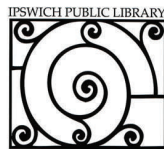


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Participating Discussion Groups

Caldwell Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	April 4
Oak Hill Elderly Housing	April 5
Ipswich Women's Club	April 10
Ipswich High School Reading Club	April 11
Elizabeth Kilcoyne Group	April 12
Sisters of Notre Dame	April 20
Book Discussion at Library/Open to All	April 20
Book Discussion at Library with the Ipswich Public Library Book Club/Open to All	April 25
Ipswich Historical Society	June 5



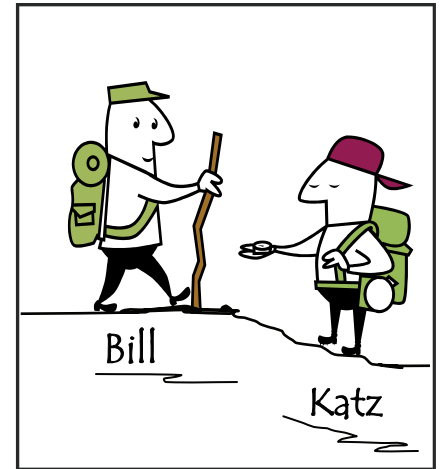
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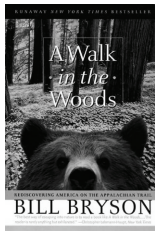
All events are free

We hope you'll participate ...
and enjoy!



Bill Bryson was born in Des Moines, Iowa, in 1951. A backpacking expedition in 1973 brought him to England where he met his wife and decided to settle. He

wrote for the English newspapers *The Times* and *The Independent* for many years, writing travel articles to supplement his income. He lived with his family in North Yorkshire before moving back to the States in 1995, to Hanover, New Hampshire, with his wife and four children. In 2003 he and his family moved back to England, where they currently reside.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

APRIL 3	Kick Off Celebration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Copies of <i>A Walk in the Woods</i> available for borrowing at the Main Desk ✦ Bibliography on Walking Experiences ✦ Display of books on hiking, woodland plants & animals ✦ Essex County Greenbelt Association exhibit on hiking in the Ipswich area ✦ Free maps & brochures from Trustees of Reservations, Essex County Greenbelt Association, Massachusetts Audubon Society, Massachusetts Department of Conservation & Recreation 	10 AM	Main Room
April 8	Adventure & Fun Walk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Nature walk (not too far away) for children 3-6 years old lead by staff. For registration call 978.356.6648 	10 AM	Children's Room
April 10	Lecture: Essex County Greenbelt Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Ed Becker will talk about hiking trails and open spaces in our area maintained by the Essex County Greenbelt Association 	7 PM	Collins Room
April 12	Lecture: Visit to Papa Westry, Scotland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ John Nove, Ipswich resident & science educator, will present a slide lecture on the settlement of Papa Westry in the Orkney Islands, which happens to be Bill Bryson's favorite travel destination. 	7:30 PM	Collins Room
April 19	Lecture: Bay Circuit Trail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Barbara Ostberg, Ipswich resident & hiker extraordinaire, will give a brief history of the Bay Circuit Trail ✦ Bay Circuit Trail 'Cabinet of Curiosities' on view 	2 PM	Collins Room
April 20	Book Discussion: Open to General Public <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Carla Panciera will lead discussion of <i>A Walk in the Woods</i> 	10 AM	Collins Room
April 21	A Walk in the (Ipswich) Woods with Barbara Ostberg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ For Ipswich residents including elementary students accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Directions available at the Ipswich Public Library. 	1:30 PM	Willowdale State Forest
April 22	Stone Stories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Tim Rayworth of the Bureau of Ranger Services will present a program on rocks & minerals, including a rock-cycle game. For children in Grades 3-5. Parents or guardians are encouraged to attend. Register at 978.356.6648 	10 AM	Collins Room
April 25	Book Discussion: Open to General Public <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Carla Panciera will lead discussion of <i>A Walk in the Woods</i> 	7 PM	Rogers Room
April 26	Lyme Disease: Informational Panel Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Speakers include Dr. Leo Shea, Psychologist; Dr. Lucas Wolfe, M.D.; Dr. Bela Matyas of MA Dept. of Public Health; and Bill Hayes. LIMITED SEATING. TICKETS REQUIRED. Tickets available at the Main Desk. 	7 PM	Collins Room
April 29	Family Hike with Barbara Ostberg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Directions available at the Ipswich Public Library 	10 AM	Willowdale State Forest