surprises too. This historically informed performance celebrates the season with sounds you won't hear anywhere else. Free. Please register.

Soup & a Movie Social Tuesday, January 19 @ 1 pm

To celebrate National Soup Month, we'll be serving soup and showing the movie, **Max**. (Refer to the movie listing on the reverse of this page.) Please bring a can of soup (if possible) to donate to a local food pantry, and your lunch, and the Friends of the Library will provide a variety of hot soups and coffee. Free. Please register.

Pizza Social Tuesday, February 2 @ 1 pm

In anticipation of National Pizza Day, this will be a fun opportunity to visit around this all-American favorite. Take a pizza trivia quiz and learn about the history of pizza. We'll sample some frozen pizzas and select a winner. Beverages and pizza will be provided by the Friends of the Library. Free. Please register.

Winter Get-Away Cruise Music with Chris Merwin Tuesday, February 23 @ 1 pm

Leave your cares and the winter blues behind as Chris Merwin performs music from the Caribbean along with songs that will make you feel as if you're sailing away on a cruise. Free. Please register.

Manross Library Needle Workers Every Monday @ 1 pm

Drop in any time to this very informal gathering of needle workers. You'll be welcome no matter what your level of mastery. The purpose is to keep one another company and to help each other with projects.

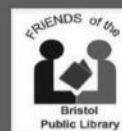
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**F.N. Manross
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Winter Hours**

**Mon.- Thu. : 10 am - 8 pm
Fri.- Sat. : 9 am - 5 pm
Sun. : Closed**

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