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Upcoming Events

Magic the Gathering - Game
Sat, March 13th, 2 - 4 PM
Teen Library, 56 Main Street

Chapter Book Club - Grades 1-3
Clementine by Sara Pennypacker
Mon, March 22nd, 6 -7 PM
Main Library, 53 Main Street

Green Communities Committee
Tues, March 23rd, 5 - 6 PM
Cottage, 56 Main Street

Groupe de Conversation en Francais
French Conversation Group
Fri, March 26th, 1 - 2 PM
Cottage, 56 Main Street
See [Flyer](#)

Vegetarian Wannabees - Foodie Group Event
Wed April 7th, 7-8 PM
Main Library, 53 Main Street

Adult Book Club
Mon, April 12th at 6:30pm and Wed, April 14th at 1:30pm
Lace Reader by Barry Brunonia
Main Library, 53 Main Street

Tweens Book Club for Grades 4-6
Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer
Tues, April 13th, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
Main Library, 53 Main Street

Library Open House

Celebrating the Library Renovation



On Saturday, February 27th, the Easton community celebrated the history and beauty of its recently restored and renovated H.H. Richardson library building. The event, sponsored by the Friends of the Ames Free Library, included informational videos, a self-guiding scavenger hunt, displays by the Easton Historical Society, and crafts and music for children.

Almost seven hundred people were able

Mother Nature - Enhancing Children's Nature Awareness

Tues, April 20th, 2:00 PM
Oakes Ames Hall, 3 Barrows Street

[Eventkeeper Calendar](#) for all Events

Magic the Gathering

Saturdays, 2 - 4 PM, Teen Library



The Library hosts a weekly meeting of [Magic the Gathering](#) at the Teen Library, 56 Main Street. The game runs from 2-4 PM, and is facilitated by W. Lizotte.

Also known as "Magic" or "MTG", it's a collectible card game created by a mathematics professor in 1993. An estimated six million players in over seventy countries are currently enjoying this absorbing game.

You do not need to know how to play, instructions and cards are available for those who want to learn.

Free and open to all teens ages 12 and up.

Volunteer of the Month

Steve Sundell



He does not want to be photographed. He waves away all thanks with a gracious smile. What Steve Sundell, Easton resident of many years does instead, is work hard at making the library furniture match the glory of the building.

Since the reopening of the library a few short months ago, Mr. Sundell has been diligently and

to enjoy the activities and sample baked goodies provided by the Friends.

Three New Museum Passes

New England Aquarium

The Library has **THREE** new passes:



[New England Aquarium](#)



[Battleship Cove](#)

[Institute of Contemporary Art](#)

Institute of Contemporary Art



Sponsored by the [Friends of the Ames Free Library](#).

For more information about these and all the available passes, please see [Eventkeeper](#).

In the Display Case

Works of Charles Lanphear



Did you know how many wonderful artists are living right here in Easton? Last month, you were able to appreciate the many works of Ines Smrz, who also donated the two large wildlife paintings

quietly refinishing, polishing, and repairing wood chairs, step ladders, side tables, and library shelving units, giving generously of his time, energy, material, and skills. As Thomas Carlyle correctly said:

"The work an unknown good man has done is like a vein of water flowing hidden underground secretly making the ground green."

Well, Steve has certainly worked underground and beautified the library. We are thankful to him.

Teen Open House



Who knows how to party? Teens do. Almost one hundred exuberant Easton teens crammed into the historic little pink cottage at 56 Main Street, to celebrate the opening of the Ames Free Teen Library. They checked out teen-appropriate books, movies, music and magazines housed at the library and used the three Internet computers available exclusively for them.

With the help of a generous grant from Verizon, the teens were also able to feast on pizzas, cream puffs, juices, snacks and try out Wii games borrowed for the day.

The Teen Library is open Mon - Sat from 2-5 PM.

An Evening of Olive Oil

With John Boyajian

hanging in the Children's area. For the month of March, come and check out the intriguing art of woodblock printing as perfected by Easton artist, Charles Lanphear.

In addition to samples of his work, you can see the tools he uses, and the stages of woodblock art as captured in the six photographs he has taken of drawing, transferring, cutting, inking, and printing an image. He currently has an ongoing exhibit at Massasoit Community College.

Tracing Your Roots

Two Great Products



The Library has purchased two online genealogical databases, HeritageQuest and Ancestry Library. Ancestry.com is for use in the library only.

[Ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com) is a large collection of genealogical data available online to help you find your ancestors. There is access to over 2 billion names in more than 3,000 databases to help you extend your family trees. Ancestry.com offers many valuable databases, such as **U.S. Census Records** and the **American Genealogical Biographical Index**.

[HeritageQuest Online](http://heritagequest.com) helps library patrons search and use data from the **U.S. Federal Censuses** from 1790 to 1930, with more than 25,000 full-text family and local histories, and **PERSI**, a subject index of over 6,500 local history and genealogy periodicals since 1800.

The database includes Revolutionary War pension and bounty-land-warrant application files, as well as the **Freedman's Bank Records**, an important resource for African-American



It looked more like an artist's palette than food. For all of ten seconds. The aesthetic appeal of a ring of oval white saucers holding the pale yellow scallion oil, green basil oil, speckled Moroccan dipping oil, fiery orange-red habanero oil and a dozen other flavors gave way quite rapidly to an enthusiastic tasting.

More than forty fortunate attendees to the **Foodie Group's** monthly program were both entertained and informed by Easton manufacturer, John Boyajian's riveting account of his infused olive oil business and the many ways infused and dipping oils can be used by discerning epicures.

For all you Foodies out there, who have not yet attended these magical monthly meetings, be sure to mark your calendars for the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm which is when the Foodie Group meets at the Main Library with yet another evening of free information, tastings, and fun planned for the Easton community.

See John Boyajiian's [website](#).

genealogical research.

Additionally, there are more than 250 primary- source documents such as tax lists, city directories, and probate records.

Computer Tid Bytes

Hints for Excel 2007



In Microsoft Excel 2007:

If you make a mistake while editing in a cell hit the **Escape key** on your keyboard to cancel your changes *BEFORE* you leave the cell.

The **Ctrl key + Spacebar** selects the entire column where the active cell is.

The **Shift key + Spacebar** selects the entire row where the active cell is.

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