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# JPL WEEKLY

Weekly updates for patrons of the Jamestown Philomenian Library

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

## I'VE GOT A SONG:

### A LIVING HISTORY OF THE MCCARTHY ERA

A program of stories and songs by Nancy Hood



Saturday, February 21  
1:00 p.m. | Meeting Hall

26 North Road, Jamestown, RI

Written and performed by Nancy Hood with narration and instrumental accompaniment by Barry Brown.

Visit the website: <https://ivegotasong.wordpress.com>

Brought to you by the Friends of the JPL



## OVERVIEW

- "I've Got a Song" - Songs and Stories by Nancy Hood
- Library Update
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## THE LIBRARY IS OPEN!

However, the Youth Services area, Sydney Wright Room, and Blue Conference Room will be closed until further notice.

Please check our website and social media accounts for updates. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

WWW.JPLRI.ORG

FB: WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/JAMESTOWNPHILOMENIANLIBRARY/

TIKTOK: @JAMLIB

The library will be **closed**  
**Monday, February 16th**  
for Presidents' Day.

We will reopen on Tuesday, February 17th at 9:00 a.m.



## TUESDAY MOVIE

Tuesday, February 17

1:30 p.m.

Meeting Hall



*One Battle After Another*

R | 2 hour 41 minutes | Action Epic | Dark Comedy

Leonardo DiCaprio, Sean Penn, Benicio Del Toro

Directed by Paul Thomas Anderson

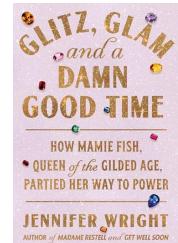
When their enemy resurfaces after 16 years, a group of ex-revolutionaries reunite to rescue the daughter of one of their own.

## DEWEY'S READERS

Wednesday, February 18

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Green Conference Room



*Glitz, Glam, and a Damn Good Time: How Mamie Fish, Queen of the Gilded Age, Partied Her Way to Power*  
by Jennifer Wright

In *Glitz, Glam, and a Damn Good Time*, readers will learn all about how Fish and her friends shaped the line of history, exerting their influence on business, politics, family relationships, and social change through elaborate social gatherings. In a time when women couldn't even own property, let alone run for office, if women wanted any of the things men got outside the home—glory, money, attention, social networking, leadership roles—they did it by throwing a decadent soiree or chairing a cotillion.

February Vacation Activities are included in  
“Youth Services Happenings” on page 6!



# PLAN AHEAD

## ***Ukraine: Modern War from Frontline to Factory***

**Monday, February 23 | 6:00 PM  
Jamestown Philomenian Library  
26 North Road, Jamestown**



**Col. Frank Sobchak PhD, co-chairman Joint Military Operations; U.S. Naval War College, will speak on how the changing nature of combat on the front lines in the Ukraine War are changing the nature of the conflict overall.**

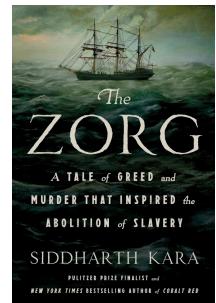
The event is hosted by the Jamestown Ukraine Relief Project and its affiliate, Ukraine Relief Project Aquidneck.

The event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Jamestown Philomenian Library.

## **BROWN BAG BOOK CLUB**

**Tuesday, February 24  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Meeting Hall**

[The Zorg: A Tale of Greed and Murder That Inspired the Abolition of Slavery](#) by Siddharth Kara



The 1781 tragedy that unfolded aboard the Zorg, a Dutch ship used to transport enslaved Africans, provided the spark for the first abolitionist movement in Great Britain.

## **PAGE TO PLATE**

**Wednesday, February 25  
5:30 p.m. \*Note time change!  
Meeting Hall**

### **How it Works:**

Email [emma@jplri.org](mailto:emma@jplri.org) with the recipe you will be bringing. Enjoy a pot-luck and discussion about our recipes



[Half Baked Harvest: Quick & Cozy](#) by Tieghan Gerard

**THE FRIENDS OF JAMESTOWN LIBRARY PRESENT:**

## **TWO FOR THE RHODE**

Join us for a fun concert with this returning jazz bass / guitar duo!

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28  
MEETING HALL | 1:30 P.M.**

**New Date!**

**TWO FOR THE RHODE**

**BACK BY  
POPULAR  
DEMAND!**





# CHECK IT OUT! TECH TIME

One-on-One 'Tech Sessions'  
with *Mike from ATEL*

## Jamestown Library

**Ask a question or just learn a new skill. Smartphones can be used to enhance virtually every aspect of your life!**

- **How to adjust font size**
- **Send a text message**
- **Send a photo via text or email**
- **Take a selfie**
- **Take a screenshot**
- **Scan a QR code**
- **Use your virtual assistant to make phone calls, video calls, send text messages, launch apps, etc.**



Please contact Emma via email ([emma@jplri.org](mailto:emma@jplri.org)) or phone: (401) 423-7280 to sign up for a 30-minute time slot.



### MONTHLY TECH TIP

**Let's Chat about ChatGPT!**  
**Chat is your go-to digital assistant—here to answer questions, spark ideas, help you write, plan and problem solve, anytime you need it!**

February 26, 2026  
12PM-2PM





# Blind Date with a Book!



Treat yourself to an unknown reading delight and possibly win a prize!

Check out the displays, books, and prize opportunities for children, teens, and adults!

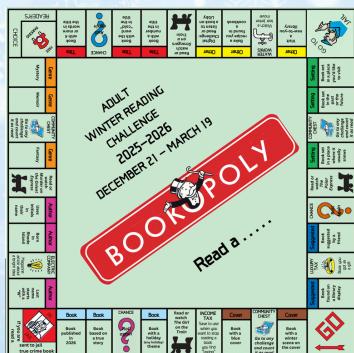
Now through the end of February (while supplies last).



## 2025–2026 Adult Winter Reading Challenge Play "Bookopoly"

December 21 – March 19

Snuggle up with a book and  
beat the winter blues!



Stop by the library to sign up!

Collect your gameboard, snowman  
playing piece, and a set of dice.

Slide into our Winter Reading  
Challenge and win prizes!

OPEN TO  
ALL AGES!

## R H O D E I S L A N D WINTER reading challenge

SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO REGISTER ON  
BEANSTACK!



Feb 1-28, 2026



Read every day



Earn raffle tickets



Win prizes!



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Sponsored by Ocean State Libraries, the Office of Library and Information Services, Beanstack, & Participating libraries

# Youth Services Happenings

AT JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY

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## Tuesday, February 17



**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Family Program**  
**Meeting Hall**

Stop by the Meeting Hall and create something new! Builds from this vacation program will be broken down at the end of the event.

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## Wednesday, February 18



**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.

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## Thursday, February 19



**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.

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**1:00 PM - 2:00 PM**

**Family Program**  
**Meeting Hall**

Have fun and win prizes by playing Bingo at the library!

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## Friday, February 20



**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM**

**Family Program**  
**Meeting Hall**

Join us in the Meeting Hall as we project Spider-Man: Into the Spider-verse (2018 | PG | 1 hour 57 min) on the big screen.