

Happy November, Montague!

This month kicks off the NEA Big Read grant program, a collaboration between MPL and the Pocumtuck Valler Memorial Association. This three-season program series will explore themes from Ross Gay's collection of poetry, "Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude." MPL has added a number of copies of Gay's book to all three libraries and interested participants can also stop by Franklin County's Cider Days weekend for a giveaway of the title at Clarkdale Fruit Farm in Deerfield on Sunday, November 3rd. One week later, on Sunday, November 10th, writer and musician Erica Wheeler will lead an Autumn Orchard Saunter, also at Clarkdale Fruit Farm.

Feeling crafty? Join us for the Imagination Station every Tuesday at the Carnegie, sew a slithering snake, try at knitting, or make paper stars at the Montague Center Branch. Make a Fairy House at the Discovery Center. The Millers Falls Branch will feature a Family Craft and Story Hour.

Those who are interested in hearing and collecting local stories should make sure to mark their calendars for the Montague Center Oral History Kickoff Event, which will introduce participants to the oral history project and feature stories from village residents.

Finally, if you haven't had a chance to stop by the Millers Falls Branch since it re-opened, I highly recommend that you do. Thanks to the hard work of the libraries' trustees, Friends of the Montague Public Libraries, Library Assistant, Jake Goldman, and Montague's DPW, the branch is now bright and cheerful. We'll have an opening reception at the branch after the new circulation desk is installed, either in December or January. More details to come!

All the best, Caitlin

LIBRARY INFORMATION

Carnegie Public Library 413-863-3214 201 Avenue A, Turners Falls

Monday - Wednesday

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Thursday - Saturday

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Millers Falls Library 413-659-3801 23 Bridge St.

Tuesday & Thursday 1:00-7:00

Montague Center Library 413-367-2852 17 Center St. Monday & Wednesday

2:00 - 7:00 Friday 10:00-1:00

Website:

montague public libraries.org



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- GRAB & GO BAGS
 Craft: Paper-bag Fall Tree
 Free kits at all branches while supplies last.
- IMAGINATION STATION Tuesdays, 3:30-4:30 PM Drop-in crafts for ages 6-12. In November we'll have fun with food-themed crafts! Carnegie Library.
- LEGO AT THE LIBRARY Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 PM Build with library LEGO at the Carnegie Library.
- CHESS AT THE LIBRARY Saturdays, 10:00am-12:00pm Boards and sets available. Bring a friend to play chess at the Carnegie Library
- BIG READ KICK-OFF Sunday November 3rd, 10:00-11:00AM Enjoy Cider Days and grab a copy of this year's Big Read book, Ross Gay's Catalog of Unabashed Gratitude. Clarkdale Fruit Farm
- LET'S SEW SLITHERING SNAKES! Monday November 4th, 4:00-5:00PM Ages 5+ with an adult. Drop-in format, no rsvp required. Montague Center Library
- FRIENDS MEETING Monday November 4th, 5:30-6:30 PM Current and future Friends. Email <u>kristopherlangston@gmail.com</u> Carnegie Library
- KNITTING CLUB Wednesday November 6th, 4:30-5:30PM 1st Wednesday of each month! Bring a project or learn something new. All ages welcome. Montague Center Library
- AUTUMN ORCHARD SAUNTER Sunday November 10th, 1:00PM Writer and musician Erica Wheeler will lead an orchard saunter focusing on storytelling and sense of place at Clarkdale Fruit Farm.

- MEET & GREET WITH THE MONTAGUE VILLAGES Tuesday November 12th, 3:00-4:00PM All ages. Millers Falls Library
- MONTAGUE CENTER ORAL HISTORY KICKOFF EVENT Thursday November 14th, 6:30PM Music, refreshments, and stories of the village! At the Common Hall.
- MILLERS FALLS BOOK CLUB Thursday, November 14th, 5:30PM We will discuss What the Wind Knows by Amy Harmon. Ages 17 and up. Millers Falls Library
- ART RECEPTION
 Wednesday November 20th, 6:00-7:00PM
 Collages by Susan Dorais.
 Montague Center Library
- FAMILY CRAFTS & STORY FUN
 W/ THE BRICK HOUSE
 Thursday, November 21st, 4:00-5:00PM
 Create a Fairy House!
 Register by email:
 Slangknecht@brickhousecommunity.org
 or call 413-800-2496.
 Millers Falls Library
- MEET & GREET WITH THE MONTAGUE VILLAGES Friday November 22nd, 10:00-11:00AM All ages. Millers Falls Library
- MAKE A FAIRY HOUSE Saturday November 23rd, 1:00-3:00PM For children and their caregivers at the Great Falls Discovery Center
- CRAFT CLUB Monday November 25th, 4:00-5:00PM Paper stars for all the upcoming winter holidays. All ages. Montague Center Library

The Montague Public Libraries will be closed on Mon, Nov 11 for Veterans Day and Thurs, Nov 28 for Thanksgiving.