Stoneham Public Library Newsletter

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Author Domenica Ruta May 19th at 7PM









Domenica Ruta is a native of Danvers who now lives in Brooklyn. She has written a memoir of

her difficult childhood with an addicted mother and her own subsequent addiction. This event is part of an LSTA grant on



health literacy focusing on Substance Abuse and Mental Health.

Junior Library Events

The Junior Library has a few special events planned for the month of MAY.



Saturday May 6th, 11AM-12PM

Join us Saturday Morning. LOKI, a beautiful Leonberger, is trained as a Reading Therapy Dog. LOKI cannot wait to hear your stories. Participants will each have 10 minutes with LOKI to read a book of their choice. He LOVES to be read to. All levels of reading welcome. Reservations are necessary. Stop in or call the Library at 781-438-1325 to reserve your spot.

STORYTIMES will continue on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings until mid May. The Wednesday, May 10th, StoryTime will have special guest readers from Dr. Mickeys' dental office. This Story-

Time is guaranteed to put a smile on your face. Please check the Library web page calendar for details.

The Junior Library staff is working hard spring cleaning the junior room and revving up the collection with the latest titles in preparation for Summer 2017. This summer, BUILD a BETTER WORLD 2017, is shaping up to be an exciting, action packed summer. Stay tuned and informed of programs and events by signing up, in the Junior Library, to receive the Junior Library newsletter (emailed); by FRIENDING us on the Stoneham Public Library FaceBook page where we post all our pictures; and lastly by checking out the Library's calendar of events on our webpage.

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Stoneham Library and Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition presents



May 11th at 7PM

An award-winning documentary on the recovery movement in America will be coming soon to Stoneham Library for showing to the public.

The film is "The Anonymous People," and the screening is one of several programs the Stoneham Library has planned to provide education about substance abuse and recovery.

Directed by Greg Williams, "The Anonymous People" is about the 23.5 million Americans living in long-term recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs.



This moving story is told through the faces and voices of the leaders, volunteers, corporate executives, and celebrities who are laying it all on the line to save the lives of others just like them.

Deeply entrenched social stigma and discrimination have kept recovery voices silent and faces hidden for decades. The vacuum created by this silence has been filled by sensational mass media depictions of people in active addiction that continue to perpetuate a lurid public fascination with the dysfunctional side of what is a preventable and treatable health condition.

Just like women with breast cancer, or people with HIV/AIDS, courageous addiction recovery advocates are starting to come out of the shadows to tell their true stories. This passionate new public recovery movement is fueling a changing conversation that aims to transform public opinion, and finally shift problematic policy toward lasting recovery solutions.

The screening is co-sponsored by the Stoneham Substance Abuse Coalition and made possible by an LSTA health literacy grant. It is free and open to the public.

May Art Exhibit

Shelia Foley and her students are the artists of the month.

Sheila Foley is an artist who works in a variety of wet and dry media from watercolor, pastel and acrylic, to pencil, scratchboard, and pen ink. Genres include portraits, land and seascapes, Illustrations, trompe l'oeil, and more. She is also a published writer, teacher, and living history presenter.

Shelia's students work will be featured in this month's exhibit



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Library LSTA grant on Substance abuse and mental health

The Library's LSTA grant on substance abuse and mental health continues with several programs including author events, the 10th grade health/science classes reading *Beneath a Meth Moon*, and a film coming up on May 11th. See the library Public Service Announcement on the series.

http://vp.telvue.com/preview?id=T01824&video=309880

In addition to these programs, the library intends to purchase several new materials, book, e-books, electronic audio and have workshops on finding resources on substance abuse and health literacy.

