

Ipswich Public Library

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Notes & Highlights

summer 2016

Redesigned Spaces...

The initial phase of redesigning spaces in the Ipswich Public Library has been completed. We invite you to take a tour around the Library and look...

New Teen Room

The newly expanded Teen Room was designed by Ipswich teens and is now designated for their use only. With new furnishings generously funded by the Board of Library, the Room currently offers spaces for homework, reading, socializing, or other library activities. Reference and Teen Librarian Katy Wuerker has significantly offered a variety of programs for teens since the past year.

The Browsing Room

A year ago, the Friends of the Ipswich Library unveiled the Elm Table, made by local craftsman Fred Rossi from the wood of the storied American elm that stood at the corner of County Street and East Streets, until it succumbed to Dutch elm disease and was cut down in 2012. The elm tree had a long history in the town, estimated to



be about 200 years old, and was referenced in the work of late author and Ipswich resident John Updike, and others. Now, Rossi has worked his magic again, using the remaining elm to create custom-designed display gondolas for the library's main browsing room. This new bookstore-style layout encourages people to browse through new books and other materials. The new gondolas were funded using the State Aid to Public Libraries grant, awarded to towns annually by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

The Friends Book Shop

The Friends of the Library have been hard at work setting up their new book shop -- right here in the library -- which is now open all the time during regular library hours, and continuously restocked by Friends volunteers with donated items from the public. All proceeds from the shop go directly toward funding library programs, furnishings, equipment, and services.



Ride & Read!

Catch the **FUN BUS** to the Ipswich Public Library this summer!

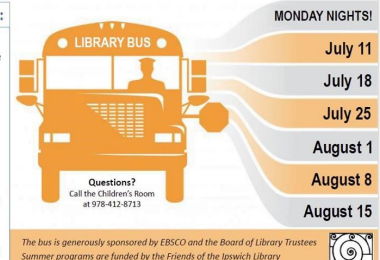
Special programming every **Monday night** at the library, including a live animal presentation with Creature Teachers, Family Zumba by the YMCA, and hands-on play with the Birth to Three Center. Other programs to be announced -- check the online calendar for more information!

Here's how it works:

Pick-Up Locations:
5:45pm - Rosewood Drive
6:00pm - Ipswich YMCA
(the school bus stops)

Drop-Off:
After programs, the bus departs the library at 7:30pm to return to the pick-up locations.

- FREE to Ipswich families
- Children must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 18



MONDAY NIGHTS!

July 11
July 18
July 25
August 1
August 8
August 15

Questions?
Call the Children's Room at 978-412-8713

The bus is generously sponsored by EBSCO and the Board of Library Trustees. Summer programs are funded by the Friends of the Ipswich Library.

Bells On Display



Bells have been part of human civilization since ancient times and were created for varied reasons. Some have whimsical designs while others are quite utilitarian. The general public is invited to view a collection of antique bells in the Rogers Room now through AUG 31st during regular library hours. This exhibit is free, courtesy of Ipswich resident Fran Richards who started her collection with just two cow bells from her Dad's cows at Bull Brook Farm.

Summer Hours

Monday	9 AM-8 PM
Tuesday	9 AM-8 PM
Wednesday	9 AM-8 PM
Thursday	9 AM-5 PM
Friday	9 AM-5 PM
Sat & Sun	Closed



Closed JULY 4th
in observance of
Independence Day.