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Slate Library News

Slate's annual Summer Reading Program has lots of exciting events! Stop to pick up a game board so you may keep track of your summer reading and win prizes at the library.

Upcoming events this summer:

Saturday, July 11 at 10:30 AM

Story Hour and Craft: Folktales, Stories of Heroes and Heroines

Saturday, July 18 at 10:30 AM

Mad Science: Heroes and Heroines of Science

Discover how Isaac Newton, Nikola Tesla, and Daniel Bernoulli changed the world through science – with fun and exciting activities and demonstrations. Explore Superhero Physics – Real or Science Fiction! What are the scientific possibilities behind comic book and real-life superhero powers.

Saturday, July 25 at 10:30 AM

Animal Adventures

This is Animal Adventures in an all-ages program. Come and hang out with an alligator, snakes, skunk, chinchilla, ferret, hedgehog, sugar-glider, and ring-tailed lemur. Meet the animals, hear interesting stories and information about them. Controlled petting and touching is allowed at the discretion of the Animal Adventure Guide. A fun and unique learning experience to be enjoyed by all!

Saturday, August 1 at 10:30 AM

Story Hour and Craft: Folktales, Stories of Heroes and Heroines

Friday, August 7 at 10:30 AM

"Comic Heroes" Workshop with Undercover Fish Comics

The Superhero is as American as apple pie (or is that Dutch?). What makes a superhero super? What elements make him or

her unique? How about a sidekick? Cool gadgets? Amazing powers? Great costume? All of this and more in our newest drawing workshop!

A lot is happening at Slate this summer! Come and participate!

Honor Rolls

Franklin County Technical School Trimester 2

Grade 11 - Honors: Fallyn Adam

Four Rivers Charter School Semester 1

Grade 11 - High Honors: Celia Bales; Grade 10 - Honors: Jake Wallenius-Duda; Grade 8 - High Honors: Madison Wallenius-Duda; Honors: Paige Molongoski and Chelsea Parzych; Grade 7 - High Honors: Ella Bathory-Peeler and Maia Castro-Santos; Honors: Maddie Tombs

3rd Quarter

Frontier Regional School

Grade 12 - Maximum Honors: Kori Wileman; Grade 10 - High Honors: Ashley Lasseur; Grade 9 - High Honors: Joseph Lawton-Curtis



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Gill Website
www.gillmass.org
for up to date news,
announcements and
contact information!



Pioneer Valley Regional School

Grade 12 - Honors: Malcolm Crosby and James Elliott; **Grade 11** - High Honors: Julia Wallace; **Grade 9** - Honors: Josiah Nilsen; **Grade 8** - Highest Honors: Audrey Corrigan; Honors: Emily Minor, Hugh Schatz-Allison, and Rylie Zager

Turners Falls High School

Grade 12 - First Honors: Lexi Griffin, Brittany Rawson, and Miquel Sandri; Third Honors: Spencer Hubert and Nicholas York; **Grade 11** - First Honors: Mackenzie Phillips; Second Honors: Nadia Hasan; **Grade 10** - First Honors: Gabrielle Arzuage and Bryn Kruzlic; Second Honors: Tahner Castine, Kaili Lynch, and Jeremy Wolfram; **Grade 9** - First Honors: Kyle Kucenski; Second Honors: Branden Chapin and John Wheeler II; Third Honors: James Vaughn

Great Falls Middle School

Grade 8 - Second Honors: Reilan Castine; Third Honors: Ethan Shilo-Draper; **Grade 7** - First Honors: Alyson Murphy; Second Honors: Lindsay Whiteman; Third Honors: Mason Kucenski; **Grade 6** - First Honors: Taylor Murphy, Julie Sprankle and Olivia Whittier

4th Quarter

Frontier Regional School

Grade 12 - First Honors: Elliot Bertini Franseen and Lexi Griffin; Second Honors: Spencer Hubert, Brittany Rawson, Miquel Sandri, and Nicholas York; Third Honors: Zachary Demars; **Grade 11** - First Honors: Mackenzie Phillips; Second Honors: Nadia Hasan; **Grade 10** - First Honors: Gabrielle Arzuage, Bryan Kruzlic, and Kaili Lynch; Second Honors: Tahner Castine and Jeremy Wolfram; **Grade 9** - First Honors: Kyle Kucenski and David Tricolici; Second Honors: James Vaughn and John Wheeler II

Great Falls Middle School

Grade 8 - Second Honors: Deven Goshea and Ethan Shilo-Draper; **Grade 7** - First Honors: Alyson Murphy; Second Honors:

Lindsay Whiteman; **Grade 6** - First Honors: Taylor Murphy, Julie Sprankle, and Olivia Whittier

GRADUATION 2015

Franklin County Technical School - **Ryan N. Bezio** graduated from FCTS from the Automotive Collision Repair and Refinishing Department. Bezio was awarded a John & Abigail Adams Scholarship and a FCTS General Scholarship.

Frontier Regional School - **Kori Nicole Wileman** graduated from Frontier Regional School and has been on the honor roll every quarter while at Frontier.

Pioneer Valley Regional School - **Malcolm Crosby** and **James Elliott** graduated in June from PVRS. Crosby received a Fred W. Wells Fund Scholarship, Gill Firemen's Association Scholarship, John & Abigail Adams Scholarship for MCAS-ELA and Math Mastery, Outstanding Achievement in AP Calculus, Outstanding Achievement in Music in Band, PVRS Instrumental Music Award, PVRS Student Council Scholarship, and the Tyler Family Memorial Award. James Elliott received a Fred W. Wells Fund Scholarship and the Leonard Bruno Memorial Scholarship.

Northfield Mount Hermon School - Gill and Mount Hermon residents **Beatrice Dowdy**, **Gabriel Duska** and **Grace Reeder** graduated in May during the 132nd commencement exercises for Northfield Mount Hermon School.

Turners Falls High School - **Zachary Demars**, **Jessica Gaines**, **Spencer Hubert**, **Alexander Morin**, **Stephanie Robertson**, and **Nicholas**

York graduated from TFHS in June. Zachary Demars received the Bete Fog Nozzle & Caddie Consulting Scholarship and the Senior Class Most Valuable Player Award for Ice Hockey. Spencer Hubert is a National Honor Society Member and received the Senior Class Most Valuable Player Award for Boys' Tennis. Alexander Morin received a Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts Scholarship, a Elizabeth Dorrance Memorial Scholarship, The Saluatorian Award, a National Honor Society Member, President's Award for Academic Excellence, a Scholastic Merit Award (Top 5 Students in Class), the TFHS Academic Excellence in Mathematics Award, and the TFHS Academic Excellence Physical Science Award. Nicholas York received the Harriet E. Tidd Memorial Scholarship, the Turners Falls All-Sports Boosters Scholarship, a Fred W. Wells Trust Fund Scholarship, and the Marston Baseball Award. Junior Book Awards were presented at the Senior Awards Night: Nadia Hasan received the Wells College 21st Century Leadership Award, and Mackenzie Phillips received the Williams College Book Award.

We congratulate the students who participated in sports from all our schools and continued on to post season play. Pitcher Mackenzie Phillips, a junior, and catcher Gabrielle Arzuaga, a sophomore, both from Gill were on the Turners Falls High School Girls Softball team that won the Division III State Softball Championship beating Millis High School 5-3. This is Turners Falls High School's 7th state title.



Gill Historical Commission

The Gill Historical Commission (GHC) meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM in the Riverside Building on Route 2. The Commission is charged with planning for the preservation of historical sites and records within Gill. In addition to gaining a nomination to the National Register for the center of town, the Commission maintains records and artifacts of Gill history in the Riverside municipal building. If you have information or questions about Gill and its history, please contact Kit Carpenter, Bev Demars, Stuart Elliott, Lynda Hodsdon Mayo, Pam Shoemaker, Lynn Stowe Tomb, or Ivan Ussach, chair.

On April 28, the GHC hosted a meeting with a representative from Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) and Bonnie Parsons, researcher on Gill history and preservation. They presented detailed information on the proposed listing of two parts of Gill on the National Register of Historic Places and the qualify-

ing history of both the Gill Center and the Riverside area. The process of being nominated to the National Register was outlined and is expected to take up to two years.

Again, the difference between a restrictive local historical district and a non-restrictive National Register listing was made very clear. The proposed listings for Gill do not place any restrictions on individual properties and their owners. A National Register designation honors an area's place in history and signifies pride in that heritage.

During the next two years, MHC will hold another information session and will outline the nomination process for individual property owners. If you want more information, please see materials at the Town Hall or speak with a member of the GHC.

Thank you to the Fire Department for hosting the April meeting with the GHC at the municipal building and for providing technical support to the presentation. Thank you also to Bev Demars for providing coffee and cookies

Business Advertisements

The Gill Newsletter will include business card size advertisements of local businesses for a year (six bi-monthly issues) for \$60.00. Please send a copy of your business card and a check for \$60.00 payable to 'Town of Gill' to Barbara Watson, 143 River Road, Gill, MA 01354.

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