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Jamestown Philomenian Library
26 North Road
Hours
Mon - Wed: 9-8
Thu - Fri: 9-5
Sat: 9-2

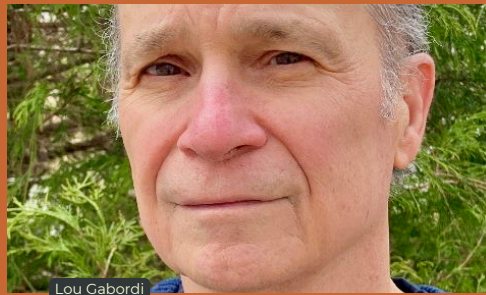
The Friends of the Jamestown Philomenian Library Present:

A Celebration of Poetry and September

with Catherine Denunzio, Lou Gabordi, and Lisa Starr, Rhode Island Poet Laureate Emerita



Catherine Denunzio



Lou Gabordi



Lisa Starr

SEPTEMBER 6 • 1:00 PM • LIBRARY MEETING HALL

Join us at the library for an afternoon of poetry featuring Lisa Starr, Former Rhode Island Poet Laureate, and opening voices Catherine DeNunzio and Lois Gabordi. The event is free and open to the public.



OVERVIEW

- Poetry Celebration Saturday
- Closed for Labor Day
- Tuesday Matinee
- Evening Knitting & Crochet Circle
- Bird Presentation Wednesday
- Notice of Friends Annual Meeting
- Youth Services



HAPPY LABOR DAY

**THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED
SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 -
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1.**

TUESDAY MATINEE

Tuesday, September 2

1:30 p.m.

Meeting Hall

The Phantom of the Opera (1925)

93 minutes | Tragedy | Horror | Music

Lon Chaney, Mary Philbin, Norman Kerry. Directed by Rupert Julian, Lon Chaney, Ernst Laemmle

A mad, disfigured composer seeks love with a lovely young opera singer.

100th Anniversary of the Original Film Premiere!

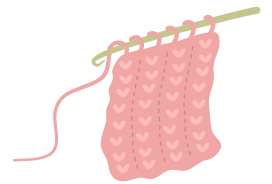


EVENING KNITTING & CROCHET CIRCLE

Wednesday, September 3

5:30 - 7:45 p.m.

Meeting Hall



Open to all Jamestown residents, this is just a group of people who love to knit, crochet or enjoy any non-messy fiber related craft. Come and spend a few hours with us and enjoy conversation and fiber!



THE FRIENDS OF THE JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY PRESENT:

"CONSERVING BIRDS IN AN AGE OF BIODIVERSITY LOSS THROUGH NATURE-BASED TRAVEL"

A DISCUSSION WITH CHARLES CLARKSON

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 | 6:00 P.M.
LIBRARY MEETING HALL

Birds are facing an uncertain future: Despite being on this planet for nearly 160 million years, they are experiencing steep and rapid declines - with North America losing approximately 30% of its total bird abundance in just a 50-year period.

This talk will discuss the amazing evolutionary history of birds, the growing threats they now face, and what we must do to slow their loss and contribute to population growth.





NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Friends of the Jamestown Philomenian Library

The 2025 Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Jamestown Philomenian Library will be held at **6 p.m. on Wednesday, September 18**, in the Sydney Wright Room, 26 North Road, Jamestown, RI.

All interested parties are welcome to attend.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FRIENDS?

The Friends is an IRS-certified 501(c)(3) non-profit organization to which donations and matching gifts are tax-exempt. In the past 12 months, donations to Friends have allowed us to sponsor over 90 events with over 3,000 attendees, and to supplement the library's budget from town and state funds. You may become an annual member of the Friends and help support current and future programs in one of two ways:

- By completing an annual membership online. You can sign up online for a membership and make one time or recurring donations to the Friends by scanning the QR code.
- By submitting a completed annual membership form with a check. Forms are available at the library. Our membership form may be delivered by hand to the library's circulation desk, or via mail to:



Friends of the Jamestown Philomenian Library, 26 North Road, Jamestown, RI 02835.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

The Friends can only operate with active support from community volunteers. We appreciate any time that community members can contribute, whether assisting at a single event or in a continuing role, including as a board member. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Friends at jplfriendsri@gmail.com, or by calling the library at (401) 423-7280 and leaving your name and phone number. A library staff member will ensure that a member of the Friends board contacts you.

Youth Services Happenings

AT JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY

Wednesday, September 3

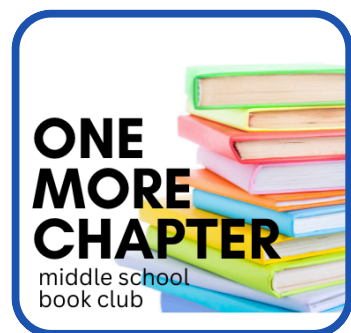


10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Ages 0 - 5 with a caregiver

Meeting Hall

A story time featuring books, finger rhymes, and interactive songs. We focus on early literacy, gross motor skills, and socialization through stories, music, and movement in a relaxed and welcoming environment.



3:30 PM - 4:15 PM

Grades 5 - 8

Sydney Wright Room

Join Colleen & Erin for our One More Chapter Book Club. We meet after school, once a month, to discuss traditional, novel-style chapter books. Snacks and activity will be provided.

September's Pick: Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

Thursday, September 4



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Grades 1 & 2

Sydney Wright Room

Join Colleen & Erin for My First Book Club. We meet after school, once a month, to read a story together and complete a story-related activity. A snack will be provided.

September's Pick: Rabbit & Robot and Ribbit by Cece Bell