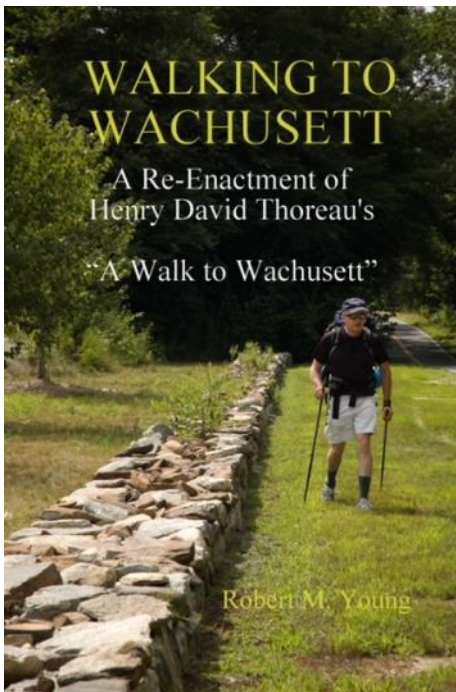


Haston Highlights

Walking to Wachusett - Concord to Wachusett with Henry David Thoreau

Join Leominster resident Bob Young on **Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 pm** for a slide presentation of his re-enactment of the journey taken by Concord native Henry David Thoreau and described in Thoreau's essay "A Walk to Wachusett." Thoreau's walk was taken on July 19, 1842. Beginning in Concord, he and companion Richard Fuller walked to Mt. Wachusett and back.



Bob has resided in Leominster/Fitchburg for the past thirty years. While researching a trip to Mount Katahdin in Maine (also visited by Thoreau), Bob came across the Wachusett essay and decided to study it further. His wife suggested walking the route in order to capture in observations and photographs his thoughts and feelings about the historic, but little known journey.

To experience Thoreau's trip, he first researched and then walked the exact route taken by Thoreau. Re-enacting the journey consisted of a three-day excursion in 2005 through the towns of Concord, Acton, Stow, Bolton, Lancaster, Sterling, West Sterling, East Princeton and Princeton. His walk is believed to be the first complete recorded re-enactment of Tho-

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A Library Bat for Halloween!

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday:	1 PM—7 PM
Tuesday:	10 AM—5 PM
Wednesday:	9 AM—7 PM
Thursday:	1 PM—6 PM
Saturday:	9 AM—12 PM

Haston Highlights

Dawn Thistle, Editor



Author Talk Rescheduled! Katherine A. Sherbrooke

How did Susan B. Anthony’s mentor get written out of history?

Mark your calendars now for **Wednesday, October 12 at 7:00** to hear Katherine Sherbrooke dis-

cuss her extraordinary new novel, *Leaving Coy’s Hill*, inspired by the life of abolitionist, pioneering feminist, and Massachusetts native, Lucy Stone. A *New York Times* 2021 summer reading pick, *Leaving Coy’s Hill* has been called “propulsive,” and “deeply relevant,” as it “beautifully imagines” the life of “the heroine we all need right now.”

Katherine A. Sherbrooke is the author of *Leaving Coy’s Hill*, *Finding Home*, a family memoir, and *Fill the Sky*, the winner of a 2017 Independent Press Award and finalist for the Mary Sarton Award for

Contemporary Fiction and the Foreward Indies Book of the Year. She currently serves as Chair of the Board of the GrubStreet creative writing center in Boston and lives south of the city with her family.

[Young, cont. from p. 1] reau’s journey.

The presentation will provide background information followed by a series of pictures and explanations of what he found and learned along the route. A real educational experience.



At the end of the presentation, there will be time for questions. Also copies of Bob’s new book, which describes his adventure, *Walking to Wachusett*, will be available for sale and signing.

COVERED PRIMITIVE BOXES

On **October 17 at 6:30**, Lou Meierdierks will return to teach us how to create these gorgeous covered boxes. The vintage-style fabrics and beautiful primitive designs are glued and hand-sewn over oval cardboard boxes. The finished results will make wonderful holiday gifts or become cherished containers for special items.

This project will require 2 sessions; the second date is TBD. Participants are asked to select the design they would like to make and to pay \$25 for all supplies.

Space is limited and registration is required. Please call the library at 508-867-0208 by **September 9** to sign up and to allow enough time for ordering the materials.



SÉANCE with the SPIRITS



Would you like to hear from an ancestor or loved one who has passed away? Would you like to learn more about spiritualism and divination? Would you like to have your fortune told? Come to the library on **Friday, October 28 at 7:00** to participate in a séance led by psychic advisor Mme. Dina LeDuke. Bring an object that once belonged to the spirit you'd like to contact. Wear a costume, if you'd like!

Mme. LeDuke is a skilled practitioner of many Bohemian arts, particularly the art of Divination. She is a very accurate and intuitive Psychic, in tune with both the Tarot cards and spiritual energies. She comes from a family background of folk magic and psychic ability, knowing from childhood that she had special gifts. She grew up in Salem,

MA and has extensively studied the Magickal arts of Celtic Wicca, Italian Strega, New Orleans Hoodoo, Spiritualism, Reiki, and other esoteric practices. Mme. LeDuke is often praised as being "right on the money" and "eerily accurate" by many satisfied clients—come and find out for yourself!

To participate in the séance, ***you must be over 18 and register in advance***. Space is limited to 20. If you would like to have Mme. LeDuke perform an individual tarot reading for you after the séance, you must make an appointment in advance. There are only 6 appointment times available. **Please call the library at 508-867-0208 to register.**

This presentation is being made possible through a grant awarded by the North Brookfield Cultural Council, funded by the Mass Cultural Council.

Visit the Library's Trunk or Treat location at:

The Coalition for a Healthy North Brookfield's

FAMILY FUN SPOOKFEST!

- 2022 -

October 23, 3-6 pm, NB Schools



Love to Read?

Check Out *Booklist Reader!*

Booklist Reader is a new publication from the American Library Association created as a reader-focused companion to the book review magazine, *Booklist*. To see short reviews of books and audiobooks, go to:

<https://www.booklistonline.com/reader-issues?read=75395d87-d367-4571-980b-58c00a9b78a6>

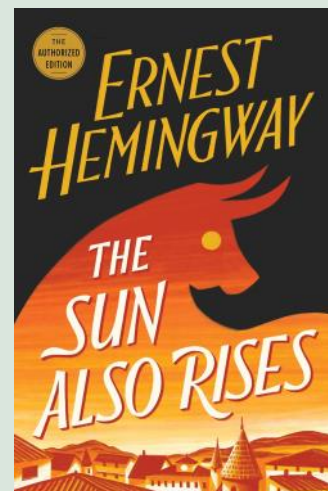
Then let us know if there are titles you'd like us to order for the library!



BOOK GROUP NEWS

This month the Haston Library Book Group is reading *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway.

The quintessential novel of the Lost Generation, *The Sun Also Rises* (*Fiesta*) is one of Ernest Hemingway's masterpieces and a classic example of his spare but powerful writing style. A poignant look at the disillusionment and angst of the post-World War I generation, the novel introduces two of Hemingway's most



unforgettable characters: Jake Barnes and Lady Brett Ashley. The story follows the flamboyant Brett and the hapless Jake as they journey from the wild nightlife of 1920s Paris to the brutal bullfighting rings of Spain with a motley group of expatriates. It is an age of moral bankruptcy, spiritual dissolution, unrealized love, and vanishing illusions. First published in 1926, *The Sun Also Rises* helped to establish Hemingway as one of the greatest writers of the twentieth century. —*Goodreads*

We'll be discussing the book on **October 25 at 7:00** in the library and via ZOOM. Copies are available in the library, so come in and get one! Call the library (508-867-0208) for more information and/or the ZOOM link.

AMERICAN HERITAGE MUSEUM PASSES!

We would like to thank the Friends of the Haston Free Public Library for purchasing 4 passes to the American Heritage Museum. The American Heritage Museum allows you to explore America's conflicts, beginning with the Revolutionary War to today. You'll discover, and interact with, our heritage through the history, the national effort developing new technologies of warfare, and the human impact of America's fight to preserve the freedom we all hold dear. Find out more by going to: <https://www.americanheritagemuseum.org/>

Each pass admits up to 6 visitors at half price for regular admission. Special events are not included. The museum is open year-round, Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



PET CARE AND RESPONSIBILITY

On Saturday, September 24, three volunteers from Second Chance Pet Services came to the library with their dogs to demonstrate proper ways to interact with and train dogs. Carol Kelley's partner was Echo, who showed us several "tricks," mostly her very appropriate responses to various commands. [Not at all like *my* dogs!] Theresa Langelier's dog, Augie, showed us how he could find certain scents wherever they were hidden. Augie often competes in scent trials. And Cheryl Palmer's dog, Chewbacca, was pretty and very friendly. Cheryl explained about certain health issues experienced by small dogs that are brachycephalic (pug-nosed), like Chewie.

The volunteers answered lots of questions about training dogs and provided coloring books from Second Chance for the kids. It was a great program, and we thank Second Chance for sponsoring it!



Carol Kelley with Echo.



Theresa Langelier with Augie.



Heidi and Paige Proulx with Echo and Chewie.



HASTON LIBRARY CHILDREN'S ROOM

OCTOBER STORYTIMES

TUESDAYS 10:30 AM

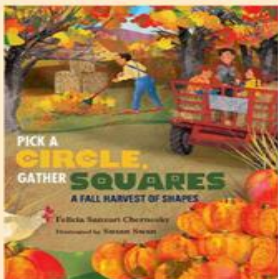
October 4



**Squirrels Leap,
Squirrels Sleep**
by April Pulley Sayre

Squirrel Craft

October 11



**Pick a Circle,
Gather Squares**
by Felicia Sanzari
Chernesky



**Scarecrow
Craft**

October 18



**How to Help a
Pumpkin Grow**
by Ashley Wolff

**Pumpkin
Painting**

October 25



Over in the Hollow
by Rebecca
Dickinson



**Bat
Silhouette
Craft**

Halloween Fun

for Kids and Teens!

Halloween party: It's time for the ghosts and goblins, witches and wizards to gather once again! Join us for a spooktacular good time on Saturday **October 29 at 10am** in the Haston meeting room for our 2nd annual Halloween Party. There will be lots of fun and games available, some spooky displays, and ghostly goodies! This is also the perfect time to show off your costumes! Please RSVP to blamb@cwmares.org.

Tarot reading: Looking for a fun teen program? Join us **October 26 at 6pm** in the Young Adult room to get your very own tarot reading! What will the cards reveal for you? Halloween themed snacks will also be served. Feel free to dress up! 'Tis the season. RSVP to blamb@cwmares.org.

This is a 13+ event

Artober: It's not just October. It's Artober! Artober encourages artists of all ages to create and use their imagination in any way they want! Get a daily prompt at the library or use some of your own ideas. And don't forget to share your masterpieces!

Family Fun Spookfest: We will be at the Family Fun Spookfest sponsored by the Coalition for a Healthy North Brookfield on **October 23rd from 3-6pm** in the elementary school parking lot. Come say hi and grab some treats! We will have a decorated trunk and library resources available. Any guesses as to what the librarians' costumes will be?