

Lancaster Events this Month

Town of Lancaster

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STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL COMING SOON!



STRAWBERRY Festival

The annual Strawberry Festival will be held on the lawn of the historic First Church. Come enjoy homemade chicken salad, ice cream, strawberry shortcake and more. The festival has been a tradition in Lancaster for nearly 100 years! This year's festival is extra special in that we are also celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the Church's building (also known as Lancaster's 5th Meeting House or Bulfinch Church).

Sunday, June 26, 2016—RAIN OR SHINE

4:00 – 7:00 PM



Homemade Chicken Salad



Homemade Strawberry Shortcakes

And More!!!

Remember, you can unsubscribe at any time by emailing "unsubscribe" to "townclerk@lanasterma.net"



First Church of Christ Unitarian

*Worship at 10am in the Sanctuary
Summer Worship Begins June 19 in the Church
Parlor at 9am, a simple chapel style worship service
of music, prayer, readings and silence.*

The Mindfulness Meditation Group returns to Tuesday evenings at 6pm beginning May 3 and will continue through the summer in the Church Parlor. Practitioners of all levels welcome. A free will offering will be taken.



TheraPAWS at Thayer Memorial Library

Be PAWSitive: Therapy Pets and Community Education presents an Informational *Open House* for people interested in our Therapy Pet Program on **Wednesday, June 22, at 6 pm** at Thayer Memorial Library, 717 Main Street, Lancaster.



Learn how you and your pet can be part of our TheraPAWS pet therapy teams, and the joys and satisfaction of helping others with your beloved family pet. TheraPAWS teams visit a variety of settings including senior adult-day care and residential facilities, autism and special education classrooms and groups, hospice, hospital, and other settings where people can benefit from human and animal interaction,” explains Sally Cragin, director of Be PAWSitive. “Our group also helps shelter animals, supplies emergency pet food pantries in the region, and collaborates with Second Chance Animal Shelter to provide vaccine and microchip clinics for pet owners.” There will be therapy pet teams for visitors to meet – please leave your beloved pet at home.

No pre-registration necessary

For more information, visit www.BePAWS.blogspot.com,

“Be PAWSitive” on Facebook or call the library at 978-368-8928, x.2

Connecting Communities

Along Our Trails 2016

IN BEDFORD AND CARLISLE, MA —JUNE 18



**SATURDAY
JUNE 18**

1:00 PM —3:00 PM

Registration Requested

RiverFest Concord River Paddle

Please join us for the: *Sudbury, Assabet and Concord Wild and Scenic River Stewardship Council's RiverFest*

Celebrate RiverFest with SVT's guided paddle along the Concord River. This beautiful stretch of the river through Carlisle and Bedford was federally designated "Wild and Scenic" by the National Park Service in 1999. The Sudbury, Assabet and Concord Rivers are recognized for their outstanding ecology, history, scenery, recreation values and place in American literature.

Bring your own kayak or canoe. PFDs required. Experienced paddlers only.

Find other RiverFest 2016 activities at www.riverfest.sudbury-assabet-concord.org

Organizers: Sudbury Valley Trustees

Directions/Parking: Directions will be shared with registered participants.

Distance and Difficulty: Moderate. Paddling for over 2 hours.

RSVP and Contact Information: Registration required. Register online at www.svtweb.org/programs/calendar or call 978-443-5588 x123.

Weather Policy: Rain or shine, but cancels with heavy rain.

Dog Policy: No dogs allowed.

FREEDOM'S WAY
National Heritage Area | Nature Culture History



Connecting Communities is offered by the Freedom's Way National Heritage Area and Montachusett Regional Trails Coalition, in collaboration with trail stewards, land trusts, community leaders, historical organizations, naturalists, and volunteers, and provides free trail-inspired events.



Freedom's Way National Heritage Area works in partnership with The National Park Service.

Along Our Trails 2016

JULY 9 —Princeton

AUGUST 27 —Lexington and Concord

SEPTEMBER 17 —Medford and Malden

www.freedomsway.org | 94 Jackson Road, Suite 311, Devens, MA 01434 | 978-772-3654



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MEN'S CLUB CHICKEN BARBEQUE

Saturday

JUNE 18TH

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

*\$8.00 for children and
seniors, and \$10.00
for adults*

**MENU WILL INCLUDE: 1/2
CHICKEN, SALAD, baked
potato and dessert, hot
dogs also available!**

*Tickets will be sold
after Mass and at the
Barbeque. Join Us!*



Boston Museum of Science
Will Bring
Live Animals to
Thayer Memorial Library
 717 Main Street, Lancaster

Animal Invaders

Sharing Spaces

Thursday, July 7
1:30 p.m.

Learning to “**live green**” includes learning to coexist with the animals that share our planet, in addition to making our planet a better place for humans to live.

Learn the ecological benefits and potential risks associated with living in close proximity to some of these animals.

Suitable for all ages.

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

For more information phone 978-368-8928 or stop by the Circulation Desk

This program is funded by a grant from the Rosemary Davis Memorial Fund of the Greater Worcester Community Foundation

Thayer Memorial Library
 717 Main Street, Lancaster

2 Back-to-Back Performances



Wolf Talk

Tuesday, June 28

First Show: 5:00 p.m.

Second Show: 6:30 p.m.

Learn about general wolf behavior in captivity and in the wild, including eating habits and pack structure.

Michael LeBlanc will bring furs, skulls, and more to this program.

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On Your Mark, Get Set.....



READ!!!

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, June 28, 2016

3-5pm Summer Reading Info

3-7pm CHILDREN'S BOOK SALE

Stock up for Summer!

'On Your Mark, Get Set, READ'

Get prizes over the summer as you read

Books only 50¢ or 3/\$1 - DVDs & CDs \$3 or 2/\$5

"Little Friends Members" of TML GET
3 FREE BOOKS!!

Proceeds from the sale help fund library programs, museum passes and more!



**Common Stories
&
Seven Bridge Writers' Collaborative
Present**



Nancy Werlin



Kristin Cashore



Annie Hartnett

**Friday, June 24, 2016
7:30 PM**

**Upstairs @ The General
1 Still River Road, Harvard Massachusetts**

Nancy Werlin is the author of nine young adult novels in the genres of realistic fiction, fantasy, and suspense. Her novel *The Rules of Survival* was a finalist for the National Book Award, her novel *The Killer's Cousin* won the Edgar award for best mystery, and her novel *Impossible* was a New York Times bestseller. She lives with her husband in Melrose, and is currently working on a suspense thriller to be published in 2017. Visit her website at nancywerlin.com for more.

Kristin Cashore wrote the New York Times bestsellers *Graceling*, *Fire*, and *Bitterblue*, all of which have been named ALA Best Books for Young Adults. *Graceling* is the winner of the 2009 Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Children's Literature, *Fire* is the winner of the Amelia Elizabeth Walden Award, and *Bitterblue* is a New York Times Book Review Notable Children's Book. *Graceling* is currently scheduled to be published in thirty-three languages. Cashore currently has a realistic YA novel and a cross-genre YA novel in revisions. A native Pennsylvanian, she now lives in the Boston area.

Annie Hartnett's debut novel *RABBIT CAKE* is forthcoming from Tin House Books in 2017. She was the 2013-2014 winner of the Writer in Residence Fellowship for the Associates of the Boston Public Library. Annie's stories and essays have appeared in *Salon* magazine, *Indiana Review*, *Unstuck* magazine, and *PANK* magazine, among others. Annie has an MFA in Fiction from the University of Alabama and has received awards and honors from the Bread Loaf School of English, *Indiana Review*, and *McSweeney's*. Annie teaches classes on the short story and the novel at Grub Street, an independent writing center in Boston, and is currently at work on her second novel.

Book signings and sales to follow. For more information contact rich.marcello@gmail.com

Motor Vehicle Crashes are the leading cause of preventable death and injury to children aged 3-14 in the United States.



FREE Child Passenger Safety Seat Checkup and Installation

WHERE: Nashoba Valley Regional Emergency Communications Center
270 Barnum Road, Devens, MA

WHEN: Saturday, June 18, 2016
10am – 2pm
(Rain or Shine)

For information on the event, call (978)772-1900.

Nationally Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will be on site to conduct car seat checks.

No reservation is needed; just show up with your car seat and child.

Can't make the day? Call to schedule an appointment.



7 OUT OF 10 CHILDREN ARE IMPROPERLY RESTRAINED!



IS YOUR CHILD IN THE RIGHT CAR SEAT?

Grant awarded through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety & Security's Highway Safety Division



With Ashley Bannish at the Lancaster Community Center

Make this the summer you learn to move your groove thing!

Workshops are designed for all ages and abilities. Priced to still let you enjoy your summer! Register now as class size is limited. 978-733-4076 or mpelletier@lancasterma.net

School's Out! Spin into Summer Mini Workshop!

9am – 12pm, June 22- June 24 2016; Ages 6-9 \$60

Kick off the summer in an active way! Stretch, move and groove, short dance combinations, arts and crafts, movement games and more! All while listening to our favorite artists (Taylor Swift, Shawn Mendes, Katie Perry, etc.)

Princesses and Their Knights in Shining Amor Dance Workshop

9am – 12pm, July 11 – July 15 2016; Ages 4-6 \$100

Children will learn basics of Jazz and Ballet dance styles and engage in creative movement! Each day will be based on a different Disney Princess/Prince movie (Frozen, Aladdin, etc.). Children will also participate in related arts and crafts and movement games.

Dancing Through Movies

9am – 12pm, August 1 – August 5 2016; Ages 4-6 \$100

Children will learn basics of Jazz, Hip Hop, and Ballet and will participate in movement games and arts and crafts! Each day will be based on popular age appropriate movies such as Despicable Me, Frozen, The Jungle Book, etc.

Dancing Daze

Session 1: 4:30-5:30pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays June 28 – July 14 2016; Ages 7-9

\$48 per session

Session 2: 4:30-5:30pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays July 19 – Aug. 4 2016; Ages 7-9 \$48 per session

Children will learn basics of Jazz and Hip Hop dance styles, while expressing themselves to popular age appropriate music (including artists such as Taylor Swift, Sean Mendes, Katie Perry)! Children will also participate in creative movement games.

Jazz/ Hip-Hop Classes

Session 1: 5:30-6:30pm, Tue +Thursdays June 28 – July 14 2016; Ages 10-12 \$48 per session

Session 2: 5:30-6:30pm, Tues +Thursdays July 19 – Aug. 4 2016; Ages 10-12 \$48 per session

Students will learn dance skills and put them to use in various dance combinations/routines. Students will also have a chance to explore their own creativity by participating in choreography!



SAVE THE DATE - UPCOMING AMC INFORMATION



Join Lancaster's own Jeanne Blauner, Chairperson for Appalachian Mountain Club Boston Chapter Family Outings, **Monday July 11th at 6:30 PM at Thayer Memorial Library** to learn more about AMC Boston Family Outings and how to get out and get involved with your family.



Old School Pickup Games

What is it??

Before the days of highly organized sports, kids used to just meet up at the local park and find some people to play with. We are trying to bring back that spirit of open play.

Participants will choose between flag football, whiffleball, kickball and others for each 90 minute session. There will be trained attendants on site for safety and supervision but kids will be encouraged to play on their own.

We encourage parents to drop off and pick up at the end of the session to further encourage the spirit of independent play.

When?

Wednesdays beginning July 6
8 Sessions
6:30 – 8:00 PM

Where?

Thayer Memorial Park
(behind the Library)

How Much?

Only \$50 for 8 sessions.

Who?

Kids entering Grades 3-6

How?

Contact us below to register

Lancaster Recreation Committee

[www.ci.lancaster.ma.us/ Pages/ LancasterMA BComm/ recreation](http://www.ci.lancaster.ma.us/Pages/LancasterMA_BComm/recreation)

978-365-2148





Swim Lessons

Lancaster Town Beach

Spec Pond – Fire Road #4
Old Union Turnpike Road

Level 1 & 2

- 11:00-11:45 am
- Ratio 5:1
- Put head underwater
- Learn to float
- Practice kicks & arm movements

Level 3 & 4

- 10:00-10:45 am
- Ratio 8:1
- Learn kicks & arm motions
- Put strokes together
- Learn to tread water

Level 5 & 6

- 9:00-9:45 am
- Ratio 8:1
- Learn all strokes
- Perfect strokes
- Build endurance

Three 9 day sessions to choose from:

Session I – June 27th – July 8th
(No class July 4th)

Session II – July 11th – July 21st

Session III – July 25th – Aug 4th

Certified WSI instructors

Grades preK-5
\$70 per child

Register: Lancaster Recreation



www.ci.lancaster.ma.us/Pages/LancasterMA_BComm/recreation

Contact Joe Kennedy: kennedy2004@comcast.net

CAMP CRAFT LANCASTER IS A PROGRAM THAT OFFERS NUMEROUS AND DIVERSE ACTIVITIES FOR CAMPERS AGES 5-13.

THE PROGRAM SERVES LANCASTER RESIDENTS AS WELL AS CHILDREN FROM NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES.

9:00AM-4:00PM

- LOW CAMPER TO COUNSELOR RATIOS.
- STAFFING THAT IS MINIMALLY 18 YEARS OLD.
- A WIDE RANGE OF UNIQUE AND ENGAGING ACTIVITIES.



JUN 27-JUL 1

JUL 4-JUL 10

JUL 11-JUL 15

JUL 18-JUL 22

JUL 25-JUL 29

AUG 1-AUG 5

AUG 8-AUG 12

AUG 15-AUG 18

AUG 22-AUG 26

\$265/CAMPER/WEEK

EXTENDED DAY

\$60/WEEK OR \$15/DAY FROM 7:30-9:00AM

\$80/WEEK OR \$20/DAY FROM 4:00-6:00PM

\$125/WEEK OR \$35/DAY FOR BOTH



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