



**Dorothy
Alling
Memorial
Library**

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LIBRARY HOURS

Monday 10-8
Tuesday 10-6
Wednesday 10-8
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LIBRARY CLOSED
Monday, December 31
at 3pm
Tuesday, January 1

News From the Director

Dear Patron,

New Year's Resolutions?

New Year, new you? At least for a week after your resolution, right? I admit, I've given up on formal New Year's resolutions. It doesn't mean I don't think I "should" do something. Eventually, I'll get around to my resolutions...maybe in four or five years. I finally took a basic sewing class at CVU Access. I think I made that resolution three years ago. I had no idea that sewing from a pattern involved learning a new language! I had only been worried about trying to get the sewing machine threaded. I still have not taken the time to figure out how to thread my grandmother's sewing machine that I have at home though. It is different from the machines designed for students. Those machines have numbers at each of the threading points on the machine.

The library can help with your resolutions. If you don't have the time or money to take a series of classes, try checking out a free book or attending one of our free how-to programs. This month you can learn how to clean up your computer, clear the clutter from your home, speak a few words in French to your preschooler, organize and simplify your home, learn about Vermont's agricultural history, and improve your writing. Who knows, you could even make a new friend or get to know your neighbors better by chatting with the other attendees.

Learning about something and doing something are two entirely different things however. The library can help you learn, the rest is up to you! OK, maybe this year my resolution will be to learn how to thread my grandmother's sewing machine.

January 11th Brick Church Concert Benefits Friends of the Library: They Might Be Gypsies and Cassotto Duo





Monday, January 21

WHAT'S NEW?

Sign up for the DAML
Wowbrary Newsletter at
<http://www.wowbrary.org>
to get a weekly e-mail of all
new materials added to our
collections

[They Might Be Gypsies](#), father-son duo guitarists Greg Ryan and Aidan Ryan, deliver high energy and passionate sets of "hothouse swing to Latin flavored rumba with hints of rock'n roll snarl."

[Cassotto Duo](#), pianist Annemieke Spoelstra and accordionist Jeremiah McLane, perform classical works based on traditional melodies that highlight the folk elements in classical compositions.

Rodney Lowe will be exhibiting his realistic work in oil, pastel and charcoal.

Doors will open at 6 pm and the concert starts at 7 pm. Tickets purchased in advance are \$13, or \$15 if purchased at the door. A portion of ticket sales and all refreshment sales will benefit the Friends of the Dorothy Alling Memorial Library. Tickets may be purchased [online](#) and at Williston's Town Hall. Tickets will be available at the Dorothy Alling Library in the two weeks preceding the concert.

News from the Friends of the Library

The minutes from the latest Friends' meetings are at <http://www.williston.lib.vt.us/index.php/about-us/friends-meetings>. New Friends are always welcome!

Amazon donates to the Friends of the Library when you shop at AmazonSmile. Go to Smile.Amazon.com and choose the Friends of the Dorothy Alling Library. Save AmazonSmile as your Amazon site for future purchases. (Purchases from Amazon.com will not benefit the Friends).

News from the Library Trustees

You will find the latest minutes from the Trustees' meetings at <http://www.williston.lib.vt.us/index.php/about-us/board-meetings>

On Display This Month

Gallery: Mixed media by [Mary Hill](#)

Lobby Case: Knitting by Julie Wade

Youth Cases: Ecology of Williston Woodlands by April Palmer, Homeschool Student

Programs

* **Pre-registration required. Note:** To register for programs you may sign up at the library, call us at 878-4918 or email daml@williston.lib.vt.us. Early registration is encouraged. Space is limited in some programs.

Children must be in third grade and at least 8 years of age to be in the library without an adult.



Youth Programs:

After-School Tuesdays:

- **LEGO Club:** Jan. 8, 2-3 pm. Build your own creations using the library's LEGO collection. All ages.
- **Movie:** Jan. 15, 2 pm. "How to Train Your Dragon 2" Rated PG. 1 hour 42 min.
- **Game Day:** Jan. 22, 2 pm. Cards and board games for Gr. 3 & up.
- **Cartooning Club:** Jan. 29, 2-3 pm. Gr. 3 & up.

Food for Thought Teen Group: Thursday, Jan. 3, 4-5 pm. Teens meet for pizza, discussion, and planning special events at the library. Gr. 7-12. New members welcome.

Story Time in French: Saturday, Jan. 12, 10:30 am. Stories in French and English with Delphine Quenet. Non French-speakers welcome!

Gamers Group: Monday, Jan. 14 & 28, 3:30-5 pm. Play a variety of games including board games and Dungeons and Dragons. Gr. 5-8.

Preschool Yoga with Danielle: Friday, Jan. 18, 10:30 am. Simple yoga poses, stories and songs for children birth to age 5 and their caregivers.

Winter Story Time: Tuesdays, 10:30 am (**except January 1-Library Closed**). Includes a simple craft activity. Jan. 8: Fun with Art with Victoria Francis; Jan. 15: In the Jungle; Jan. 22: On the Farm; Jan. 29: Things That Go. All ages.

Preschool Music: Mondays, 11 am (**except January 21-Library Closed**) & Thursdays, 10:30 am. Up to age 5 with a caregiver. No pre-registration.

Thursday Playtime: Thursdays, 11 am-noon. Preschoolers and their caregivers are invited for an informal playtime following Preschool Music.

Multi-age Programs:

Technology Night: Wednesday, Jan. 9, 5:30-6:30 pm. Monthly with Ken Bernard of Vermont Tech. This month: how to clean up your computer and make it run faster. Bring your own device if you would like. Open to all ages.

***Read to a Dog:** Thursday, Jan. 17 & 31. Read to one of our registered Therapy Dogs of VT. Pre-register for individual sessions. All ages.

Substance Abuse Prevention Book Discussion: Monday, Feb. 11, 6-7:30 pm. "Beautiful Boy" by David Sheff and "Tweak" by Nic Sheff are memoirs, one by a father and one by his son, recounting the harrowing impact the son's drug addiction has on their family. Books available at Circulation Desk. Pizza provided. Ages 16+. Snow date Feb. 13. Co-sponsored with ParentIN CVSD.



Facilitated by Tim Trevithick, CVU Student Assistance Program Counselor.

Adult Programs:

***Cook the Book:** Wednesday, Jan. 9, 11-12:30 pm. Each month's selected cookbook remains in the library for you to photocopy a recipe of choice. Prepare the dish and bring the recipe to the potluck meeting. This month: "All-Time Best Soups" by Cook's Illustrated. Pre-register.

Mah Jongg: Wednesday, Jan. 9 and 23, 1-3:30 pm. Learn how to play, revisit the game or just enjoy Mah Jongg. Come alone or bring a friend for a community game. All experience levels are welcome.

***Tech Tutor:** Thursday, Jan. 10, 4-6 pm. Stop by anytime during tech hours for one-on-one technology help from a teen. Guarantee a time by making a 30-minute appointment at 878-4918.

Put Your House on a Diet Series: Bring your own lunch and learn something new. Join one or all sessions. Presented by Melanie Saia, Director of Staging Services, The Malley Group and KW Vermont.

- Friday, Jan. 11, 11-12 pm. **Clear The Clutter**-Tactics to overcome the obstacles that hold you and your stuff hostage. Break down the process and minimize the sense of being overwhelmed.
- Friday, Jan. 25, 11-12 pm. **Organize to Simplify**-Different systems work for different people. Strategies to make your home function for you.
- Friday, Feb. 8, 11-12 pm. **Stage to Live or Stage to Sell**-You're not on HGTV but your house could look like it is. Are you getting your house ready to live in or to leave? Learn how to stage your home.

Movie: Saturday, Jan. 12, 11:30 am. **"Crazy Rich Asians"** 2018 New Release. A woman travels to Singapore to attend a wedding with her boyfriend. She learns he's from one of the richest families in Asia-and that he's at the top of the most eligible bachelor lists everywhere. Snacks provided. Rated PG, 121 minutes.

Brown Bag Book Club: Tuesday, Jan. 15, 12:30-1:30 pm. This month we will discuss "Wuthering Heights" by Emily Bronte. Books available at the front desk. Beverages and dessert provided.

Current Events Conversation: Wednesday, Jan. 16, 10:30 -12 pm. Gather with others interested in informal discussion on current newsworthy topics.

***Mary Hill: Make a Fabric Art Banner:** Wednesday, Jan. 16, 6 pm. Artist Mary Hill will lead a group on making a fabric banner reminding you of a good habit or intention this winter. No art experience necessary. Materials provided. Open to 12 adults. Snow date Jan. 23. Pre-registration required. Mary Hill's art banners are on display this month at the library.

***Williston Library's Writing Series:** These workshops will help you build



your stories and find an audience. Attend one or all sessions. Presented by Dr. Steven Shepard, professional author, photographer, audio producer, and educator. Please pre-register.

- Thursday, Jan. 17, 1 pm. **Session One: Why You Want to Write—A Sense of Purpose:** Explore forces that drive us to write, with an eye toward identifying what and when we write.
- Thursday, Jan. 31, 1 pm. **Session Two: Best Practices:** Explore the craft of writing: when to write, what you need to do it well, and how to create the perfect writing environment.

Audubon VT: Birds, Beef & Brussels Sprouts: Wednesday, Jan. 30, 6:30 pm. Maeve Kim discusses Vermont's long agricultural history and how it has affected bird species and our relationships with them.

Community News:

Your non-profit event can appear here. Send a description to marti@williston.lib.vt.us.

Winter Clothing Drive

Friend 2 Friend is a group of teens who do a series of community action projects throughout the year to effect positive change close to home. They are currently collecting winter clothing to donate to new Americans connected to the Vermont refugee resettlement program.

They are gathering coats, boots, hats, mittens, and other warm clothing in good condition. There is a donation bin in the lobby of the library until January 25 <https://friendtofriendvt.weebly.com>.